



# CONFIRMED MINUTES

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**GENERAL MEETING OF  
BARCOO SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD WEDNESDAY  
17 JULY 2013  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JUNDAH**

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**1. OPENING**

The Mayor welcomed all in attendance and opened the meeting at 9.13 am.

**2. ATTENDANCE**

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

**3. APOLOGIES**

Nil

**4. CONDOLENCES & BIRTHS**

Nil

**5. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST – SHIRE BURSARY**

The Chief Executive Officer, Cr Peter Batt and Cr Ian Groves declared an interest in the matter.

**6. CONSIDERATION OF NOTICE OF MOTION**

**SHIRE BURSARY**

Councillor Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor lodged a notice of intention to propose a motion to rescind **Resolution No. 2013.01.05** that was carried 4/0 at the Barcoo Shire Council General Meeting on Wednesday, 23 January 2013 - **"That Council approve the change of payment for Shire Bursary students for the 2013 calendar year that each university student be paid \$3,000 and apprentices be paid \$2,000"**.

The Mayor declared this topic was opened for general discussion.

**DECLARATION OF INTEREST – SHIRE BURSARY**

The Chief Executive Officer, Cr Peter Batt and Cr Ian Groves declared an interest in the matter and left the meeting at 9.59 am.

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Pratt left the meeting at 10.11 am.

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Pratt returned to the meeting 10.12 am.

Cr Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor and the Mayor spoke with Mark Leyland, Policy Advisor & Governance Officer from the LGAQ, seeking his professional advice regarding the legality of rescinding the **Resolution 2013.01.05**.

Cr Lasker asked for it to be noted that he would wait for the result from the phone call to Mark Leyland at LGAQ before casting his vote.

**Resolution No.: 2013.07.01**

*That Council rescind Resolution No. 2013.01.05 that was carried 4/0 at the Barcoo Shire Council General Meeting on Wednesday, 23 January 2013 - "That Council approve the change of payment for Shire Bursary students for the 2013 calendar year that each university student be paid \$3,000 and apprentices be paid \$2,000."*

**MOVED:** Cr Pratt

**SECONDED:**

**MOTION FAILED**

**ATTENDANCE**

Chief Executive Officer, Cr Groves and Cr Batt returned to the meeting at 10.40 am.

It was decided that the matter lie on the table until the next meeting and the Chief Executive Officer provide a full report on the policies regarding the Shire Bursary.

**7. CONFIRMATION OF MEETING MINUTES**

**Resolution No.: 2013.07.02**

*That the Minutes of the General Meeting, held at the Council Chambers, Jundah on Wednesday 26 June 2013, be confirmed.*

**MOVED:** Cr Batt

**SECONDED:** Cr Groves

**CARRIED 5/0**

Confirmed Minutes – General Meeting held Wednesday 17 July 2013

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for morning tea, time being 11.15 am.

## **RESUMPTION**

The meeting resumed, time being 11.30 am.

### **8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil

### **9. TELECONFERENCE – PETER & SHEILA FORREST (SHIRE HISTORY BOOK)**

- People who reviewed current chapters:
  - Sue George
  - Margaret Shaw
- The Mayor requested a list of who the chapters are forwarded to
- Forrest's to provide and ensure the Mayor is kept up to date
- The whole of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century has still to be covered in the book
- The following options were suggested by Mr Forrest:
  1. Produce an electronic book (E-Book) which could go online and be available to the public
  2. Or a shorter version on paper, with a soft cover

Council advised they require the one large book, as agreed, on good quality paper.

Mr Forrest asked if Council could consider if they still wanted a 'preface' for the book from the Governor General and/or perhaps from the Mayor.

The book, which has been completed so far, be forwarded onto Cr Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor. A letter to be forwarded to Council from the Forrest's, detailing exactly where they are up to, along with any other relevant information pertaining to the final publishing of the book.

