

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Quilpie Shire Council Held in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom on Tuesday 10th May, 2011 Commencing at 8.40 am



PRESENT:			
Cr PD	Edwards (Mayor), Cr DP Murray (Deputy Mayor), Cr JC Hewson, Cr RJ Nowland, Cr C Paulsen		
Lisa F Moni	arl Ninine (Chief Executive Officer) isa Hamlyn (Deputy Chief Executive Officer) Ionica James (Community Services Manager) ed Hennessy (Works Manager)		
1.0	APOLOGIES:		
Nil			
2.0	OBITUARIES:		
Resol	lution No: (01-05-11)		
Coun Murr	cil resolved to forward its condolences to the relatives of the late Victor James Heinemann and father of Toni ay.		
Reso	lved Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager		
3.0	RECEIVING / CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:		
Resol	lution No: (02-05-11)		
	ed by Cr Murray nded by Cr Paulsen		
	the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 12 th April 2011 are taken as read and rmed.		
Carri	ed Delegated Officer: Deputy Chief Executive Officer		
BUSII	NESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:		

1. Rates

Cr Edwards advised Council that he received a telephone call from Rhett Mobbs "Bulloo Lakes" requesting Council's reconsideration of granting discount to rates associated with Assessment No: 00854-20000-000 due to weather and road conditions not allowing access to Bulloo Lakes.

Resolution No: (03-05-11)

Council discussed the request and resolved that a letter is written to Rhett Mobbs advising that Council denied his request.

Resolved Delegated Officer: Chief Executive Officer

2. Trinidad Road

Cr Edwards advised that an email was received from George Scott on behalf of Bill Scott regarding Trinidad Road in the vicinity of Thylungra station and outlining various issues associated with the road.

The Works Manager advised Council that Engineer, Simon Bourne has inspected and is currently completing a report to be presented to Council regarding the Trinidad Road. Cr Edwards will respond to the email and the Chief Executive Officer is requested to ensure that George and Bill Scott are advised of the progress of this issue and report.

Noted Delegated Officer: Mayor
Chief Executive Officer

3. Wild Rivers

Cr Murray enquired if the Chief Executive Officer had received a response from Kate Jones, Minister for Environment and Resource Management regarding representation on the Wild Rivers Panel. Cr Edwards advised that the Minister had contacted him seeking further information regarding Stuart Mackenzie. No further information has been received to date.

Noted Delegated Officer: NA

4. Road - Slashing

Cr Murray enquired if the sides of the road to Eromanga would be slashed as the vegetation is very overgrown. The Works Manager advised Council that this task would be carried out when the slasher has completed all current works.

Noted Delegated Officer: NA

5. Dog Issues

Cr Paulsen enquired if Council has received a report from Steve Mizen regarding dog issues. The Chief Executive Officer advised Council that no formal report has been received. The Chief Executive Officer provided an update on the matter and is awaiting legal response before proceeding with the destruction order.

6. Removal of Silt Piles – Eromanga

Cr Murray enquired if Ralph Walker has shifted the silt from the creek on the eastern side of Eromanga. The Works Manager advised that Ralph Walker has been requested to complete this job by 18 May 2011.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

5.0 RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF WORKS MANAGER'S REPORT:

The Works Manager reported that he has been on leave.

The Works Manager advised that Aerodrome Operations Support inspected the air strips yesterday. They have recommended that the cross strip at Adavale is closed. The strip that is lit is in good condition.

5.1 Plant Report Received

5.2 Plumber's Report Nil

4.0 MAYORAL NOTES:

Meetings / Events attended:

13th April Risk Management Workshop 23rd April Eromanga Rodeo and Campdraft

24th April Meet with RAAF Visitors

Clay Target Shoot Toompine Twilight Service Cemetery

25th April Dawn Service, March and Community Service, Luncheon

1st May St Finbarr's Parish re Bishop Bill Morris

7th May Races – Meeting with Vaughan Johnson

8th May Clay Target Shoot Toompine

Cr Edwards advised that he will be attending a QDog meeting in Brisbane on Friday 17th June 2011.

Cr Edwards enquired if the newly opened local business, Brendo's Tyre Service and Rural Merchandise had been invited to quote for Council's business. The Chief Executive Officer advised Council that quotations had been invited for the Supply of Tyre Fitting / Tyre repair services.

Cr Edwards advised that during his recent visit to Adavale, he inspected the rubbish dump, and Rodeo / Campdraft set up. The ramp P. Donohue installed is well done.

Cr Edwards also reported whilst driving to Adavale he noted that the Comongin Plain Crossing to the Lake Channel will be a major job.

