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# POST ELECTION MEETING PUBLIC

To be held at McKinlay Shire Council, Boardroom 29 Burke Street, Julia Creek, Queensland 4823

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020, 10:00am

1. Declaration of Office

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Notice is hereby given that a Post Election Meeting will be held at the Council Chambers, Civic Centre, Julia Creek on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 10:00am.

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#### 1. DECLARATION OF OFFICE

In accordance with Section 169 of the Local Government Act 2009, a councillor must not act in office until the councillor makes the declaration of office.

The Declaration of Office as prescribed in the Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 254 Declaration of office—Act, s 169

'I, (insert name of councillor), having been elected/appointed as a councillor of the (insert name of local government), declare that I will faithfully and impartially fulfil the duties of the office, in accordance with the local government principles under the Local Government Act 2009, to the best of my judgment and ability.'.

#### 2. OPENING BUSINESS

All Councillors having signed the Attendance Book, the Mayor declared the meeting open.

#### 3. ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Cr. P Curr

Members: Cr. J Fegan, Cr. S Royes, Cr. J Lynch, Cr. T Pratt

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Edwina Marks
Director of Corporate and Community Services, Ms. Tenneil Cody
Corporate and Community Services Administration Officer, Mrs. Katie Woods

Other people in attendance:

#### Apologies:

Director Engineering, Environment and Regulatory Services, Mr. David McKinley Executive Assistant, Ms. Maggie Rudolph

#### 4. REPORTS FOR CONSIDERATION

The following reports are up for Council consideration.



4.1 Subject: Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Attachments: Nil

**Author:** Chief Executive Officer

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020

The purpose of this report is to fulfil the requirements of Section 175 of the Local Government Act 2009 and appoint a Deputy Mayor.

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council appoint Cr. \_\_\_\_\_\_ to the position of Deputy Mayor of McKinlay Shire Council.

#### **Background:**

Under the Local Government Act 2009, Chapter 6 Administration, Part 2 Councillors, Section 175 – A Council must hold a post election meeting and perform certain tasks.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2009, Chapter 6, Part 2

#### 175 - Post-election meetings

- (1) A local government must hold a meeting within 14 days after -
  - (a) the conclusion of each quadrennial election; and
  - (b) the conclusion of a fresh election of its councilors.
- (2) The local government must, by resolution, appoint a deputy mayor from its councilors (other than the mayor)
  - (a) at the meeting; and
  - (b) at the first meeting after the office of the councillor who is the deputy mayor becomes vacant.

#### **Comments:**

Nil

#### **Consultation**:

**Chief Executive Officer** 

#### Legislative:

Section 175 – Local Government Act 2009

#### **Policy Implications:**

Nil

#### **Financial and Resource Implications:**

Councillor remuneration is set down by the Local Government Remuneration Commission, an independent body, made up of a Chair and Casual Commissioners, appointed by the Governor in Council.

The Commission has a range of roles including the setting of the maximum remuneration for Councillors. The Commissioners are Mr. Reimen Hii, Ms. Andrea Ranson and Mr. Robert (Bob) Abbot. They are overseen by the Minister for Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs (DLGRMA), the Hon Stirling Hinchcliffe.

The Deputy Mayor is remunerated at \$62, 435 in accordance with the (2019) rate set down by the Commission. These rates are reviewed annually.

#### **InfoXpert Document ID:**



**4.2 Subject:** Council Meetings Frequency and Timing

Attachments: Nil

**Author:** Chief Executive Officer

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020

The purpose of this report is to fulfil the requirements of Section 175 (1) of the Local Government Act 2009 and Section 257 (2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to set a day and time for Ordinary Meetings of Council.

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council resolves that the date of the April Ordinary Meeting of Council be held Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 commencing at 9:00am and that subsequent meetings be held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Council Chambers, Julia Creek commencing at 9:00am, unless otherwise notified by meeting notice issued pursuant to Section 257 (2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

#### **Background:**

Section 256 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires Council to consider the day and time for holding future meetings. Section 257 provides that a Local Government for a Shire must meet at least once in each month.

Previously the Ordinary Meetings of Council have been monthly. The recommendation is for Council to hold an Ordinary Meeting of Council on the third Tuesday of each month.

