



# CONFIRMED MINUTES

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**GENERAL MEETING OF  
BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD WEDNESDAY  
16 OCTOBER 2013  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JUNDAH**

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CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING  
HELD COUNCIL CHAMBERS, JUNDAH  
ON WEDNESDAY 16 OCTOBER 2013  
COMMENCING AT 9.23 AM**

**1. OPENING**

The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and opened the meeting at 9.23 am.

**2. ATTENDANCE**

<b><u>ATTENDANCE</u></b>	Cr Julie Groves, Mayor Cr Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor Cr Peter Batt Cr Ian Groves
<b><u>OFFICER'S PRESENT</u></b>	Mr Bob O'Brien, Chief Executive Officer Ms Sue McConachy, Executive Assistant

**3. APOLOGIES**

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Cr Craig Lasker

**Resolution No.: 2013.10.01**

***That apology from Cr Lasker is accepted and leave of absence be granted.***

**MOVED:** Cr Batt

**SECONDED:** Cr I Groves

**CARRIED 4/0**

**4. CONDOLENCES & BIRTHS**

Mrs Grace George  
Mrs Evelyn (Tiny) Egan

**5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Nil

**Hon David Crisafulli, Minister for Local Government , Community Recovery & Resilience**

Bringing to Council's attention the release of the Final Report of the Police and Community Safety Review.

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**Julie Groves, Mayor**

A copy of a letter written by Mayor Julie Groves to the Hon Warren Truss MP, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, in regards to round five of Regional Development Australia Funding (RDAF), was tabled. The Mayor asks the Hon Warren Truss that his government give consideration to honouring the original allocation committed.

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**Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience**

Advising that the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal is required to be determined by 1 December 2013. The remuneration to be paid from 1 July 2014 to Mayors, Deputy Mayors and Councillors of all Local Governments. Local Governments are invited to make written submissions to the Tribunal on any changes they propose should be made to the remuneration schedule.

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**Australian Local Government Association**

Advising that registrations are open for the 2013 National Local Roads and Transport Congress.

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**Department of Housing and Public Works**

Referring to the seven 'Hard-to-Let' (HTL) nomination forms submitted by Council to the Emerald Housing Service Centre and inviting Council to a teleconference with Departmental Officer, Mrs Meredith Law, Business Support Officer, Office of the Regional Director.

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## **11. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORT – MAYOR**

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

**Resolution No.:** 2013.10.03

**DEPUTATION**

Inspector Mark Henderson, from the Longreach Patrol Service Group attended the Meeting to introduce himself and to discuss certain issues relating to the 'El Nino' effect, after attending a Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) meeting in Charleville. Inspector Henderson advised the following were the main issues.

- Dry Prediction
- Fire Hazards
- Flash Flooding
- Storms

**ATTENDANCE**

Inspector Mark Henderson left the meeting at 11.47 am.

**12. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT**

Resolution No.: 2013.10.05

*That Council receive the following Financial Statements pursuant to and in accordance with Section 152 of the Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010 for the period ending 30 June 2014.*

MOVED: Cr I Groves

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED: 4/0

**ATTENDANCE**

Finance Officer Sarah Uhrhrane, Corporate Services Manager Dave Charlton and Ian Kuhn left the Meeting at 12.29 pm.

**ATTENDANCE**

Engineer Greg Clark attended the Meeting at 12.30 pm.

**13. CONSIDERATION OF WORKS AND SERVICES REPORTS**

**ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Resolution No.: 2013.10.06

*That Council accepts the report from the Engineer.*

MOVED: Cr I Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 4/0

**ATTENDANCE**

Strategic Works Manager Steve Sigler and Fleet Administrator Tanya Forsyth attended the Meeting at 12.33 pm.

**ATTENDANCE**

Engineer Greg Clark left the Meeting at 12.56 pm.

Resolution No.: 2013.10.08

*That Council accepts the report from the Rural Lands Officer.*

MOVED: Cr I Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 4/0

**ATTENDANCE**

Rural Lands Officer left the meeting at 3.09 pm.

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr I Groves left the meeting at 3.36 pm.

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr I Groves returned to the meeting at 3.38 pm.

**15. FURTHER BUSINESS**

**SHIRE HISTORY BOOK**

General discussion was held regarding the Shire History book being written by Peter and Sheila Forrest in regards to bringing the book to a conclusion.

**16. MEMBERS BUSINESS**

**Councillor Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor**

Cr Pratt discussed *The Queensland Plan – Priorities Shortlist* which he tabled at the Meeting.

**Councillor Peter Batt**

Nil

**Councillor Ian Groves**

Nil

**17. CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

**CLOSED MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**

Meeting was closed at 4.58 pm to discuss the setting of the reserves for the forthcoming Council 'House and Land Auction' on the 2/11/13.

MOVED: Cr I Groves

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 4/0