^{9&}lt;sup>th</sup> May Went to Adavale – up Black Road and back Red Road

4.1 LNP – Building Queensland's Future – Together Plan

Cr Edwards and the Chief Executive Officer received a letter from Jeff Seeney MP, LNP Parliamentary leader inviting council to make submission regarding our local communities' infrastructure needs both in the next 10 years and by 2031 to inform the LNP's Building Queensland's Future –Together plan.

Resolution No: (04-05-11)

Council resolved that the Chief Executive Officer develops a submission for Quilpie Shire including roads, housing and Toowoomba range crossing for road and rail to the Leader of the Opposition.

Resolved Delegated Officer: Chief Executive Officer

6.0 TENDERS AND QUOTATIONS

Nil

7.0 RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT:

7.1 An email was received from KA Walker and Co regarding the stock route bore at Burkobulla.

Resolution No: (05-05-11)

It was resolved that the Chief Executive Officer replies to the email received from KA Walker and Co advising that there has been no change in Council's position in relation to this matter as it is still a Council facility as there is no water agreement in place.

Resolved Delegated Officer: Chief Executive Officer

7.2 The Chief Executive Officer requested Council's authorisation to write off an outstanding Debtor Account No. 104009 totalling \$45.10.

Resolution No: (06-05-11)

Moved by Cr Murray Seconded by Cr Hewson

That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to write off the amount of \$45.10, outstanding Debtor Account No. 104009.

Carried Delegated Officer: Deputy Chief Executive Officer

7.3 Position of Chief Executive Officer – Recruitment

Recruitment for the position of Chief Executive Officer was discussed and Cr Hewson and Cr Paulsen stated that they would like the position advertised immediately.

Resolution No: (07-05-11)

Moved by Cr Edwards Seconded by Cr Murray

Carried 3/2

That the position of Chief Executive Officer is advertised on 1 July 2011.

Councillors Hewson and Paulsen voted against the motion.

7.1	Calendar of Events	Noted
7.2	Staff Matters	Nil
7.3	Workplace Health & Safety Report	Nil
7.4	Manager of Community Services Report	

7.4.1 Skate Park

The Community Services Manager advised Council that she had met with Shane Vardy, Playscape Creations regarding the installation of a skate park at Bi-centennial Park. Playscape Creations are installing a skate park in Thargomindah.

Resolution No: (08-05-11)

Upon presentation of various skate park design options, Council resolved that their preference was for option 2, cost \$96,910.00 (inc. GST) + approximately \$30,000 concrete works and that the Community Services Manager progresses the project with Playscape Creations and the project is included in the 2011/2012 budget.

Resolved Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager

7.4.2 Community Plan

The Community Services Manager advised that the next Community Planning Meeting will take place on 6th June 2011 in Quilpie.

Noted Delegated Officer: NA

7.4.3 Quilpie Swimming Pool

The Community Services Manager advised Council that the Quilpie Swimming Pool Lease was due to be reviewed and enquired of Council's intentions regarding extended swimming season.

Delegated Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council suggested that the matter is discussed within the Community Planning Meeting.

Noted

Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager

ADJOURNMENT:

The Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10.25am and resumed at 10.55am.

7.5	Health Promotion Officer's Report	Nil
7.6	Tourism Officer's Report	Received
7.7	Librarian's Report	Received
7.8	Swimming Pool Report	Received
7.9	Rural Land Officer's Report	Received
7.10	Building & Environmental Health Officer's Report	Nil
7.11	Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Report	

7.11.1 Land

A letter of offer has been received from Chris Seng to purchase Lot 11 on A2456 for \$250. Chris and Susan Seng already own adjoining lots 12 and 13.

A letter of offer has been received from John Poole to purchase Lots 66, 67, 68 and 69 on A2453 for \$200 per block.

Resolution No: (09-05-11)

Moved by Cr Murray Seconded by Cr Nowland

That Council accepts the following offers to purchase land in Adavale:

- 1. Chris Seng \$250 to purchase Lot 11 on A2456 in Adavale
- 2. John Poole \$200 per block to purchase Lots 66, 67, 68 and 69 on A2453 and;

Purchasers are advised that they are responsible for all fees associated with the sale of the land.

