



CONFIRMED MINUTES

**GENERAL MEETING OF
BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY
28 MAY 2012
COMMUNITY CENTRE
WINDORAH**

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COMMENCING AT 9:10 AM

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HELD IN COMMUNITY CENTRE, WINDORAH
ON MONDAY, 28 MAY 2012
COMMENCING AT 9:10 AM.**

ATTENDANCE: Cr Julie Groves, Mayor
Cr Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor
Cr Peter Batt
Cr Ian Groves
Cr Craig Lasker

OFFICER'S PRESENT Mr Bob O'Brien, Chief Executive Officer
Ms Kim Corbett, Manager Corporate Services
Miss Tamzen Heath, Executive Assistant

GUESTS Mr Wayne Fallen, Department of Local Government

1. OPENING

The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and opened the meeting at 9:10AM.

2. APOLOGIES

No apologies.

3. CONDOLENCES

The Council expressed sympathy to the family and friends of the following:-

- Mr Val D'Hennin

4. CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION

No items this meeting.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES

Confirmation of General Meeting Minutes – Monday 16 April 2012

Resolution No.: 2012.05.01

That the minutes of the General Meeting, held at Jundah on Monday, 16 April 2012, be confirmed.

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

Confirmation of Post-Election Statutory Meeting – Monday, 14 May 2012

Resolution No.: 2012.05.02

That the minutes of the Post-Election Statutory Meeting, held at Jundah on Monday, 14 May 2012 be confirmed subject to the following amendments:-

- *That on Page 4 under the heading Appointment of Deputy Mayor that the words 'for a period of six months' after the word Mayor be deleted and the words 'and that the position is on a rotating basis and further that Councillor Ian Groves be exempt from holding the position of Deputy Mayor' be inserted.*
- *That on Page 7 under the heading Tender of Bitumen Surfacing Works that the words 'for the accepting of a preferred tender and formation of a contract for the works with the preferred tenderer' after the word 'Officer' be deleted and that the words 'to appoint a successful tenderer for Tender T05-2011/12 for the Spraying of Bituminous Surfacing and Spreading of Cover Aggregate at various sites within Barcoo Shire' be inserted.*

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

6. BUSINESS ARISING

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the Automatic Flood Gauging locations have been changed to the Thomson River where the river enters the shire and the second flood gauge will be on Cooper Creek crossing.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Resolution No.: 2012.05.03

That Council suspend standing orders to receive the deputation from Mr Wayne Fallen, Department of Local Government, the time being 9:21 AM.

MOVED: Cr Lasker

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

DEPUTATION

The Mayor welcomed Mr Wayne Fallen to the meeting and asked Wayne to address Council.

Mr Wayne Fallen presented his presentation on the Department of Local Government Councillor Induction Program 2012 to Council.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 11:09 AM.

The meeting resumed at 11:47 AM. Mr Wayne Fallen was not in attendance at resumption of the meeting.

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Resolution No.: 2012.05.04

That Council resume standing orders, the time being 10:47 AM.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

7. MEMBERS BUSINESS

Cr Batt

- Advised that there are grids on Warbreccan Road that need to be inspected to determine if they can be removed.

Action: Senior Technical Officer

Cr Lasker

- Advised if Council could grade the road accesses to the three (3) Telstra Towers to make it easier to access. One tower on the Birdsville Road and two on the Bedourie Road.

Action: Works Supervisor

- Advised that Morney Plains would put \$50,000.00 towards an all weather airstrip at Morney.

Cr I Groves

- Advised that Welford National Park is closing public roads when they are conducting shooting.

Action: Chief Executive Officer

- Advised that fire protection in towns will need to be conducted before the fire season commences.
- Advised that there is a hole on one side of the grid near Bimerah.

Action: Works Supervisor

Cr Pratt

- Advised that we need to hold Bruce Scott's farewell function before the end of June. Bob advised that he will contact the MP's offices to see if they will be available for Saturday, 30 June 2012.
- Advised that Council will need to move the roo boxes in Stonehenge before the Baldry Auction.
Action: Maintenance Supervisor
- Recommended that a resolution be passed to appoint Bruce Scott to complete the Optic Fibre project on behalf of Council. The Chief Executive Officer advised that he will submit a report to Council at the next General Meeting to be held Wednesday, 20 June 2012.
Action: Chief Executive Officer
- Request RAPAD to investigate options for improved zone allowance
Action: Chief Executive Officer
- Advised that Council need to clear designated areas for camp sites on the rivers in all towns.
Action: Works Supervisor
- Need a road sign to be placed on the Warbreccan Road to include Thomson River and Winton.
Action: Works Supervisor

Cr J Groves

- Investigate the possibility and costs to put toilets near the river at Stonehenge and Jundah.
Action: Chief Executive Officer
- Write a letter of congratulations to Joe Rayment, turning 100 years old, formerly of "Romula".
Action: Chief Executive Officer
- There is no property signage between Jundah and Stonehenge. Chief Executive Officer advised that he will bring the Shire signage policy to Council for adoption.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for Lunch at 1:26 PM.

