



MCKINLAY SHIRE COUNCIL

CONFIRMED MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD AT THE

BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTRE
JULIA CREEK

Tuesday 16th May 2017

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1. OPENING BUSINESS

All Councillors having signed the Attendance Book, the Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:00am.

2. ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Cr. B Murphy

Members: Cr. N. Walker, Cr. P. Curr, Cr. J. Fegan, Cr. S. Royes

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer Mr Peter Fitchat
Executive Assistant Mrs Amy Tinning

Apologies:

Nil

Other people in attendance:

Nil

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 18th April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 18th April 2017 be confirmed.

Resolution No. 283/1617

The Minutes of Ordinary Meeting on 18th April 2017 confirmed.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

Attendance – Cr. J Fegan & Cr. P Curr left the meeting room at 9:25am.

Attendance – Cr. J Fegan re-entered the meeting room 9:26am.

Attendance – Cr. P Curr re-entered the meeting room at 9:28am.

Attendance – Director of Corporate and Community Services Tenneil Cody entered the meeting room at 9:29am.

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5. Community Services Report

5.1 Community Services Report

Director of Corporate & Community Services, Tenneil Cody delivered the Community Services Report.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the Community services report.

Resolution No.284/1617

That Council receive the Community services report.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance – Cr P. Curr declared a real conflict of interest (as per section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) in relation to 5.2 Sponsorship Request – Saxby Roundup. Cr P Curr left the meeting room at 9:33am, taking no part in the debate or the discussion of the meeting.

5.2 Sponsorship Request – Saxby Roundup

Council is presented with a Sponsorship Request from Saxby Roundup for consideration, in accordance with requirements of Council policy.

RECOMMENDATION

Council approves sponsorship of \$5,000.00 for water truck and security services to the Saxby Roundup Association for their 2017 event.

Resolution No.285 /1617

Council approves sponsorship of \$5,000.00 for water truck and security services to the Saxby Roundup Association for their 2017 event.

Moved Cr.S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 4/0

Attendance – Cr. P Curr re-entered the meeting room 9:35am.

Attendance – Director of Engineering Services Brian Wood entered the meeting room at 9:04am.

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ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to amend the order of agenda to receive the Engineering Services Report.

Resolution No. 286/1617

That Council approves for the Engineering report to be presented at 9:04am.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

6.1 Engineering Works Report

Budget areas are performing generally within their specified variance range for this financial year.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council information.

Resolution No.287/1617

That Council receives Engineering Works Report for information.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

6.2 Township Signs Beautification McKinlay and Kynuna

For information and agreement by Council on this type of planting beautification for the entrance signs to McKinlay and Kynuna. These signs will require formal approval from TMR. The initial advice is that as long as the signs are installed a minimum of 6m from the carriageway in an 80km zone then they will be approved.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council information.

Resolution No.288/1617

Council receives and agrees on this type of planting beautification for the entrance signs to McKinlay and Kynuna.

Moved Cr.J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY SERVICES

Attendance - Director of Environmental & Regulatory Services, Andrew Boardman entered the meeting room at 9:41am.

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7.Environmental & Regulatory Services April 2017

This report outlines the general activities, revenue and expenditure for the department for the period April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

Council receives the April 2017 Environment and Regulatory Services Report.

Resolution No.289/1617

Council receives the April 2017 Environment and Regulatory Services Report.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

7.2 Parliamentary Inquiry – Prickly Acacia Hughenden

Queensland Parliament is holding an inquiry into the impacts of invasive plants (weeds) and their control in Queensland. Part of this is a case study into Prickly Acacia being held at Hughenden Monday 19 June 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That Deputy Mayor Neil Walker and Director of Environmental and Regulatory Services Andrew Boardman attend the Queensland Parliamentary Inquiry into Prickly Acacia at Hughenden Monday 19 June 2017 and attend the roundtable meeting.

Resolution No. 290/1617

Council move that Deputy Mayor Neil Walker and Director of Environmental and Regulatory Services Andrew Boardman attend the Queensland Parliamentary Inquiry into Prickly Acacia at Hughenden Monday 19 June 2017 and attend the roundtable meeting.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

7.3 Creation of a Biosecurity plan

It is a requirement of the Biosecurity Act 2014 for Local Government to have a biosecurity plan for invasive biosecurity matter for its Local Government Area. Council have obtained a quote from Gulf Catchments & Agribusiness Innovations to draft the McKinlay Shire Council Biosecurity Plan.

