



UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF
ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GEORGETOWN
ON THURSDAY, 29 MAY 2025
COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

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MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
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ATTENDANCE

Cr. Barry Hughes
Cr. Ian Carroll
Cr. Laurell Royes
Cr. Seven Ryan
Cr. Ian Tincknell

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mr. Mark Watt, Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Raju Ranjit, Director of Engineering Services
Mrs. Renee Bester, Director of Corporate Services

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.03am and welcomed all in attendance.

PRAYER

“We ask that today you give us wisdom to make good decisions to benefit our communities. Help us see what will benefit our shire and give us hearts to serve others. Amen”.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

APOLOGIES, CONDOLENCES AND CONGRATULATIONS

Nil

CONSIDERATION OF OPEN SESSION REPORTS

1. Annual Valuation Effective 30 June 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received correspondence from the Valuer General, Department of Natural Resources and Mines seeking Council's views in relation to the revaluation of the local government area as part of the 2026 revaluation program that will take effect on 30 June 2026. Consistent with the *Land Valuation Act 2010*, Council is required to advise of their support or otherwise for a revaluation in 2026.

RESOLUTION

That Council formally receive the correspondence for the Annual Valuation Project to be undertaken by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines effective 30 June 2026 and advise the Valuer-General that Council has no objections to the project.

MOVED: Cr. Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr. Carroll

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Crs Ryan, Carroll & Tincknell recorded their vote against the above motion.

RESOLUTION

Pursuant to section 254H of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council record its decision against the recommendation and advise the Valuer-General, Department of Natural Resources and Mines that Council objects to the valuation scheduled for 30 June 2026. The reason for the objection to the valuation is due to Council still considering the implications of the most recent valuations and untimeliness of objections for valuations as at 30 June 2024.

MOVED: Cr. Ryan

SECONDED: Cr. Carroll

**CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.01
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CONSIDERATION OF CLOSED SESSION REPORTS

RESOLUTION

Pursuant to section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council close the meeting at 9.27am to discuss (g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government including Tender ESC2025-007 Drainage Structures.

MOVED: Cr. Royes

SECONDED: Cr. Ryan

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.02
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RESOLUTION

That Council re-open the meeting at 9.47am.

MOVED: Cr. Royes

SECONDED: Cr. Carroll

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.03
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2. ESC2025-007 – Drainage Structures – CN-22813 Gulf Development Road Widening and Drainage Project

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report relates to the purchase of pipes and culverts for TMR Contract CN-22813 92C Gulf Development Road reconstruction and widening project.

RESOLUTION

That pursuant to section 234(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council enter into a contract under an LGA arrangement with Civilmart Rocla for the purchase of Culverts and Pipes to the value of \$482,308.48 (Incl GST).

MOVED: Cr. Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr. Carroll

PROCEDURAL MOTION

That the above matter lay on the table to re-enter closed session to further consider quotations.

MOVED: Cr. Ryan

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.04
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RESOLUTION

Pursuant to section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council close the meeting at 10.00am to discuss (g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government including Tender ESC2025-007 Drainage Structures.

MOVED: Cr. Ryan

SECONDED: Cr. Hughes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.05
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RESOLUTION

That Council re-open the meeting at 10.30am.

MOVED: Cr. Royes

SECONDED: Cr. Ryan

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.06
5/0

PROCEDURAL MOTION

That the following matter lay on the table for consideration at the next General Meeting:

- ESC2025-007 Drainage Structures CN-22813 Gulf Development Road Widening and Drainage Project
- Additional information for Council to reconsider the report and make a decision.

MOVED: Cr. Hughes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION #SP25.05.07
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<i>CONCLUSION</i>

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 10.31 am. These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on Wednesday, 18th June 2025.

Cr. Barry Hughes
MAYOR