

# **Ordinary Meeting of Council**

# **MINUTES**

Friday 18 August 2017

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom 50 Brolga Street, Quilpie Qld 4480



# ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Friday 18 August 2017 Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

# **MINUTES**

# 1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8.45am.

# 2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Cr Bob Hall

Cr Roger Volz

Mr Dave Burges (Chief Executive Officer)

In attendance: Mrs Nina Burges (Minutes Secretary)

# 3 APOLOGIES

Nil.

**DEPUTATION - Member for Warrego, Ms Ann Leahy MP** 

# **ATTENDANCE**

Cr Mackenzie welcomed Member for Warrego, Ann Leahy MP to the meeting and thanked her for her attendance. Ms Leahy provided a general update to Council on a range of matters. Discussions were held in relation to rail freight transport issues, cluster fencing, carbon credit projects and Ms Leahy requested Council provide feedback on the regional freight contract. Ms Leahy left the meeting at 9.38am.

# 4 CONDOLENCES

Council noted the recent passing of Mrs Glenda Kerrish, Mr Ron Moran and Cr Neil Hatchman (Paroo Shire Council), and expressed their condolences to the families.

# 5 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

# 5.1 (07/17) - Ordinary Meeting of QSC held Friday 14 July 2017

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 14 July 2017.

Resolution No: (01-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 14 July 2017 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings with one (1) spelling amendment to be corrected.

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# 5.2 (07/17) - Special (Budget) Meeting of QSC held Friday 14 July 2017

Minutes of the Special (Budget) Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 14 July 2017.

Resolution No: (02-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 14 July 2017 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

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# 6 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil.

# 7 MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Mackenzie provided a verbal update on activities he has participated in since the June 2017 Ordinary meeting of Council.

Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) met with Cr Mackenzie and interested members of the public in Quilpie to discuss the issues being experienced with freight transport. Cr Mackenzie has

been advised that TMR representatives will be returning to Quilpie for further discussions in the near future.

Cr Mackenzie and Chief Executive Officer, Dave Burges participated in a teleconference with Department of Natural Resources representatives interested in establishing an 'opal trail' from Yowah through to Winton.

A meeting of the South West Regional Economic Development Group (SWRED) was hosted by Quilpie Shire Council on 07 August. Cr Mackenzie and Cr Annie Liston (Mayor, Murweh Shire Council) were both nominated for the position of Chair of the group. On voting, Cr Liston was elected as Chair and Cr Mackenzie was subsequently appointed to the executive committee. The meeting was advised that Ms Claire Mildren has resigned her position with SWRED. Cr Mackenzie noted that there is still no commitment to employing a full time General Manager, which he believes is necessary to move the organisation forward.

Cr Mackenzie has participated in a number of teleconferences during the month with SWRED as an executive member and also with his involvement in the tourism project sub-group.

A meeting of the Eromanga District Community Association Inc. (EDCA) was also attended by Cr Mackenzie. Council has been requested to investigate options such as a security camera to assist in allowing the Living History Centre remain unlocked during the day.

Cr Mackenzie attended and presented at the 'Bush Council's Convention' in Charters Towers. Those in attendance included:

- Hon Mark Furner MP (Minister for local Government and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships);
- Mr Andrew Powell MP (Shadow Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Shadow Minister for Local Government);
- Mr Brendan Moon (Chief Executive Officer of the Queensland Reconstruction Authority);
- Mr Frankie Carroll (Director-General Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning); and
- Mr Dave Stewart (Director-General Department of Premier and Cabinet).

Cr Mackenzie met with Senator James McGrath to discuss long term plans for further development of the Eromanga Natural History Museum. Senator McGrath is intending to visit the shire in September.

A meeting of the Darling Downs and South West Regional Develop Association (DDSWRDA) focused on progress of a University of Southern Queensland project on community metrics.

Cr Mackenzie also attended a Queensland Tourism Industry Council meeting as a board member with that organisation.

# 8 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Councillors provided a brief overview of activities they have undertaken since the June Ordinary Meeting of Council.

