

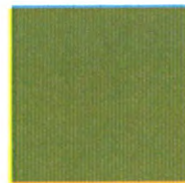


Ordinary Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Friday 17 November 2017

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom
50 Brolga Street, Quilpie Qld 4480





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MINUTES

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.15am.

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.

4 CONDOLENCES

Council noted the recent passing of Mr H. Schultz and expressed their condolences to his family.

5 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 (10/17) – Ordinary Meeting of QSC held Friday 13 October 2017

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 13 October 2017.

Resolution No: (01-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 13 October 2017 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

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6 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The meeting was advised that the Manager Corporate and Community Services is continuing to liaise with the property owner constructing the Eromanga exclusion fence.

7 MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Mackenzie provided a verbal update on activities he has undertaken since the October 2017 Ordinary meeting of Council.

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) Conference was held in Gladstone and attended by Crs Mackenzie, Hewson and Volz. Cr Mackenzie attended a Darling Downs and South West Council of Mayor's meeting the day prior. The ten Council member group discussed a range of matters including rail issues, tourism and regional waste management options.

A Tourism forum was also attended by Cr Mackenzie prior to the official commencement of the LGAQ conference.

Cr Mackenzie also attended meetings of the Darling Downs South West Regional Development Australia Board (DDSWRDA) and a South West Regional Economic Development Group Tourism Committee meeting. The group agreed that it is important to be able to gather more data on the economic impact tourism has on businesses and the local economies.

An Eromanga District Community Association (EDCA) meeting discussed potential future plans for the Living History Museum. Cr Mackenzie advised this would be further discussed at the EDCA meeting scheduled for December.

Mr Jim Cavaye met with Cr Mackenzie to discuss the projects associated with the Advancing Regional Innovation Program (ARIP) being coordinated across a number of Councils and Mayor Mackenzie also attended a meeting in relation to ARIP in Brisbane. A focus is on utilising funding available to develop 'data hubs' in towns (eg at library) where high speed internet and other technology is available for use by the public. A report in relation to this is currently being finalised.

Mayor Mackenzie attended the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) awards in Cloncurry. It is anticipated that next year's awards will be held in south west Queensland. Although he has stepped down as Chair of OQTA Cr Mackenzie remains a committee member.

Other meetings attended by Cr Mackenzie included the Annual Exploration Program session in Quilpie on the 07 November and Council Enterprise Bargaining Agreement negotiations.

8 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

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

Cr Jenny Hewson attended the Old Depot redevelopment public meeting held on Saturday 14 October. Cr Hewson found the LGAQ conference beneficial, particularly a number of sessions including work being done by the Cunnamulla Library and Lockhart River Council.

Throughout the month Cr Hewson has held discussions with various community members on a number of matters.

Cr Hewson participated in a SWRED (meat processing project) teleconference and attended a number of local events including 'Menopause the Musical', the men's health fundraiser at John Waugh Park, opening of the all sports facility and the Quilpie to Oz production, congratulating those performers for an outstanding performance. Cr Hewson expressed her thanks to staff and Cr Volz for the organisation and running of the Remembrance Day service.

Cr Bruce Paulsen advised that he has been speaking with the organisers of the ICPA holiday camp, community members in relation to a proposed Men's Shed, and CWAATSICH and the Health Promotions Officer about youth activities. Cr Paulsen believes there is a shortage of resources dedicated to youth and will be considering options to address this over the next three months.

Cr Paulsen noted a grant has been secured to provide for the purchase of a bowling machine for cricketers and also advised he is awaiting confirmation former Test Cricketer Craig McDermott will be visiting Quilpie in early January.

Cr Paulsen conveyed his congratulations to both the Sport and Recreation Committee and the opening of the all sports facility, as well as the organisers of the Quilpie to Oz production.

Cr Paulsen also attended Council Enterprise Bargaining Agreement negotiations.

Cr Bob Hall met with a community member to further discuss the indigenous signage project proposed for the Diamantina Development Road and participated in the Enterprise Bargaining negotiations with Crs Mackenzie and Paulsen.

