



**SNOWY MONARO**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL

# **Minutes**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**14 November 2024**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN JINDABYNE MEMORIAL HALL, THREDBO TERRACE, JINDABYNE NSW 2627  
ON THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2024**

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**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD IN JINDABYNE MEMORIAL HALL, THREDBO TERRACE, JINDABYNE NSW 2627**

**ON THURSDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2024  
COMMENCING AT 1:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Christopher Hanna  
Councillor Narelle Davis  
Councillor Nick Elliott  
Councillor Tanya Higgins  
Councillor Tricia Hopkins (*via audio-visual*)  
Councillor John Rooney  
Councillor Reuben Rose  
Councillor Bob Stewart  
Councillor Lynda Summers  
Councillor Andrew Thaler  
Councillor Luke Williamson

**APOLOGIES:** Nil

**Staff:** David Rawlings, Chief Executive Officer  
Simon Rennie, Chief Financial Officer  
John Gargett, Acting Chief Infrastructure & Projects Officer  
Tony Murray, Chief Community Services Officer  
Angela Summerville, Chief People and Organisational Performance Officer  
Megan Haigh, EA to CEO, Mayor and Councillors  
Erin Donnelly, Governance Officer

**1. OPENING MEETING**

The Mayor opened the meeting at 1:00 PM

**2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

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

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>246/24</b>
That Council approve the remote attendance of Deputy Mayor Hopkins at the meeting on 14 November 2024, via audio-visual link.	
<b>Moved Mayor Hanna</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Davis</b>
	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>

*At 01.04 pm Adjourn for public forum.*

*At 01.06 pm Councillor Rooney arrived at the meeting during the public forum.*

*At 01:51 pm Councillor Rose left the meeting.*

*At 01:52 pm Councillor Rose returned to the meeting.*

*At 01.59 pm Resumed meeting.*

*At 02.05 pm Councillor Summers left the meeting.*

*At 02.06 pm Councillor Summers returned to the meeting.*

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

Nil

**5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil

## 6. MATTERS DEALT WITH BY EXCEPTION

### Items by Exception

The Mayor requested that Councillors nominate any items listed in Corporate Business and Confidential Business that they wished to discuss.

### 6.1 MATTERS DEALT WITH BY EXCEPTION

Record No: I24/608

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the following items:

- A. 7.1 – Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes held 15 August 2024
- B. 7.2 – Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes held 10 October 2024
- C. 7.3 – Extraordinary Council Meeting Minutes held 24 October 2024
- D. 7.4 – Closed Session of the Extraordinary Council Meeting Minutes held 24 October 2024
- E. 9.2.4 – Monthly Funds Management Report – August 2024
- F. 9.2.5 – Monthly Funds Management Report – September 2024
- G. 9.2.6 – Monthly Funds Management Report – October 2024
- H. 9.3.2 – Delivery Program Progress Report
- I. 9.3.4 – 2023-2024 Annual report and 2021-2024 State of Region Report
- J. 9.3.4 – Tabling of Disclosures by Councillors and Designated Person
- K. 9.5.1 – Resolution Actions Sheet Updates
- L. 10.1 – Minutes from Advisory Committees
- M. 10.2 – Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee 20 August 2024
- N. 10.3 – Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee 17 September 2024
- O. 10.4 – Minutes of the Local Traffic Committee 29 October 2024
- P. 14.2 – Legal Actions and Potential Claims Against SMRC

be adopted as recommended in the business paper.

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**MOTION LAPSED**

### 1.1 Lapsed Motion

The above motion LAPSED as Councillor Thaler indicated that he would like all items dealt with in the meeting.

