

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE SHIRE CHAMBER, COONAMBLE, ON WEDNESDAY, 8TH JUNE
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PRESENT: Cr Michael Webb, Mayor, in the Chair, with Crs. John Walker, Danny Keady, Bill Burnheim, Don Schieb and Ahmad Karanouh.
Also present were the General Manager, Mr. Warren, the Director of Community Services, Ms Davids, the Director of Corporate & Urban Services, Mr. Quarmby, the Director of Engineering Services, Mr Chudek, the Manager of Environmental Services, Mr Cock and Mrs Moorhouse.

1.0 OPENING PRAYER

2.0 ACKNOWLEDGE ORIGINAL OWNERS OF THE LAND

At this juncture, the Mayor acknowledged the original owners of the land, both past and present.

4.0 APOLOGIES

2062 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that an apology for non attendance be accepted from Cr Cullen.

3.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No person was present during public question time.

5.0 DEPUTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

No delegations were booked for the meeting.

6.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

7.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

2063 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 11 May 2016 be confirmed.

Business Arising from Minutes:

a) **Clean Up River Bed** – Cr Schieb asked whether a response has been received to Council's letter to the EPA regarding what action is required to commence this work – the General Manager advised no. Mr Warren said that if Council wishes to set a budget and determine an area of the river to be treated, he would arrange a contractor to undertake the work.

Cr Karanouh referred to the Green Army and suggested that would be an avenue worth pursuing – he said that all permits, applications and licenses are secured by the provider of the service.

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2064 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Schieb that investigations be made and contact made for the Green Army to be engaged to clean up the river bed of bamboo, noting that chemical cost is not expensive, the expenditure would be attributable to labour content.

b) Tables & Chairs – Gulargambone – In response to a question from Cr Karanouh, the General Manager said tables and chairs, as requested by Council, have been received and are stored in the Gulargambone Memorial Hall. Mr Warren said the chairs are a better quality, heavier plastic type that are easily carried and stacked.

c) Grid No 1 – Wingadee Road – Cr Schieb said that the work carried out by Council has improved the grid considerably. He thanked the Director of Engineering Services.

d) Submission – Cr Burnheim referred to the submission Council agreed to make to OLGA regarding the application by Coonamble Supa IGA to sell alcohol – the General Manager advised the submission was forwarded.

8.0 RESOLUTION BOOK UPDATE

2065 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Keady that the Resolution Book Update be received and noted.

8.1 Resolutions in Progress

a) Pool Fence – Proposed Replacement – Cr Karanouh said now that funding has been approved Council should decide what type of fence it intends to put around the pool. He referred to a concrete structure, at least at the back and said that it would be a good investment. The General Manager said that he would like a report to be prepared for the July meeting regarding all the fencing covered by the funding. Mr Warren said it would give Council the opportunity to look at various types of fencing available for our key areas and provide Council with costings of each. It was agreed that a report will be provided to the July meeting.

9.0 MAYORAL REPORT

2066 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Webb that his report be received and dealt with:

9.1 Main Street Garden Beds:

2067 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Cr Webb and Keady that Council replace the two raised garden beds at the entrance to Skillman’s Lane and on the opposite side of the street and the work be funded from savings of up to \$20,000 anticipated within the Street Cleaning vote.

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Cr Schieb said he has had considerable positive feedback regarding how much better access to Mooy's Lane is now that the garden bed in front of the Coonamble Times business has been removed. Cr Schieb brought this forward so that Council may consider not replacing the garden bed at the entrance to Eason's Lane.

9.2 Mayoral Activities:

The Mayor reported that he attended the Castlereagh LAC Awards and Medal Ceremony in Walgett on 17 May 2016 – this function also included the Official Unveiling of the Memorial Garden.

He reported on a meeting with Mark Coulton at the Council Administration building on 25 May – discussed the inland rail proposal, particularly the route and access to the proposed line. When advised that there is angst among some landholders who are potentially impacted by the route, Mr Coulton advised for those people to raise their concerns with ARTC directly.