Cr Roger Volz also attended the LGAQ annual conference and advised he found it very worthwhile. One topic raised at the conference was youth employment and the skills gap. As the major employer in the shire, Cr Volz would like to see Council take steps to provide more employment and experience opportunities to local youth. Cr Volz reiterated previous congratulations to the Sport and Recreation Committee and the Quilpie to Oz producers.

Cr Volz continues to work on the development of a proposed 'Mulga Trail', meeting on site with Council's Manager Engineering Services and discussing the project with community members. Cr Volz also attended the Men's Shed meeting coordinated by Mrs Sue McWaters, and participated in the Remembrance Day service.

Cr Volz has had discussions with a number of community members including the pool lessee on activities being undertaken. On a trip to Eromanga Cr Volz noted the condition of the flags at the Eromanga Park and was advised that these have now been replaced.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.46am and resumed at 10.59am.

9 STATUS REPORTS

9.1 (11/17) – Engineering Services Status Reports

Noted.

9.2 (11/17) – Corporate and Community Services Status Reports

Noted.

9.3 (11/17) – Financial Services Status Report

Noted.

9.4 (11/17) – Governance Status Reports

Noted.

10 ENGINEERING SERVICES

Nil.

11 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Nil.

ATTENDANCE

Council's Manager Financial Services, Ms Arminda David, attended the meeting at 11.00am.

12 FINANCE

12.1 (11/17) – Finance Report Ending 31 October 2017

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

Resolution No: (02-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

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

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ATTENDANCE

Ms David left the meeting at 11.05am.

13 GOVERNANCE

13.1 (11/17) – Request for Assistance – Ben McKellar South West QLD Emu's England Tour

By letter of 20 October 2017, Colleen McKellar on behalf of Ben McKellar has requested financial assistance totalling \$2,000, to assist the family in making payments towards an overseas Rugby League Training Camp for Ben to attend in 2018.

Resolution No: (03-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council approve the request from Ben McKellar for \$2,000 assistance to enable him to partake in the South West QLD Emu's England Tour.

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13.2 (11/17) – Adoption of Annual Report

In accordance with sections 182(1) and (2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government must prepare an annual report for each year and the annual report must be adopted within one month after the day the Auditor-General gives the Auditor-General's audit report about the local government's financial statements for the financial year to the local government.

The audit for the 2016-2017 financial year has been completed and an audit opinion provided. The statements for Council were certified without qualification by the Auditor General.

Resolution No: (04-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council adopt the 2016-2017 Annual Report as presented.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Hewson declared a real conflict of interest in the following matter (*as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009*) due to being the adjoining landholder of the property requesting a relaxation of boundary setback. Cr Hewson believed she could consider this item impartially and in the public interest and therefore remained in the meeting room for the debate and decision on the matter.

13.3 (11/17) – Relaxation of Boundary Setback – 8 Chulungra Street

A request has been made to relax a front boundary setback from six metres to zero metres for proposed building works at 8 Chulungra Street, Quilpie.

The structure is an open sided structure intended to be an undercover work area / storage area.

Resolution No: (05-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council approve the front boundary setback relaxation at 8 Chulungra Street Quilpie from six metres to zero metres; and

That Council require the northern and western sides of the proposed structure be attractively screened with a physical barrier to a height of 1.8 metres.

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Cr Hewson voted in favour of the motion.

13.4 (11/17) – Renewal of Term Lease Over Lot 6 on MCY56

DNRM wrote to Council in February 2017 requesting their views on a request to renew Term Lease 0/210908 over Lot 6 on MCY56. Council considered this matter at the March 2017 meeting of Council and resolved that it did not have any requirements in relation to the matter.

DNRM has again written to Council requesting whether they have any objection to Lot 6 on MCY56 being opened as road.

Resolution No: (06-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council offers no objection to Lot 6 on MCY56 being opened as road reserve.

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13.5 (11/17) – Location Eromanga Landfill

Further to the October 2017 Council meeting, staff have investigated the current site of the Eromanga landfill facility. It is considered the useful life of the current site to be approximately 5 years.