## 7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 7.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 15 AUGUST 2024

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>247/24</b>	
THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 August 2024 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.		
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>		
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Stewart and Councillor Summers.</i>	
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Councillor Rose, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>	

### 7.2 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 10 OCTOBER 2024

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>248/24</b>	
THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 10 October 2024 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings, pending the following amendments:		
A. Review the vote of Councillor Williamson in relation to the vote for the initial chairing of the meeting by Councillor Stewart.		
B. Check voting and confirm.		
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>		
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Stewart and Councillor Summers.</i>	
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Councillor Rose, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>	

**7.3 EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 24 OCTOBER 2024**

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION** **249/24**

THAT the minutes of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 24 October 2024 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings pending the following amendments:

- A. That Councillor Williamson left the meeting 1.15 pm and did not vote on matters after that time.

**Moved Councillor Davis** **Seconded Councillor Summers** **CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Rose.*

**7.4 CLOSED SESSION OF THE EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 24 OCTOBER 2024**

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION** **250/24**

THAT the minutes of the Closed Session of the Extraordinary Council Meeting held on 24 October 2024 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

**Moved Councillor Davis** **Seconded Councillor Summers** **CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart and Councillor Summers.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*



**8. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION MATTERS**

**8.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION - CONCEPT + STAGE 1 DA FOR A MULTI-DWELLING HOUSING DEVELOPMENT 10.2024.88.1**

Record No: I24/434

Applicant Number:	10.2024.88.1
<p><b>RECOMMENDATION</b></p> <p>That pursuant to section 4.16 of the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended)</i> Council grants consent to 10.2024.88.1 for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Concept DA for a Multi-dwelling housing development, and</li> <li>B. Stage 1: Removal of vegetation, specifically Pine Plantation, and site preparation for future multi-dwelling housing development on Cobbon Crescent JINDABYNE NSW 2627, Lot: 32 DP: 816199, Lot: 1 DP: 1019123 and Lot: 6 DP: 239537 with conditions of consent attached to this report.</li> </ul> <p>Development Description:</p>	<p>Stage 1: Removal of vegetation, specifically Pine Plantation, and site preparation for future multi-dwelling housing development.</p> <p>Concept DA for a Multi-dwelling housing development</p>
Applicant:	RJVB Finance Pty Ltd
Owner:	R D Van Beelan & RJVB Finance Pty Ltd
DA Lodged:	10/05/2024
Property Description:	Cobbon Crescent JINDABYNE NSW 2627 Lot: 32 DP: 816199, Lot: 1 DP: 1019123 and Lot: 6 DP: 239537
Property Number:	254400

Zone:	R1 – General Residential and RE1 - Public Recreation
Current Use:	Vacant Land
Proposed Use:	Multi Dwelling Housing
Permitted in Zone:	Yes
Recommendation:	Approval

At 02:43 pm Deputy Mayor Hopkins left the meeting.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**251/24**

That pursuant to section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (as amended) Council grants consent to 10.2024.88.1 for:

- A. Concept DA for a Multi-dwelling housing development; and
- B. Stage 1: Removal of vegetation, specifically Pine Plantation, and site preparation for future multi-dwelling housing development on Cobbon Crescent JINDABYNE NSW 2627, Lot: 32 DP: 816199, Lot: 1 DP: 1019123 and Lot: 6 DP: 239537 with conditions of consent attached to this report.

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Rooney**

**CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Summers.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

**Councillor Leaves the Room**

Deputy Mayor Hopkins was absent from the meeting during item 8.1 Development Application – Concept + Stage 1 DA for Multi-Dwelling Housing Development 10.2024.88.1, and did not vote on this item.

**9. OTHER REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

**9.1 OPERATIONS**

Nil

## 9.2 FINANCE

### 9.2.1 2023/24 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Record No: I24/590

*At 03:13 pm Councillor Rose left the meeting.*

*At 03:15 pm Councillor Rose returned to the meeting.*

*At 03:15 pm Councillor Higgins left the meeting.*

*At 03:18 pm Councillor Higgins returned to the meeting.*

*At 03:21 pm Mayor Hanna vacated chair and Councillor Higgins assumed the chair.*

*At 03:21 pm Mayor Hanna left the meeting.*

*At 03:21 pm Councillor Summers left the meeting.*

*At 03:23 pm Councillor Summers returned to the meeting.*

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**252/24**

That Council:

- A. Receives and notes Snowy Monaro Regional Council's draft General Purpose and Special Purpose Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.
- B. Authorises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Chief Executive Officer and the Responsible Accounting Officer to sign the Statement by Councillors and Management in accordance with Section 413(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.
- C. Refer the Financial Statements to the NSW Audit Office in accordance with Section 413(1).
- D. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to lodge the 2024 Financial Statements upon receiving the external auditor's report, with the Office of Local Government.

