



UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

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

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1. OPENING

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

2. ATTENDANCE

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Cr Julie Groves, Mayor
Cr Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor
Cr Peter Batt
Cr Ian Groves

OFFICER'S PRESENT

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

6. CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

7. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES

Resolution No.: 2013.10.01

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held at the Council Chambers, Jundah, held on the 20 September 2013 be confirmed.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr I Groves

CARRIED 4/0

ATTENDANCE

Cr I Groves left the Meeting at 9.32 am.

ATTENDANCE

Cr I Groves returned to the Meeting at 9.34 am.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

9. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORT - CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Resolution No.: 2013.10.02

That Council accepts the report from the Chief Executive Officer.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr I Groves

CARRIED: 4/0

10. CORRESPONDENCE

Department of Community Safety

Requesting Council approval to enter into Trustee lease arrangement with the State of Queensland (represented by Department of Community Safety) (DCS) for the Jundah, Stonehenge and Windorah Rural Fire Brigade.

RECEIVED

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.

RECEIVED

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.

RECEIVED

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.

RECEIVED

Australian Local Government Association

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

RECEIVED

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.

RECEIVED

11. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORT – MAYOR

MAYOR'S REPORT

Resolution No.: 2013.10.03

That Council accepts the Mayor's Report and endorses the Mayors' attendances at the following events and meetings.

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED: 4/0

01 Events Attended

September

- 21-22 Cricket Stonehenge
- 25 Central West Health Board Dinner Windorah
- 30 Outback Regional Water Group – Winton

October

- 01 RAPAD Strategic Planning – Winton
- 02 Outback Regional Roads & Transport Group - Winton
- 02 Central West Regional Pest Management Group – Winton
- 04 Oktoberfest
- 05 Jundah Races
- 10 Qld Reconstruction Authority, Bill Mellor - Jundah
- 10-12 Outback Trailblazers Angel Flight Rally
- 14 TMR – Longreach – Meeting Cancelled

02 Teleconferences

November

- 01 RAPAD AGM

DESERT CHANNELS QUEENSLAND INC. – PRISTINE WATERWAYS

Resolution No.: 2013.10.04

That the \$15,000 for the Desert Channel's Queensland Pristine Waterways be paid in one lump sum.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr I Groves

CARRIED: 4/0

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for morning tea, time being 10.44 am.

RESUMPTION

The meeting resumed, time being 11.28 am.

ATTENDANCE

Finance Officer Sarah Uhrhrane, Corporate Services Manager Dave Charlton and Ian Kuhn attended the Meeting at 11.28 am.

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.

FLEET ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

That Council accepts the quotations from South West Ford for the purchase of the following:

- 1. Ford Ranger 4 x 4 3.2 Turbo 6 Speed Manual Dual Cab - \$53,280.00
- 2. Ford Ranger 4 x 4 3.2 Turbo 6 Speed Manual Dual Cab - \$52,917.70

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr I Groves

CARRIED 4/0

ATTENDANCE

Fleet Administrator Tanya Forsyth left the Meeting at 1.08 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned for lunch, time being 1.09 pm.

RESUMPTION

The Meeting resumed, time being 2.05 pm.

STRATEGIC WORKS MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolution No.: **2013.10.07**

That Council accepts the reports from the Strategic Works Manager and the Workplace Health & Safety Officer.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 4/0

ATTENDANCE

The Rural Lands Officer, Peter Pidgeon attended the meeting at 2.39 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Strategic Works Manager Steve Sigler left the meeting at 3.03 pm.

14. CONSIDERATION OF RURAL LANDS OFFICER'S REPORT

Applications for Agistment

- G Seawright – 20 head of cattle
- Clinton Oates – 10 head of cattle *Application Rejected*
- Rae Matheson – 2 horses
- Justine Schrader – 10 horses

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

MEETING RE-OPENED

Meeting was re-opened to the public at 5.09 pm.

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Pratt

CARRIED 4/0

18. CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 5.14 pm.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the **Wednesday2013.**

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MAYOR

DATE