BOULIA
SHIRE COUNCIL

Minutes of the ORDINARY MEETING
of the Boulia Shire Council
held on Friday 24 July 2026
commencing at 9:00 am

1 Meeting Opening with the Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

Please note:
In some instances, due to unforeseen circumstances, the sequence of the Ordinary Meeting of Council on the meeting day may vary from the order of the agenda issued. The corresponding meeting minutes will follow the outline of the originally issued agenda, however the resolution numbers noted will be in accordance with the actual sequence of the meeting on the day.

The Mayor opened the meeting at 8.58am.

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional carers of the land on which Council meets, the 'Pitta Pitta' people, and paid Council's respects to the elders past and present.

The Mayor also acknowledged past and present service personnel.

It has been noted that the Mayor has reminded all Councillors in regards to registration of interests and declaration of contact with or engagement of lobbyists.

2 Present

Councillors: Councillor Eric (Rick) Britton
Councillor Sam Beauchamp
Councillor Jack Neilson
Councillor Jan Norton
Councillor Julie Woodhouse

Officers: Mr Gordon Magann (A/CEO)
Mrs Tracy Magann (Executive Assistant)
Mrs Nicole Tonkies (Assistant to CEO)

3 Apologies / Leave of Absence

There were no apologies or leaves of absence for this meeting.

4 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest relevant to reports at this meeting.

5 Mayoral Minutes

There were no Mayoral Minutes to be noted at this meeting.

6 Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motions to be noted at this meeting.

7 Request to Address Council in a Public Forum

There were no requests to address the Council.

8 Petitions

There were no petitions presented to Council.

9 Deputations

There were no deputations to Council.

10 Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meetings

Moved: ***Cr Neilson*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Woodhouse***

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 29 June 2026 be accepted.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.1 ***Carried***

Mr Anthony Ottoway, Council's financial consultant, joined the meeting via Teams at 9.03am.

Councillor Norton left the meeting at 9.07am.

Mr Ottoway left the meeting at 9.08am.

11.3 Corporate Services

TITLE:	June Finance Report	DOC REF:

PURPOSE:
To provide Council with the financial report for the period ended 30 June 2026.

Moved: ***Cr Beauchamp*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Britton***

That Council notes the contents of the finance report: operating performance and the capital program performance report for the period ended 30 June 2026.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.2 ***Carried***

Cr Norton returned to the meeting at 9.11am.

Confirmation of Budget Minutes from Previous Meetings

Moved: ***Cr Britton*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Neilson***

That the minutes of the 26/27 Budget meeting of Council held on the 30th June 2026 be accepted.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.3 ***Carried***

11 Reports

11.1 Works and Operations

TITLE:	Director of Works and Operations June 2026 Report	DOC REF: 11.1.1

PURPOSE:
To advise Council of relevant activities undertaken through the Works and Operations Directorate during the July 2026 period.

Moved: ***Cr Woodhouse*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Neilson***

That the A/Director Works and Operations Report for July 2026 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.4 ***Carried***

TITLE:	Diamantina Street Residential Estate Reconfiguration	DOC REF: 11.1.2

PURPOSE:
To provide Council with a recommendation for the acceptance of planning assessment report for the reconfiguration of a Lot into 39 lots on Diamantina Street Boulia.

Moved: ***Cr Britton*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Norton***

It is recommended that in relation to the development application, DA2025/01 for Reconfiguring a Lot (one lot into thirty-nine lots and new roads) over three stages at Diamantina Street, Boulia formally described as Lot 102 on SP255329, that Council resolves to approve the Officers Recommendations contained in the decision notice.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.5 ***Carried***

Councillor Neilson left the meeting at 9.37am.

TITLE:	Additional water allocation	DOC REF: 11.1.3

PURPOSE:
To provide Council with a recommendation for the acceptance of unallocated water from State reserve.

Moved: ***Cr Beauchamp*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Norton***

It is recommended Council receives the offer by the State to release fifty (50) megalitres of unallocated water from the State Reserve and accepts the Terms of Grant to accompany Council's application for issue of a water licence.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.6 ***Carried***

Councillor Neilson returned to the meeting at 9.39am.

TITLE:	QRA Flood Damage Report	DOC REF: 11.1.4

PURPOSE:
To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Flood Damage Program for June 2026.

Moved: ***Cr Neilson*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Britton***

That the QRA Flood Damage Works Department June 2026 Report be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.7 ***Carried***

11.2 Office of the Chief Executive

TITLE:	Chief Executive Officers Report for June 2026	**DOC REF:** 11.2.1

PURPOSE:
To advise Council of relevant activities undertaken through the office of the CEO.

Moved: ***Cr Beauchamp*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Woodhouse***

That the CEO Report for June 2026 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.8 ***Carried***

The meeting was adjourned for morning tea at 10.18am.

The meeting resumed at 10.57am.

TITLE:	Action List Update June 2026	**DOC REF:** 11.2.2

PURPOSE:
To present to Council an updated Action List.

Moved: ***Cr Britton*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Woodhouse***

That Council receive the Action List update for June 2026 for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.9 ***Carried***

TITLE:	WHS Information Report for June 2026	**DOC REF:** 11.2.3

PURPOSE:
To inform Council of progressions and or issues of concerning regarding WH&S. Ongoing monitoring with projects to ensure correct and completed WHS paperwork is submitted and identify potential hazards and any documentation requirement shortfalls with evidentiary documents held in Magiq and Pulse. Adopt various alerts/updates into regular Toolbox talks and training.

Moved: ***Cr Neilson*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Britton***

That the Workplace Health and Safety Report for June 2026 be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.10 ***Carried***

11.4 Economic and Community Development

TITLE:	Min Min Encounter & Boulia Heritage Complex Report June 2026	**DOC REF:** 11.4.2

PURPOSE:
To report on the day-to-day operations of the Min Min Encounter (MME) and Boulia Heritage Complex (BHC) and to promote tourism in the Shire and surrounding region.

Moved: ***Cr Britton*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Beauchamp***

That the Min Min Encounter & Boulia Heritage Complex Report for the June 2026 Council Meeting be received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.11 ***Carried***

TITLE:	Library Report for June 2026	**DOC REF:** 11.4.2

PURPOSE:
To report on the day-to-day operations of the Boulia Shire Library.

Moved: ***Cr Britton*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Woodhouse***

That the library report for June 2026 is received for information.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.12 ***Carried***

12 Closed Session

There were no closed session reports presented to Council.

13 Late Reports

TITLE:	DA2026/03 Development Application for a Material Change of Use for Community Use, Office and Shop	**DOC REF:** 13.1

Moved: ***Cr Britton*** ***Seconded:*** ***Cr Neilson***

It is recommended that in relation to the development application, DA2026/03 for a Material Change of Use for Community Use, Office and Shop at Lot 45 SP351538 (previously Lot 604 B2671 and Lot 605 B2671) that Council resolves to approve the Officers Recommendations contained in the decision notice.

Resolution No.: 2026/7.13 ***Carried***

14 General Business

Councillor questions raised during General Business have been noted in the 'Action List' which will be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.

15 Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 11.50am.

16 Confirmed

Minutes to be confirmed at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council.