RECOMENDATION

Council resolves to support the drafting of a Biosecurity Plan under the Biosecurity Act 2014; and Council to accept the quotation from Gulf Catchments Biosecurity & Agribusiness Innovations for \$9,394.40 excl. GST to compile the plan.

Resolution No.291/1617

Council resolves to support the drafting of a Biosecurity Plan under the Biosecurity Act 2014; and Council to accept the quotation from Gulf Catchments Biosecurity & Agribusiness Innovations for \$9,394.40 excl. GST to compile the plan.

Moved Cr.N Walker

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance – Cr. P Curr left the meeting room at 10:06am.

Attendance – Cr. P Curr re-entered the meeting room at 10:11am.

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7.4 McKinlay Bush Nurse

The McKinlay Bush Nurse Residence is not being utilised and the land parcel 309 on AL77 is Council owned. Council proposes to negotiate with North West Hospital and Health Service (NWHHS) to either gift the land parcel to NWHHS or to enter into a lease arrangement.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council offer the existing residence on Lot 309 on AL77 for Sale by Public Tender.

Resolution No.292/1617

Council resolve to offer the existing residence on Lot 309 on AL77 for Sale by Public Tender.

Council resolve to delegate the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate with North West Hospital and Health Service for either the gifting of the land or lease arrangement regarding Lot 309 on AL77 for the purpose of constructing a suitable house for the Bush Nurse with lease terms that if broken would be paid out by North West Health Services.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance – Cr. P Curr left the meeting room at 10:14am.

Attendance – Cr. P Curr re-entered the meeting room at 10:14am.

7.5 Northern Wild Dog Coordinator

AgForce in partnership with AWI are seeking Local Government support for a northern wild dog coordinator position.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider the suitability of this program for McKinlay Shire Council.

Resolution No. 293/1617

Council believes a sufficient program exists within the Shire and that the Shire also co-ordinates currently with neighbouring Shires for the managing of Wild Dog control. Council at this point resolves not to support the creation of a northern wild dog coordinator position.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr.P Curr

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No. 294/1617

That Council accepts the late agenda item - Julia Creek STP - Penalty infringement Notice and Environmental.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

LATE REPORT – Julia Creek STP - Penalty infringement Notice and Environmental

Council has received a Penalty infringement Notice (PIN) from the Queensland Government – Department of Environment and Heritage Protection for contravention of section 430 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994. The PIN is in the amount of \$12,190.00. The Department have also given Council notice to conduct or commission an Environmental Evaluation.

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

- receive the Julia Creek Sewerage Treatment Plant Penalty infringement Notice Report
- pay the PIN in the amount of \$12,190.00 for contravention section 430 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994; and
- support the engagement of a suitable qualified consultant to prepare the Environmental Evaluation Report and take every reasonable action to ensure full compliance under the E.P.A 1994 as soon possible.

Resolution 295/1617

That Council;

- receive the Julia Creek Sewerage Treatment Plant Penalty infringement Notice Report
- pay the PIN in the amount of \$12,190.00 for contravention section 430 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994; and
- support the engagement of a suitable qualified consultant to prepare the Environmental Evaluation Report and take every reasonable action to ensure full compliance under the E.P.A 1994 as soon possible.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance – Director of Environmental and Regulatory Services Andrew Boardman left the meeting room at 10:32am.

Adjournment – The Mayor Belinda Murphy adjourned the meeting for morning tea at 10:33am and re-opened at 10:44am.

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

Attendance – Director of Corporate and Community Services Tenneil Cody entered the meeting room at 9:37am.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to amend the order of the agenda to receive the Corporate Services report.

Resolution 296/1617

Council accepts to move the order of agenda, with Director of Corporate and Community Services Tenneil Cody presenting the Corporate Services Report.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

8. Corporate Services Report

The Corporate Services Report as of 30th April 2017 which summarises the financial performance and position, is presented to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending 30th April 2017.