Department of Transport & Main Roads (TMR) advice in relation to the existing site is to apply through the Department of Natural Resources & Mines for a road closure for that portion of road reserve.

The Department of Environment & Heritage Protection (DEHP) advice on the requirements for the current site is that the land would be included on the contaminated land register and would need to be rehabilitated if closed.

To gain approval for either the existing site or a new site, planning approval and application to the DEHP would be required. It should be noted that the current site is on a floodplain and a considerable amount of deviation works would be required if DEHP were to approve the site as a landfill.

This matter was deferred for consideration to the December 2017 Ordinary Meeting to allow an opportunity to consult with Eromanga residents.

13.6 (11/17) – Delegations Register

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) provides (through the services of King and Co Solicitors) a delegations database to assist Councils in identifying potential amendments to delegated activities. While delegations must be reviewed annually, continual changes to legislation see the LGAQ database updated generally every six (6) months.

Updates to the database were made by King and Co Solicitors in September 2017. As such, Council is requested to consider amendments to Council's *Register of Delegations – Council to CEO* in order to ensure our legislative obligations are met.

Resolution No: (07-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009, the powers referred to in the document titled "Register of Delegations – Council to CEO" are adopted in accordance with the proposed amendments presented in Attachment A to report 13.6 (11/17) in the accompanying agenda.

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13.7 (11/17) – Community Consultation – Old Depot Site Redevelopment

Following the relocation of the Council Depot to its new location in 2016, Council advised at the August 2017 Ordinary Meeting of Council that it wishes to commence planning for the future redevelopment of the original site. An initial community consultation program has been undertaken with the feedback from community members on their preferred options for the site development presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (08-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That a report on options for freeholding the land parcels comprising the Old Depot Site be

presented to the February 2018 Ordinary Meeting of Council and that Council commence development of a number of initial concept plan options for the old Council depot site located in Winchu Street, Quilpie.

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13.8 (11/17) –Rural Management Challenge Organisational Change & Improvement Program

Three (3) key projects were researched and developed by the 2017 Rural Management Challenge Team as part of this year's competition. These projects were identified as drivers for significant change across the organisation, producing operational improvements and increased efficiencies in service delivery. The projects were:

- Implementation of a 'Lean Thinking' Program;
- Plant and Equipment Productivity and Utilisation Program; and
- Development and Implementation of an Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Strategic Plan.

Noted.

14 CONFIDENTIAL

Resolution No: (09-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council enters into closed session under s275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 at 12.40pm to discuss the following matters:

- *contracts proposed to be made by Council; and*
- *the appointment of employees.*

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ATTENDANCE

Council's Manager Engineering Services, Mr Casey de Pereira attended the meeting at 1.10pm.

Mr de Pereira left the meeting at 2.08pm.

Resolution No: (10-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council moves out of closed session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 2.08pm.

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14.1 (11/17) – Housing Review

Discussions have been held at various times in relation to Council's stock of housing. At the October meeting of Council staff were requested to bring a report to the November meeting.

Resolution No: (11-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council proceed with the design of two x two (2) bedroom duplexes and one three (3) bedroom house.

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14.2 (11/17) – RFT – T01 17-18 – Full Service Bitumen Surfacing Works Tender

A tender invitation was issued through the Department of Transport & Main Roads (DTMR) for Full Service Bitumen Surfacing Works and Council was invited to participate in the tendering process. Historically, this collaborative approach has seen significant cost savings compared to Council calling tenders individually.

All the works will be funded from various approved programs including R2R, NDRRA Flood Recovery, TIDS and Council's budget for approved works program.

Resolution No: (12-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council ratify the decision to award Tender – T01 17-18 to the lowest tenderer as submitted by RPQ Spray Seal Pty Ltd for \$662,025.70 (inclusive of GST) to undertake bitumen sealing along various sections of Kyabra Road and Coonaberry Creek Road and full width 17 sections of shire roads as per Council's approved resealing program; and

That Council approve a 10% contingency for additional work (if required), to be funded within the approved budget.