In regard to the meeting with Mr Coulton, Cr Karanouh said he and other Councillors knew nothing of it. The General Manager said the email sent by Mr Coulton's office requested a meeting with the Mayor and General Manager. Cr Karanouh asked that, in the future if Councillors are not included in the invitation, the Mayor advise them of the meeting and ask if they have issues he could present on their behalf. The Mayor noted this request.

On 27 May Cr Webb reported that he attended the community 'drop-in' session at Gilgandra relevant to the inland rail project. Councillors noted that maps were on display at the session, which showed a two kilometre wide corridor that roughly entered the Shire at the Box Ridge Road in the south and exited towards the Baradine Road in the north.

Due to a commitment at the local TAFE on 1 June, the Mayor was unable to attend a further, more detailed stakeholder workshop on the inland rail project. Cr Keady agreed to represent Council, however other commitments prevented him from doing so. Cr Karanouh accompanied the Economic Development Manager to the meeting and provided a brief overview. The EDM provided Councillors with notes from the meeting. The meeting noted that hydrologists have been engaged to carry out soil testing within our Shire - the General Manager said that the results of these tests may have bearing on where the line will eventually run.

2068 RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Webb that the above items be noted.

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9.3 Gulargambone Cemetery

2069 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Webb and Keady that a report be prepared detailing costs involved in re-fencing the whole area of Gulargambone Cemetery with rural-type fencing and providing various options for funding.

10.0 CORRESPONDENCE

2070 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Walker and Keady that the Correspondence be received and dealt with.

Section A – For Council’s Consideration:

10.1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW L10(47658)

2071 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Schieb that Council agree to provide assistance in the amount of \$493.90 from the Donations Vote towards Bathurst Regional Council’s legal costs incurred in an appeal to the Supreme Court of NSW.

10.2 COONAMBLE & DISTRICT EDUCATION FOUNDATION D7(47731)

2072 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Walker that Council agree to waive the fee to hire the Showground Pavilion for a fundraising Art Show and Auction on behalf of the Coonamble and District Education Foundation to be held on Saturday 22 October 2016.

Section B: For Council’s Information:

10.3 RAY & KELLY ROBINSON G5-9(47670)

Thanking the organisers of Youth Week in Coonamble for offering free driving lessons with KMC Driving. Saying their son was one of the “L” platers offered a lesson from which he has benefited greatly.

10.4 KEVIN HUMPHRIES MP G5-57(47712)

Congratulating Council on its successful application in the Liveable Communities Grant for 2015/2016 for \$73,850 for the establishment of the “Safe Coonamble” project. Saying this is a fantastic initiative which will benefit the community, especially the aged.

In response to a question, the Director of Community Services advised this is a research project and funding has been provided for a project worker for a 12 month period – there is no cost to Council. The outcome is expected to be a clear idea of how to assist the ‘target group’ to improve home safety.

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Ms Davids said that the 'target group' is older people who are victims of crime by persons known/related to them. She said this sort of behaviour does happen everywhere and the NSW Department of Family Services, which is the funding body, is hoping this pilot project will give an indication as to what could be done to prevent it and raise awareness for the victims how they can deal with it too.

10.5 COONAMBLE & DISTRICT EDUCATION FOUNDATION L3(47727)

Advising the Foundation is now in its 12th year and providing Council with an update of last year's results, as well as thanking it for its generous support. Saying during the year the Foundation awarded \$20,600 to 14 young students. Saying this year the Country Education of Australia awarded its inaugural Kate Walker Outstanding Service Award to four volunteers from across the country – one of whom was Ginny Taylor. Also advising that Keith Glover and Ginny Taylor received awards for 10 years' service to the Foundation.

2073 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Keady and Walker that the information contained in Item Nos. 10.3 – 10.5 inclusive be noted.

URGENT BUSINESS – SUPPLEMENTARY PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE

2074 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that the following matters be classified "urgent" and dealt with:

10.6 NSW ROADS & MARITIME SERVICES R8-13(47766)

2075 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Schieb that Council nominate as a 'black spot' for funding the 3km section of Tooraweenah Road approaching the Gumin Bridge in the vicinity of the property "Mena".

2076 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Keady that Council nominate as a 'black spot' for funding the "S" bend on the Castlereagh Highway south of Coonamble from David Taylor's property to that owned by Ian Kelly.

