



**SHIRE OF MOORA**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**9 JANUARY 2026**

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## 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 4.00 pm.

### Acknowledgement of Country

*The Shire of Moora acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land we are meeting on, the Yued people, and pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging.*

## 2. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### ATTENDEES

#### Councillors

KM Seymour	-	President
EI Hamilton	-	Deputy President
DV Clydesdale-Gebert	-	Councillor
TW Dugan	-	Councillor (via Teams)
SJ Gilbert	-	Councillor
M James	-	Councillor
AJ Phillips	-	Councillor

#### Staff

B Hoogland	-	Deputy Chief Executive Officer
N Ugarte	-	Executive Manager, Corporate Services, Governance and Policy

### APOLOGIES

GW Robins	-	Chief Executive Officer
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### APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

## 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

## 4. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION (OFFICER RECOMMENDATION)

*1/26 Moved Cr Hamilton, seconded Cr Phillips, that Council close the meeting to the public at 4.03 pm to consider the appointment of an Acting Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995.*

CARRIED: 7/0

For: Crs Seymour, Hamilton, Clydesdale-Gebert, Dugan, Gilbert, James and Phillips.  
Against: Nil.

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION (OFFICER RECOMMENDATION)</b>
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***2/26 Moved Cr Gilbert, seconded Cr Clydesdale-Gebert, that Council open the meeting to the public at 4.54 pm.***

**CARRIED: 7/0**

For: Crs Seymour, Hamilton, Clydesdale-Gebert, Dugan, Gilbert, James and Phillips.  
Against: Nil.

<b>COUNCIL RESOLUTION (OFFICER RECOMMENDATION)</b>
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***3/26 Moved Cr Gilbert, seconded Cr Hamilton, that Council appoint Mr Maurice Battilana as Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Moora for the period commencing on 12 January 2026 and ending on 27 February 2026 (inclusive).***

**CARRIED: 4/3**

For: Crs Seymour, Hamilton, Gilbert and Phillips.  
Against: Crs Clydesdale-Gebert, Dugan and James.

**5. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The Shire President declared the meeting closed at 4.56 pm.