

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water held at Blayney  
Shire Community Centre, on Wednesday, 8 April 2015,  
commencing at 10.30am**

<b><u>Present</u></b>	Cr. David Somerville	(Chairman)	Blayney
	Cr. Kevin Walker	(Deputy Chairman)	Cabonne
	Cr. Geoff Braddon OAM		Blayney
	Cr. Anthony Durkin		Cabonne
	Cr. Alan Griffiths		Weddin
	Cr. Geoffrey McClelland		Weddin
	Gavin Rhodes	(General Manager)	
	Darrell Sligar	(Director Operations & Technical Services)	
	Raelene Mulligan	(Director Finance & Corporate Services)	

**APOLOGIES**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES****15/015 RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Central Tablelands Water, held on 11 February 2015, being minute numbers 15/001 to 15/014 inclusive, be confirmed.

(Cr. Braddon/Cr. Durkin)

**CHAIRMAN'S MINUTE**

At the last Council meeting the Chairman and General Manager were authorised to discuss with relevant stakeholders the implications for CTW of the Fit for the Future reforms and convene a Councillor workshop if necessary. This has not been necessary as all constituent Councils are pursuing "stand alone" proposals. However, the possibility of merger discussions may still emerge after 30 June 2015, so we will need to keep this on the agenda.

As your representative on the Board of Centroc, I have had the opportunity of assisting the Chairman of Centroc and its Executive officer with some aspects of the Joint Organisation pilot process.

So far this has not involved any detailed consideration of the future role of water county councils and regional water alliances in the ultimate JO structure. However, this is an important aspect that will need to be considered in detail. It will be vital to the continuing independent future of CTW. Therefore it is important for CTW to be involved.

It is pleasing therefore that I have been asked to present a paper and to be involved in a panel discussion at the LGNSW Water Management Conference in August on the topic of the "Review of institutional arrangements for local water utilities in regional NSW" in the context of the Fit for the Future reforms.

**15/016 RESOLVED:**

That the Chairman's Minute, as read, be accepted and the contents therein be noted and endorsed.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Durkin)

**COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATION**

Cr. Somerville advised that he and Cr. Durkin had represented CTW at Cr. Ron Penny's funeral in February. Cr. Somerville also represented CTW at the CENTROC Board Meeting at Boorowa, WBC Alliance Board Meeting at Molong, and JO Pilot discussions in Sydney over the past 2 months.

**01) CENTRAL TABLELANDS WATER AND ORANGE CITY COUNCIL WATER SUPPLY PIPELINE PROJECT (WS.AM.1)****15/017 RESOLVED:**

That Council formally approve to proceed with the Central Tablelands Water and Orange City Council Water Supply Pipeline Project under the Restart NSW Water Security for Regions Program.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Durkin)

**02) FINANCIAL MATTERS (FM.BA.1)****15/018 RESOLVED:**

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. McClelland)

**03) INTEGRATED PLANNING & REPORTING 2015/2016 MANAGEMENT PLAN (FM.PL.1)****15/019 RESOLVED:**

1. That Council endorses the draft:

- a. Delivery Plan 2015 – 2019
- b. Operational Plan 2015 – 2016 – Part 1 & 2
- c. Workforce Management Plan 2012 – 2016
- d. Asset Management Strategy and Plans
- e. Long Term Financial Plan

To be placed on public display for a period of 28 days.

(Cr. Griffiths/Cr. Durkin)

**04) DRAFT POLICIES (RM.PO.1)****15/020 RESOLVED:**

That Council endorses the draft:

- a. Enterprise Risk Management Policy;

b. Social Media Policy;

c. Water Meter Policy;

To be placed on public display for a period of 28 days.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Griffiths)

**05) AUDIT COMMITTEE - FEBRUARY 2015 MEETING MINUTES (CM.AU.4)**

**15/021 RESOLVED:**

That Council receive and note the February 2015 Audit Committee Meeting Minutes.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. McClelland)

**06) NSW POLICE - SITE ACCESS EUGOWRA (PM.US.1)**

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*Cr. Durkin declared a pecuniary interest as a current serving member of the NSW Police and was excluded from the discussion.*

