



QUILPIE SHIRE COUNCIL

Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

10 June 2014 commencing at 11:05am

Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom

50 Brolga Street Quilpie

1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 11:05am

2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie

Cr Jenny Hewson

Cr Stewart Sargent

Cr Tony Lilburne

Cr Milan Milosevic

Dave Burges (Chief Executive Officer)

Jocelyn Hall (Executive Assistant)

3 APOLOGIES

4 CONDOLENCES

5 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 (06/14) – Ordinary Meeting of QSC held Tuesday, 13 May 2014 at 9:20am

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Tuesday, 13 May 2014.

Resolution No: (01-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Tuesday, 13 May 2014 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

5/0

6 MAYORAL REPORT

Since the May Council meeting the Mayor has participated in the following appointments.

Cr Mackenzie and Cr Hewson were invited to attend a Strong Choices meeting held in Charleville on Friday 16 May. Treasurer Tim Nicholls opened the floor for communities to have their say on the best way to pay down the accumulated debt of the past ten years - the \$80 billion black cloud hanging over the State's finances. The three main choice effecting Queenslanders are significantly increased taxes, reduced services or the sale or lease of some assets.

A trip to Brisbane was undertaken by Cr Mackenzie where a meeting with the Director General of the Department of Transport and Main Roads, Mr Neil Scales and a Resources Communities Advisory Committee Meeting was held. Concerns were raised about the Quilpie - Charleville road as in places it has become quite narrow which is creating a safety concern. One option presented was to have a centre line painted on this road and widen the bitumen to the full extent over the culverts. It was alarming to note that four accidents have occurred in the past five years. Cr Mackenzie has made this road a priority and will continue to lobby for funding to assist with widening this road. At the Resources Communities Advisory Committee Meeting, it was noted that petroleum companies are to notify Council of increased road usage on Shire roads, as stated in the Petroleum Act.

Cr Mackenzie attended a Charleville Drought Forum in Charleville on 30 May. Hon Barnaby Joyce MP Deputy Leader of The Nationals and Minister for Agriculture and Howard Hobbs MP Member for Warrego were present to discuss various issues including the drought assistance of the South West.

Cr Mackenzie was invited to open the Combined Schools Gallery Exhibition on Friday 30 May at the Quilpie Shire Gallery. This exhibition was well attended and displayed a broad range of artistic skills from the youth of the Quilpie Shire.

A Wild Dog Advisory Committee Meeting was held on Wednesday 4 June in which Cr Mackenzie and Cr Sargent attended. It was noted that to date in the 2013/2014 financial year the number of dingo scalp presented to Murweh Shire is 2,500; Quilpie Shire 300 and Paroo 48.

7 TENDERS & QUOTATIONS

7.3 (06/14) – Tender T23 13-14 Supply and Delivery of Various Road Making Materials

Tenders have been invited from persons or companies interested in providing various road making materials for a 12 month period. It was anticipated this should enable suppliers to provide the most competitive rates for the materials. The materials included in the tender are:

- Schedule A - Cement Powder
- Schedule B - Sand and Blend
- Schedule C - Aggregates
- Schedule D - Premix

Two (2) late tenders were received as follows:

- Coates Hire Operations. Received 20 May at 7:45am; and
- Wagners Quarries. Received 26 May at 4:36pm.

Under the tender, goods will be procured on the basis of the sound contracting principles in accordance with section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, and the criteria which are particular to Council as follows:

- Preference will be given to local suppliers wherever possible; or
- Price; or
- Availability; or

- Past performance; or
- Suitability of goods for a particular purpose; or
- Delivery of goods

Resolution No: (02-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Sargent

That Council:

- *accepts the tender from Boral Construction for Schedule C - Aggregates; and*
- *not accept any tender for Schedules A, B & D.*

5/0

7.1 (06/14) – Tender T21 13-14 Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers – Plant Hire 2014-15

Tenders have been invited from persons or companies interested in being included on Council's Register of pre-qualified Suppliers for plant hire for 2014-15.

The Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers is being established in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 and s232 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Inclusion on the Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers will enable Council to engage sub-contractors for plant hire without necessarily inviting tenders or quotations. This will reduce costs by facilitating the timely and effective engagement of businesses and contractors to undertake various works for Council and will help develop the capacity and ability of local businesses to supply the services required by Council.

Three (3) late tenders were received as follows:

- DBS Plant Hire Emerald. Received 19 May at 2:47pm;
- Coates Hire Operations, Meadowbrook. Received 20 May at 7:45am; and
- Regional Water trucks. Received 20 May at 4:53pm. This tender was also non-conforming as it had no details completed.

Under this Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers, goods or services will be procured on the basis of the sound contracting principles in accordance with section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, and the criteria which are particular to Council as follows:

- Preference will be given to local suppliers wherever possible; or
- Price; or
- Availability; or
- Past performance; or
- Suitability of plant for a particular purpose; or
- Plant reliability; or
- Safety record, training and maintenance service quality

Resolution No: (03-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council accepts the following tenders for inclusion on T21 Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers – Plant Hire 2014-15:

Wanless Machinery (Padul P/L)

Ausroad Plant Services

Onsite Rental Group

Sherrin Rentals

Ezyquip Hire

Conplant

Tierney Crushing and Transport

Hastings Deering

Jacob Berghofer

Ausroads Stabilisers

HAG Pastoral (Tolbra)

Stabilised Pavements of Australia

Trimroads Road Construction

Crystal Vision Developments

SC & KG Bowen

Eromanga Contracting

D & H Salmon

BHL & DA Hall Transport

Ellis Profiling

Halliebec

Adavale Plant Hire – V & J Richardson

Red Earthmoving GJ Cooney

Comac Equipment

Peter Donohue

Rollers Queensland

Steve Bonsey Transport

APV Contracting

Southwest Contracting

DBS Plant Hire

Coates Hire Operations

7.2 (06/14) – Tender T22 13-14 Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers – Contractors 2014-15

Tenders have been invited from persons or companies interested in being included on Council's Register of pre-qualified Suppliers for contractors for 2014-15.

The Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers is being established in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 and s232 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Inclusion on the Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers will enable Council to engage contractors for various works, including road construction and building and trades, without necessarily inviting tenders or quotations. This will reduce costs by facilitating the timely and effective engagement of businesses and contractors to undertake various works for Council and will help develop the capacity and ability of local businesses to supply the services required by Council.

Six (6) late tenders were received as follows:

- CG Thompson (building works), Charleville. Received 20 May at 12:00 noon;
- Gofton Builders, Charleville. Received 19 May 12:23pm;
- RPMS Construction, Goondiwindi. Received 19 May at 12:23pm and 12:27pm (different file in each email);
- Allroads, Loganholme. Received 19 May at 12:30pm;
- D&D Concreting Services, Kingsthorpe. Received 20 May at 10:00am; and
- Regional Water trucks. Received 21 May at 6:34pm.

Under this Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers, goods or services will be procured on the basis of the sound contracting principles in accordance with section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, and the criteria which are particular to Council as follows:

- Preference will be given to local suppliers wherever possible; or
- Price; or
- Availability; or
- Past performance; or
- Suitability of plant for a particular purpose; or
- Plant reliability; or
- Safety record, training and maintenance service quality

The *Sound Contracting Principals* of the *Local Government Act* are:

- (a) value for money; and
- (b) open and effective competition; and
- (c) the development of competitive local business and industry; and
- (d) environmental protection; and
- (e) ethical behaviour and fair dealing.

Resolution No: (04-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council accepts the following tenders for inclusion on T22 Register of Pre-qualified Suppliers – Contractors 2014-15:

Scott Holmes Mechanical

Potters Electrical

Gecko Builders & Concreters

RPQ Spray Seal

Maunder Grader Hire

Jacob Berghofer

EJ Lunney Mechanical

NJ Contracting

Stabilised Pavements of Aust

Trimroads Road Construction

Bellwether Contractors

Steve Bonsey Transport

D & H Salmon

Eromanga Contracting

BHL & DA Hall Transport

SC & KG Bowen

CR Gothmann

KN & DR Quinn

Adavale Plant Hire – V & J Richardson

Halliebec

Stephen McCann

Peter Donohue

Kev Richardson Welding

APV Contracting

J & J Transport

Crystal Vision Developments

CG Thompson

Gofton Builders

RPMS Construction

Allroads

D & D Concreting Services

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST DECLARED

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

Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 11:24am

Cr Hewson, Deputy Mayor took the chairpersons position and continued the Meeting.