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

#### **Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart and Councillor Summers.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*At 03:24 pm Mayor Hanna returned to the meeting.*

*At 03:24 pm Mayor Hanna returned and assumed the chair.*

**9.2.2 REVOTES AND CARRY FORWARDS FROM 2023/24 TO 2024/25 FINANCIAL YEAR**

Record No: I24/602

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>253/24</b>
That	
A. The budget detailed in this report as revotes from 2023/24 be approved	
B. The budgets detailed in this report as carry forwards from 2023/24 to 2024/25 financial year be noted.	
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b> <b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>

**9.2.3 QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT (QBR) 30 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Record No: I24/610

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>254/24</b>
That Council receive the quarterly budget review statement for the quarter ended 30 September 2024 and approve the variations noted therein.	
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Higgins</b> <b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Stewart and Councillor Summers.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Councillor Rose, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>

**Procedural Motion**

**ADJOURNMENT**

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>255/24</b>
That the Council meeting be adjourned.	
<b>Moved Mayor Hanna</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>

At 04.01 pm the meeting resumed.

**9.2.4 MONTHLY FUNDS MANAGEMENT REPORT - AUGUST 2024**

Record No: I24/525

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>256/24</b>	
That Council:		
A. Receive the report indicating Council’s cash and investments position as at 31 August 2024; and		
B. Receive the certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer.		
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>		
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers and Councillor Williamson.</i>	
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>	

At 04.03 pm Councillor Thaler returned to the meeting.

**9.2.5 MONTHLY FUNDS MANAGEMENT REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2024**

Record No: I24/562

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>257/24</b>
That Council:	
A. Receive the report indicating Council’s cash and investments position as at 30 September 2024; and	
B. Receive the certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer.	
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b>
	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>

**9.2.6 MONTHLY FUNDS MANAGEMENT REPORT - OCTOBER 2024**

Record No: I24/603

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>258/24</b>
That Council:	
A. Receive the report indicating Council’s cash and investments position as at 31 October 2024; and	
B. Receive the certificate of the Responsible Accounting Officer.	
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b>
	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>

### 9.3 STRATEGY

#### Procedural Motion

#### INTO COMMITTEE

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

259/24

That Council move into committee at 4.05 pm to discuss the appointments to committees.

Moved Councillor Williamson

Seconded Councillor Thaler

CARRIED

#### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

The below items were discussed during committee:

#### Cr nominations and voting outcome for appointment to committees

##### Internal Advisory Committees

Committee name/ purpose	Delegate
Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Williamson (alternate Cr Rose)
Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group	x1 Councillor – Cr Higgins
Cemeteries	x1 Councillor – Cr Rose
Community Support Programs	x1 Councillor – Cr Davis
Saleyards & Transit Stock Facilities	x2 Councillors – Cr Thaler & Cr Stewart
Snowy Monaro Arts & Cultural	<p>x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler and Cr Davis</p> <p><i>Voting For Cr Thaler Cr Elliot, Cr Rose, Cr Stewart Cr Thaler, Cr Williamson.</i></p> <p><i>Voting for Cr Davis Cr Davis, Cr Hanna, Cr Higgins, Cr Rooney and Cr Summers.</i></p> <p><i>Upon the vote being put there was equal votes for each nominee. Cr Davis advised she was happy to be the alternate on this committee</i></p> <p>Decision = Cr Thaler (alternate Cr Davis)</p>

