

# **Ordinary Meeting of Council**

# **MINUTES**

Friday 14 December 2018

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 9.33am

# 2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Bob Hall

Cr Roger Volz

Cr Bruce Paulsen

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 John Pegler and expressed their condolences to his family.

#### 5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Division 5A of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) requires Councillors to declare a Material Personal Interest or a Conflict of Interest should either apply regarding a matter that is before a Council meeting (refer Sections 175C and 175E of the Act). The Declaration should be made at the commencement of the meeting and prior to the matter being considered and voted upon by Council.

No declarations of interest were made.

#### 6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### 6.1 (12/18) - Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Friday 23 November 2018

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 23 November 2018.

Resolution No: (01-12-18)

Moved by: Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by: Cr Jenny Hewson

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 23 November 2018 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings, noting that further clarification is included in item 15.2 (rates discount requests).

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# 7 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 7.1 (11/18) – Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program 2019-2021

At the November Ordinary meeting of Council, elected members were advised that the guidelines for the 2019-2021 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program (LGGSP) have been released with applications open from mid-January 2019. Council considered eligible projects in order that ample time can be devoted to the development of the application/s.

Resolution No: (02-12-18)

Moved by: Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council make application under the 2019-2021 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program to construct a new bore and upgrade critical water mains in Quilpie, and commit to the applicable Council financial co-contribution requirements.

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#### 8 MAYORAL REPORT

Mayor Mackenzie provided a verbal update on activities he has undertaken since the November 2018 Ordinary meeting of Council.

All Councillors attended the Wellspring community meeting held on 24 November and the subsequent Councillor workshop with Mr Robert Prestipino of Vital Places.

Cr Mackenzie attended a meeting of the Local Disaster Management Group and travelled to St George for a meeting of the South West Regional Roads and Transport Group (SWRRTG) and the South West Regional Economic Development Board (SWRED). Cr Mackenzie outlined progress and proposals that the SWRED Tourism Committee is pursuing, including a focus on digital strategies.

The Mayor held talks with Mr Steve Jones (REX Airlines) regarding the provision of a wheelchair lift at the Quilpie airport, as well as discussing CASA requirements for reclassifying and remarking the airport to allow larger planes to refuel at Quilpie.

Cr Mackenzie also attended the St Finbarr's and Quilpie State College awards nights.

# 9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Councillors provided a brief overview of activities they have undertaken since the November Ordinary Meeting of Council:

In addition to the Wellspring community meeting and workshop attended by all councillors, **Cr Jenny Hewson** opened the schools district swimming carnival and attended both the Quilpie State College awards evening and the Mulga Mates presentation evening.

**Cr Bruce Paulsen** attended the St Finbarr's awards evening. Cr Mackenzie extended his congratulations to Cr Paulsen on being awarded the Community Champion award by Cricket Australia.

**Cr Bob Hall** met with the recently formed Southern Queensland Natural Resource Committee's Chief Executive Officer, Mr Paul McDonald, during his visit to Quilpie. Cr Hall also attended the St Finbarr's and State College awards evenings, congratulating the organisers of both events.

As Chair of the Audit Committee, Cr Hall participated in a Queensland Audit Office meeting for Audit Chairs via teleconference. Cr Hall also attended a meeting of the South West Dog Watch Group, again via teleconference.

Cr Hall advised the meeting he was undertaking research in relation to possible indigenous development opportunities as part of his portfolio responsibilities.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Mrs Lyn Barnes attended the meeting at 10.30am, presenting Council with the commissioned art pieces for the airport terminal. Mrs Barnes left the meeting at 10.43am.

Councillors continued their monthly reports.

**Cr Roger Volz** attended a meeting of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee as well as the Local Disaster Management Group meeting. Cr Volz attended all three (3) end of year events for St Finbarr's, Quilpie State College and Mulga Mates.

Cr Volz travelled to Charleville for the 'Creating Queensland's Future' Forum to provide input on the ten year road map for arts currently being developed by Arts Queensland.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 11.01am and resumed at 11.09am.

#### 10 STATUS REPORTS

#### 10.1 (12/18) – Engineering Services Status Reports

Noted.

# 10.2 (12/18) – Corporate and Community Services Status Reports

Noted.