10.7 THE HON CATHERINE CUSACK MLC

2077 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that Council note the acknowledgement from the Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier regarding Council's correspondence about petroleum exploration licences and that it has been referred to the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy.

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10.8 MR PETER BUSH D7(47774)

2078 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that Council request Mr Peter Bush, on behalf of the Coonamble Golf Club, to provide a costing for resealing the car park at the Club as detailed, along with a copy of the Club's last audited financial statements prior to making any decision.

11.0 REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER

2079 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Walker and Karanouh that the report by the General Manager be received and dealt with.

11.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

2080 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Walker that Council note Complying Development Application No 011/2016 was approved since the last meeting.

11.2 CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS FENCE – CATHOLIC SCHOOL, COONAMBLE

Councillors noted that in December last year a request was received from St Brigid's School for a contribution towards fencing around the school. The General Manager reported that the work has been carried out and he attached a copy of the final costs for Council's information. Mr Warren informed the meeting that Council has no liability to contribute towards the fencing.

Cr Burnheim informed Council that his wife is an employee of the school.

A MOTION

PROPOSED by Cr Burnheim **SECONDED** by Cr Keady that Council contribute 50% of the cost of the fencing, in an amount of \$11,269.50 from the Development Fund, **was lost.** *2 votes for / 4 votes against.*

Cr Schieb spoke against Council making a contribution, pointing out that it would set a precedent that could lead to other claims on Council by property owners adjoining Council land. Cr. Karanouh also spoke, supporting Cr. Schieb's concerns.

2081 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Schieb and Karanouh that Council contribute 50% to the cost of the dividing fence between the Museum and the School – an amount of \$3,165.15.

Cr Burnheim spoke against this motion saying, from his point of view, Council is dealing with a safety issue for students and also the new fencing has improved the aesthetics of the car park area which is owned by Council.

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11.3 COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2016

2082 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Keady that Council note the September Council meeting will be postponed from 14 September to a later date to enable the required 3 days' notice to be provided to Councillors elected in the September 2016 ordinary elections.

11.4 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2083 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Walker and Keady that the information contained in the economic development report be noted.

Council noted that the application for funding under the Energise Enterprise Fund for Economic Development Planning and Digital Enterprise Program for Business was successful.

11.5 REGIONAL LIVING EXPO 2016

2084 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Keady that Council participate in the Regional Living Expo at the Sydney Showground on 6 & 7 August 2016, in partnership with other Orana Councils and RDA Orana to attract potential new residents and businesses to the Shire.

12.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

2085 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that the report by the Director of Community Services be received and dealt with.

12.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRESS

2086 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that the information contained in the Community Services progress report be noted.

Cr Burnheim asked whether there is as much enthusiasm and drive from the groups involved in the various CADI groups as when the initiative started – the Director said that there was some fall-off, however the groups are working well and it was the Crime and Justice Group that obtained the funding for “Safe Coonamble”. Ms Davids said the process is slow, but that was always expected – there are no quick fixes however all groups are working towards better outcomes.

Cr Karanouh said that in Walgett, the Dob-in-a-Dealer Campaign was circulated by a letter drop – the Mayor said this campaign is run by private organisations through the NSW Police Force.

2087 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Schieb that Council contact Crime Stoppers, requesting that a letter drop providing information and awareness relative to the Campaign be arranged for Coonamble.

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12.2 DRAFT POLICY – SOCIAL MEDIA

2088 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Keady that Council endorse the draft Social Media Policy and place the document on public exhibition for the prescribed 28 day period, before formally adopting the policy in conjunction with any submissions received.

13.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE & URBAN SERVICES

2089 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that the report by the Director of Corporate Services be received and dealt with.

13.1 RATE COLLECTIONS

2090 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that the Total Combined Rate Collections to 31 May 2016 be noted.

13.2 LIST OF INVESTMENTS

2091 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Karanouh that the list of investments as 31 May 2016 be noted, and it also be noted that Council's investments comply with s625(2) of Local Government Act 1993 and Council's Investment Policy.

13.3 WORKS IN PROGRESS

2092 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Keady that Council note the information contained in the works in progress section of the Director's report.

