



# MCKINLAY SHIRE COUNCIL

## ***UNCONFIRMED MINUTES***

OF THE

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

HELD AT THE

BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTRE  
JULIA CREEK

**17<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

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**ADJOURNMENT:** 10:26am – 10:39am The Mayor adjourned the meeting for morning tea. Upon resumption Director of Engineering left the meeting.

**6. ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES REPORT**

**6.1 Environment and Regulatory Works Report – December 2016**

This report outlines the general activities, revenue and expenditure for the department for the period of December 2016 and generally up to date of writing this report.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council receive the December 2016 Environment and Regulatory Services Works Report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.159/1617

**MOTION**

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That in relation to item 6.2 of the Environment and Regulatory Services Report – Stock Routes and Reserves, Council will be represented at the Longreach hearing. CEO and Director of Environmental Services to prepare Councils presentations and will be accompanied by Councillors Philip Curr and Neil Walker.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.160/1617

**6.2 Proposed Road Closure 5200m2 adjoining Lot34 EN92 Lot 38 EN99 and Lot57 SP284275**

Council's is required to post a public notice and its view is sort by the Department of Natural Resources on the application request made for the proposed road closure of approximately 5200m2 land adjoining Lot34 EN92 Lot 38 EN99 and Lot57 SP284275

**Recommendation:**

That in reference to the proposed road closure of approximately 5200m2 land adjoining Lot34 EN92 Lot 38 EN99 and Lot57 SP284275 Council advises the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that:

- That unnamed road (Old Aerodrome Road) is no longer required for use by Council;
- The applicant should note that due to the increase in land size to Lot 34 on EN92 current Council rates and charges for this property may increase;
- The applicant should note that Lot 34 on EN92 is currently zoned Industry – Light & Service Industry Sub-Area, the additional 5200m<sup>2</sup> will not alter the zoning of the land parcel;
- All cost related to the application are borne by the applicant.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That in reference to the proposed road closure of approximately 5200m2 land adjoining Lot34 EN92 Lot 38 EN99 and Lot57 SP284275 Council advises the Department of Natural Resources and Mines that:

- That unnamed road (Old Aerodrome Road) is no longer required for use by Council;
- The applicant should note that due to the increase in land size to Lot 34 on EN92 current Council rates and charges for this property may increase;

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- The applicant should note that Lot 34 on EN92 is currently zoned Industry – Light & Service Industry Sub-Area, the additional 5200m<sup>2</sup> will not alter the zoning of the land parcel;
- All costs related to the application are borne by the applicant.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.160/1617

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council resolve that the meeting be closed to the public under section 275 1(e) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

*(e) contracts proposed to be made by it.*

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No. 161/1516

Closure of meeting – 11:48am

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.162/1516

Re-opening of Meeting – 11:52am

**6.3 Burke Street Shade Sails – Request for Tender T1617007**

Council has requested tenders for the supply and erection of two (2) sets of shade sails. These will finish off the Burke Street shade sails. The tender process has followed Council's purchasing policy with Gibbons Constructions submitting the highest rated tender.

**Recommendation:**

That Council award Request for Tender T1617007 – Supply and Erection of Two (2) Sets of Shade Sails to Gibbons Constructions Pty Ltd for tendered price of one hundred and forty five thousand dollars (\$145,000) excluding GST.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council award Request for Tender T1617007 – Supply and Erection of Two (2) Sets of Shade Sails to Gibbons Constructions Pty Ltd for tendered price of one hundred and forty five thousand dollars (\$145,000) excluding GST.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No163/1617

**Attendance** – Director of Environment and Regulatory Service Andrew Boardman left the meeting and Director of Finance and Community Services Tenneil Cody Entered at 11:55am

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**7. COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT**

**7.1 Community Services Report**

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council receive the January Community Services Report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.164/1617

**7.2 Amendment of Fees and Charges Schedule 2016/2017**

Proposal to Council to amend the Fees and Charges Schedule 2016/17, to increase fees for the Julia Creek Caravan Park.