**Cr Jenny Hewson** attended the SWRED meeting held in Quilpie. She also attended the Business Development Group meeting, Arts and Cultural Advisory Group meeting and the Community Advisory Network (CAN) meeting where discussions were held on the uptake of the National Disability Insurance Scheme and issues some residents are experiencing in being able to travel to attend medical

appointments away from Quilpie. Cr Hewson also attended the Nockatunga-Toompine Polocrosse carnival and congratulated the organisers on that event.

**Cr Bruce Paulsen** advised he has been speaking with a number of State Government department representatives to obtain advice on progressing development of a youth strategy, and sport and recreation development throughout the shire. He has also arranged to speak with the Policy Advisor to the Minister for Sport for guidance on developing sport and recreation opportunities. In addition to discussions with library staff and other community members, Cr Paulsen also attended the SWRED meeting, the Department of Transport and Main Roads freight meeting and participated on the Enterprise Bargaining Committee meeting.

Cr Paulsen raised for discussion the potential of Council being able to assist local groups with developing grant applications, and questioned whether it would be worthwhile considering the reintroduction of a Sport and Recreation Coordinator in the future.

**Cr Bob Hall** advised the meeting he has begun to actively seek out and speak with visitors to the area to obtain feedback on ways the shire could further encourage longer stays to the region. He has attended the caravan park campfire evenings and visited riverside campers as well. He will be visiting Birdsville and Winton in the near future and intends seeking feedback from travellers in those areas.

Cr Hall has spoken with local trucking companies to discuss the recently approved Morven Rail Hub and their views on any impacts it may have. Generally the feedback was positive, provided the Quilpie Rail remains operational.

Cr Hall noted that there is a very positive outlook by residents on the future of the sheep and wool industry. He firmly believes Council needs to actively promote the benefits to the community and further instill confidence on how the economy will advance into the future due to the industry's resurgence.

Cr Hall also attended the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group meeting, the Nockatunga-Toompine Polocrosse, and participated on the Enterprise Bargaining Committee meeting.

**Cr Roger Volz** has held discussions with the owners of Quilpie Hardware who have recently established a freight service to Bedourie and Birdsville, and the potential additional sales for Quilpie businesses this will generate.

Cr Volz attended the Business Development Group meeting and requested that Council further encourage and inform business owners on opportunities to attract additional custom.

During the month Cr Volz also attended a Disaster Management Group meeting and the Arts and Cultural Advisory Group meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 11.04am and resumed at 11.15am.

# 9 STATUS REPORTS

# 9.1 (08/17) - Engineering Services Status Reports

Noted.

# 9.2 (08/17) - Corporate and Community Services Status Reports

Noted.

# 9.3 (08/17) - Financial Services Status Report

Noted.

# 9.4 (08/17) - Governance Status Reports

Noted.

# 10 ENGINEERING SERVICES

# 10.1 (08/17) - Request for Dust Strip Seal

Mr Alby Lyons has made a verbal request for bitumen dust strips to be installed in Cheepie.

Mr Lyons is a (only) long-time resident in Cheepie and operates several mail services from there. He has advised on many occasions that dust generated from traffic is a significant problem.

Resolution No: (03-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council not provide dust strips in Cheepie at this point in time.

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# 10.2 (08/17) - Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme

Council is a member of the South West Regional Road & Transport Group and is eligible to bid, by way of project submissions, for funding under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS).

RRTGs operate a 4 year rolling works program and each year the new "year 4" allocations have to be made by the group. Recommendations come from the Technical Committee based on the submissions from each member Council and are decided by the RRTG of which the Mayor is Chair. Funding is generally limited to the Local Roads of Regional Significance network however transport infrastructure such as airports can be considered.

Resolution No: (04-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council nominates the Quilpie Adavale (Red) Road for funding in 2021/2022 under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme.

Resolution No: (05-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council submit a program amendment for Napoleon Road to change the scope to not include bitumen sealing, and request reallocation of surplus funds to the Quilpie Adavale (Red) Road, maintaining Council's co-contribution.

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# 11 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

# 11.1 (08/17) - 2017-2018 Fees and Charges Amendment

Council received application for cattle agistment on Warrabin Lane Reserve at the July Ordinary Meeting of Council. Council granted agistment to the applicant, with an additional condition that a fee of \$250 per month is remitted to Council for agistment on this reserve.

As the Schedule of Fees and Charges for 2017-2018 was adopted in conjunction with the 2017-2018 Budget, a resolution formalising the amendment to the Schedule of Fees and Charges is required.