The Director mentioned the following items:

- Kerbing and guttering in front of Leonard's Store in Castlereagh Street has been completed
- Sprinkler system at the sportsground has been extended to cover an area in front of the grandstand
- Referred to works scheduled for Coonamble and Quambone pools, where leaks have been identified and require repair because of old asbestos pipes.
- Cr Karanouh asked whether the damage caused to the main street garden was recorded – the Director said that it was on camera and has been sent to the Police.

13.4 COONAMBLE RURAL TRANSACTION CENTRE BUILDING

2093 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Keady that Council note a contract in the amount of \$59,300, which includes additional works identified by Council, has been awarded to repair the Coonamble RTC building in accordance with recommendations from the structural engineer's report.

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The Manager of Environmental Services provided Council with details of the works to be carried out under the contract.

14.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

2094 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Walker and Schieb that the report by the Director of Engineering Services be received and dealt with.

14.1 WORKS IN PROGRESS

2095 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Burnheim that Council note the Director's report on works in progress.

The Director said that the first 5kms of Vatua Lane were graded prior to the rain – Cr Keady referred to the problem caused by vegetation being brought up onto the road. The Director explained the technique Council uses to remove vegetation is cost effective – to spray road shoulders would be very costly.

It was suggested that the Director bring a report back to Council outlining other methods of dealing with roadside vegetation and ways of controlling it more efficiently – in particular, keeping it from the road surface during maintenance grading.

Cr Schieb said that Council should contact the RMS regarding reduced service level on highways and request it to carry out works in bad sections throughout the Shire. The cost of road works was discussed at length and the following suggestions were made on how, perhaps, Council could save money:

- Adjust/amend road categories
- Arrange an education program – maybe agreement between landholders on each Shire road not to drive on roads when wet
- Erect signs – advising road category, number of grades per year
- Ask the question - are people aware that motor vehicle insurance cover is negated if vehicles had an accident on roads that are 'closed'
- Letters to rural landholders – seeking their cooperation in not traversing roads during wet weather.

2096 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Schieb that a strategy be developed and a report brought back to Council regarding signage for roads that may deter rural landowners from using the roads during wet periods.

At this juncture, 10.33 a.m., the meeting adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 10.56 a.m.

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14.2 ON-STREET PARKING

The Director said that staff had inspected town streets and investigated parking configurations. A map was included with the business paper indicating the following signposted parking:

- Designated caravan parking
- Timed parallel parking (15 minutes)
- 45 deg. Rear to kerb
- School zones
- Truck parking.

2097 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Keady and Walker that Council note the information provided by the Director regarding on-street parking signage in Coonamble.

14.3 FLOOD STUDIES

The reports from Jacobs (formerly Sinclair Knight Merz) to carry out flood studies for West Coonamble, Gulargambone and Quambone have been received and a copy of each is available at the meeting. The General Manager reminded Councillors that links to these documents were forwarded electronically with the business papers so that the information would be available to each Councillor.

2098 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Keady that consultants, Jacobs, who carried out the flood studies and provided the draft reports, be invited to the July meeting to make a presentation and to answer questions, following this the documents be placed on public display allowing for submissions to be received.

14.4 PROPOSAL TO EXTEND WATER – 90KM ZONE SOUTH OF COONAMBLE

In response to a request from residents in River Road, Council considered an earlier report to extend the town water supply to their property. At the May meeting a suggestion was put forward that a report be prepared on the feasibility of extending town water to the 90km zone south of Coonamble. The Director provided a comprehensive report, providing three options/costings.

There was lengthy debate concerning methods of water supply to these properties, however Council was mindful of works with a higher priority to keep upgrading and repairing its existing water supply system. Generally, Councillors were of the opinion that priority works have to be undertaken and any extension of the town water supply to these properties would be an added financial burden.

Cr Burnheim thanked the Director of Engineering Services for the detailed report.

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2099 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Walker that Council note the information.

15.0 REPORT FROM MANAGER OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

2100 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Walker that the report by the Manager of Environmental Services be received and dealt with.

15.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO 015/2016 – PROPOSED FUNERAL HOME – 62 – 64 ABERFORD STREET, COONAMBLE – COONAMBLE ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE

The General Manager informed the meeting that this development application was withdrawn by the applicant.