**Recommendation:**

That Council adopts the amendments to the 2016/17 Fees and Charges as presented.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council adopts the amendments to the 2016/17 Fees and Charges as presented.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.165/1617

**8. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

**8.1 Corporate Services Report**

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receive the January Corporate Services Report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.166/1617

**8.2 Rating Concession for second half-yearly rates**

Council in the previous three years has resolved to extend the payment timeframe for ratepayers, without loss of discount for the second half yearly rates which are typically levied in February each year.

This was done in consideration of the hardship caused by the drought. Council has discretion, in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012, to grant a concession to classes of ratepayers by way of deferring, without loss of discount, the time for payment of rates and charges.

**Recommendation:**

That Council consider the information provided and not extend the timeframe for the February 2017 rates levy due to Council's project commitments and cash flow requirements.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council has considered and will not extend the timeframe for the February 2017 rates levy due to Council's project commitments and cash flow requirements.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.167/1617

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**8.3 Councillor Remuneration**

Each year the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal is required to undertake a review of the categories of Councils, and the remuneration for mayors, deputy mayors and councillors as required by the Local Government Regulation 2012.

The Tribunal concluded its review on 24th November 2016, with the following determinations:

- Increase remuneration levels for mayors, deputy mayors and councillors by 2.0% from 1 July 2017; and
- Elevate Maranoa Regional Council from Category 2 to Category 3.

Section 247 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 provides that a council can decide to pay less than the determination, provided that a resolution is made before 1 July.

**Recommendation:**

For Councils consideration.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council receive the information.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.168/1617

**Attendance** – Director of Finance and Community Services Tenneil Cody left the meeting at 12:04pm

**9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT**

**9.1 Chief Executive Officers Report**

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receives the January Chief Executive Officer Report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.169/1617

**9.2 2017 Distribution - Western QLD Drought Appeal**

In the Ordinary meeting on the 19th December 2017 “The Western Queensland Drought Appeal Committee Inc.” were planning a distribution of funds to support locals in the McKinlay Shire in early 2017.

*Moved Cr. N Walker*

*Seconded Cr. J Fegan*

*That Council note this and support McKinlay Shire Councils application for this round of Community Drought Support Package 2016 -2017.*

*CARRIED 5/0*

*Resolution No.154/1617*

As this will be the first time that the WQDA has distributed funds to our area, we were ask to provide a list of all the properties in our Council area, the eligible recipients will receive a mail out of prepaid VISA cards.

Ingrid Miller from the WQDA stated “We sent 97 cards (\$250) out just prior to Christmas and have had one more referral come in subsequent to that. This went to individuals on properties.”

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**Recommendation:**

That Council receive the Report.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receive the report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.170/1617

**9.3 LGAQ - Consultation - QLD Strategy for Social Infrastructure**

The state government has released for consultation the QLD Strategic for Social Infrastructure. The submissions close on the 20th January 2017 and the findings later this year and was released in December 2016.

The feedback on the strategic will provide an opportunity for key stakeholders to contribute to leverage knowledge to develop a more effective and efficient social infrastructure to promote best practise and service delivery.

With a focus on;

- Planning and Design
- Use and Management
- Funding and Delivery
- Collaboration

Services that will be the focus of this strategic are Emergency Services, Hospitals and Schools.

**Recommendation:**

That Council receives this report.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council receives this report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.171/1617

**9.4 Invitation flyer ready for distribution - RDA Workshops January 2017**

The RDA has announced workshops in January 2017 and will be in Julia Creek on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

The workshop is to assist local businesses who may benefit from AusIndustry related programs and not-for-profits Organisations and council staff who may be working on BBRF applications.

**Recommendation:**

That Council receives this report, and delegate the CEO to work to get this information to local businesses not-for-profit Organisation and also our staff working on BBRF application.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council receives this report, and delegate the CEO to work to get this information to local businesses not-for-profit Organisation and also our staff working on BBRF application.