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Committee name/ purpose	Delegate
Snowy Monaro Biosecurity (Weeds)	x2 Councillors – Cr Davis and Cr Williamson
Yamaga Sister City	Mayor
Housing and Social Services	x1 Councillor – Cr Higgins
Recreational Facilities	x1 Councillor – Cr Hopkins
Cooma North Ridge Reserve	x1 Councillor – Cr Hopkins
CEO Performance Review Panel	x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler, Cr Elliott <i>Voting for Cr Thaler</i> <i>Cr Thaler</i> <i>Voting for Cr Elliott</i> <i>For = Cr Davis, Cr Elliot, Cr Hanna, Cr Higgins, Cr Rooney, Cr Rose, Cr Stewart and Cr Summers.</i> <i>Decision = Cr Elliott</i>

**External Committees**

Committee name	Delegate
ANU Medical School - Community Advisory Committee	X 1 Councillor – Davis and Thaler <i>Voting for Cr Davis</i> <i>Cr Davis, Cr Elliot, Cr Hanna, Cr Higgins, Cr Rooney Cr Stewart and Cr Summers</i> <i>Voting for Cr Thaler</i> <i>Cr Rose, Cr Thaler and Cr Williamson</i> <i>Decision = Cr Davis</i>
Boco Rock Community Fund Committee	Mayor (Chair)*, CEO*, X 2 Councillors – Cr Thaler, Cr Elliot, Cr Stewart <i>Voting for Cr Thaler</i> <i>Cr Thaler and Cr Williamson</i> <i>Voting for Cr Elliot</i> <i>Cr Davis, Cr Elliot, Cr Hanna, Cr Higgins, Cr Rose and Cr Summers</i> <i>Voting for Cr Stewart</i> <i>Unanimous</i> <i>Decision = Cr Elliot and Cr Stewart</i>
Bundian Way Advisory Committee	x1 Councillor or CEO = Cr Stewart
Cooma Correctional Centre Community Consultative Committee	x1 Councillor = Cr Summers



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Committee name	Delegate
Community Safety Precinct	x1 Councillor – Cr Davis
District Bushfire Management Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler and Cr Rooney <i>Voting for Cr Thaler Cr Elliot, Cr Stewart and Cr Thaler</i> <i>Voting for Cr Rooney Cr Davis, Cr Hanna, Cr Higgins, Cr Rose, Cr Rooney and Cr Summers.</i> Decision = Cr Rooney
District Liaison Committee	x2 Councillor – Cr Hanna & Cr Davis CEO*
Jindabyne Liquor Accord	x1 Councillor – Cr Elliot
Local Traffic Committee (LTC)	x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler and Cr Rooney <i>Voting for Cr Thaler Cr Elliot, Cr Rose, Cr Stewart, Cr Thaler and Cr Williamson.</i> <i>Voting for Cr Rooney Cr Davis, Cr Hanna, Cr Higgins, Cr Rooney and Cr Summers.</i> <i>Upon the vote being put there was equal votes for each nominee. The Mayor exercised his casting vote and voted in favour of Cr Rooney.</i> Decision = Cr Rooney
Monaro Regional Interagency Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Higgins
NSW Government’s Asbestos Coordination Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler
South East Arts Board	x1 Councillor – Cr Davis and Cr Thaler <i>Voting for Cr Davis Cr Davis, Cr Elliot, Cr Higgins, Cr Rooney, Cr Stewart and Cr Summers.</i> <i>Voting for Cr Thaler Cr Rose, Cr Thaler and Cr Williamson</i> Decision = Cr Davis
Southern Regional Planning Panel	Mayor & CEO 1 x Alternative = Cr Thaler and Cr Rooney <i>Voting for Cr Thaler Cr Elliot, Cr Hanna, Cr Rose, Cr Stewart, Cr Thaler and Cr Williamson.</i> <i>Voting for Cr Rooney</i>

Committee name	Delegate
	<i>Cr Davis, Cr Higgins, Cr Rooney and Cr Summers.</i> Alternate = Cr Thaler

