



CONFIRMED MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING OF

BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD THURSDAY

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COMMENCING AT 9:12 AM.**

ATTENDANCE: Cr Bruce Scott, Mayor
Cr Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor
Cr Peter Batt
Cr Ian Groves
Cr Jim Pidgeon

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

GUESTS Nil

1. OPENING

The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and opened the meeting at 9:12 AM.

2. APOLOGIES

No apologies this meeting.

3. CONDOLENCES

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

- Ken BOGGS, formerly of Charleville and Barcoo Shire.

4. CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION

No items this meeting.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES

Resolution No.: 2012.02.01

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

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

6. BUSINESS ARISING

Mr O'Brien advised Cr Pratt of the Action that has been taken regarding the fence line at the back of Mr Ian Godber and Mr Steedman's houses.

DEPUTATION

Council discussed the Optic Fibre project, between Diamantina and Barcoo Shire Councils. The Mayor gave an overview of the project.

The Mayor asked Mr Michael Parker to address Council regarding the Optic Fire Project.

Optic Fibre Project

Resolution No.: 2012.02.02

That Council pursue the Optic Fibre roll out for the Shires of Barcoo and Diamantina and look to progress the following:-

- *Continue to lobby the Federal and State authorities who have responsibilities in this matter*
- *Pursue an RDA application for funding with Mr. Michael Parker being engaged on behalf of each Shire Council to co-ordinate and facilitate the RDA application*
- *Examine all options associated with gaining RDA funding including the option of going alone as single Shire application.*
- *Request advice from QTC regarding funding options*
- *Request legal advice from McInnis Wilson Lawyers as they are the preferred entity of both Shires in this matter.*

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for Morning Tea, the time being 10:46AM.

The meeting resumed, the time being 11:25AM. Mr Michael Parker was not in attendance at resumption of the meeting.

7. MEMBERS BUSINESS

Cr Pidgeon

- Enquired about the channel and kerbing works being undertaken in Jundah.
- Enquired on how the units and land is progressing with the accommodation near the pub. Mr O'Brien gave an update on the project.
- Enquired on what is going to happen with the current caravan park. Discussion where held regarding the caravan park.

Land Transfer

Resolution No.: 2012.02.03

That Council enquire as to the current situation of the land transfer and also seek a specific execution date that is acceptable to Council.

MOVED: Cr Pidgeon

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

Cr Pratt

- Requested if the Street near the school at Stonehenge be included in next year's budget to be sealed.
INFORMATION: CEO and Engineer
- Asked if some land can be identified on the river to be clear for pads for a camping area in Stonehenge. To be considered in next year's budget.
INFORMATION: CEO and Engineer

Cr Batt

- Enquired if the Warbreccan crossing damage has been inspected.
ACTION: Senior Technical Officer and Works Manager

Cr Groves

- Requested for signage to be put up "Road Closed – Open to local traffic only" on all roads which experience issues during flooding.
ACTION: Senior Technical Officer and Works Manager
- Advised that the eastern roller window at the sports shed in Jundah requires attention as it lets water in during rain.
ACTION: Maintenance Supervisor

Cr Scott

- Asked if a report on building projects can be tabled at the next meeting.
ACTION: Manager Corporate Services
- Requested that Council form a policy for road management closures. To be tabled at the next meeting.
ACTION: Senior Technical Officer and WH&SO
- Advised that Council should form relationships with local property owners to help check river heights during flooding season.
ACTION: Senior Technical Officer and Works Manager
- Requested that Depth Markers at all creek and river crossings be upgraded.
ACTION: Senior Technical Officer and Works Manager
INFORMATION: GIS Technical Officer
- Advised that he attended the ORRG Meeting and will send out the agenda and minutes from the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for lunch, the time being 1:05PM.

The meeting resumed, the time being 1:58PM. Mr Peter Pidgeon, Rural Lands Officer was in attendance at resumption of the meeting.

The Mayor suspended standing orders and the Land and Animal Management Reports were considered.

12. CONSIDERATION OF LAND AND ANIMAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Council received and noted the Rural Lands Officer's Matters of Interest Report.

12.1 Applications for Agistment on Barcoo Shire Commons and Reserves

Resolution No.: 2012.02.04

That Council approve the following applications for agistment on Barcoo Shire Commons and Reserves:-

Jundah:

- *D Dolgner*

Stonehenge:

- *J Baldry*

Windorah:

- *P Geiger*
- *J & J Schrader*
- *N Geiger*
- *K Geiger & M Lampard*
- *D Geiger*
- *T Geiger*

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Pidgeon

CARRIED 5/0

ATTENDANCE

Mr Peter Pidgeon departed the meeting, the time being 2:20PM.

Mr Michael Brown, Works Manager attended the meeting, the time being 2:21PM.

The Mayor welcomed Michael and asked to address Council on the Works and Services Matters of Interest Reports. The Matters of Interest reports were received and noted by Council.

Mr Michael Brown departed the meeting, the time being 2:45PM.

Councillors Pidgeon and Batt declared an interest in item 8.1 and left the meeting, the time being 2:50pm.

8. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 Request for Sponsorship – Jundah Thunder Rugby League 7's Team

Resolution No.: 2012.02.05

That Council make a contribution of \$500.00 to the Jundah Thunder Rugby League 7's Team to assist with the purchase of team jerseys and further that Council request the Barcoo corporate logo be displayed on the jersey.

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 3/0

ATTENDANCE

Councillors Pidgeon and Batt returned to the meeting, the time being 2:51pm.

8.2 Submission – Public Auction of Land – Cecil Street, Windorah

Resolution No.: 2012.02.06

That Council accept the proposal from GDL Real Estate Pty Ltd (Quilpie) on the basis that the proposal is administratively more suitable and that the firm is a significant service provider to the Windorah Community and as such has a greater working knowledge of the area

MOVED: Cr Pidgeon

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 5/0

8.3 Amended Budget 2011-12 January Review

Resolution No.: 2012.02.07

That Council adopt the amended Budget as presented consisting of the following:-

- 1. Revenue and Expenditure Statement*
- 2. Income Statement*
- 3. Balance Sheet*
- 4. Cash Flow Statement*
- 5. Appropriation Statement*
- 6. Capital Funding Statement*
- 7. Reserve Movement Report*
- 8. Capital Works Schedule*
- 9. Plant Replacement Schedule*

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

9. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

Council received and noted the Manager Corporate Services Matters of Interest report.

9.1 Barcoo Shire Council Monthly Financial Report

Resolution No.: 2012.02.08

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 January 2012.

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

9.2 Purchasing Policy Review and Changes

Resolution No.: 2012.02.09

That Council approve the changes made to the 2011-2012 Purchasing Policy. The status of this policy will change from draft to final and be recognised as version 2. This policy is to be reviewed annually, subject to the following amendments:-

AMENDMENTS

- *Change the Procurement Delegation Limits of the Works Manager and Works Supervisor to \$50,000.00.*
- *Add the following Position to Schedule 1, Procurement Delegations Limits for Council Officers:-*
 - *Plumber – Delegation Limit of \$5,000.00*
- *Add the following Contractors and Consultants to Schedule 1, Procurement Delegations Limits for Contractors:-*
 - *Greg Clarke, Contract Engineer - Delegation Limit of \$100,000.00*
 - *Michael Parker, Consultant - Delegation Limit of \$15,000.00*
 - *Chris Woodland, Statewide Drafting - Delegation Limit of \$50,000.00*
 - *Glenn Forsyth, Forsyth Fabrications – Delegation Limit of \$5,000.00*
- *That the following paragraphs be included in Schedule 1 – Procurement Delegation Limits:-*

In the absence of the Chief Executive Officer, authorisation of purchases over \$50,000.00 requires at least two signatures. One signature must be the Manager of Corporate Services or Works Manager.

Contractors, excluding the Contract Engineer, require at least two signatures confirming authorisation. One signature must be the Chief Executive Officer, Manager of Corporate Services, Works Manager or Works Supervisor.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pidgeon

CARRIED 5/0

10. CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

No action items this meeting.

Council received and noted the Community/Tourism Officer Matters of Interest Report.

11. CONSIDERATION OF WORKS AND SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 Plant Replacement Windorah School Vehicle

Resolution No.: 2012.02.10

That Council accept the quotation for the supply of a 12 seat people mover (mini bus) for the use by the Windorah State School and Shire Community from Black Toyota Roma for the amount of \$52,271.27 + GST.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

11.2 Plant – Rent Buy Cat 140M Grader Hastings Deering

Resolution No.: 2012.02.11

That Council endorses the actions of the Chief Executive Officer in the emergent Rent/purchase of one Caterpillar 140M series Motor Grader as per quotation:

Retail Price: \$ 409,200 + GST

Term: 12 months

Monthly Rate: \$13,775 per month in advance plus GST 10%

If customer wishes to purchase a unit of same consist with approximately an extra 2112 hours after 12 months indicatively the value would be \$286,440.00 plus GST, Rate based on 2112 per annum

Excess hours: \$78 per hour.

Purchase of machine in the new financial year will be made under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2009 using Local buy.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

That Council receive and note the Chief Executive Officers Matters of Interest Report.

13. CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

No items this meeting.

14. CONSIDERATION OF LATE REPORTS

14.1 | Donation – Australian Age of Dinosaurs

Resolution No.: 2012.02.12

That Council donate \$1000.00 (Wintonotitan Wattsi) towards the Banjo Family, to raise funds for the completion of the Australian Age of Dinosaurs Reception Centre.

MOVED: Cr Pidgeon

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

14.2 | Fernvale Law on Behalf of Darrel James Dolgner

Resolution No.: 2012.02.13

That Council endorses the actions of the Chief Executive Officer in relation to forwarding the correspondence to Council Solicitor King & Company and to all the relevant authorities in relation to the Claims and the contents as outlined in the documentation, and furthermore Council endorse the contents of the reply.

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

15. CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 4:46PM.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Monday, 12 March 2012.

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MAYOR

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DATE