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CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.172/1617

### 9.5 Elected Member Update 2017

The LGAQ is calling for council participation, content contribution and locational preferences for its 2017 Elected Member Update (EMU) program.

Held annually, the program provides a unique opportunity for local government leaders to be briefed, educated and energised.

EMU 2017 will be timed to coincide with the first anniversary of the local government elections with workshop delivery proposed for April, as well as herald a return to its traditional one-day format.

Contact with your council regarding tentative dates, locational preferences and any council requested custom content or specific topics will occur in the next few weeks.

#### About EMU 2017

- Attendance at a regionally delivered workshop with the opportunity to join with neighbouring councils will be encouraged in recognition of the increasing importance of local government collaboration.
- Private in-house sessions will also remain available to councils.
- The program will again build on the 'big three' council performance domains of *Our Business, Our People & Our Story*.
- Updates on critical and emerging issues along with interactive professional development opportunities relevant for elected members and senior staff is also included.

Attendance fees for the 2017 program are \$375pp for attendance at regional workshops or \$3,750 plus travel for in-house workshops. Both costs exclude GST.

#### Recommendation:

That Council receives this report.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council receives this report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.173/1617

### 9.6 Release of the draft GABORA Water Plan for Public comment

The draft GABORA Water Plan was released (Thursday, 5 January 2017) for public comment and should be on the DNRM website ([www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/water/catchments-planning/catchments/great-artesian-basin](http://www.dnrm.qld.gov.au/water/catchments-planning/catchments/great-artesian-basin)).

Submissions will close at **5pm on 17 April 2017**. Community workshops will be held throughout the GAB in February and March and a list of towns will be on the website.

Letters to councils, politicians and stakeholder groups will be sent in the next day or so. Letters to those who it is proposed to change their licence conditions and are mentioned in the water entitlement notice will be sent in about a week once we have had a last review of the mailing list. Publication of the public notice in the Country Life and the Courier Mail will occur in the next week.

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**Recommendation:**

That Council receives this report.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council receives this report.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.174/1617

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council resolve that the meeting be closed to the public under section 275 1(g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

*(g) any action to be taken by the local government under the Planning Act, including deciding applications made to it under that Act.*

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No. 175/1516

Closure of meeting 12:10pm

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.176/1516

Re-opening of Meeting – 12:17pm

**9.7 Julia Creek STP inspection**

Last During an inspection on the 30 November 2017 the EHP has found a number of breaches under the Environmental Protection act 1994.

I have attached a copy of a letter regarding the compliance inspection of the Julia Creek Sewage Treatment Plant undertaken by EHP officers on 30 November 2016.

I have spoken to the Compliance Delivery Manager at the EHP, and the department is willing to grant an extension until Friday 27 January 2017.

**Recommendation:**

That Council receives this report, and delegate the CEO to work with the Directors to identify the all the concerns raised in their Report, and have a reply to the EHP by Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

To provide Council with a full report for discussion at the first briefing on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2017, and report to Council for decision on the 21<sup>st</sup> February 2017.

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Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receives this report, and delegate the CEO to work with the Directors to identify the all the concerns raised in their Report, and have a reply to the EHP by Friday the 27th January 2017.

To provide Council with a full report for discussion at the first briefing on the 7th February 2017, and report to Council for decision on the 21st February 2017.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.177/1617

**10. WORK PLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY**

No Report presented.

**11. MEMBERS BUSINESS**

Cr. Fegan – Pet Requests for Seniors Living Centre. To be discussed with Director.

Cr. Murphy on behalf of Cr. Royes – Back lane of Top Pub and Booths. Pot Holes. Overgrown trees and foliage on Burke street.

**12. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The Chair of the meeting, Cr. Belinda Murphy declared the meeting closed at 12:21pm

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Cr Belinda Murphy  
Mayor