



SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

CONFIRMED MINUTES

16 OCTOBER 2025

The resolutions contained within these minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting on the 27 October 2025.

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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 4 LAGOON PLACE, YEPPON ON THURSDAY, 16 OCTOBER 2025 COMMENCING AT 3:30PM (SPECIAL)

1 OPENING

Acknowledgement of Country

"I would like to take this opportunity to respectfully acknowledge the Darumbal People. The traditional custodians and elders past, present and emerging of the land on which this meeting is taking place today."

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

Mayor, Councillor Adam Belot
Deputy Mayor, Councillor Pat Eastwood
Councillor Glenda Mather
Councillor Rhodes Watson
Councillor Wade Rothery
Councillor Lance Warcon
Councillor Andrea Friend

Officers in Attendance:

Alastair Dawson – Interim Chief Executive Officer
Katrina Paterson - General Manager Communities
Michael Kriedemann – General Manager Transport and Utilities
Jon Rutledge - Chief Human Resources Officer (Acting)
Graham Scott - Consultant
Chris Hocking – Manager Water & Waste Operations
Skye Michaels – Strategic Communications Lead Advisor
Kylie Keech – Executive Support Officer (Minute taker)

3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE / APOLOGIES

Nil

**4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE
AGENDA**

5 BUSINESS ARISING OR OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

7.1 LIFTING MATTERS LAYING ON THE TABLE

File No: GV13.04.06
Attachments: Nil
Responsible Officer: Alastair Dawson - Interim Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

This report is being presented to Council in order for the stated matter to be formally lifted from the table prior to being dealt with at this meeting.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council resolves that the following report which is currently 'laying on the table' within the Business Outstanding Table awaiting return to a Council meeting, be lifted from the table to be dealt with later in this meeting:

- Water Supply Agreement between Livingstone Shire Council and Sunwater

Matter be Lifted from the Table

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

That pursuant to s2.18.1(d) and s2.18.13 of Livingstone Shire Council's Meeting Procedures Policy the matter be lifted from the table to be dealt with

Moved by: Councillor Mather

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

3:33PM

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

16.1 WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIVINGSTONE SHIRE COUNCIL AND SUNWATER

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3)(g), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government.

Moved by: Councillor Friend

Seconded by: Councillor Watson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

4:34PM

THAT the meeting moves out of closed session and be opened to the public.

Moved by: Councillor Warcon

Seconded by: Councillor Friend

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

16.1 WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT BETWEEN LIVINGSTONE SHIRE COUNCIL AND SUNWATER

File No: TBC
Attachments: Nil
Responsible Officer: Michael Kriedemann - General Manager Transport & Utilities
Alastair Dawson - Interim Chief Executive Officer
Author: Chris Hocking - Manager Water and Waste Operations

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SUMMARY

Correspondence was received on 17 March 2025 from Mayor Tony Williams elaborating on the Rockhampton Regional Council (RRC) resolution from 11 March 2025 regarding water supply to Livingstone Shire Council (LSC). The current Bulk Water Supply Agreement between RRC and LSC expired on 30 June 2025, with LSC initiating negotiations for its extension.

The resolution from RRC establishes a two-phase approach:

- **Phase 1:** Supply (to LSC) of Treated Bulk Water from RRC's Allocation (Until June 30, 2026). Until June 30, 2026, Rockhampton Regional Council will continue to supply treated bulk water to Livingstone Shire Council from RRC's existing water allocation from the Fitzroy Barrage Water Supply Scheme, under a new Bulk Water Supply Agreement (yet to be negotiated). This ensures continuity of service and provides a dedicated period for both councils to manage the transition effectively.
- **Phase 2:** RRC to Treat and Supply Water from LSC's Allocation (From July 1, 2026, onwards). Effective July 1, 2026, Rockhampton Regional Council will continue to provide the essential service of treating and supplying bulk water to Livingstone Shire Council. However, from this date, the raw water required for this supply will be sourced directly from Livingstone Shire Council's own water allocation.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THAT Council resolves to:

1. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to Section 257(1)(b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, to finalise negotiations required, enter into a contract with Sunwater for the purchase of a water allocation of up to 6,500 ML from Rookwood Weir.
2. Authorise Council officers to continue negotiations with Rockhampton Regional Council regarding the treatment of water (Bulk Water Supply Agreement) for the period commencing post 1 July 2026.

Moved by: Mayor, Councillor Belot

Seconded by: Councillor Friend

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4:41pm.

Mayor Adam Belot
CHAIRPERSON

DATE