

## BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE STONEHENGE COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON MONDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2010 COMMENCING AT 9:12AM

#### ATTENDANCE:

Councillors B Scott (Mayor), M Pratt (Deputy Mayor), P Batt, J Pidgeon, I Groves, CEO Michael Parker

Mayor Cr Scott opened the meeting and welcomed all to the first meeting of 2010.

#### CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES

##### **RESOLUTION: 2010.02.01**

*That the minutes of the General Meeting of the Barcoo Shire Council held on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2009 be confirmed as a true account of the events.*

*Moved: Cr Batt*

*Seconded: Cr Pidgeon*

CARRIED: 5/0

The scheduled January 2010 General Meeting of Council was not held due to flooding.

#### MEMBERS' BUSINESS

##### **Item 1**

###### Cr Pratt

- Mailbox needed in Stonehenge to enable local mail to be collected
- Flood damage to Bimerah-Yaraka and Bimerah-Isisford
- Water pressure to Stonehenge Hall very limited
- Moisture problems at community Centre causing movement to buildings

##### **Item 2**

###### Cr Batt

- Jundah Museum – needs to be completed

##### **Item 3**

###### Cr Groves

- Flood heights (readings) at Retreat Station. Discrepancies with BOM readings.

##### **Item 4**

###### Cr Pidgeon

- Jundah Sports building – kitchen requires a fan or evaporative cooling

## MEMBERS' BUSINESS cont.

### **Item 5**

#### Cr Scott

- Governor General Visit to Shire. The Mayor advised that correspondence received from the Governor General stated that she would visit the Shire on June 25<sup>th</sup> to perform official openings. (Stonehenge Community Centre, Jundah Admin Office, Jundah-Windorah Road, Windorah Community Centre).
- Shire Ball to be held in Windorah on June 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Central Qld Leading the Way Summit – Dysart April 14-16. Mayor & CEO to attend.
- Meeting with Senator Conroy and Next-Gen, re telecommunications in the Central West of Qld, at Mt Isa on February 17, 2010.

#### *Senator Conroy Meeting*

#### **RESOLUTION: 20010.02.02**

*That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to attend the meeting in Mt Isa, February 17-18.*

*Moved: Cr Groves*

*Seconded: Cr Batt*

CARRIED: 5/0

#### *Attendance at Meetings and Deputations- Mayor*

#### **RESOLUTION: 2010.02.03**

Meeting	Date	Place
Meeting with Director General TMR	27/28 Jan 2010	Brisbane
ORRG Special Meeting	27/28 Jan 2010	Brisbane
Regional Arrangement Assembly ROC's & Road Groups	4 Feb 2010	Brisbane
Meeting with Senator Stephen Conroy	5 Feb 2010	Canberra
Governor General invite to attend launch of Qld Governor's Book	25 Feb 2010	Sydney

*That Council approve the Mayor's attendance at the Meetings listed above.*

*Moved: Cr Pratt*

*Seconded: Cr Groves*

CARRIED: 5/0

#### **Attendance:**

The Council meeting broke for morning tea at 10:55am and resumed at 11:35am. Mr Mike Brown, Works Manager, was in attendance when the meeting resumed.

## WORKS & SERVICES REPORT

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.04**

*That the Works and Services Report prepared by Michael Brown, Works Manager, be received and noted.*

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*Moved: Cr Pidgeon*

*Seconded: Cr Pratt*

CARRIED: 5/0

**Hammond Downs Road**

Mr Brown to investigate ways of flood proofing the low sections of this road.

**Attendance:**

Mr Brown departed the meeting at 12:10pm and, Mr Peter Pidgeon (Rural Lands Officer) attended at this time.

## LAND & ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

*Land and Animal Management Report*

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.05**

*That the Land and Animal Management Report prepared by Peter Pidgeon, Rural Lands Officer be received and noted.*

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*Moved: Cr Pidgeon*

*Seconded: Cr Batt*

CARRIED: 5/0

Mr P Pidgeon presented a verbal report to Council.

**Correspondence:**

J Schrader: Request permission to fence a portion of the Windorah Town Common to keep a horse.

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.06**

*That Council advise Mr Schrader about the requirements of keeping stock on the Town Common and the Local Law Policy as regards to stock in town, and that land will be available for purchase later in 2010.*

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*Moved: Cr Pratt*

*Seconded: Cr Pidgeon*

CARRIED: 5/0

**LAND & ANIMAL MANAGEMENT cont.**

Agistments

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.07**

*That Council grant approval the following Agistment applications.*

*G Gorringe – 20 head cattle*

*K Field – 6 horses*

*S Oates – 2 horses*

*T Geiger – 20 head cattle*

*D Dolgner – 20 head cattle*

*D Geiger – 20 head cattle*

*N Geiger – 18 head cattle, 2 horses*

*K Geiger – 15 head cattle, 5 horses*

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*Moved: Cr Batt*

*Seconded: Cr Pidgeon*

CARRIED: 5/0

**Attendance:**

Mr Pidgeon left the meeting at 1:00pm.

**EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

Executive Report

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.08**

*That the Executive Report prepared by Michael Parker, Chief Executive Officer be received and noted.*

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*Moved: Cr Pratt*

*Seconded: Cr Groves*

CARRIED: 5/0

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS CONT.

### Agenda 08.02.10 Item 6

#### Remuneration of Councillors - 2010

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Section 236A of the Local Government Act 1993 requires that Council, within 2 months after the remuneration schedule that applies for the year for the category of Local Government is published in the gazette, must authorise payment of remuneration on or after January 1.

The Local Government Remuneration Tribunals 2008 Annual Report has been handed to the Minister of Local Government.

The report, summary attached, provides for an increase over the level of remuneration for 2009 by 3%.

#### **RESOLUTION: 2010.02.09**

*That the Mayoral allowance increase be paid, with Councillors to remain as per 2009 level. In accordance with Section 236A of the Local Government Act 1993, remuneration for Councillors and Mayor of the Barcoo Shire Council be paid as listed below, for the fulfilment of the duties of office, including performing the role of a Councillor (Sec229) and of Mayor (Sec231) to the best of their ability, as from January 1, 2010.*

*Further that the payments of one-twelfth of the base fee be made to Councillors on a monthly basis and attendance fees be paid on signing of the meeting attendance book*

#### **OFFICE**

Mayor	41.55% of reference rate set by LG Remuneration Tribunal
Dep. Mayor	15.7% of reference rate set by LG Remuneration Tribunal
Councillor	10.72% of reference rate set by LG Remuneration Tribunal
Meeting Attendance Fee	\$300.00

Moved: Cr Pratt

Seconded: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 5/0

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS CONT.

### Agenda 08.02.10 Item 7

#### Sale of Vacant Land - Jundah

##### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Council has received an offer to purchase two vacant lots in Jundah, namely Lots 48 & 53 on Plan J27410, Dickson Street, from Mr Gary Ballard.

The land is intended to be used to store machinery.

##### **RESOLUTION: 2010.02.10**

*That Council accept the offer of \$2500 per block for Lots 48 and 53 on Plan J27410, and a further that conditions apply as follows:*

- (a) suitable fencing be erected within 12 months of date of possession*
- (b) a Development Application for a suitable building be submitted to Council within 36 months of date of purchase.*

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Moved: Cr Pratt

Seconded: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 5/0

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### **Optus Telecommunications**

CEO to request Optus to present a firm proposal to provide mobile telephones to Windorah and Jundah.

#### **Attendance:**

The Council meeting broke for lunch at 1:35pm and resumed at 2:45pm. Councillors had lunch with the member of the NW Allied Health team, who were visiting Stonehenge.

## COMMUNITY & DEVELOPMENT REPORT

### Community and Development Report

##### **RESOLUTION: 20010.02.11**

*That the Community and Development Report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Pidgeon

Seconded: Cr Groves

CARRIED: 5/0

## CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

### Corporate Services Report

**RESOLUTION: 20010.02.12**

*That the Corporate Services Report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Pratt  
Seconded: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 5/0

### Cheque Register December 2009 & January 2010

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.13**

*That the Cheque Register report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Groves  
Seconded: Cr Pidgeon

CARRIED: 5/0

### Revenue and Expenditure December 2009 & January 2010

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.14**

*That the Revenue and Expenditure report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Pratt  
Seconded: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 5/0

### Balance Sheet December 2009 & January 2010

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.15**

*That the Balance Sheet report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Pidgeon  
Seconded: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 5/0

### Rates Arrears December 2009 & January 2010

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.16**

*That the Rates Arrears report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Groves  
Seconded: Cr Pratt

CARRIED: 5/0

## CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT cont.

### Trust Account December 2009 & January 2010

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.17**

*That the Trust Account report be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Pratt

Seconded: Cr Pidgeon

CARRIED: 5/0

### Operational Plan Review January 2010

**RESOLUTION: 2010.02.18**

*That the Operational Plan Review to January 2010 be received and noted.*

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Moved: Cr Pidgeon

Seconded: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 5/0

## INFORMATION BULLETIN

- Shire History Report
- Governance Checklist & Calendar
- New Local Government Act 2009

Next Meeting 8<sup>th</sup> March – Jundah 8:00am

Meeting Closed: 4:20pm

Mayor Cr Bruce L Scott \_\_\_\_\_