Mareeba
SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES

Wednesday, 18 February 2026

Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES OF MAREEBA SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2026 AT 9:00AM

1 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Angela Toppin (Mayor), Cr Mladen Bosnic, Cr Amy Braes, Cr Nipper Brown, Cr Mary Graham, Cr Lenore Wyatt

2 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE/ABSENCE ON COUNCIL BUSINESS

Cr Cardillo was granted a leave of absence.

3 BEREAVEMENTS/CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed as a mark of respect for those residents who passed away during the previous month. In particular the recent passing of Cr Cardillo’s father.

4 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 2026/13

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Lenore Wyatt

That the minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 January 2026 be confirmed.

CARRIED

6 BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

7 DEPUTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Nil

8 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.2 COUNCIL POLICY REVIEW

RESOLUTION 2026/14

Moved: Cr Mary Graham
Seconded: Cr Mladen Bosnic

That Council:

1. Repeals the:

   Revenue Policy – adopted 19 February 2025

   Public Interest Disclosure Policy – adopted 15 February 2023

   Procurement Policy – adopted 18 June 2025

   Delegations and Authorisations Policy – adopted 15 February 2023

2. Adopts the:

   Revenue Policy

   Public Interest Disclosure Policy

   Procurement Policy

   Delegations and Authorisations Policy

CARRIED

8.3 AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 87 OF THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) RELEVANT TO LOT 58 ON SP233811 - WAKAMAN PEOPLE #5

RESOLUTION 2026/15

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Lenore Wyatt

That:

1. Council agrees in-principle to the draft section 87A agreement as hereto attached;
2. the Mayor and CEO are authorised to agree to any minor amendments to the section 87A agreement and to confirm final agreement to the section 87A agreement; and
3. Council authorise Andrew Kerr from Moray & Agnew Lawyers to execute the section 87A agreement on behalf of Council.

CARRIED

8.4 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERIOD ENDING 31 JANUARY 2026

RESOLUTION 2026/16

Moved: Cr Nipper Brown
Seconded: Cr Mary Graham

That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 31 January 2026.

CARRIED

8.5 MAREEBA SHIRE LOCAL HOUSING ACTION PLAN UPDATE

RESOLUTION 2026/17

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Lenore Wyatt

That Council:

1. Receives the Mareeba Shire Local Housing Action Plan update; and
2. Rescind point three (3) of resolution 2024/207 dated 20 November 2024 "*that Council Intends to subdivide and freehold all lots with social housing dwellings in order to divest the properties to the preferred provider, Mareeba Community Housing Company, with costs met by the funded social housing service*"; and
3. Consent to the handling of reserve land tenure related dealings for divestment of social housing dwellings by operation of a Term Lease approach with The Mareeba Community Housing Company as lessee and the State of Queensland as lessor.

CARRIED

8.6 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2025/26 PROGRESS REPORT

RESOLUTION 2026/18

Moved: Cr Nipper Brown
Seconded: Cr Mladen Bosnic

That Council receives and notes the progress report on the implementation of the 2025/26 Operational Plan for the period October to December 2025.

CARRIED

9 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, CAPITAL WORKS MONTHLY REPORT - JANUARY 2026

RESOLUTION 2026/19

Moved: Cr Mary Graham
Seconded: Cr Mladen Bosnic

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services Capital Works Monthly Report for the month of January 2026.

CARRIED

9.2 MAREEBA CBD BLUEPRINT PROJECT - ADOPTION OF MASTERPLAN

RESOLUTION 2026/20

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Lenore Wyatt

That Council adopts the Mareeba CBD Masterplan.

CARRIED

9.3 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, TECHNICAL SERVICES OPERATIONS REPORT - JANUARY 2026

RESOLUTION 2026/21

Moved: Cr Lenore Wyatt
Seconded: Cr Mladen Bosnic

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Technical Services Operations Report for January 2026.

CARRIED

9.4 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, WATER AND WASTE OPERATIONS REPORT - JANUARY 2026

RESOLUTION 2026/22

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Mary Graham

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Water and Waste Operations Report for January 2026.

CARRIED

9.5 TENDER AWARD - TMSC2025-32 KERBSIDE COLLECTION SERVICES

RESOLUTION 2026/23

Moved: Cr Lenore Wyatt
Seconded: Cr Mary Graham

That Council awards Tender TMSC2025-32 Kerbside Collection Services to JJ Richards & Sons Pty Ltd to commence 1 December 2026 for a seven (7) year and seven (7) month term with extension options up to three (3) years.

Upon finalisation of the services to be delivered, the value of the contract will be determined by resolution of Council.

CARRIED

9.6 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, DISASTER RECOVERY OPERATIONS REPORT - JANUARY 2026

RESOLUTION 2026/24

Moved: Cr Mladen Bosnic
Seconded: Cr Nipper Brown

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Disaster Recovery Operations Report for January 2026.

CARRIED

9.7 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, WORKS SECTION ACTIVITY REPORT - JANUARY 2026

RESOLUTION 2026/25

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Mladen Bosnic

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Works Progress Report for the month of January 2026.

CARRIED

9.8 TENDER AWARD - T-MSC2025-33 MSC DRFA 2024 - WARRIL & MOUNT HAREN LANDSLIP REMEDIATION

RESOLUTION 2026/26

Moved: Cr Nipper Brown
Seconded: Cr Lenore Wyatt

That Council awards the contract for T-MSC2025-33 MSC DRFA 2024 – Warril & Mount Haren Landslip to Australian Ground Engineering Pty Ltd for a value of $2,999,139.13 (excl. GST) subject to receipt of funding approvals from the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

CARRIED

9.9 PEST MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLUTION 2026/27

Moved: Cr Nipper Brown
Seconded: Cr Amy Braes

That Council adopt the revised Pest Management Advisory Committee Terms of Reference as attached.

CARRIED

10 OFFICE OF THE CEO

10.1 SMALL BUSINESS FRIENDLY COUNCIL COMMITMENT 2026-27

RESOLUTION 2026/28

Moved: Cr Amy Braes
Seconded: Cr Lenore Wyatt

That Council continues to demonstrate leadership in supporting small and family businesses and remains an active and compliant member of the SBF Program and:

1. Endorses the renewed participation of Mareeba Shire Council in the Queensland Small Business Friendly Program;
2. Signs the updated Small Business Friendly Commitment document; and
3. Approves the Small Business Action Plan for implementation.

CARRIED

10.2 NAMING OF BUSHY CREEK BRIDGE AT CHAPMANS ROAD JULATTEN - VERRI'S BRIDGE

RESOLUTION 2026/29

Moved: Cr Nipper Brown
Seconded: Cr Mary Graham

That Council name the bridge at the Bushy Creek crossing on Chapmans Road, Julatten, as Verri's Bridge.

CARRIED

11 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil

12 BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE

12.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE - COUNCIL BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 2026/30

Moved: Cr Mary Graham
Seconded: Cr Amy Braes

That Cr Wyatt be granted a leave of absence for the Council Meeting scheduled 18 March in order to attend LAWMAC in Brisbane.

CARRIED

13 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

The next meeting of Council will be held at 9:00am on 18 March 2026.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:36am.

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Cr Angela Toppin

Chairperson