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Resolution No.297/1617

That Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending 30th April 2017.

Moved Cr.P Curr

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance – Director of Corporate and Community Services Tenneil Cody left the meeting room at 9:40am.

Attendance – Director of Environmental Services entered the meeting room at 9:41am.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

9.1 Expansion of Scope for Burke Street Shade Sails

On the 20th March 2017 I requested an expansion of scope for the Burke Street Shade Sail Project.

The Project at that stage was in our budget to do the Shade Sails in Burke Street was for \$250,000.00. Under the 2016-17 Grants and Subsidies Scheme Mckinlay Shire was successful with a number of submissions. This project attracted funding to the value of \$149,550.00. This was to do the shade sails at McIntyre Park as discussed. This expansion was approved as per attached document with the total cost of \$99,000.00 and with a Council contribution of \$28,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives this report and approves a \$28,000.00 budget adjustment under the 2016-17 financial years budget as a contribution to complete the Shade Sail at McIntyre Park.

Resolution No.298 /1617

That Council receives this report and approves a \$28,000.00 budget adjustment under the 2016-17 financial years budget as a contribution to complete the Shade Sail at McIntyre Park.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

9.2 Developing Northern Australia

This is the third year and following on from a hugely successful year in Darwin, the Conference continues to grow in both size and reputation. This Conference has evolved into the premium event of its type, facilitating professional development and the exchange of current ideas to further the development of northern Australia.

This year, the program will feature four interactive forums, which will be focused on Tourism, Land & Water, Infrastructure Solutions and Indigenous-led Northern Development.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives this report.

Resolution No.299/1617

That Council receives this report.

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Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

CARRIED 5/0

9.3 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY (NGA) OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT 18-21 JUNE 2017

The RAPAD –ARIP funding application has been discussed with CEO David Arnold and Morgan Gronold Special Project Manager and it has been identified a number of potential activities which could be hosted here in McKinlay Shire - numerous virtual activities could occur in our shire, as well as a number of physical things like a the establishing a Smart Hub, this will be finalised through discussion and should highlight what we are most interested in we can go from there.

Further discussion on our financial contribution and if successful how the funding will be distributed will be addressed in our visit to Longreach next week.

At this stage it appears out of discussions that McKinlay Shire can assist in the application process at by supporting RAPAD Application with a letter of support.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note and receives this report and provide a letter of support on behalf RAPAD-ARIP for their funding application, and nominate Mayor Belinda Murphy and Cr. Janene Fegan to attend as Council Representatives for a meeting in Canberra and determine a date.

Resolution No.300/1617

That Council note and receives this report and provide a letter of support on behalf RAPAD-ARIP for their funding application, and nominate Mayor Belinda Murphy and Cr. J Fegan to attend as a Council Representative to attend a meeting in Canberra and determine a date.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

9.4 RAPAD-ARIP Financial Contribution

The RAPAD –ARIP funding application has been discussed with CEO David Arnold and Morgan Gronold Special Project Manager and it has been identified a number of potential activities which could be hosted here in McKinlay Shire - numerous virtual activities could occur in our shire, as well as a number of physical things like a the establishing a Smart Hub.

Through discussion we determined to have a \$40,000.00 contribution with a expected return of \$80,000.00 once the funding split is determined in the approval if successful.

The aim of this project is to attract activities to McKinlay Shire establishing a innovation hub, communication and engagement activities in our Shire including bringing meetings, potential Technology Expo to Mckinlay Shire.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives this report and supports the submission of a letter of support to RAPAD-ARIP, and a financial contribution of \$40,000.00 in the 2017-18 financial as part of our Economic Development for McKinlay Shire.

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Resolution No.301/1617

That Council receives this report and supports the submission of a letter of support to RAPAD-ARIP, and a financial contribution of \$40,000.00 in the 2017-18 financial as part of our Economic Development for McKinlay Shire.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Resolution No. 302/1617

That Council close the meeting to the public under the Local Government Regulation 2012, Section 275 (1) (a).

Moved Cr N. Walker

Seconded Cr J. Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

The meeting was closed at 10:51am.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Resolution No. 303/1617

That Council re-open the meeting to the public.