Resolution No: (06-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Ro

Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council amends the 2017-2018 Schedule of Fees and Charges to include an Agistment Fee of \$250.00 per month each for Warrabin Lane Reserve and Dillon's Well Reserve.

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#### 11.2 (08/17) - Community Drought Support

The Outback Fringe Festival was provided \$22,000 in Community Drought Support funding. Not all of this money was spent so discussions regarding reallocating this money to another performing arts venture brought up the possibility of 'Menopause the Musical - Women on Fire' coming to Quilpie.

Resolution No: (07-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council approve the reallocation of remaining Community Drought Support Funds from Outback Fringe Festival to Menopause the Musical - Women on Fire!

#### ATTENDANCE

Council's Manager Finance, Mr David Charlton, attended the meeting at 12.05pm.

# 12 FINANCE

# 12.1 (08/17) - Finance Report Ending 31 July 2017

The Finance report was presented to Council for the period ending 31 July 2017.

Resolution No: (08-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 31 July 2017.

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# 12.2 (08/17) - Ten Year Financial Model

It is a requirement for Council to have a ten-year financial forecast and in recent years staff have relied on the Civica PCS system to provide this.

QTC have a more advanced modelling tool that they provide to Councils at no cost. This system is more comprehensive but as with any model the outputs are entirely dependent on the accuracy of the inputs.

The QTC model has been populated based on data provided by Council and a summary report has been prepared by Claire Alexander.

Resolution No: (09-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council receive the "Long Term Financial Model Overview" report from C Alexander & Associates

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#### **ATTENDANCE**

Mr Charlton left the meeting at 12.35pm.

# 13 GOVERNANCE

#### 13.1 (08/17) - Request for Advertising Assistance Quilpie State College

#### PERCEIVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Volz declared a perceived conflict of interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to his employment as a teacher with Quilpie State College. Cr Volz believed he could consider this item impartially and in the public interest and therefore remained in the meeting room for the debate and decision on this matter.

By letter of 21 July 2017 the Acting Principal of the Quilpie State College is requesting financial assistance with advertising for the College Centenary in 2018.

Resolution No: (10-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen
Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council approve the request from the Quilpie State College to access the major events marketing funding to the value of \$3,000.

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Cr Volz voted in favour of the motion.

#### 13.2 (08/17) - Quilpie Golf Club Inc Request for Community Assistance

Quilpie Golf Club Inc. submitted an application for Community Assistance for an event that is due to happen the weekend of the next Council meeting and so a decision needed to be made prior to this meeting.

After receiving the application, Council discussed providing Community Assistance to the Quilpie Golf Club Inc, who have carried out a number of fundraising initiatives already and require monetary support to reach their final goal. The Golf Club play a large part in the sporting community of Quilpie and it was decided that a contribution of \$2000 would be made. This decision was made by email discussion between the Councillors prior to the meeting.

Resolution No: (11-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council confirm their contribution of \$2000 to Quilpie Golf Club Inc as part of the Community Assistance Program.

#### PERCEIVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Volz declared a perceived conflict of interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to his employment as a teacher with Quilpie State College. Cr Volz believed he could consider this item impartially and in the public interest and therefore remained in the meeting room for the debate and decision on this matter.

By letter of 30 November 2016 the Principal of the Quilpie State College requested financial assistance to jointly fund a teacher aide to allow the College to offer a distance education program for students undertaking grades 11 and 12.

The Principal has again written to Council requesting the assistance be continued.

Resolution No: (12-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council approve the request from the Quilpie State College to jointly fund a teacher aide position for semester 2 2017.

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Cr Volz voted in favour of the motion.

# 13.4 (08/17) – Domestic and Family Violence Policy

Effective 01 March 2017, the *Industrial Relations Act 2016* provides that domestic and family violence leave is available as part of the Queensland Employment Standards (for state and local government employees).

The purpose of adopting the Domestic and Family Violence Policy (the Policy) is to highlight awareness and to encourage all employees to be safe within our workplace and to encourage employees at risk of or are experiencing domestic and family violence to seek support from Council, and be comfortable in doing so, by creating a safe and supportive workplace culture.