Tenders were called in July 2013 for the construction and fit out of a shed and ancillary facilities in Eromanga to be used for a Natural History Museum. A report on the matter was provided to Council at the September 2013 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Seven (7) tenders were received by the closing date. One (1) tender was received from State Wide Sheds on 23 August 2013.

All tenders were conforming tenders notwithstanding one tender was late.

The following resolution was passed at the September 2013 meeting:

Resolution No: (05-09-13)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Sargent

That Council delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate with the two lowest tenderers and award the works subject to:

- *the amended tender price being less than \$358,000 excl GST; and*
- *Council entering into a funding agreement with the Australian Government for the \$358,000 of RDA Round 5 funding.*

4/0

This project was intended to be funded under the Regional Development Australia Program Round 5. The program was cancelled and \$500,000 in funding has now been obtained under Round 3 of the Royalties for the Regions Program. Council has allocated \$150,000 in the 2013-14 budget for entry road, carparking and water supply. These unspent funds have been provided for in the draft 2014/15 budget.

In light of the additional funding being approved, the previously two short listed tenderers have been asked to review their tender price due to the period of time elapsed since tendering. At the time of writing this report State Wide Sheds had not submitted a revised price despite repeated follow-ups.

Resolution No: (05-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Sargent

That Council accept the revised tender from Holling Construction for the construction of the Eromanga Natural History Museum shed and associated fit-out works for the sum of \$496,364 inc GST.

4/0

ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie returned to the meeting at 11:32am

8 ENGINEERING SERVICES

8.1 No Reports

8.2 General Discussion – Works Department

- **IOR Eromanga Entry**
Council to provide feedback to IOR Eromanga in relation to suitable dust suppressant options such as crusher dust on the entry driveway
- **Bitumen pot hole repair in Winchu Street**
Concerns were raised regarding the state of the bitumen on the eastern end of Winchu Street between Buln Buln and Chulungra Streets
- **Cleaning of Grids**
It was noted that two grids on the Wareo Road require cleaning out (two most eastern grids)
- **Broken Guide Posts on Windorah Road**
It was noted that there is a broken guide post on the Windorah Road that has broken with the steel base remaining. This is a safety concern and needs attention.
- **Crests on Big Creek Road**
Concerns have been made regarding the single lane road on various crests on Coonaberry Creek Road. This is a safety concern and needs attention.

9 COMMUNITY SERVICES

ATTENDANCE

The Community Services Manager, Monica James entered the meeting at 12:09pm

9.1 (06/14) – Festival of Small Halls

We have been approached by Woodford Folk Festival to be part of the Festival of Small Halls. The concept brings exceptional shows to treasured halls throughout the country. It was launched last year and features at least one well known Australian artist and one International Touring Artist. This Festival of small Halls will roll out in most areas of Australia over the next three years and once signed up they come back bringing new artists each time.

Noted

9.2 General Discussion – Community Department

- **Drought, Dust and Determination Event**

The Drought, Dust and Determination event was a huge success. Our community was well entertained by Robyn Moore, Tom Potter and Chris 'Buddha' Handy. The night flowed well with Mulga Mates serving a most enjoyable 2 course meal, Crushers Softball Club conducting a well organised bar and the Wooly Cookies who provided the musical entertainment. The generous donation by Cairns Home Loans (John Watts) was very much appreciated. Thank you to the State Government for their support in these times of drought. John Watts has suggested consideration to setting up a Drought Relief donation account.

- **Jim Coronas Headstone**

Community Services Manager to arrange with a stone mason to repair the headstone of Jim Coronas.

- **Eromanga Meeting**

A meeting was held in Eromanga to finalise the signage for the river walk. The group identified sheltered seating tables and an informational booklets for future community funding.