### **10. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS**

Resolution No.: 2013.07.03

*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, 2013.*

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

## 11. CONSIDERATION OF COMMUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

Resolution No.: 2013.07.04

*That Council accept the Community, Cultural & Tourism Supervisor's Report.*

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

## 12. CONSIDERATION OF EXECUTIVE REPORTS - MAYOR

Resolution No.: 2013.07.05

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

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

### Events Attended

01

#### June

- 27 John Bjelke-Peterson, standing in Maranoa electorate – Jundah
- 28 InfoXpert training – Jundah
- 29 Yaraka Gymkhana

#### July

- 06 Windorah Gymkhana
- 06 Hon Bruce Scott, MP - Windorah
- 09-15 Australian Institute of Company Directors course – Rockhampton

02

### Teleconferences

- July 05 RAPAD
- July 05 CWRPMG Central West Regional Pest Management Group

### ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned for lunch, time being 12.55 pm.

### RESUMPTION

The meeting resumed, time being 1.45 pm.

### ATTENDANCE

Strategic Works Manager Steve Sigler, Works Supervisor Bill Pitman and Rural Lands Officer Peter Pidgeon attended the meeting at 1.45 pm.

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

Resolution No.: 2013.07.06

*That Council accept the report from the Strategic Works Manager.*

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.: 2013.07.07

*That Council accept the report from the Works Supervisor.*

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.: 2013.07.08

*That Council accept the report from the Fleet Administrator.*

MOVED: Cr Lasker

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.: 2013.07.09

*That Council accept the report the Workplace Health & Safety Officer.*

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.: 2013.07.10

*That Council accept the report from the Engineer.*

MOVED: Cr Groves

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

## 14. CONSIDERATION OF RURAL LANDS OFFICER'S REPORT

### WILD DOG BAITING PROGRAM

The Rural Lands Officer updated Council on the progress of the Wild Dog Baiting Program. This has been a bigger project than in previous years.

The following issues were discussed:

- Correspondence received from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP) containing a copy of the Protocol for the Production of 1080 meat baits.
- A \$20,000 Wild Dog Destruction Grant from the Department of EHP was successful. The grant will be used for mapping, 10 remote sensor cameras and administration costs.
- Chief Executive Officer and Rural Lands Officer to follow up on the 'signage' at the Campdraft & Rodeo grounds at Stonehenge.

### PROPOSED CULLING OF FERAL CATS

- Correspondence from the Queensland Police Service, Jundah was tabled regarding the Proposed Humane Culling Event of Feral Cats. The proposal is to **run a weekend long Feral Cat** hunting/trapping weekend for residents within the Jundah district, including Stonehenge.

The Queensland Police Service, Jundah, is seeking a small donation towards the event.

Resolution No.: 2013.07.11

*That Council donate \$500 towards the event and provide in kind support.*

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

### CENTRAL WEST REGIONAL PEST MANAGEMENT GROUP (CWRPMG)

Resolution No.: 2013.07.13

*That Barcoo Shire Council supports the concept of CWRMPG member Councils collectively employing an Executive/Extension Officer to drive the Group forward and begin to achieve the outcomes of its charter.*

MOVED: Cr Pratt

SECONDED: Cr Batt

CARRIED 5/0



**CENTRAL WEST REGIONAL PEST MANAGEMENT GROUP (CWRPMG) CONSTITUTION**

**Resolution No.: 2013.07.11**

*The Chief Executive Officer writes a letter to the CWRPMG advising that Council endorses the Constitution.*

**MOVED: Cr Groves**

**SECONDED: Cr Batt**

**CARRIED 5/0**

**Resolution No.: 2013.07.12**

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

**MOVED: Cr Pratt**

**SECONDED: Cr Lasker**

**CARRIED 5/0**

**15. CORRESPONDENCE**

**Jundah Race Club**

A letter was received from the Jundah Race Club Inc. thanking Council for its continued support and seeking Council's sponsorship for the 2013 Race Meeting to be held on the 5 October 2013.