Carried Delegated Officer: Deputy Chief Executive Officer

8.0 FINANCE:

8.1 Financial Summary for the period ending 30th April 2011

8.2 Register of Cheques Issued for the periods ending 30th April 2011

Resolution No: (10-05-11)

Moved by Cr Hewson Seconded by Cr Paulsen

That the reports of the Administration and Finance sections of Council are received and the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure as presented is received and adopted; that payment of accounts totalling \$ 1,263,182.95 as listed are confirmed and;

That the following expenditure of Corporate Credit Cards for the month of April 2011 is accepted:

CEO Credit Card Payments			Mayor Credit Card Payments		
Aus-Meat Limited	National Vendor Declarations	70.00	Yellowcab Australia	Taxi Fare, Brisbane	56.94
Commission for Children	Blue Card renewal for Monica James	70.00	Obsession Restaurant	Meals	30.00
Quality Hotel Platinum, Twmba	Accommodation - Kathryn Castles (Cert 3 in Aboriginal Health)	854.95	Yellowcab Australia	Taxi Fare, Brisbane	54.06
Royal on the Park, Brisbane	Accommodation - Rebecca Thompson (Local Buy Conference)	499.50	Mantra, South Bank	Meals	112.20
Dept of Main Roads	Traffic Management Level 4 Course - Mike Castles & Ted Hennessy	770.00			
Amazon.com	AudoCAD Training Manuals	151.47			
National Australia Bank	Card Fee	12.03	National Australia Bank	Card Fee	9.00
		2,427.95			262.20

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9.0	RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE (inc. Listed Corresponden	ce): Nil
10.0	PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL:	Nil
11.0	CONSIDERATION / RECEIPTION OF NOTICES OF MOTION:	Nil

12.0 GENERAL BUSINESS:

12.1 Tourism Meeting

Cr Hewson enquired if a Tourism meeting would be held to discuss activities in Quilpie during the tourism season. The Community Services Manager advised that she and the Tourism Officer had discussed the organisation of a meeting. The date will be advertised and forwarded to Councillors.

Noted

Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager

12.2 Request for Agistment

Cr Murray requested permission on behalf of the Eromanga Rodeo Association to agist 18 horses on the 18 Mile

Resolution No: (11-05-11)

Moved by Cr Hewson Seconded by Cr Nowland

That Council grants permission for the Eromanga Rodeo Association to agist 18 horses on the 18 Mile Reserve.

Carried

Delegated Officer: Deputy Chief Executive Officer

12.3 Council Buildings

Cr Murray reported that the back door of the Eromanga Hall had not been repaired. The Works Manager to follow up with Maintenance Officer.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

12.4 Standing Offer Arrangement

Council discussed the Standing Offer Arrangement document for 2011/2012 and will review the document at the Works Committee Meeting on Friday 13th May 2011.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

12.5 Bulloo Park Irrigation

Council discussed the Bulloo Park Irrigation System and requested that the Parks and Gardens staff are directed to utilise the system regularly to improve the middle of Bulloo Park.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

12.6 Trees

Council discussed that the trees planted on the entrance to town require watering and mulching.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

12.7 Lighting – Bulloo Park

Council discussed the need for extra lighting at Bulloo Park as there are sections of the facility that have no lighting at night. The Community Services Manager advised that she will inspect the facility with Guy McPherson (Ergon Energy) to determine locations that may require watchman lighting to be installed.

Noted Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager

12.8 Council Bus Bookings

Councillor Paulsen requested clarification regarding the procedure for bus bookings. The Community Services Manager advised that as per Council direction, there were to be no blanket bookings of the buses and organisations had to complete separate hire applications for each occasions, including times etc. It was discussed that it is difficult, particularly during the winter months, for sporting / community organisations to access the buses for trips away. The Community Services Manager suggested that funding may be available for sporting / community organisations to purchase a bus and that the Sports Co-ordinator when appointed could investigate funding options for an additional bus.

Noted Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager

12.9 R2R - Adayale Road

Councillor Edwards enquired when the works on Adavale Road would commence. The Works Manager advised Council that he was awaiting advice from Main Roads.

Noted Delegated Officer: NA

12.10 Play Equipment - Bicentennial Park

The Community Services Manager presented Council with some options regarding swings and climbing apparatus for Bicentennial Park. Council requested that the play equipment was included in Pre-Budget Meeting discussions for consideration.

Noted Delegated Officer: Community Services Manager

12.11 Quilpie Tennis Court

Cr Paulsen requested that when the cement was being laid for the Skate Park, the cement border around the tennis court is also completed.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

12.12 Roadworks – Capital

Discussion took place regarding Capital Roadworks projects for 2011/2012. The program will be discussed further at the Works Committee Meeting and the Works Manager will have a detailed proposal.

Noted Delegated Officer: Works Manager

NEXT MEETING:

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday 14th June 2011, commencing at 8.30am.

CLOSURE OF MEETING:

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 12.40pm.