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14.3 (11/17) – Organisational Structure Review

The issue of amending the organisational structure was discussed with Council at the October meeting of Council.

The intent of the changes is to better align positions to achieve improved operational outcomes and to commence a strategy for future career progression in several key positions.

Resolution No: (13-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council amend the organisational structure to incorporate the following:

- *Manager Financial Services reporting directly to the Chief Executive Officer;*
- *Creation of a new position of Cadet Technical Officer; and*
- *Creation of a new position of Junior Finance / Administration Officer.*

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15 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

15.1 (11/17) – Adavale Red Road Bitumen – T05 2017-2018

A Tender invitation was issued through Vendor Panel to undertake about 67,300 square metres (approx. 10 km by length) of double/double bitumen sealing works along various sections of the Red Road (Quilpie – Adavale Road) and a number of streets in Adavale township. At the close of the tender period three (3) submissions were received.

Resolution No: (14-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council award Tender – T05 2017-18 to the lowest tender submitted by RPQ Spray Seal Pty Ltd for \$486,603.85 (inclusive of GST) to undertake bitumen sealing along various sections of Red Road (Quilpie – Adavale Road) and a number of streets in Adavale township as per Council's approved bitumen sealing program; and

That Council approved a 10% contingency for additional work (if required) to be funded within the approved budgets.

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Following adoption of the 2017-18 budget incorporating the annual plant replacement program, quotations have been called for the supply and delivery of a variety of plant and equipment.

15.2 (11/17) – Q17 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of 2 x new 4WD Toyota Prado Wagon GX

This matter was deferred for consideration with a view to obtaining an additional quotation.

15.3 (11/17) – Q19 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of a New All Terrain Vehicle

Resolution No: (15-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council award Quotation Q19 17-18 to Myla Motors for the supply and delivery of one new Can Am HD8 All Terrain Vehicle at a cost of \$22,954.10 (ex GST).

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15.4 (11/17) – Q18 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of one new Grader

Resolution No: (16-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council award Quotation Q18 17-18 to Komatsu Australia for the supply and delivery of one new Komatsu Grader – GD655_5 Motor Grader fitted with the Komtrax machine tracking system at a cost of \$382,000.00 (ex GST).

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15.5 (11/17) – Q20 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of one new Drum Roller

Resolution No: (17-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council award Quotation Q20 17-18 to JCB Constructions for the supply and delivery of one new CA 4600D BS Drum Roller at a cost of \$147,500.00 (ex GST).

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15.6 (11/17) – Q21 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of one new Loader

Resolution No: (18-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council award Quotation Q21 17-18 to Komatsu Australia for the supply and delivery of one new Komatsu WA320 PZ_6_PIN_ON Wheel Loader at a cost of \$320,000.00 (ex GST).

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15.7 (11/17) – Q22 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of a Ride on Mower

Resolution No: (19-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council award Quotation Q22 17-18 to Tas Mini Motors, Charleville, for the supply and delivery of one new Hustler Super Z mower with 54-inch deck and fitted with a Mulcher Kit at a total cost of \$15,727.27 (ex GST).

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15.8 (11/17) – Q23 17-18 – Supply & Delivery of one new Crew Cab Tipper

Resolution No: (20-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council award Quotation Q23 17-18 to Black Truck Sales for the supply and delivery of one new Crew Cab 10 tonne Isuzu Truck (cost of \$97,333.00) with the tipper body design specifications to be made by Transport Welding Engineering (cost of \$35,394.00) at a total cost of \$132,727.00 (ex GST).

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15.9 (11/17) – Tender T02 2017-18 – Sale of Surplus Equipment

Following adoption of the 2017-18 budget incorporating the annual plant replacement program, quotations were called for the supply and delivery of a variety of plant and equipment (refer above). While the quotation documentation provided for plant trade-ins, public interest resulted in a separate tender also being called for disposal of plant only for interested parties unable to tender on new equipment.