2101 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Burnheim that Council note Development Application No 015/2016 submitted by the Coonamble Aboriginal Medical Service has been withdrawn.

Council noted that the development application for the proposed funeral home to be established in premises located at 17 – 19 Castlereagh Street, Coonamble, was approved subject to conditions, at the May 2016 meeting.

Cr Karanouh said he wished to have recorded his objection to the proponent of the application, which is Government funded, taking action which could impact severely on an established local business.

15.2 DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS – VILLAGE OF GULARGAMBONE

The Manager submitted a comprehensive report on dilapidated buildings located throughout Gulargambone. Orders have been served on four owners requiring that the structures be demolished.

A further list of properties which have been identified as requiring attention was provided – in each case environmental services staff is in the process of issuing clean up and repair notices. These will be followed up, in the appropriate time frame, with Notices of Intention, then an Order issued if no action is taken.

2102 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Keady and Karanouh that Council note the information and the action proposed to have these buildings within Gulargambone either demolished or cleaned up and repaired.

15.3 RANGER'S REPORT – MAY 2016

2103 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Keady that the Ranger's report for the month of May 2016 be noted.

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Cr Karanouh referred to complaints he has received about dogs in the vicinity of the shop in Wingadee Street. He asked that action be taken against owners who have dogs causing a nuisance. The Manager said that the dog audit is continuing and Council's Ranger is doing all he can to respond to calls and complaints. The General Manager stated that unless individuals are prepared to come forward with evidence of their complaints there is little Council officers can do – pointing out that any complaints regarding nuisance dogs must be substantiated.

16.0 ADOPTION OF OPERATIONAL PLAN

2104 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that Council proceed to adopt the Operational Plan as follows:

16.1 OPERATIONAL PLAN

The General Manager informed the meeting that no submissions were received in relation to the Operational Plan.

2105 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Keady that, in accordance with Sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council adopt the Operational Plan, after considering submissions received, noting that the Operational Plan was advertised and exhibited for the prescribed period of 28 days, with advertisements being placed in the Coonamble Times on 11 May, 18 May and 25 May 2016.

16.2 ADOPTION OF LEVY OF RATES

2106 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Burnheim and Karanouh that Council adopt the making and levying of rates and charges as follows:

(a) Ordinary Rates

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2016 to 30/6/2017 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 11 May, 18 May and 25 May 2016 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period no objections or submissions have been received in making the Ordinary Rates and that in accordance with S492, S493 and S529 of the Local Government Act 1993 the following ordinary rates be made and levied on all rateable land within the Shire for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017:

Type of Rate	Cents in \$	Minimum (\$548)
Ordinary	1.24	430.00
Farmland	0.4135	355.00
Small Rural Holdings	0.701	475.00
Rural Residential	0.66	430.00
Business	2.150	490.00

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(b) User Charges - Water and Sewerage

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2016 to 30/6/2017 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 11 May, 18 May and 25 May 2016 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period no objections or submissions have been received in making the User Charges and that in accordance with S501 and S502 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council levy on such land on which water and sewerage is connected or able to be connected in accordance with S552 as follows:

(i) Water:

Town/Village	Access Charge (\$)	Usage Charge 1 st Tier (c/kl)	2 nd Tier Pricing Limit (kl)	Usage Charge 2 nd Tier (c/kl)
Coonamble	231.00	80	450	1.20
Gulargambone	299.00	85	450	1.30
Quambone	299.00	90	430	1.40

Item	Coonamble (\$)	Gulargambone (\$)	Quambone (\$)
Access charge (20mm metre)	231.00	299.00	299.00
Access charge (25mm metre)	363.00	469.00	469.00
Access charge (32mm metre)	591.00	765.00	765.00
Access charge (40mm metre)	924.00	1,196.00	1,196.00
Access charge (50mm metre)	1,444.00	1,869.00	1,869.00
Access charge (65mm metre)	2,442.00	3,160.00	3,160.00
Access charge (75mm metre)	3,248.00	4,204.00	4,204.00
Access charge (80mm metre)	3,696.00	4,784.00	4,784.00
Access charge (100mm metre)	5,775.00	7,475.00	7,475.00

(ii) Sewer:

Council has adopted a user charge applicable to residential and commercial use – there is no land value based charge.