**15/022 RESOLVED:**

That Council endorse the action taken by the General Manager in his communication and negotiations with NSW Police and authorise the Chairman and General Manager to re-sign and re-execute under Council's Common Seal the Deed of Access, granted to NSW Police, over Lots 1-3 DP 383826 Eugowra.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. McClelland)

**07) BLAND RECREATION RESERVE TRUST - REQUEST FOR DISCOUNT FOR CAPITAL CONTRIBUTION CHARGE (CR.SD.1)**

**15/023 RESOLVED:**

That the Bland Recreation Reserve Trust be charged on the basis of a residential connection.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Walker)

**08) MILLTHORPE VILLAGE COMMITTEE - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR NETWASTE INITIATIVE (CR.SD.1)**

**15/024 RESOLVED:**

That Council endorse the letter of support for the Millthorpe Village Committee's application for grant funding under the Village Waste Reduction Challenge – A Netwaste Initiative.

(Cr. Braddon/Cr. Walker)

**09) MILLTHORPE VILLAGE COMMITTEE - REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF MILLTHORPE GARDEN RAMBLE (CR.SD.1)**

**15/025 RESOLVED:**

That Council decline the request for a \$50 voucher towards the water accounts of those land owners who participate in the annual Millthorpe Garden Ramble.

(Cr. Braddon/Cr. Griffiths)

**10) ORANGE CITY COUNCIL - SUPPORT FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF A STATE AND NATIONAL CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME (CM.ES.5)**

**15/026 RESOLVED:**

1. That Council reply to Orange City Council confirming support for the introduction of a State and National Container Deposit Scheme, and
2. That Council write to Members Troy Grant, Andrew Gee, Paul Toole, Andrew Fraser, Premier Mike Baird, Niall Blair and Mark Speakman to seek their support in writing for the introduction of a State and National Container Deposit Scheme for beverage containers.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Durkin)

**11) CENTROC BOARD MEETING HELD 26 FEBRUARY 2015 AT BOOROWA (CM.CF.3)**

**15/027 RESOLVED:**

That Council note the report and associated minutes of the Centroc Board Meeting held 26 February 2015.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. Walker)

**12) WBC ALLIANCE - PROJECT OFFICER'S REPORT (CM.AG.6)**

**15/028 RESOLVED:**

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Braddon/Cr. Griffiths)

**13) MAINTENANCE OF COUNCIL'S SYSTEMS (WS.MO.4)**

**15/029 RESOLVED:**

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Durkin/Cr. McClelland)

**14) PERFORMANCE OF COUNCIL'S SYSTEMS (WS.MO.4)**

**15/030 RESOLVED:**

That the information be noted.

(Cr. Griffiths/Cr. McClelland)

**15) QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

No questions on notice were received.

**16) WATER LEAKAGE - ACCOUNT 1816010001 (CR.EQ.1)  
WATER LEAKAGE - ACCOUNT 40904000003 (CR.EQ.1)**

**15/031 RESOLVED:**

That, as this matter deals with items that are subject to the affairs of an individual, Council consider it in Committee of the Whole and that in terms of Section 10A (2) of the Local Government Act, the press and the public be excluded from the meeting of the Committee of the Whole.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Braddon)

**17) PROCEED TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**15/032 RESOLVED:**

That, as business for the Ordinary Meeting has now concluded, Council proceed into Committee of the Whole to discuss the items referred to in the report.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Braddon)

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

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*Cr. Griffiths declared a conflict of interest in Item 1 (Water Leakage Account 1816010001) and vacated the meeting at 11.51am.*

**WATER LEAKAGE - ACCOUNT 1816010001 (CR.EQ.1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the consumer be granted a 50% reduction in water charges for the January 2015 water account.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Walker)

*Cr. Griffiths returned to the meeting at 11.58am.*

**WATER LEAKAGE - ACCOUNT 40904000003 (CR.EQ.1)**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the consumer be granted a 40% reduction in water charges for the January 2015 water account.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. McClelland)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That as the deliberation of the Committee is concluded, the Council reconvene the Ordinary Meeting.

(Cr. Walker/Cr. Durkin)

**18) REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**15/033 RESOLVED:**

That the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole be adopted.

(Cr. McClelland/Cr. Braddon)

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of Central Tablelands Water will be held in Canowindra on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12.10pm.