Resolution No: (13-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council adopt the draft Domestic and Family Violence Policy as presented.

#### 13.5 (08/17) - Attendance at LGAQ Annual Conference

Held annually in October, the Local Government Association of Queensland Annual Conference provides an important opportunity for councils to not only network and learn but also to debate and vote on new policy. The event doubles as the Association's Annual General Meeting.

Resolution No: (14-08-17)

Moved by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by:

Cr Roger Volz

That Council approve Councillors Mackenzie, Volz and Hewson to attend the 2017 LGAQ Annual Conference.

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#### 13.6 (08/17) - 2017 Christmas Shutdown

Traditionally, Council undertakes a 'shutdown' of operations over the Christmas period. The relevant awards stipulate that Council must provide at least 90 days notice of a shutdown period.

Resolution No: (15-08-17)

Moved by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by:

Cr Roger Volz

That Council's Executive, Corporate and Community Services close for the Christmas period on Friday 22 December 2017 and resume on Monday 8 January 2018 and Engineering Services close for the Christmas period from Friday 15 December 2017 and resume on Monday 8 January 2018.

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# 13.7 (08/17) - Outback Fringe Festival

The 2017 Outback Fringe Festival was held on Friday 30 June and Saturday 1 July. The date for the event is decided each year based on the Big Red Bash in Birdsville, to encourage tourists travelling to attend to stay in Quilpie Shire on their way.

One of the main objectives of the Fringe Festival is to inject money into the local economy.

Resolution No: (16-08-17)

Moved by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council continue to support the Outback Fringe Festival as a major event in the Quilpie Shire calendar and invite the organisers to attend a deputation at the September Ordinary Meeting of Council.

# 13.8 (08/17) - Lake Houdramann

Lake Houdramann changed ownership some time ago and the new owners now operate a tourism facility at the lake. The owners have committed to the on-going public use of part of the land for the local community.

Recent discussions with the owners have identified several issues that impact on the operation and viability of the tourism facility. These are:

- The maintenance of the internal road from the Black Road to the lake;
- The need to have public liability insurance for use by the general public, in particular boating and jet-ski activities; and
- The risk of injury associated with the old boat ramp which is in a state of disrepair.

#### Resolution No: (17-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen
Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to undertake further discussions with the owners of 'The Lake'.

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# 13.9 (08/17) - New Planning Scheme

#### PERCEIVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Hall declared a perceived conflict of interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to the fact that he made a submission for consideration during the consultation phase. Cr Hall believed he could consider this item impartially and in the public interest and therefore remained in the meeting room for the debate and decision on this matter.

Council has agreed to a project being undertaken by the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning for the Department to develop fit for purpose planning schemes for four member Councils of the South West Regional Economic Development (SWRED) Board.

Submissions on the draft scheme have now closed and a summary of the submissions together with proposed amendments (if any) were presented to Council for consideration.

# Resolution No: (18-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council include the "Action" item changes as detailed in Attachment A to report 13.9 (08/17) in the draft planning scheme and proceed with the plan making process.

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Cr Hall voted in favour of the motion.

# 14 CONFIDENTIAL

Resolution No: (19-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz
Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

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

 business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of Council or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

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Resolution No: (20-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz
Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council moves out of Closed Session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 2.25pm.

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# 15 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

# 15.1 (08/17) - Acquisition of Native Title Rights

On 09 June 2017 Council resolved to compulsory acquire native title rights and interests over the Land to regularise tenure over the refuse tip in Quilpie.

A Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests was served on the native title party for the area, the registered claimants for the Mardigan People on 20 June 2017.

No objections were received by Council to the Notice and Council's solicitors assisting in this matter, have advised that there is no legal impediment to the continuation of the compulsory acquisition of native title rights and interests over the Land.

#### Resolution No: (21-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

#### That:

- a. Council, having served a Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests ("the Notice") over land and waters described as part of Lot 74 on SP 273733 (the "Land") as particularised in the Notice, on the registered claimants for the Mardigan People Native Title Claim QUD26/2007; and
- b. Council did not receive any objection to the Notice;

Council resolves to:

- a. proceed with the compulsory acquisition of native title over the Land;
- b. apply to the Minister administering the Acquisition of Land Act 1967 that any native title rights and interests in and over the Land be acquired for the purpose of Waste Management Facility (Refuse Tip and Refuse Transfer Station); and
- c. instruct its solicitors to prepare and lodge the application to the Minister.