Residential:

Town/Village	Annual Domestic Charge (\$)
Coonamble – Residential	496.00
Gulargambone – Residential	680.00
Coonamble – Flats	416.00
Gulargambone – Flats	568.00

Non-Residential:

The sewer charge for non-residential services is at minimum charge of:

Coonamble	\$496.00 and
Gulargambone	\$680.00

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Non-residential services are also subject to sewer discharge factor (usage charge) related to water consumption. Further information is contained in Council's Water and Sewer Management Plan.

Treatment Charge – per kilolitre:

Coonamble	88 cents/kl
Gulargambone	104 cents/kl

(c) Domestic Waste Management Service (Garbage)

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2016 to 30/6/2017 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 11 May, 18 May and 25 May 2016 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given and during the period no objections or submissions have been received in making the Domestic Waste Management (Garbage) Rates and that in accordance with s496 and s501 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council levy a charge for the year 1 July, 2016 to 30 June, 2017 as follows:

Coonamble	\$280.00
Gulargambone	\$365.00
Quambone	\$315.00
Vacant Land	\$ 48.00

Commercial Waste Management Charge:

Coonamble	\$280/service
Gulargambone	\$365/service
Quambone	\$315/service

(d) Interest on Outstanding Rates and Charges

In accordance with section 566 (3) of the Local Government Act 1993, interest on outstanding rates and charges is set as per the Determination of the Minister for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June, 2017 @ 8.5%.

(e) Fees and Charges:

WHEREAS the draft Operational Plan for the year 1/7/2016 to 30/6/2017 was prepared by Council in accordance with S405 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 11 May, 18 May and 25 May 2016 in accordance with S405 **AND WHEREAS** a period of 28 days since the publication of that notice was given regarding making of the fees and charges and in accordance with S501 of the Local Government Act 1993 Council adopt the fees and charges for period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017, **AND FURTHER** that Council, in setting these charges, examined the criteria detailed in S539.

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16.3. ADOPTION OF 2016/2017 ESTIMATES

2107 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Walker and Burnheim that Council hereby votes for expenditure for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 the sums set out in the draft estimates considered by Council on 11 May 2016 and advertised in the Coonamble Times on 11 May, 18 May and 25 May 2016, details of which are as follows:

<i>Details</i>	<i>Expenditure</i>	<i>Income</i>
Administration	9,338,691	12,597,944
Public Order & Safety	350,236	83,300
Health	408,430	7,500
Environment	1,062,255	468,235
Community Services & Education	134,520	2,900
Housing & Community Amenities	350,000	213,000
Water Supplies	1,272,070	1,486,718
Sewerage Services	1,018,040	1,135,618
Recreation & Culture	1,716,961	82,000
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	1,851,880	1,874,280
Transport & Communication	6,766,699	4,515,391
Economic Services	716,795	314,870
Capital - General	6,923,198	5,591,297
Capital – Water	578,818	-
Capital – Sewerage	567,200	-
TOTAL	33,055,793	28,373,053

17.0 REPORTS FROM VARIOUS COMMITTEES

2108 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that the reports / minutes from various committees be dealt with.

17.1 Local Traffic Committee Minutes – meeting on Tuesday 19 April 2016

17.2 Orana Economic Development Network Minutes – meeting on Friday 6 May 2016

17.3 Coonamble Shire Youth Council Minutes – meeting on Thursday 19 May 2016

2109 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Keady that the minutes of the above three meetings be noted.

18.0 SALEYARDS REPORT

2110 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Schieb that the Saleyards report be received.

18.1 Sales / 18.2 Saleyards Account

2111 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Keady and Walker that the above two items in the Saleyards Report be noted.

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19.0 CLOSED SESSION

- 2112 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Keady that Council resolve into Closed Session, in accordance with section 10A of the Local Government Act 1993 “*section 2 (c) “information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business”*”
- 2113 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Burnheim and Keady that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.

RESUME OPEN MEETING

- 2114 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Keady and Karanouh that Council resume Open Meeting.

ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION OF CLOSED SESSION

- 2115 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Keady and Karanouh that Council adopt the recommendation from Closed Session, being Recommendation No.19.1, as set out hereunder:

19.1 Coonamble Levee Upgrade – Stage II

That Council resolves to accept the tender submitted by Batterline Earthmoving Pty Ltd, in the Recommended Tender Amount of \$2,281,245.50, for Contract No 1500706 for Coonamble levee upgrade stage two.

- 20.0 QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE** Nil

21.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Karanouh:

- Wi Fi – Gulargambone Library – thanked staff.
- Girls’ toilet at sportsground – needs repair
- Complaints re dogs – especially in the vicinity of the Wingadee Street shop.
- Broken water pipe alongside Commercial Hotel car park – referred to heavy machinery being constantly driven in and out of the yard which he believes contributed to the damage. He requested staff to make enquiries to ascertain whether the proprietor of the hotel is selling heavy equipment from the car park and, if this is the case, to ensure the operator has Council approval.

A lengthy debate ensued regarding businesses within the town operating without approval. Cr Burnheim said this would be difficult to police and perhaps it is not necessary for staff to take this action. The Manager of Environmental Services said he would act according to Council’s request and action instigated would take time – the General Manager said that the matters would be

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investigated, however if and when staff take action, Council must proceed with fines and/or court to bring each case to fruition.

Cr Schieb:

- Advised that funding for eradication of box thorn has been delayed for three weeks – an assessment panel, to allocate funds, was being appointed this week – he will advise when funding is available.
- Referred to box thorn at the airport and said when the funding is available, Council should apply.
- Was advised by the Land Care Support Group that the LLS would be following up on box thorn growing on stock routes.
- Suggested that an advertisement be placed in Council's column in the Coonamble Times regarding the funding to get rid of box thorn.
- Advised 2 probationary police officers will be coming to Coonamble – suggested that the area should be reclassified to attract more officers.
- Referred to funding cuts for highway works and suggested that Council should request RMS to provide sufficient money to repair the worst sections.

Cr Burnheim:

- Enquired about Council's funding application for the netball courts and upgrade of the area – the Director of Community Services said it was not successful. Ms Davids said Council was expecting to be provided with feedback, which would assist with further applications.
- Requested that gravel be placed on the approaches to bridges where it has become very corrugated to provide a more permanent solution. Would like the Director of Engineering Services to check all bridges on unsealed roads within the Shire and provide a cost to Council to seal the immediate approaches to reduce the incidence of roughness and corrugation.

Cr Keady:

- Attended the SES function on behalf of Council – referred to dropping volunteer numbers. Said the current building needs repairing – the foundations are moving and the building is taking in water. The General Manager said he has spoken with David Monk who was going to look into the configuration of the building at Mendooran and discuss further. The General Manager said that Council is required under the Act to provide the SES with an adequate building
- Said that there was mention of the SES and Fire Control Service moving in together – which would be a good thing for both emergency services.
- Referred to some landholders having trouble with addresses/localities – requested that enquiries be made with the Geographical Names Board to determine what can be done to alleviate the situation.

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Cr Walker:

- Referred to being endorsed as RV Friendly town – suggested that Council build a toilet at Lions Park. The General Manager said the cost of a similar toilet recently was in the vicinity of \$35,000.

2115 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Walker and Schieb that Council erect a single unisex toilet in Lions Park and funds be drawn from the Development Fund.

General Manager:

- Said he anticipates that funding application outcomes for the Showground would be available in late July / early August.

Manager – Environmental Services:

- Said he has been approached by mothers of very young children asking for suitable swings to be made available in Macdonald Park. The Director of Community Services said an application for funding under the Stronger Communities Program includes play equipment from 0 – 5 years.

2116 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Webb that Council note the application for funding, but agree to make funding available from the Development Fund for suitable play equipment for children 0 – 5 years and it be installed at Macdonald Park and Broome Park.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 12.20 p.m.

Pages (1/5873 to 18/5891) confirmed on the **Thirteenth** day of **JULY 2016** and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on **8 JUNE 2016**.

MAYOR

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