**Procedural Motion**

**OUT OF COMMITTEE**

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	260/24
That Council move out of committee at 4.25 pm.	
<b>Moved Councillor Thaler</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Davis</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>CARRIED</b></span>
<b>Record of Voting</b>	
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>

**9.3.1 APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO COMMITTEES**

Record No: I24/593

COUNCIL RESOLUTION	261/24
That Council:	
A. nominate the following councillors or CEO representative/s to the existing committees.	
B. That Council form a working party with councillors and staff to review the committee structure.	
<b>Internal Advisory Committees</b>	
Committee name/ purpose	Delegate
Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Williamson (alternate Cr Rose)
Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group	x1 Councillor – Cr Higgins
Cemeteries	x1 Councillor – Cr Rose
Community Support Programs	x1 Councillor – Cr Davis
Saleyards & Transit Stock Facilities	x2 Councillors – Cr Thaler & Cr Stewart
Snowy Monaro Arts & Cultural	x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler (alternate Cr Davis)

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Snowy Monaro Biosecurity (Weeds)	x2 Councillors – Cr Davis and Cr Williamson
Yamaga Sister City	Mayor
Housing and Social Services	x1 Councillor – Cr Higgins
Recreational Facilities	x1 Councillor – Cr Hopkins
Cooma North Ridge Reserve	x1 Councillor – Cr Hopkins
CEO Performance Review Panel	x1 Councillor – Cr Elliott

**External Committees**

<b>Committee name</b>	<b>Delegate</b>
ANU Medical School - Community Advisory Committee	X 1 Councillor – Clr Davis
Boco Rock Community Fund Committee	Mayor (Chair)*, CEO*, X 2 Councillors – Cr Stewart and Cr Elliot
Bundian Way Advisory Committee	x1 Councillor or CEO - Cr Stewart
Cooma Correctional Centre Community Consultative Committee	x1 Councillor - Cr Summers
Community Safety Precinct	x1 Councillor – Cr Davis
District Bushfire Management Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Rooney
District Liaison Committee	x2 Councillor – Mayor Hanna & Cr Davis CEO*
Jindabyne Liquor Accord	x1 Councillor – Cr Elliot
Local Traffic Committee (LTC)	x1 Councillor – Cr Rooney
Monaro Regional Interagency Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Higgins
NSW Government’s Asbestos Coordination Committee	x1 Councillor – Cr Thaler
South East Arts Board	x1 Councillor – Cr Davis
Southern Regional Planning Panel	Mayor & CEO 1 x Alternative - Cr Thaler

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

**9.3.2 DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT**

Record No: I24/594

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**262/24**

That Council note the delivery program progress report.

That Council write to the local State Member to seek support for funding for the upgrades to the Bombala Arts and Culture Centre be retained by Council.

That Council write to the local State Member to seek support in getting a resolution to the detailed design of the Jindabyne Town Centre to allow the toilet block upgrades to be undertaken.

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

### 9.3.3 2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT AND 2021-2024 STATE OF REGION REPORT

Record No: I24/578

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

263/24

That Council

- A endorse the 2023-2024 Annual Report and note the 2021-2024 State of Region Report;
- B Publish both reports on Council's webpage,
- C Forward the Annual Report with State of Region Report addendum URL link to the Office of Local Government as per IPR Guidelines,
- D That the last sentence on the first paragraph of the Cooma office upgrades be removed.

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

#### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

### 9.3.4 TABLING OF DISCLOSURES BY COUNCILLORS AND DESIGNATED PERSONS

Record No: I24/520

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

264/24

That Council note the disclosures of pecuniary interest returns completed by councillors and designated staff for the period 30 June 2023 to 30 June 2024.