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# 15.2 (08/17) - Proposed Cemetery Reserve, Toompine Being Part of lot 10 on BLO13

Further to the Council resolution to compulsorily acquire native title rights and interests over land described as part of Lot 10 BLO13, for Cemetery Reserve purposes, additional information has been received. It has been ascertained that a resource interest is held over Lot 10. Black Gold Oil Pty Ltd holds an application for a petroleum and gas permit. This will need to be acquired at the same time as native title is acquired and a resolution to that effect needs to be made. In addition, at the time that Council considered the original report it was unknown that the Mardigan People claim covered the area in question. It is necessary for the resolution to specify that the Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests is to be served on the Mardigan People as the native title party for the area.

#### Resolution No: (22-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen
Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

#### That

- a) Council proposes to compulsorily acquire any and all native title rights and interests over the land described as part of Lot 10 on BLO13, Parish of Toompine as shown on Drawing DWG 17/166 (the Land) for cemetery purposes;
- Council proposes to resume Petroleum and Gas Exploration Permit (number ATP 739) (the Resource Interest) held by Black Gold Oil Pty Ltd in so far as it covers the Land for cemetery purposes;
- c) Council serve a Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests and a Background Document on Dorothy "Cindy" Anderson, Janelle Collins, Rhonda Collins, Daphne Jackson and Brian Shillingsworth as the registered native title claimants for the Mardigan People Claim QUD 26/2007 to commence the compulsory acquisition of native title process;
- d) Council serve a Notice of Intention to Resume Non-Native Title Rights and Interests and a Background Information Statement on Black Gold Oil Pty Ltd as the holder of Petroleum and Gas Exploration Permit (number ATP 739) (the Resource Interest) to commence the resumption of the Resource Interest in so far as it covers the Land;
- e) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to attend, on Council's behalf, any objection meeting to be held in relation to the proposed compulsory acquisition of native title and the resumption of the Resource Interest over the Land; and
- f) Council revokes the following resolutions made on 14 July 2017:

"That:

- a) Council proposes to compulsorily acquire any and all native title rights and interests over land described as part of Lot 10 BLO12, as shown on Drawing DWG 17/166 (the Land) for Cemetery Reserve purposes;
- b) Council serve a Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interest once Native Title Parties are identified to commence the compulsory acquisition process; and
- c) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to attend, on Council's behalf, any objection meeting to be held in relation to the proposed compulsory acquisition of native title over the land."

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# 15.3 (08/17) - Compulsory Acquisition of Native Title for Adavale Landfill

On 14 July 2017 Council resolved to proceed with the acquisition of a Deed of Grant for the Adavale Landfill site and that an application for a dedicated road access off Patricia Park Road be submitted.

Council now needs to determine how to proceed with addressing Native Title in this matter.

Resolution No: (23-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That:

- a) Council proposes to compulsorily acquire any and all native title rights and interests over the land described as part of Lot 36 on MCK5320 as shown on Drawing DD 2015/046 (the Land) for waste management facility (refuse tip and refuse transfer station) purposes;
- b) Council serve a Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests and a Background Information Statement on Queensland South Native Title Services as the Representative Body to commence the compulsory acquisition of native title process; and
- c) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to attend, on Council's behalf, any objection meeting to be held in relation to the proposed compulsory acquisition of native title over the Land.

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#### 15.4 (08/17) - Compulsory Acquisition of Native Title for Toompine Landfill

On 14 July 2017 Council resolved to proceed with the acquisition of a Deed of Grant for the Toompine Landfill site.

Council now needs to determine how to proceed with addressing Native Title in this matter.

