

# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETING May 2023

## 1 OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened 10:20am

PRESENT AT MEETING:

**Elected Members:**

- Cr Edmunds
- Cr Holtze

**Staff:**

- Dave Ferguson – CEO
- Jasmine Brar – Finance Officer

**Visitors:**

- Melissa Winks (Executive General Manager Sustainability, Core Lithium)

**Apologies:**

Nil

## 2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**Recommendation:**

<2.1.05.30> That the Council notes the absence of **Cr. John Moreen** as absent without notice

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds

**Seconded:** Cr. Holtze

### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Elected members were reminded of their roles and responsibilities and particularly their obligations to declare any interest (material or personal) on any matters presented before Council today that may have a perceived or real conflict of interest.

**<3.1.05.30> That Council receives and notes that there were no declarations of interest for the Ordinary General Meeting.**

### 4 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

**<4.1.05.30> That Council notes the presentation from Core Lithium Executive General Manager Sustainability: Melissa Winks.**

Time: 11:30am

### 5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Recommendation:**

**<5.1.05.30> That the Minutes of the April Ordinary General Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (April Meeting) are confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**  
**Seconded: Cr. Holtze**

### 6 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Recommendation:**

**<6.1.05.30> That Council:**

**Receives and notes the President's Report:**

- He would like the Participants and community to go ahead to Barunga Festival
- He volunteered to drive the coaster bus or aged care bus to take participants to Barunga
- He commended that the potholes got fixed
- Some people can be seen doing burn outs. Recommends CEO to put bollards
- Rubbish near the sewage ponds need to be cleaned
- Old people need to educate young people about lighting fires in the dry season
- Extra cars to be removed from the community

**Action Items:**

- CEO to liaise with Civil Works Manager to put bollards on street corners to stop people from doing burn outs.
- Area around the dam to be leveled to make it easy for slashers to go around and cut the grass
- CEO to liaise with Bushfires NT to do a workshop at school to educate young people about fire management in dry season

**Moved:** Cr. Holtze  
**Seconded:** Cr. Edmunds

## **7 CEO REPORTS**

### **7.1 Incoming & Outgoing Correspondence**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.1.05.30> That Council receives and notes the incoming and outgoing correspondences as tabled:**

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds  
**Seconded:** Cr. Holtze

### **7.2 Barunga Festival**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.2.05.30> That Council notes the CEO report – Barunga Festival**

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds  
**Seconded:** Cr. Holtze

### **7.3 Belyuen Culture Program**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.3.05.30> That Council notes the CEO report – Belyuen Culture Program**

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds  
**Seconded:** Cr. Holtze

### **7.4 Community Development Program**

**Recommendation:**

<7.4.05.30> That Council:

1. Notes the report from the CEO – Community Development Program

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Holtze

### **7.5 Aboriginals Benefit Account**

**Recommendation:**

<7.5.05.30> That Council notes the Report from the CEO – Aboriginal Benefit Account

Moved: Cr. Holtze

Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

### **7.6 Insurance**

**Recommendation:**

<7.6.05.30> That Council notes the Report from the CEO – Insurance

Moved: Cr. Holtze

Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

### **7.7 Recruitment**

**Recommendation:**

<7.7.05.30> That Council notes:

1. Notes the report from the CEO – Recruitment

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Holtze

### **7.8 Care Flights**

**Action Item:**

CEO to consult with the Care Flight and Belyuen Health Clinic about safe landing of Care flights and recommend safe spots for landing in case of an emergency

**Recommendation:**

**<7.8.05.30> That Council notes the CEO report – Care Flights**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**

**Seconded: Cr. Holtze**

### **7.9 External Auditors**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.9.05.30> That Council notes the CEO report – External Auditors**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**

**Seconded: Cr. Holtze**

### **7.10 Core Lithium**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.10.05.30> That Council**

**Moved: Cr. Holtze**

**Seconded: Cr. Edmunds**

## **8 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

### **8.1 Financial Report**

**Recommendation:**

**<8.1.05.30> That Council notes and endorses the financial report for April 2023**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**

**Seconded: Cr. Holtze**

## **9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

**NIL**

## 10 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

## 11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

### Recommendation:

**<11.1.05.30> That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the agenda.**

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Holtze

**Return to Open Session: 3:10pm**

## 12 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting closed at 3:10pm

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled on **27<sup>th</sup> June 2023** at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at **10:00am**.