Moved Cr P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

The meeting was re-opened to the public at 10:55am.

9.5 McKinlay Shire Council Organisational Structure Review

This report provides an overview of proposed change to Council's Organisational Structure.

A review of the current organisational structure was undertaken, and the need for more streamlined Organisational Structure was needed to address some critical areas and increase our capacity on the operational side of McKinlay Shires workforce, and the need to improve our economic development capacity.

Section 196 (1) of the *Local Government Act 2009* provides that "A local government must, by resolution, adopt an organisational structure that is appropriate to the performance of the local government's responsibilities".

This structure will be further reviewed against the Corporate Plan to ensure alignment with delivery of Operational Plan.

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives this report and adopts the organisational structure version 2.3 as presented.

Resolution No.304/1617

That Council receives this report and adopts the organisational structure version 2.3 as presented.

Moved Cr.N Walker

Seconded Cr.J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

9.6 North West Regional Organisation of Councils Meeting

North West Regional Organisation of Councils Meeting will be held at Mount Isa City Council on Thursday 1st June 2017. McKinlay Shire Council has been invited to attend and require notification of attendance.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note and receive this report and delegate a Council Representative to attend.

Resolution No.305/1617

That Council note and receive this report and delegate a Council Representative to attend.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

9.7 Third Quarter Review of the 2016-2017 Operational Plan

The third quarter assessment of Council's progress towards implementing the 2016-2017 Operational Plan is presented to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accepts the third quarter review of the 2016-2017 Operational Plan.

Resolution No.306/1617

That Council accepts the third quarter review of the 2016-2017 Operational Plan.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

9.8 Remote Airstrip Upgrade (RAU) Round 4

In February 2017 the Department the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Hon Darren Chester announced that McKinlay Shire council was successful in our application under Round 4 of the Australian Government's Regional Aviation Access Program (RAAP) - remote Airstrip Upgrade (RAU).

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to sign the funding agreement and address the milestones as it is described in the funding agreement.

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Resolution No.307/1617

Council resolve to sign the funding agreement and address the milestones as it is described in the funding agreement.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

9.9 Julia Creek State School Camp Trip to Canberra

The Julia State School has written to Council asking for a cash contribution for their School Camp Trip to Canberra, as part of their trip they wish to partake in the following activities:

Visiting the Australian War memorial, Parliament House and the Questacon while in Canberra.

Canning South32 Mine has donated the flights to Brisbane but would still struggle to pay for accommodation and is asking Council to contribute a cash amount of \$1,200.00 which equates to \$100.00 per child attending the camp and will pay for the first night accommodation in Brisbane.

RECOMENDATION

That Council receives this report and approves the \$1,200.00 as a contribution to Julia Creek State School Camp to Canberra.

Resolution No.308/1617

That Council receives this report and approves the \$1,200.00 as a contribution to Julia Creek State School Camp to Canberra.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr.S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

9.10 LGMA Mentoring Program

The LGMA Queensland is introducing a Local government Mentoring Program. This is designed to provide Professional Development, Career Advancement and networking opportunities.

To be a participant in this program it does require a Council endorsement.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives this report and approves that CEO participate in the LGMA Mentoring Program.

Resolution No.309/1617

That Council receives this report and approves that CEO participate in the LGMA Mentoring Program.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. P Curr

CARRIED 5/0

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WHS REPORT

Council receives the WHS report.

Resolution No. 310/1617

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. N Walker

CARRIED 5/0

11.MEMBERS BUSINESS

Attendance – Mayor Belinda Murphy and Cr. J Fegan declared a material conflict of interest (as per section 172 of the Local Government Act 2009) in relation to Cr. P Curr members business, Fairway Drive Access. Mayor Belinda murphy and Cr. J Fegan left the meeting room at 11:25am, taking no part in the debate or decision of the meeting.

Cr. P Curr – Fairway Drive access to Lot 1,2,3,4 SP 2297952 to be raised at the next Council briefing meeting.

P. Fitchat – Start time of Council and Briefing Meetings, 8:00am.

P. Fitchat – June Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on Friday 16th June 2017.

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair of the meeting, Mayor Belinda Murphy declared the meeting closed at 12:10pm.



Cr Belinda Murphy
Mayor