Resolution No: (24-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

#### Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

#### That:

- a) Council proposes to compulsorily acquire any and all native title rights and interests over the land described as part of Lot 10 on BLO13, Parish of Toompine as shown on Drawing DWG 16/007 (the Land) for Waste Management Facility (Refuse Tip and Refuse Transfer Station) purposes;
- b) Council proposes to resume Petroleum and Gas Exploration Permit (number ATP 739) (the Resource Interest) held by Black Gold Oil Pty Ltd in so far as it covers the Land for Waste Management Facility (Refuse Tip and Refuse Transfer Station) purposes;
- c) Council serve a Notice of Intention to Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests and a Background Document on Dorothy "Cindy" Anderson, Janelle Collins, Rhonda Collins, Daphne Jackson and Brian Shillingsworth as the registered native title claimants for the Mardigan People Claim QUD 26/2007 to commence the compulsory acquisition of native title process;
- d) Council serve a Notice of Intention to Resume Non-Native Title Rights and Interests and a Background Information Statement on Black Gold Oil Pty Ltd as the holder of Petroleum and Gas Exploration Permit (number ATP 739) (the Resource Interest) to commence the resumption of the Resource Interest in so far as it covers the Land; and
- e) Council delegates to the Chief Executive Officer the power to attend, on Council's behalf, any objection meeting to be held in relation to the proposed compulsory acquisition of native title and the resumption of the Resource Interest over the Land.

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# **16 LATE ITEMS**

Nil.

# 17 GENERAL BUSINESS

#### 17.1 (08/17) Councillor Requests

Councillors were invited to raise any items for discussion or consideration.

Cr Paulsen requested that enquiries be made in an effort to get the 'Heart of Australia Bus' to attend Quilpie.

Cr Hall requested that the sewerage system in Toompine be investigated to ensure it is working efficiently. He also requested that a clean up of old metal and other items near the polocrosse grounds in Toompine be undertaken. It was noted that some repairs also need to be undertaken at the Toompine Hall.

Cr Volz requested that new seating be installed at the front of the administration office, noting that it is well utilised by travellers accessing the public amenities at that location. Cr Volz congratulated staff on the installation of gardens to the median strip in Buln Buln Street. Cr Volz also advised that he would like consideration to be given to the relocation of the existing caravan 'dump point' at John Waugh Park to a more suitable location.

It was noted that consideration of the redevelopment of the old depot site needs to be progressed. The Chief Executive Officer will present a report to the September Ordinary Meeting of Council outlining recommendations for the initial community consultation phase.

# 17.2 (08/17) Men's Shed Proposal

The Mayor has received a suggestion from a member of the public in relation to establishing a permanent 'Men's Shed' at the former works depot.

It was noted that a Men's Shed program has recently been established in Quilpie and is operating effectively.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Council's Manager Engineering Services, Mr Casey De Pereira, attended the meeting at 2.50pm.

#### 17.3 (08/17) Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program 2017-2019

By correspondence dated 14 August 2017, Council has been advised that the Honourable Mark Furner MP, Minister for Local Government and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships recently announced the release of the \$60 million, application based 2017-19 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (LGGSP).

The program provides funding assistance to Local Governments for eligible projects including constructing and upgrading essential community infrastructure as well as disaster resilience and preparedness projects, and asset management projects. The rate of subsidy remains at 60 per cent of eligible project costs.

Resolution No: (25-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council make application under the 2017-2019 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program for the purpose of a water mains replacement program.

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# 17.4 (08/17) Inland Queensland Roads Action Plan Membership



By email dated 16 August 2017, the Chair of the Inland Queensland Roads Action Plan (IQ-RAP) working group is seeking a financial contribution from Council. The purpose of the contribution is to allow a full update of the IQ-RAP to enable its effective use as a planning tool and to inform 2018 and future program funding. It will also provide the correct information base for the potential economic and social benefit analysis to make the strategic business case for investment.

Resolution No: (26-08-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council contribute \$1,000 plus GST towards the Inland Queensland Roads Action Plan update.

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# 17.5 (08/17) Development of Area behind Visitor Information Centre

Council's Manager Engineering Services, Mr Casey Pereira presented information to Council on possibilities for future development in the vicinity of the Visitor Information Centre and railway yards. Consideration needs to be given to the following matters:

- Provision of a dedicated sealed service road to serve northern businesses with frontages to Brolga Street;
- Offering business the remnant land between the service road and their property (through sale or other method);
- Provision of parking areas; and
- Provision of a special use area for cold water tanks.

Noted.

# 18 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Friday, 8 September 2017 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

The November Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Friday 17 November 2017 and the change in date advertised accordingly.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 3.45pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 18 August 2017.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the Friday, 8 September 2017.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie

Date

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council