- **Eromanga Machinery Display Webber Street, Eromanga**

Council to write to Bill Pegler requesting a partnership be made to erect information signage in the Machinery Display in Eromanga.

- **Skytrans**

Council agreed that a letter of support be written to Skytrans expressing support towards this service being continued.

ATTENDANCE

The Community Services Manager, Monica James left the meeting at 12:39pm

ATTENDANCE

The Corporate Services Manager, Lisa Hamlyn entered the meeting at 12:41pm

10 CORPORATE SERVICES

10.1 (06/14) – Pest Control – Como Station

There have been concerns raised regarding the Mesquite infestations at Como Station. A meeting was held recently with Council representatives (Chief Executive Officer, Corporate Services Manager, Building and Environmental Planning Officer and Rural Lands Officer) and Dan McCudden (Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries) at which issues of concern were raised regarding the lack of control of the Mesquite and potential threat for the infestations to spread to neighbouring properties.

Resolution No: (06-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

Council liaise with the owners of Como Station and other affected properties, notifying them that concerns have been raised regarding the spread of the Mesquite infestation and that urgent action is required.

5/0

ATTENDANCE

Cr Lilburne left the meeting at 12:52pm

ATTENDANCE

The Corporate Services Manager, Lisa Hamlyn left the meeting at 12:52pm

BREAK

The meeting broke for lunch at 12:56pm and resumed at 1:37pm

11 FINANCE REPORTS

ATTENDANCE

The Finance Manager, Barry Bonthuys entered the meeting at 1:38pm

11.1 (06/14) – Finance Report for Period Ending 30 June 2014

Resolution No: (07-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Lilburne

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 30 June 2014.

5/0

11.2 (06/14) – Audit Committee

In accordance with section 105 of the Local Government Act and sections 208 to 211 the Local Government Regulation 2012, all Councils classified as a category 3 or higher in the remuneration schedule must establish an audit committee.

Quilpie Shire Council was recently reclassified as a category 3 Council and must establish an audit committee as from 1 July 2014. The objective of the Audit Committee is to provide advice to Council on audit matters and to provide an oversight of the internal audit process.

Resolution No: (08-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Lilburne

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council:

- 1. establishes an audit committee in accordance with section 105(2) of the Local Government Act 2009.*
- 2. appoints audit committee members in accordance with section 210 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.*
- 3. adopts the Audit Committee Policy as presented*
- 4. appoints Cr Mackenzie, Cr Hewson, Cr Sargent, Cr Lilburne plus a suitable person with accounting knowledge after consultation with the SWRED committee.*

5/0

11.3 (06/14) – Amendments - Budget 2013-2014

The Council adopted its budget for the 2013-2014 financial year at a meeting held on 1 July 2013. Since then the budget has been reviewed on 15 October 2013 and 11 February 2014.

In accordance with section 170(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a Council may amend its budget for a financial year at any time before the end of the financial year.

Another review of the budget was done as at 31 May 2014 and the attached amendments are presented for consideration and adoption.

Resolution No: (09-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council

- 1. adopts the Revenue Policy for the 2013-2014 financial year as presented.*
- 2. adopts the Revenue Statement for the 2013-2014 financial year as presented.*
- 3. adopts the amendments to the Budget for the 2013-2014 financial year as presented.*

5/0

11.4 (06/14) – Operational Plan 2013-2014

Council adopts an Operational Plan each year prior to adopting the budget. The Operation Plan should be reviewed on a quarterly basis to monitor progress.

The 4th quarter review of the 2013/14 Operational Plan has been undertaken and is attached for Councils information and comment.

Resolution No: (10-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That the 2013-14 Operational Plan be reviewed and adopted.

5/0

11.5 (06/14) – Revenue Policy 2014-2015

In accordance with Section 193 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Revenue Policy for 2014-2015 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

Resolution No: (11-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council adopts the Revenue Policy for 2014-2015 as presented.

5/0

11.6 (06/14) – Revenue Statement 2014-2015

In accordance with Section 172 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Revenue Statement for 2014-2015 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

Resolution No: (12-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Lilburne

That Council adopts the Revenue Statement for 2014-2015 as presented.

