

Ordinary Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Friday 6 May 2016

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie Qld 4480



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1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.58am

2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Cr Bob Hall

Cr Roger Volz

Dave Burges (Chief Executive Officer)

In attendance: Mrs Nina Burges and Mrs Maree Radnedge (minutes secretary).

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONDOLENCES

Condolence cards have been forwarded to the relatives of the late Reginald Castles, Walter (Boy) Speedy, Karen Dare and Rhonda Gorringe.

5 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 (05/16) - Ordinary Meeting of QSC held Friday 15 April 2016 at 9:55am

The unconfirmed minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday 15 April 2016 were tabled for Council's confirmation and endorsement

Resolution No: (01-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, April 15, 2016 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

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Business Arising

It was noted that concerns had been raised regarding the suitability of the name 'Rosella Road' by the owner of the land using this road as access to the property.

5.2 (05/16) - Special Meeting of QSC held Friday 29 April 2016

The unconfirmed minutes of the Special Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday 29 April 2016 were presented for Council's confirmation and endorsement. The meeting was held for the purpose of awarding Tender T13 15-16 – Bulloo Park Redevelopment Stage One.

Resolution No: (02-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, April 29, 2016 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

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MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Stuart Mackenzie provided an update on activities undertaken since the April Ordinary Meeting of Council. Cr Mackenzie attended a number of meetings including:

- Department of Local Government training and Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) elected members update, both of which were attended by all Councillors;
- Visitation from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) and University of Southern Queensland representatives for rail freight discussions. A number of attendees were at this meeting and the Mayor advised DAF were quite positive in relation to future rail transport options;

- Regional Development Australia (DDSW) meeting in Toowoomba which included a detailed presentation on the second range crossing progress;
- Meeting with stakeholders in relation to the funding submission for the proposed all sports facility at John Waugh Park;
- · Wild Dog Advisory Committee meeting;
- · Strategic Leadership Team meeting with Council's management team;
- · Community Health Forum;
- Outback Queensland Tourism Association teleconference;
- · Visit to Eromanga by Hon Bruce Scott MP; and
- Visit to Eromanga by the Premier of Queensland, Hon Annastacia Palaszczuk MP to officially open Knotosaurus Park.

7 STATUS REPORTS

7.1 (05/16) - Engineering Services Status Report

Noted.

7.2 (05/16) – Corporate and Community Services Status Report

Noted.

7.3 (05/16) - Financial Services Status Report

Noted.

7.4 (05/16) – Governance Status Report

Noted.

8 ENGINEERING SERVICES

Nil

9 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

9.1 (05/16) – Quilpie Wild Dog Advisory Committee Recommendations to Council

The Quilpie Shire Wild Dog Advisory Group periodically presents recommendations to Council for consideration in regard to Wild Dog control. The group met on Friday 22 April 2016 and a number of recommendations were subsequently presented to Council for consideration:

• Potential re-introduction of a Wild Dog Levy of 5% to each assessment within the Shire to ensure that the majority of landholders participate in the coordinated baiting program;

- That the conditions associated with Wild Dog Bonus Claims be amended to reflect that if a
 property does not participate in a baiting program or practice wild dog control on their property
 within Quilpie Shire, they are not entitled to claim a Wild Dog Bonus;
- Recommended budget details for the Wild Dog Control Program for 2016-2017;
- Support for implementation of the first stage of a Wild Dog Control Program under the
 Queensland Feral Pest Initiative up to \$100,000. This will involve the trial of ejectors in identified
 hotspots within Quilpie Shire, surveillance cameras for data collection and additional trapping
 services whilst other Shires in the SWRED area consider their projects under this funding
 program.

Resolution No: (03-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council:

- Undertake a community consultation program to provide information regarding introduction of a Wild Dog Levy and to gauge public reaction to, and feedback on the potential proposal, with a view to presenting the outcomes to the June Ordinary Meeting of Council;
- Amend the conditions associated with Wild Dog Bonus Claims to reflect that if a property does
 not participate in a baiting program or practice wild dog control on their property within Quilpie
 Shire, they are not entitled to claim a Wild Dog Bonus;
- Endorse the Wild Dog Control Program as follows for 2016-2017:

Description	Council Subsidy	Notes
Plane Hire	\$350/hour (GST exc)	Invoices to be made to Quilpie Shire Council. Claimable by syndicates or suitable pilots.
Avgas	Full Reimbursement	Receipts must be submitted to Council.
Baiting Meat	\$1.00/kg	Meat sourced from Council. Meat supplied by the landholder.