Resolution No: (21-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council award the following plant items as per Tender T02 2017-18:

- Unit 121 (CAT Grader) to Extons Pty Ltd for \$137,500 including GST;
- Unit 151 (Suzuki Dirt Bike) to Mr Tom Koutavas for \$650 including GST;
- Unit 691 (Polaris) to Mr Toby Ross for \$2,800 including GST;
- Unit 110 (Skid Steer Loader) to JCB Constructions as a trade in on the terms of the successful quotation Q20 2017-18;
- Unit 71 (Loader) to Mr Toby Ross for \$82,056;
- Unit 140 (Prowler Mower) to Grays Online for \$3,300 including GST; and
- Unit 54 (Crew Cab Tipper) to Grays Online for \$44,000 including GST.

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16 LATE ITEMS

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Mackenzie declared a Material Personal Interest in the following matter (*as defined in section 172 of the Local Government Act 2009*), due to his position as Chairman of the Outback Gondwana Foundation. Cr Mackenzie dealt with this Material Personal Interest by leaving the meeting room, taking no part in the debate or discussion on the matter.

ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 2.14pm

CHAIRING OF MEETING

Cr Hewson assumed the Chair at 2.14pm.

16.1 (11/17) – Request for Assistance – Eromanga Natural History Museum

By email of 9 November 2017, the Eromanga Natural History Museum is requesting assistance to pay two outstanding invoices totalling \$43,087 inclusive of GST.

Resolution No: (22-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council not approve the request from the Eromanga Natural History Museum for assistance in paying for the carport and concrete pathways.

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ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie returned to the meeting at 2.28pm and resumed the position of Chair.

16.2 (11/17) – 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 four (4) year rolling works program and each year the four year program needs to be reviewed and adopted by the Group.

Resolution No: (23-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council transfer the 2018-19 TIDS allocation of \$380,000 from Adavale Charleville Rd to Quilpie Adavale (Red) Road and maintain their matching contribution.

That Council transfer the 2019-20 TIDS allocation of \$380,000 from Adavale Charleville Rd to Quilpie Adavale (Red) Road and maintain their matching contribution.

That Council transfer the 2019-20 TIDS allocation of \$400,000 from Kyabra Rd to Quilpie Adavale (Red) Road and maintain their matching contribution.

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16.3 (11/17) – RADF Round 2

The Queensland Government, through Arts Queensland, provides Regional Arts Development Funds (RADF) to councils. Councils also provide financial and in-kind support to RADF delivery as local projects, initiatives and grants programs.

Applications for Round Two (2) of the RADF closed on Monday 06 November 2017.

Resolution No: (24-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council That Council approve the following applications for Regional Arts Development Fund Round 2, 2017-2018:

Organisation	Project	Amount (inc GST)
Quilpie Cultural Society	Silver Smithing Jill Dyer	\$1376.05
Quilpie Production Group	McGregor Music Camp 2018	\$2080.00
Quilpie Shire Council	Western Touring Circuit	\$1,680.00

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16.4 (11/17) – Relaxation of Boundary Setback – 46 Boonkai Street, Quilpie

A request has been made to relax a rear boundary setback from three metres to 1.5 metres for proposed building works at 46 Boonkai Street, Quilpie.

The structure is a titan shed structure intended for vehicle parking and general storage area. The existing cooling tank is to be removed.

Resolution No: (25-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council approve the rear boundary setback relaxation at 46 Boonkai Street Quilpie from three metres to 1.5 metres.

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16.5 (11/17) – Relaxation of Boundary Setback – 22 Quarrion Street, Quilpie

A request has been made to relax the boundary setback from three metres to 0 metres for a proposed covered outdoor area at 22 Quarrion Street, Quilpie.

The proposal is to remove the existing tennis court fence that forms part of the boundary fence and erect an open shed over the existing bitumen tennis court. The area is 36m x 17m and the proposal is to enclose the area with chain wire fencing. The bitumen tennis court will then be replaced with synthetic turf.

Resolution No: (26-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council approve the boundary setback relaxation at 22 Quarrion Street Quilpie from three

metres to zero metres.