5/0

11.7 (06/14) – Investment Policy 2014-2015

In accordance with Section 191 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Investment Policy for 2014-2015 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

Resolution No: (13-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council adopts the Investment Policy for 2014-2015 as presented.

5/0

11.8 (06/14) – Debt Policy 2014-2015

In accordance with Section 192 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Debt Policy for 2014-2015 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

Resolution No: (14-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council adopts the Debt Policy for 2014-2015 as presented.

5/0

11.9 (06/14) – Fees & Charges Schedule 2014-2015

In accordance with Section 169 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Fees and Charges Schedules for 2013-14 have been prepared and are presented for adoption.

Resolution No: (15-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council adopts the Fees and Charges Schedules for the 2013/14 financial year as presented.

5/0

11.10 (06/14) – Budget 2014-2015

In accordance with Section 170 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Budget for 2014-2015 has been prepared and is presented for adoption.

Resolution No: (16-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council adopts the Budget for the 2014-2015 financial year as presented with an amendment to include a provision of \$25,000 for the administration costs of the Mulga Mates Centre.

5/0

ATTENDANCE

The Finance Manager, Barry Bonthuys left the meeting at 3:45pm

ATTENDANCE

Cr Lilburne left the meeting at 3:45pm

12 GOVERNANCE

12.1 (06/14) – 2012 – 2017 Corporate Plan Review

The processes and practices of Councils are largely governed by the Local Government Act 2009 and the supporting Regulations. These legislative tools instruct Councils to prepare and adopt a 5 year Corporate Plan for each period of 5 financial years. The Corporate Plan must:-

- outline the strategic direction of the local government;
- state the performance indicators for measuring the local government's progress in achieving its vision for the future of the local government area as stated in its long-term community plan; and
- state how the implementation of the long-term community plan will be progressed for the period of the 5-year corporate plan.

Council adopted a new Corporate Plan in July 2012 and the plan should be regularly reviewed to ensure it remains aligned with Council's direction. To this end Council reviewed the Corporate Plan in May 2014, making minor changes as required. At the review, Council:

- noted progress with the various elements of the plan;
- noted progress with the various outcomes of the plan; and
- made minor amendments to reflect changing priorities and circumstances.

Resolution No: (17-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Sargent

That Council amends the 2012 – 2017 Corporate Plan as presented.

4/0

12.2 (06/14) – Australian Government Mobile Coverage Program

By letter of 7 May 2014, the Department of Communication has written to Council providing some details in relation to the proposed Australian Government mobile coverage program.

The process to be employed by the government is a competitive selection process.

Of the \$100M announced by the government, \$80M will be allocated directly to mobile phone network providers and \$20M will be allocated to a range of parties including mobile phone service providers, local government, state government and commercial entities.

The government will be preparing a database of potential project locations and then populating this database with any additional relevant information, including whether other parties wish to make a contribution, either in cash or in kind, towards the cost of the infrastructure at a particular location.

Specifically the government would like the following information in respect of any proposed project location:

- Whether Council is prepared to make a contribution to the cost of the works;
- Whether Council will provide leasehold tenure for a site at zero or concessional cost;
- Whether Council will provide civil works at zero or concessional cost (eg access road);
- Whether Council can provide access to an existing tower; or
- Whether Council can provide a connection to an existing power source.

Resolution No: (18-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council make a submission providing both monetary and in-kind support for mobile phone coverage around the township of Adavale and on the black spots on the Quilpie – Charleville Road.

4/0

ATTENDANCE

Cr Lilburne returned to the meeting at 3:54pm

12.3 (06/14) – Museum Extension Quilpie

Council has given consideration to a new tourism attraction in Quilpie by way of a war history museum. Initial concept development is proposed in 2014/15 after which consideration will be given to further developing the project.

To commence this, the architectural firm who undertook the original work on the Quilpie VIC and Museum building, Fulton Trotter (then called Fulton Gilmour Trotter Moss) have been contacted. A proposal was subsequently forwarded by John Hay. A workshop with the architect would be scheduled for July / August.