The meeting resumed at 2:07 PM. Mr Bill Pitman, Works Supervisor, Mr Steve Sigler, Senior Technical Officer and Mr Peter Pidgeon, Rural Lands Officer were in attendance at resumption of meeting.

DEPUTATION

Mr Bill Pitman gave an overview of his Matters of Interest Report.

Mr Steve Sigler gave an overview of the Workplace Health and Safety Matters of Interest Report.

11. CONSIDERATION OF WORKS AND SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 Submission of Digital As-Constructed Information Manual

Resolution No.: 2012.05.05

That Council adopt the Submission of Digital As-Constructed Information manual and accepts the procedure for Submission of Digital As-Constructed Information as outlined in the manual.

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

DEPUTATION

Mr Peter Pidgeon gave an overview of his Matters of Interest Report.

14. CONSIDERATION OF LATE REPORTS

14.1 Applications for Agistment on Council Town Commons/Reserves

Resolution No.: 2012.05.06

That Council approve the agistment applications for stock on town common and reserves for the following:

- *Lorraine Steedman – eighteen (18) stock to be agisted on the town common, Stonehenge*
- *Geoff Seawright – twenty (20) stock to be agisted on the town common, Windorah*
- *Dianne Ward – four (4) stock to be agisted on the town common, Windorah*

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for afternoon tea, the time being 3:53 PM.

The meeting resumed, the time being 3:59 PM. Mr Bill Pitman, Mr Steve Sigler and Mr Peter Pidgeon were not in attendance at resumption of the meeting.

8. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 Qantas Club Membership

Resolution No.: 2012.05.07

That Council subscribe to membership of the Qantas Club for both the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer for a period of four (4) years.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

8.2 Rural Electrification Loan – Currereva Station - Cross

Resolution No.: 2012.05.08

That Council borrow on behalf of the Cross Family "Currereva" under a Rural Electrification Loan Scheme for the sum of \$102,481.00 for the purpose of a three phase power line to "Currereva" Station Windorah subject to approval from the Department of Local Government and Queensland Treasury Corporation.

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

8.4 Queensland Health Request for Land and Use of Community House

Resolution No.: 2012.05.09

That Council agree to sell the allotment adjacent to the current Health Centre in Windorah at valuation (\$10,000.00) and that Council agree to the request for the Director of Nursing and her husband to rent the community house presently occupied by the Council Works manager until such time that the new accommodation facility is built.

NOTATION:

Council is exempt from seeking approval from the Government as we are dealing with the State Government Department.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

8.5 J & J Baldry Auction Surplus Machinery

Resolution No.: 2012.05.10

That Council authorise the Deputy Mayor to bid on items which Council considers to be of value to Council and further that the Chief Executive Officer will advise of reserve prices to each item of interest.

MOVED: Cr Lasker

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

9. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

9.1 Barcoo Shire Council Monthly Financial Report

Resolution No.: 2012.05.11

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 31 March 2012.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

8. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.3 3rd Quarter Review – Operational Plan

Resolution No.: 2012.05.12

That Council receive the 3rd Review of the Operational Plan.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

10. CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

No items this meeting.

12. CONSIDERATION OF LAND AND ANIMAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

No items this meeting.

14. CONSIDERATION OF LATE REPORTS

14.1 Vision Statement – Voting and Suggested Logo

That Council lay this matter on the table for further consultation, and resubmit the report at General Meeting to be held Wednesday, 20 June 2012.

14.2 Request for 'financial-in kind' Support for the Barcoo Blue Light

Resolution No.: 2012.05.13

That Council complete all the modifications to the cold room trailer including covering the associated costs and employee wages and further that Council assist with the completion of the required suspension and other upgrades to the MERV trailer.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

MEETING CLOSED TO PUBLIC

Resolution No.: 2012.05.14

That Council close the meeting to the public to go into committee to discuss confidential issues concerning staff matters, the time being 6:01 PM.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC

Resolution No.: 2012.05.15

That Council open the meeting to the public, the time being 6:10 PM.

MOVED: Cr Lasker

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

13. CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

13.1 Redundancy Package

Resolution No.: 2012.05.16

That Council endorse the negotiations undertaken by the Chief Executive Officer and agree to the redundancy package as outlined in the Chief Executive confidential report.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

13.2 Organisational Structure

Resolution No.: 2012.05.17

That the Chief Executive report back to Council on a new recommended organisational structure with the view to reducing the Works Supervision staff and examining a support officer for the Chief Executive Officer.

MOVED: Cr Batt

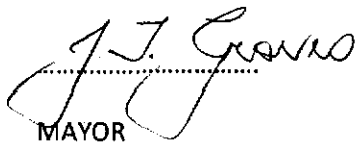
SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

15. CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 6:12 PM.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday, 20 June 2012.


MAYOR

20/06/2012

DATE