**Moved Councillor Summers**

**Seconded Councillor Davis**

**CARRIED**

#### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

## 9.4 COMMUNICATIONS

Nil

## 9.5 EXECUTIVE OFFICE

### 9.5.1 RESOLUTION ACTION SHEET UPDATES

Record No: I24/596

*This is an information only report.*

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>265/24</b>	
That Council note the resolution action updates.		
<b>Moved Councillor Davis</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Summers</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>		
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>	
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>	

## 9.6 WORKFORCE

Nil

## 10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

### 10.1 MINUTES FROM MANAGEMENT AND ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Record No: I24/519

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

266/24

That Council receive the minutes of the:

- i. Michelago Hall and Tennis Courts Committee minutes of meeting held 15 May 2024;
- ii. Michelago Hall and Tennis Courts Committee minutes of meeting held 17 July 2024
- iii. Bombala Exhibition Ground Management Committee minutes of meeting held 12 June 2024
- iv. Bombala Exhibition Ground Management Committee minutes of Annual General Meeting held 14 August 2024
- v. Bombala Exhibition Ground Management Committee minutes of meeting held 14 August 2024
- vi. Bombala Exhibition Ground Management Committee minutes of meeting held 11 September 2024
- vii. Adaminaby Hall Management Committee minutes of meeting held 10 September 2024

**Moved Councillor Thaler**

**Seconded Councillor Williamson**

**CARRIED**

#### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

### 10.2 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 20 AUGUST 2024

Record No: I24/557

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

267/24

#### COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Local Traffic Committee held on 20 August 2024.

**Moved Councillor Thaler**

**Seconded Councillor Williamson**

**CARRIED**

#### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

**10.3 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING 17 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Record No: I24/556

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**268/24**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Local Traffic Committee held on 17 September 2024.

**Moved Councillor Summers**

**Seconded Councillor Williamson**

**CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

**10.4 MINUTES OF THE LOCAL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE 29 OCTOBER 2024**

Record No: I24/611

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**269/24**

**COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

That Council notes the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Local Traffic Committee held 29 October 2024.

**Moved Councillor Summers**

**Seconded Councillor Davis**

**CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

*At 04:59 pm Councillor Williamson left the meeting.*

*At 05:04 pm Councillor Williamson returned to the meeting.*



## 11. NOTICE OF MOTION

### 11.1 CLOSING TIMEFRAMES FOR BUSINESS PAPERS

Record No: I24/606

Councillor Rueben Rose has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 14 November 2024, he will move the following motion.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**270/24**

That no business papers be sent out after the close of business on the Friday before the Council meeting with the exception of a mayoral minute.

**Moved Councillor Rose**

**Seconded Councillor Thaler**

**LOST**

#### **Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Elliott, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Davis, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Summers.*

#### **Mayoral Casting Vote**

Upon the vote being put there was an equality of votes in favour of the motion and against the motion. In accordance with Clause 11.2 of Council's code of meeting practice the Mayor exercised his casting vote and voted against the motion

*At 05.53 pm Councillor Summers left the meeting.*

*At 05.54 pm Councillor Summers returned to the meeting.*

**11.2 IMPROVING COUNCIL BUSINESS PAPERS**

Record No: I24/607

Councillor Rueben Rose has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 14 November 2024, he will move the following motion.

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>271/24</b>	
That Council defer item 11.2 to the December Council meeting.		
<b>Moved Councillor Rose</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Thaler</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>		
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>	
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Nil.</i>	

*At 06:02 pm Councillor Higgins left the meeting.*

*At 06:04 pm Councillor Higgins returned to the meeting.*

*At 06:05 pm Deputy Mayor Hopkins returned to the meeting.*

**11.3 PROVISION OF MR HOGAN'S CONTRACT TO COUNCILLORS**

Record No: I24/612

Councillor Rueben Rose has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 14 November 2024, he will move the following motion.

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION</b>	<b>272/24</b>	
That Mr Hogan’s contract as previous CEO be provided confidentially to all councillors.		
<b>Moved Councillor Rose</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Thaler</b>	<b>LOST</b>
<b>Record of Voting</b>		
<i>Councillors For:</i>	<i>Councillor Elliott, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.</i>	
<i>Councillors Against:</i>	<i>Councillor Davis, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Summers.</i>	

**11.4 APPOINTMENT OF A RECRUITMENT AGENCY TO UNDERTAKE THE RECRUITMENT OF THE CEO**

Record No: I24/616

Councillor Chris Hanna has given notice that at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 14 November 2024, he will move the following motion.