On occasions, the monthly meeting date may be varied to suit the availability of Councillors and the Mayor. In such circumstances prior communication is held with all Councillors and a written notice will be issued.

Our proposed ordinary Council meeting dates for the rest of the calendar year are as follows:

21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2020 Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020 Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2020 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2020 Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020 Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020 Tuesday

#### **Consultation**:

**Chief Executive Officer** 

#### **Legislative:**

Section 175 (1) – Local Government Act 2009 Section 257 (2) – Local Government Regulation 2012



## **Policy Implications:**

Councils Code of Meeting Practice Policy
Councils Briefing Sessions Policy

## **Financial and Resource Implications:**

Nil

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**4.3 Subject:** Appointment of Chair and Deputy Chair to McKinlay Shire LDMG 2020-2024

Attachments: Nil

Author: Chief Executive Officer

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020

The purpose of this report is to appoint a Chair and a Deputy Chair to the McKinlay Shire Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG)

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council;

- (a) Appoint Mayor Philip Curr as Chair of the McKinlay Shire Local Disaster Management Group,
- (b) Appoint Cr. \_\_\_\_\_ as Deputy Chair of the McKinlay Shire Local Disaster Management Group.

#### **Background:**

The McKinlay Shire Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) was established to support and coordinate disaster management activities for our Local Government Area.

The Chair person of each LDMG must be a Mayor or Councillor appointed by Council. Councils practice is also to appoint a Deputy Chair to the Chair, to support succession planning and relief, if necessary.

From mid-March 2020, our LDMG has been involved in the global pandemic of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19). Due to this, the McKinlay Shire LDMG is currently at STAND UP status and is meeting weekly due. It is critical to ensure that the new Chair and Deputy Chair are in place as quickly as possible and to hold a meeting within the week.

#### **Disaster Management Act 2003:**

#### Part 5 – Functions of local governments

#### **80 Functions of local government**

- (1) The functions of a local government under this Act are as follows
  - (a) to ensure it has a disaster response capability;
  - (b) to approve its local disaster management plan prepared under part 3;
  - (c) to ensure information about an event or a disaster in its area is promptly given to the district disaster coordinator for the disaster district in which its area is situated:
  - (d) to perform other functions given to the local government under this Act.
- (2) In this section disaster response capability, for a local government, means the ability to provide equipment and a suitable number of persons, using the resources available to the local government, to effectively deal with, or help another entity to deal with, an emergency situation or a disaster in the local government's area.

#### **Comments:**

Nil

#### **Consultation**:

Chief Executive Officer



#### **Legislative:**

Disaster Management Act 2003

- Persons are appointed to the LDMG under Section 33 of the Act.
- Business and meetings are conducted in accordance with Section 38 of the Act.
- Part 5, Section 80 outlines the functions of Local Government in Disaster Management.

#### **Policy Implications:**

Nil

#### **Financial and Resource Implications:**

Nil

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**4.4 Subject:** Appointment of NWQROC Representatives 2020-2024

Attachments: Nil

Author: Chief Executive Officer

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020

The purpose of this report is to appoint a Council representative to the North West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (NWQROC).

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council;

- (a) Appoint Mayor Philip Curr as McKinlay Shire's representative on the NWQROC Committee; and
- (b) Appoint Cr. \_\_\_\_\_ as an alternative delegate should the Mayor be unavailable to attend.

#### **Background:**

The North West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (NWQROC) was established in 2013 to represent Councils of the North West Queensland region. Their vision is to make the North West Queensland a region that is attractive for people and businesses to live, work and invest.

The LGAQ representative is often the same representative of regional groups such as this, as well as Regional Roads Groups.





#### **Comments:**

This is an intra-regional committee of Councils located across North West Queensland who work together under the Regional Organisation of Councils framework.

The Committee is run by a board of Mayors/Councillors from the meember councils of Burke, Carpentaria, Cloncurry, Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire, Flinders, McKinlay, Mt Isa and Richmond Shire Councils. Each term a new board is appointed.

Greg Hoffman is the Executive Director of NWQROC.

#### **Consultation**:

**Chief Executive Officer** 

#### **Legislative:**

Nil

#### **Policy Implications:**

Nil

#### **Financial and Resource Implications:**

McKinlay Shire Council pays an annual contribution to this member group.

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