All claims for reimbursement must be invoiced to Quilpie Shire Council by the landholder, Syndicate or Pilot.

 Commence implementation of the first stage of a Wild Dog Control Program under the Queensland Feral Pest Initiative up to \$100,000. This will involve the trial of injectors in identified hotspots within Quilpie Shire, surveillance cameras for data collection and additional trapping services whilst other Shires in the SWRED area consider their projects under this funding program.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:53am and resumed at 12.20pm in the absence of Cr Hewson.

11 GOVERNANCE

11.1 (05/16) - Economic Development Strategy Review

Council's Economic Development Strategy was implemented in 2013. Council was presented with a review of the Economic Development Strategy to provide an opportunity to review and update or amend the plan.

ATTENDANCE

Cr Jenny Hewson returned to the meeting at 12.30pm.

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Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 12.40pm and returned at 12.45pm.

Resolution No: (04-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

That a full review of the Economic Development Strategy be undertaken in conjunction with the development of Council's 2017-2022 Corporate Plan.

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11.2 (05/16) – Local Government Infrastructure Plan

Council has previously adopted a Priority Infrastructure Plan (PIP). The purpose of the PIP and the associated Infrastructure Charges resolution (AIC) later adopted by Council was to enable Council to levy an infrastructure charge on development and to issue Adopted Infrastructure Charge notices.

The State has amended the *Sustainable Planning Act* (SPA) to change the name of the "PIP" to "LGIP". Further amendments to SPA require that should a Council wish to condition and levy infrastructure charges, Council needs to prepare and adopt a LGIP.

Resolution No: (05-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council not proceed with preparing a Local Government Infrastructure Plan.

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ATTENDANCE

Council's Manager Financial Services, Mr David Charlton attended the meeting at 1.18pm.

10 FINANCE

10.1 (05/16) - Finance Report for period ending 30 April 2016

The Finance report was presented to Council for the period ending 30 April 2016.

Resolution No: (06-05-16)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 30 April 2016.

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ATTENDANCE

Mr Charlton left the meeting at 1.42pm.

11 GOVERNANCE CONTINUED

11.1 (05/16) - Community Facility Name Signs

At the Business Development Group meeting held on 8 March 2016, it was suggested that directional signage be provided for businesses in Quilpie to assist tourists in locating the business houses.

It was also suggested Council review the merits of relocating the existing advertising signs at Bulloo Park and JW Park to Brolga Street.

Resolution No: (07-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by:

Cr Roger Volz

That Council install additional community facility directional signs for racecourse, supermarkets, mechanic, butcher, hardware / tyre, art gallery and fuel.

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Resolution No: (08-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council relocate the existing event signs from Bulloo Park and John Waugh Park to strategic locations in Brolga Street.

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11.2 (05/16) - Restoration of Headstone - Mr Jim Corones

Mr Jim Notaras wrote to Council in April 2014 requesting Council pay the cost of restoring the headstone of Jimmy Corones. Council considered this matter at the May 2014 meeting of Council and agreed to support the restoration of the headstone.

An estimate to restore the headstone has now been received.

Resolution No: (09-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council do not restore the headstone of the late Mr Jim Corones and Mr Notaras be notified accordingly.

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12 CONFIDENTIAL

Resolution No: (10-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council enters into closed session under s275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 at 2.11pm to discuss the following items:

- Renewal of Special Leases;
- Visitor Information Centre proposal; and
- Request for rates review.

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ATTENDANCE

Mrs Nina Burges and Mrs Maree Radnedge left the meeting at 2.11pm.

Resolution No: (11-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council moves out of Closed Session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 3.14 pm.

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ATTENDANCE

Mrs Burges and Mrs Radnedge returned to the meeting at 3.14 pm.

12.1 (05/16) – Renewal of Special Lease Lot 6 CP854971

By email of 19 April 2016, SLAM are requesting Council's views or requirements, including any local non-indigenous cultural heritage values, that the department should consider when assessing an application for the renewal of Special Lease 3/52653 over Lot 6 CP854971.