10.3 (12/18) - Financial Services Status Report

Noted.

10.4 (12/18) – Governance Status Reports

Noted.

## 11 ENGINEERING SERVICES

Nil Reports

# 12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

# 12.1 (12/18) - Quilpie Sport & Recreation Inc. Community Assistance Program Application

A Community Assistance Application has been received from the Quilpie Sport & Recreation Inc. Committee for funding towards maintenance support of 2 hours per week to assist with the maintenance of the equipment at the Sport & Recreation facility.

Resolution No: (03-12-18)

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

That Council approves the request for financial assistance received from the Quilpie Sport & Recreation Inc. Committee for \$2,080 to be utilised toward maintenance support of 2 hours per week to assist with the maintenance of the equipment at the Sport & Recreation facility.

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#### 13 FINANCE

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Council's Manager Finance, Ms Arminda David, attended the meeting at 11.15am.

#### 13.1 (12/18) - Finance Report for Month Ending 30 November 2018

The Finance report for the period ending 30 November 2018 was presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (04-12-18)

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

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 30 November 2018.

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#### **ATTENDANCE**

Ms David left the meeting at 11.28am.

#### 15 CONFIDENTIAL

Resolution No: (05-12-18)

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 11.29am to discuss the following matters:

- Starting or defending legal proceedings involving the local government;
- The appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees; and
- Other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

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#### ATTENDANCE

Mr Alex Buck of Holding Redlich Lawyers attended the meeting via teleconference at 11.30am. Mr Buck left the meeting at 11.44am.

Resolution No: (06-12-18)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Bob Hall

That Council moves out of closed session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 12.26pm.

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## 15.1 (12/18) - Mardigan People Native Title Claim

The Mardigan People filed a native title claim in the Federal Court on 17 January 2007 (the Claim). The Claim covers an area of approximately 15,403km<sup>2</sup> of which 13,955 km<sup>2</sup> is within Council's local government area. It also covers land within the Murweh Shire Council and the Paroo Shire Council local government areas.

Resolution No: (07-12-18)

Moved by:

Cr Bob Hall

Seconded by:

Cr Jenny Hewson

That Council:

- (a) consent to a determination of the Mardigan People native title claim QUD26/2007 that native title does not exist substantially in the terms of draft order attached ("the draft Determination"); and
- (b) delegate to the CEO the power to agree to changes the draft Determination that may be required by the Court to make the final determination order.

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#### 15.2 (12/18) - Conversion of Various Leases

By emails on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018, 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 conversion of the following:

- GHPL 0/202194 being Lot 1/NK63 and Lot 1/MCY52
- GHPL 0/202285 being Lot 4/NK76 and Lot 6/MCY30;
- GHPL 10/3005 B being Lot 2/NK7 and Lot 4/Nk64;
- PPH 10/4704 being Lot 4704/SP272980;
- PPH 10/5449 being Lot2/PO60;
- TL 0/234797 being Lot 1/NK3 and Lot 2/NK3; and
- TL 0/234638 being Lot 2/NK91.

Resolution No: (08-12-18)

Moved by:

Cr Roger Volz

Seconded by:

Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council has no requirements or objection in relation to the proposed Conversion of the following leases:

- GHPL 0/202194 being Lot 1/NK63 and Lot 1/MCY52;
- GHPL 0/202285 being Lot 4/NK76 and Lot 6/MCY30;
- GHPL 10/3005 B being Lot 2/NK7 and Lot 4/Nk64;
- PPH 10/4704 being Lot 4704/SP272980;
- PPH 10/5449 being Lot2/PO60;
- TL 0/234797 being Lot 1/NK3 and Lot 2/NK3; and

TL 0/234638 being Lot 2/NK91.

AND

That Council is not aware of any non-indigenous cultural heritage issues associated with the land.

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#### 14 GOVERNANCE

#### 14.1 (12/18) - 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.

Round 02 was advertised and closed on Friday 16 November 2018.

