



**SNOWY MONARO**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL

# **Minutes**

**Extraordinary Council Meeting**

**29 November 2022**



**EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA NSW 2630  
ON TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2022**

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**MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 81 COMMISSIONER STREET, COOMA NSW 2630**

**ON TUESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2022  
COMMENCING AT 5:00PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Narelle Davis  
Deputy Mayor Tanya Higgins  
Councillor Peter Beer  
Councillor Louise Frolich  
Councillor Christopher Hanna  
Councillor Tricia Hopkins – *via audio-visual link*  
Councillor Karlee Johnson  
Councillor Craig Mitchell  
Councillor Bob Stewart  
Councillor Lynda Summers  
Councillor Luke Williamson

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**Staff:** Peter Bascomb, Chief Executive Officer  
David Rawlings, Chief Strategy Officer – *via audio-visual link*  
Jeff Morgan, Chief Operating Officer  
Tracy Sligar, Chief Financial Officer  
Gina Woodward, Chief Communications Officer – *via audio-visual link*  
Richard Doolan, Chief Workforce Officer – *via audio-visual link*  
Liana Biki, Secretary Council and Committees

## 1. OPENING MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting at 5:00PM

## 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

## 3. COUNCILLOR REQUEST FOR ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL

### 3.1 COUNCILLOR REQUEST FOR ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL LINK

Record No: I22/853

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**349/22**

That Council approve the remote attendance of Cr Hopkins at the meeting on 29 November 2022, via audio-visual link and accept her reason of being out of town for work duties.

**Moved Councillor Stewart**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

#### **Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Beer, Mayor Davis, Councillor Frolich, Councillor Hanna, Deputy Mayor Higgins, Councillor Johnson, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Williamson and Councillor Mitchell.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

## 4. APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE BY COUNCILLORS

Nil

## 5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

## 6. NOTICE OF MOTION

*Cr Williamson's motion to abandon the meeting lapsed due to lack of seconder.*

### 6.1 NOTICE OF MOTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION 308/22 ITEM 8.2.1 FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW

Record No: I22/854

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer  
Author: Councillor Luke Williamson  
Attachments: 1. Notice of Motion to Rescind a Resolution

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Councillor Luke Williamson has given notice that at the Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 29 November 2022, he will move the following motion.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**350/22**

We hereby give notice of the following motion of rescission:

That Council resolution number 308/22, item 8.2.1 Financial Sustainability Review passed at the Extraordinary Council meeting held 24 November 2022, be and is hereby rescinded.

**Moved Councillor Summers**

**Seconded Councillor Mitchell**

**LOST**

#### **Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Frolich, Councillor Stewart and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Beer, Mayor Davis, Councillor Hanna, Deputy Mayor Higgins, Councillor Hopkins, Councillor Johnson, Councillor Summers and Councillor Mitchell.*

### 6.1 Procedural Motion

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**351/22**

That the motion be put.

**Moved Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

#### **Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Beer, Mayor Davis, Councillor Frolich, Councillor Hanna, Deputy Mayor Higgins, Councillor Hopkins, Councillor Johnson, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Williamson and Councillor Mitchell.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

**6.2 NOTICE OF MOTION TO CEASE SPECIAL RATE VARIATION**

Record No: I22/855

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer  
Author: Councillor Luke Williamson  
Attachments: Nil

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Councillor Luke Williamson has given notice that at the Extraordinary Meeting of Council on 29 November 2022, he will move the following motion.

**MOTION**

Should the recession motion be adopted we hereby give notice that it is our intention to move the following motion:

That Council

- A. Cease all consideration of a Special Rate Variation related to FY 2022/23.
- B. Appoint an qualified organisation to independently:
  - (i) Assess all causes of Council's increased expenditure since the merger and make clear observations to the efficiency of council's business processes across all functions.
  - (ii) Identify and assess all options, guided by an assessment of community views, for reducing council's operating expenditure. Such options to include but not limited to; restructuring, divestment of non-core businesses, discontinuation or suspension of specific services, process level efficiencies, and the orderly de-merger of the Council.

*Item 6.2 was not moved due to item 6.1 being LOST.*

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 5:26PM



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CHAIRPERSON

The above minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting of Snowy Monaro Regional Council held on 29 November 2022 were confirmed by Council at a duly convened meeting on 15 December 2022 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.