The proposed use is for a watering facility.

Resolution No: (12-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council has no requirements in relation to the proposed renewal of Special Lease 3/52653 over Lot 6 on CP854971 and that Council is not aware of any non-indigenous cultural heritage issues associated with the land.

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12.2 (05/16) – Renewal of Special Lease 3/52652

By email of 19 April 2016, SLAM are requesting Council's views or requirements, including any local non-indigenous cultural heritage values, that the department should consider when assessing an application for the renewal of Special Lease 3/52652 over Lot 5 on CP854971.

The proposed use of the land is grazing.

Resolution No: (13-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council has no requirements in relation to the proposed renewal of Special Lease 3/52652 over Lot 5 on CP854971 and that Council is not aware of any non-indigenous cultural heritage issues associated with the land.

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12.3 (05/16) - Visitor Information Centre Proposal

By covering letter of 12 April 2016, B&W Solutions has provided a proposal to manage the Quilpie Visitor Information Centre (VIC).

Resolution No: (14-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council receive the proposal from B & W solutions and invite them to present to Council at the June Ordinary Meeting of Council.

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13 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

13.1 (05/16) - Request to Review Rates

A request has been received from a mining company operating in the Shire for a review of rates on their leases due to low productivity.

Noted. To be considered in the 2016-17 budget deliberations

14 LATE ITEMS

Nil

15 GENERAL BUSINESS

15.1.1 BICENTENNIAL PARK

Cr Volz requested consideration be given to constructing a concrete path at Bicentennial Park from the Park entrance to the barbecue area. This will be included for consideration in the 2016-17 budget deliberations.

15.1.2 DATE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS ADAVALE AND EROMANGA

It was noted that Council will host a public meeting at Adavale on the 27 May 2016. A date for the Eromanga public meeting is yet to be confirmed.

15.1.3 SOUTH WEST REGIONAL ROAD GROUP ROADS FUNDING PROGRAM

The South West Regional Road Group adopts a rolling program of works to allocate funding across the six (6) member Councils and the Department of Main Roads. Nominations for the four (4) year program from 2016-17 are required to be submitted.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Bob Hall declared a potential perceived Conflict of Interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009), due to one of the roads raised for consideration for inclusion in the program adjoins his property. Cr Hall dealt with this potential perceived Conflict of Interest by noting he believed he would make an unbiased decision for the overall benefit of the Shire and remained in the meeting.

Resolution No: (15-05-16)

Moved by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Adavale Black Road and Onion Creek Road be designated as Local Roads of Regional Significance for Quilpie Shire Council.

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Councillor Hall voted in favour of the resolution and the resolution was unanimously adopted.

15.1.4 QUILPIE SHIRE TOURISM SIGNAGE

Cr Volz raised a suggestion for Council to consider the erection of tourism advertising signage outside the Quilpie Shire Council area with a view to promoting the Shire to potential visitors, particularly towards the south eastern area of Queensland.

It was noted that Council staff will further investigate this with a view to providing information for Council's consideration at the June Ordinary Meeting of Council.

15.1.5 JOHN WAUGH PARK CRICKET MATS

Cr Paulsen enquired as to the progress in replacing the cricket mats which were damaged during mowing at John Waugh Park in March. It was agreed that Council will purchase the mats with the Quilpie Cricket Club to contribute 50% of the cost.

15.1.6 LAKE HOUDRAMANN

Cr Paulsen noted that the rubbish bins at Lake Houdramann do not appear to be emptied regularly enough. Council staff will follow up this matter.

15.1.7 QUILPIE HOSPITAL INTERNAL ROAD

Cr Paulsen enquired as to whether Council has any maintenance obligations in relation to the internal road at the Quilpie Hospital. Council will make an offer to Queensland Health to undertake maintenance activities on a 'fee for service' basis.

15.1.8 RUBBISH DUMP ROAD

Cr Volz enquired about the potential of extending the bitumen from where it ends on Rubbish Dump Road, Quilpie to the grid. This item will be tabled for consideration in the 2016-17 budget deliberations.

16 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Friday, 10 June 2016 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, commencing at 9:30am.

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 3.40pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 6 May 2016.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the Friday, 10 June 2016.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie

Date

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council