**Resolution No.: 2013.07.13**

*That Council provide sponsorship of \$3,000 to the Jundah Race Club on the proviso that documents pertaining to the borrowings for the running rail be forwarded onto Council, as Council is Trustee to the Club.*

**MOVED: Cr Lasker**

**SECONDED: Cr Groves**

**CARRIED 5/0**

**16. CONSIDERATION OF CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**

**Nil**

**17. CONSIDERATION OF LATE REPORTS**

**Nil**

## 18. MEMBERS BUSINESS

### Councillor Michael Pratt, Deputy Mayor

- The block / proposed town park
- Stonehenge signs: Thomson River, Public Toilets, Caravan Park
- New house for Stonehenge
- Job description for the Stonehenge Information Community Centre - who cleans?
- Offer to dig holes to plant trees around oval
- Grid on Waroona/Bimerah boundary full of dirt

### Councillor Peter Batt

Nil

### Councillor Ian Groves

Nil

### Councillor Craig Lasker

Nil

### ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned for afternoon tea, time being 3.50 pm.

### RESUMED

The meeting resumed, time being 4.10 pm.

### ATTENDANCE

The Rural Lands Officer, Peter Pidgeon did not return to the meeting.

### FURTHER BUSINESS

In regards to general discussion on the storm damaged 'Building the Education Revolution'(B.E.R) shed at the Jundah State School , the Mayor requested the Chief Executive Officer write a letter, (and include photos of the damages) to The Minister of Education, Training & Employment, outlining the danger the inferior structure is placing the students and staff under.

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - SCOTT MASON – DIAMANTINA SHIRE

Resolution No.: 2013.07.14

*That the Mayor acknowledges the support which Scott Mason has given to the Shire over the past 5 ½ years and delegated the CEO to choose a suitable gift as a token of Council's appreciation.*

MOVED: Cr Batt

SECONDED: Cr Lasker

CARRIED 5/0

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**STONEHENGE CAMPDRAFT & RODEO ASSOCIATION INC.**

Correspondence received from the Stonehenge Campdraft & Rodeo Association Inc. Seeking sponsorship for the Annual Bronco Branding, Rodeo, Stockman’s Challenge, Team Penning and Gymkhana to be held on the 17-18 August 2013.

Resolution No.: 2013.07.15

*Council agrees to provide sponsorship for the event to the value of \$3,000.*

MOVED: Cr Lasker

SECONDED: Cr Groves

CARRIED 5/0

**19. BUDGET DISCUSSION AS PRESENTED**

1. The Chief Executive Officer provided an outline to Council in regards to the hypothesis of Council borrowing \$1,000,000 from the Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC) for future building projects. General discussion followed as to what the borrowings would be spent on.
2. Cr Pratt requested that a business case for the borrowings be submitted to Council by the Chief Executive Officer.
3. Rural Rate Levy – It was decided that the Mayor write an article to be inserted into the community newsletter, outlining to the community the ‘break-up’ of the costs of the ‘Wild Dog Baiting Program’, and to also note that Council raised \$92,000 in the budget
4. Water Rates – round it to 3 kl per unit & raw 7 kl per unit

**FEES AND CHARGES**

- Update page 9 - under the ‘Driving fees’ section to include ‘Mustering via Helicopter - Actual Cost \$340 p/hr
- Update page 11 – under the ‘Tyre Repair’ section to reflect the cost of a grader tube

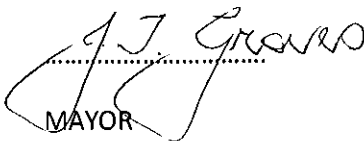
**ATTENDANCE**

The Strategic Works Manager, Steve Sigler and the Works Supervisor, Bill Pitman left the meeting at 6.09 pm.

**20. CONCLUSION**

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 6.10 pm.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Friday 23 August, 2013.

  
 MAYOR

30/08/2013

DATE