<b>MOTION - WITHDRAWN</b>	
That Council delegate the authority to the Mayor to appoint a recruitment agency following consultation with the councillors.	
<b>Moved Mayor Hanna</b>	<b>Seconded Councillor Davis</b>

**1.2 Report Withdrawn**

Item 11.4 as listed on the Agenda was withdrawn by the mover, Mayor Hanna.

**12. MAYORAL MINUTES**

Nil

### 13. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

#### 13.1 PERSONAL AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Record No: I24/604

This item is for information only

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#### 13.2 COST OF WEED CONTROL SERVICE BY COUNCIL

Record No: I24/605

This item is for information only

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### 14. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

#### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

273/24

1. THAT pursuant to Section 10A subsections 2 & 3 and Section 10B of the Local Government Act, 1993 (as amended) the following items on the agenda for the Ordinary Council meeting be dealt with in Closed Session for the reasons specified below:

##### 14.1 Appointment of Interim CEO

Item 14.1 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(a) of the Local Government Act because it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors) and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

##### 14.2 Legal Actions and Potential Claims Against SMRC

Item 14.2 is confidential in accordance with s10(A)(2)(e) of the Local Government Act because it contains information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law and discussion of the matter in an open meeting would be, on balance, contrary to the public interest.

2. The press and public be excluded from the proceedings of the Council in Closed Session on the basis that these items are considered to be of a confidential nature.
3. That the Minutes and Business Papers including any reports, correspondence, documentation or information relating to such matter be treated as confidential and be withheld from access by the press and public, until such time as the Council resolves that the reason for confidentiality has passed or become irrelevant.
4. That the resolutions made by the Council in Closed Session be recorded in the Minutes of the Council Meeting.
5. That upon this recommendation being moved and seconded, the Chairperson invite representations from the public as to whether this part of the meeting should be closed to consider the nominated item.

**Moved Mayor Hanna**

**Seconded Councillor Thaler**

**CARRIED**

#### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Rose, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

**Note 1: Invitation to Public**

Upon the above motion being moved and seconded, the Mayor invited representations from the public as to whether this part of the meeting should be closed to consider the nominated items. There were no requests by members of the public to make any representations.

**Note 2: Confidential Session of Committee**

*At 06.19 pm the meeting was closed to the press and public.*

**Note 3: Resumption of Open Committee Meeting**

At 07.02 pm the Closed Session ended and the Council meeting continued in Open Session.

## 15. REPORT FROM CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

### 14.1 APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CEO

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**274/24**

That Council appoint Mr Stephen Dunshea as the CEO for a six month period with the remuneration to be set at the same level as the former CEO and Council also to provide:

- A. A reasonable level of accommodation,
- B. A vehicle for work use, and
- C. The costs of travel to Cooma and returning at the commencement and end of the engagement.

**Moved Mayor Hanna**

**Seconded Councillor Davis**

**CARRIED**

**Record of Voting**

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney and Councillor Summers.*

*Councillors Against: Councillor Elliott, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

#### 14.2 LEGAL ACTIONS AND POTENTIAL CLAIMS AGAINST SMRC

##### COUNCIL RESOLUTION

275/24

That Council note the information in the Legal Actions and Potential Claims Against SMRC report.

**Moved Councillor Davis**

**Seconded Councillor Summers**

**CARRIED**

##### Record of Voting

*Councillors For: Councillor Davis, Councillor Elliott, Mayor Hanna, Councillor Higgins, Deputy Mayor Hopkins, Councillor Rooney, Councillor Stewart, Councillor Summers, Councillor Thaler and Councillor Williamson.*

*Councillors Against: Nil.*

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 7.02 pm

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##### CHAIRPERSON

The above minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of Snowy Monaro Regional Council held on 14 November 2024 were confirmed by Council at a duly convened meeting on 12 December 2024 at which meeting the signature hereon was subscribed.