Resolution No: (09-12-18)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council approve the following applications for Round 2, 2018-2019:

	Organisation	Project	Amount (Excl GST)
	Quilpie Shire Council	Streetscape bore head project	\$15,966
	Quilpie Shire Council	2019 arTour Western Touring Circuit	\$6,110
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#### 14.2 (12/18) - Council Meeting Dates 2019

Section 277 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the Regulation) stipulates how and when Councils must publish a notice of the days and times of Ordinary meetings.

Section 277 of the Regulation states that Council must, at least once in each year, publish a notice of the days and times when its ordinary meeting will be held.

Resolution No: (10-12-18)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council confirms Ordinary Meetings of Council for January to December 2019 will held on the following days:

Friday 11 January 2019;

Friday 15 February 2019;

Friday 08 March 2019;

Friday 12 April 2019;
Friday 10 May 2019;
Friday 14 June 2019;
Friday 12 July 2019;
Friday 09 August 2019;
Friday 13 September 2019;
Friday 11 October 2019;
Friday 08 November; and
Friday 13 December.
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## 16 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil.

# 17 LATE ITEMS

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Council's Manager Engineering Services, Mr Casey de Pereira attended the meeting at 12.47pm

# 17.1 (12/18) – Tender T16 2018-2019 Quilpie Airport Lighting Upgrade

Tenders have been called for the Quilpie Airport Lighting Upgrade. At the close of the tender period seven (7) tenders were received.

Resolution No: (11-12-18)

Moved by: Cr Brue

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council award tender T16 2018-2019 (Quilpie Airport Runway Lighting Upgrade) to Saunders Electrics for \$399,600 including GST.

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Mr de Pereira provided Council with an update on various projects, including the planned remediation works for John Waugh Park Oval.

#### ATTENDANCE

Mr de Pereira left the meeting at 2.00pm

#### 18 GENERAL BUSINESS

#### 18.1 (12/18) Buy Local Campaign Feedback

Correspondence dated 04 December 2018 has been received in relation to the 'Buy Local' campaign. The writer suggests that the minimum spend of \$30 may be too high as a number of businesses (such as bakery and cafes) do not often generate that sale value. Council may wish to consider this matter for next year's promotion.

Noted. Council will review the conditions of the competition prior to the 2019 event.

#### 18.2 (12/18) Staff Fundraising Initiative

Staff have again elected to undertake fundraising ventures for a nominated charity / organisation in 2019. The recipients have been chosen by staff and will be the Royal Flying Doctor Service Charleville, and the Quilpie Hospital Auxiliary. Council needs to consider whether it is willing to again make a co-contribution to the activity.

Resolution No: (12-12-18)

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

That Council agree to contribute a matching cash contribution to the Quilpie Shire Council Fundraising venture for 2019 to a maximum of \$10,000.

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#### 18.3 (12/18) Duck Creek Road Culvert

There has been a request to install a culvert across a creek near Duck Creek to allow opal miners to go past the end of the council controlled Duck Creek Road during wet weather.

<u>Noted.</u> Further inspection of the location will be undertaken prior to the 2019-2020 budget deliberations.

#### 18.4 (12/18) Entegy Pty Ltd – Quilpie Shire Council App

The Quilpie Shire 'App' was launched in March 2017. Utilisation of the product has been limited and ongoing maintenance costs associated with the product are relatively high. Council may wish to consider whether the investment in this product provides 'value for money' for the outputs being observed.

Noted.

# 18.5 (12/18) Local Government Finance and Strategic Leadership Summit

The 2019 Local Government Finance and Strategic Leadership Summit will be held in Gladstone on 26 and 27 February 2019. The Summit will include a full day Strategic Leadership Short Course, which has been designed specifically for local government leaders. Day two features a wide array of keynote speakers and interactive panel sessions.

Noted. This matter will be reconsidered at the January 2019 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

# 18.6 (12/18) Industrial Subdivision – Offer to purchase

By email dated 12 December 2018, an offer to purchase Lot 12 in the Industrial Subdivision (Anzac Drive) has been received.

Noted.

#### 18.7 (12/18) Request to Use Council Plant

Cr Hall advised he had received an enquiry from a resident who wishes to utilise Council plant to assist in maintaining the Bulloo Park racecourse.

Noted.

#### 19 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Friday, 11 January 2019 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.40pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 14 December 2018.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the Friday, 11 January 2019.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie

Date

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council