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17 GENERAL BUSINESS

17.1 (11/17) – Request for Rates Discount

Correspondence has been received from a ratepayer requesting Council give consideration to allowing the applicable discount payment if the current arrears are paid out in full. The discount period for the rating period 01 July to 31 December 2017 has closed.

Resolution No: (27-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council not approve the discount request for rates assessments 00312-00000-000 and 00176-00000-000.

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17.2 (11/17) – Event Options – Big Red Bash

Following the change in date for the Fringe Festival 2018, there is an opportunity for Council to host an event the weekend before the 2018 Big Red Bash, with a view to attracting overnight visitors to the region.

Noted.

17.3 (11/17) – Fees and Charges

Correspondence has been received from St. Finbarr's School requesting Council reconsider the non-refundable charge for hall hire.

Noted. This matter will be considered during the 2018-2019 budget deliberations.

17.4 (11/17) – Mulga Mates

Correspondence has been received from Ms Jacqueline Di Francesco, Director / Teacher of the Mulga Mates Childcare Centre requesting Council give consideration to taking over management of the facility.

DEPUTATION

President of the Mulga Mates Association, Ms Alisha Moody, attended the meeting at 4.02pm to provide Council with an update on activities at the centre.

Ms Moody left the meeting at 4.32pm.

17.5 (11/17) – Driveway 21 Buln Buln Street

A request to undertake remedial works on the driveway entrance of 21 Buln Buln Street has been received.

Noted. Council will undertake the remedial works as requested.

DEPUTATION

Director / Teacher of the Mulga Mates Centre, Ms Jacqueline Di Francesco, attended the meeting at 4.43pm to provide Council with an overview of centre operations.

Ms Di Francesco left the meeting at 5.05pm.

17.6 (11/17) – Heart of Australia

Advice has been received that Council's Expression of Interest to secure 'Heart of Australia' services in 2018 has progressed to the second stage. Council is required to nominate the top five (5) preferred services. In addition, a contribution of approximately \$5,000 ex GST per visit (minimum four (4) visits per year is required, noting any additional services / extended clinics attract additional fees.

Resolution No: (28-11-17)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council agree to make a commitment of \$20,000 (ex GST) to host the Heart of Australia Bus in Quilpie four times during 2018, subject to a successful application.

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17.1 (11/17) Councillor Requests

Councillors were invited to raise any matters for consideration.

- A report has been received that the Trinidad Road between Thylungra and Bulgroo requires maintenance work;
- It was requested that council works be promoted in social media and community newsletters;

- A concern in relation to a large amount of water at the netball / tennis courts was raised with a leaking pipe a potential cause;
- Confirmation was requested on the relocation of the Hell Hole Road directional signs to encourage visitors along the Adavale Red Road not the Black Road. Staff are waiting for final confirmation of the details of the Transport and Main Roads signage project;
- A request to further monitor the condition of the business advertising signs on the eastern entrance to Quilpie was made;
- Cr Volz raised a number of concerns / queries in relation to noxious weeds control.
- Cr Volz also requested that Council be more proactive in ensuring conditions associated with building and planning conditions are adhered to (for example smoke alarm requirements);
- An enquiry was made in relation to council vehicle use practice outside work hours;
- A request has been made to erect a 'memorial wall' at the Eromanga cemetery;
- It was agreed that construction of a footpath along the northern side of Boonkai Street between Chulungra and Buln Buln Streets will be considered in 2018-2019 budget deliberations; and
- Council will investigate signage indicating the start of the Lake Eyre and Cooper Basins at relevant locations in the shire.

18 MEETING DATES

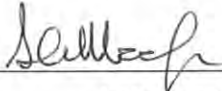
The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Friday, 8 December 2017 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

The January 2018 Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Tuesday, 16 January 2018 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

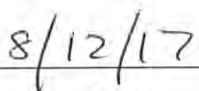
There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 5.48pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 17 November 2017.

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



 Cr Stuart Mackenzie



 Date

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council