

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF  
THE NORTHERN RIVERS JOINT ORGANISATION**

**HELD via zoom**

**ON FRIDAY 21 AUGUST 2020**

**ATTENDANCE**

Crs Danielle Mulholland (Chair), Katie Milne; David Wright, Simon Richardson, Robert Mustow, Darlene Cook

Anita Gambhir (Office of Local Government); Louise McMeeking (Regional NSW)

General Managers Troy Green, Vaughan MacDonald, Graham Kennett, Mark Arnold, Paul Hickey, Shelley Oldhan

Michael Thurston (Destination North Coast), Tim Williamson (RDA Northern Rivers), Phil Rudd (Rous County Council)

Nicole Reeve, Donna McIntyre (minute taker)

**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

In opening the meeting, the Chair provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies have been received from Cr Isaac Smith

***19082020/1 RESOLVED***

*Moved:*

*THAT the apologies be noted*

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**4. ADDRESS BY OFFICIAL VISITORS**

A presentation on the Northern Rivers NSW Brand was provided by Simon Stahl, Chair of the Branding Committee

***19082020/2 RESOLVED***

**MOVED:**

*THAT the NRJO enter into a formal Memorandum of Understanding with Northern Rivers Together in relation to the Northern Rivers Brand*

*THAT the Chair be authorised to sign the MOU on behalf of the NRJO*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

**5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES and BUSINESS ARISING**

**5.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE NORTHERN RIVERS JOINT ORGANISATION HELD 26 JUNE 2020**

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**19082020/2 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:**

*THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation held Friday 26 June 2020 be adopted as a true and accurate record of proceedings of that meeting.*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

**5.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE NORTHERN RIVERS JOINT ORGANISATION HELD 7 AUGUST 2020**

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**19082020/3 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:**

*THAT the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation held Friday 7 August 2020 be adopted as a true and accurate record of proceedings of that meeting*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

**6. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**NIL received**

**7. REPORTS**

**7.1 ASSOCIATE MEMBER REPORT - DESTINATION NORTH COAST**

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**19082020/4 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:**

*THAT the report from Destination North Coast be received and noted.*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** – All Councillors voted unanimously.

**7.2 ASSOCIATE MEMBER REPORT – RDA NORTHERN RIVERS**

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**19082020/5 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** *THAT the report from RDA Northern Rivers be received and noted.*

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**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** – All Councillors voted unanimously.

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**7.3 ASSOCIATE MEMBER REPORT – SCENIC RIM REGIONAL COUNCIL**

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**19082020/6 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** *THAT the report from Scenic Rim Regional Council be received and noted.*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

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**7.4 NCLLS PROPOSED BUSHFIRE STIMULUS PROJECTS - PEST AND WEED MANAGEMENT**

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**19082020/7 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** *THAT the report from the Joint Pest and Weed Management Committee be noted be noted and that the Executive Officer be authorised to endorse the project plan once finalised.*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

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**7.5 CHAIR'S REPORT**

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**19082020/8 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** THAT the Board receive and note the Chair's report

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

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**7.6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

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**19082020/9 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** THAT the Board receive and note the Executive Officer's report

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously

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**7.7 BANKING**

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**19082020/10 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:**

- *That the Board nominates Executive Officer Nicole Reeve as a "Beneficial Owner" of the Joint Organisation bank accounts.*
- *That two of following three signatories be required to sign and approve payments: The Chair, the Executive Officer and the General Manager of the Council to which the Chair belongs*

- *That the Board approve a Visa debit card to be issued to Nicole Reeve. This card will be attached to an individual Everyday account under the Northern Rivers Joint Organisation main account. This account will be 'one to sign' only. A limit of \$2000 will apply to this card.*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

## **7.8 2020-2021 BUDGET**

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**19082020/11 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** *THAT THE Board adopt the 2020-2021 budget as tabled*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

## **7.9 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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**19082020/12 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:** *THAT THE Board accept the financial reports for period ending 31 July 2020*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

## **8. URGENT BUSINESS**

**19082020/13 RESOLVED**

**MOVED:**

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE** - All Councillors voted unanimously.

### QLD – NSW Border

Members of the NRJO and other relevant stakeholders have participated in Zoom updates with the NSW Cross Border Commissioner relating to the QLD – NSW Border restrictions and associated regional impacts.

Action: Board to discuss potential courses of action by the NRJO in relation to the on-going border restrictions.

## **9. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

## **10. CORRESPONDENCE**

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**19082020/14 RESOLVED**

**MOVED** : *THAT the correspondence report be received and noted*

**CARRIED**

**FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.**

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MEETING CLOSED 12.45pm

**Next meeting**

**25 September 2020**

**Byron Shire Council**

**Mullumbimby**

MINUTES APPROVED



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Cr Danielle Mulholland

Chair