Resolution No: (19-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council commission Fulton Trotter Architects to undertake the master planning and concept design development work for the proposed War History Museum in Quilpie.

5/0

12.4 (06/14) – Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) Program

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 Program.

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 a member. Funding is generally limited to the Local Roads of Regional Significance network however transport infrastructure such as airports can be considered.

Napoleon Road has 2012 flood restoration work approved which will commence shortly. An inspection should be undertaken after that time with the possibility that these funds could be better spent on resealing the Quilpie airstrip. This reseal is scheduled for 2015/16 but may be able to wait a further 12 months.

With Councils across the state feeling the pressure of a tighter fiscal environment, Council should give serious consideration to allocating scarce resources to “must-do” works such as road

maintenance, gravel resheeting and bitumen reseals. It is worth noting the following upcoming requirements:

- | | | |
|---|-------------------------|------------------|
| ▪ Mt Margaret Road
reseal 10.1km to 26.6km | Approximate cost \$440K | Due 2015 to 2017 |
| ▪ Eulo Road
reseal 00km to 10.8km | Approximate cost \$300K | Due 2015 to 2017 |

Council's LRRS network consists of:

- Napoleon Road (including the relevant section of Old Charleville Road);
- Adavale Charleville Road;
- Eulo Road; and
- Kyabra Road.

Council should consider adding Mt Margaret Road to the network.

Resolution No: (20-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Lilburne

That Council make application to the South West Regional Road and Transport Group to have Mt Margaret Road designated a Quilpie Shire Local Road of Regional Significance and prioritise Quilpie Airstrip.

5/0

12.5 (06/14) – Canaway Downs Offer of Water

By email of 23 April 2014, Scott Turner from 'Canaway Downs' contacted to advise they have drilled a new artesian bore yielding 1.7ML/day and that they could supply any of Council's road construction and potable water needs for camps in the vicinity at agreed rates. The bore is at the Gammon shed at the end of Ray Road and has been piped to the old Bulgroo shed on Trinidad Road.

In subsequent discussions via email with RPMS, Scott advised he would prefer a long term arrangement as the water could be guaranteed even in dry times. He advised his preference would be to have an annual access fee for unlimited quantities for council use and suggested \$20,000/annum. Alternatively it could be provided on a sliding scale, again suggesting:

- Less than \$5,000 at \$1,000/ML
- \$5000 to \$15,000 at \$750/ML
- Above \$15,000 at \$500/ML

1ML is equivalent to approximately 40 semi-tanker loads.

Council recently paid for use of water in NDRRA works (reimbursable) using 8.771ML @ \$2,500 per ML for a total of \$21,927 and for TMR works using 48ML @ \$550 per ML for a total of \$26,400 (inclusive of GST).

Whilst unfortunate, it appears the supply of a valuable resource free of charge, in this instance water, appears to be changing. Whilst this may be the case, Council should endeavour wherever possible to ensure we provide best value for our ratepayers and source the cheapest water for any given activity.

Resolution No: (21-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Hewson

That Council obtains water from Canaway Downs on a 'as needs basis'.

5/0

12.6 (06/14) – Channel Country Ladies Day – Request for Sponsorship

By email of Monday 2 June 2014, the organisers of the Channel Country Ladies Day are requesting Council's support by way of sponsorship.

This type of request is managed by Council through the Community Grants Program. The program for 2013-14 has been fully subscribed and staff will be advertising the first round for 2014/15 in the coming weeks.

Resolution No: (22-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Sargent

That Council donates \$1000 towards the 2014 Channel Country Ladies Day from the 2014 / 15 community grant fund.

5/0

12.7 (06/14) – Agistment on Warrabin Lane

A letter was received from Viv Byrne requesting an extension to the original agistment period approved at the December meeting agist five (5) horses on Warrabin Lane Reserve.

At the December Meeting Council granted permission to Viv Byrne to agist five (5) horses on Warrabin Lane Reserve for an initial period of three months.

Shire Rural Lands Officer, Andrew Byrne has advised that Warrabin Lane currently has sufficient water and feed.

Resolution No: (23-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Sargent

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council grant permission to Viv Byrne to agist five (5) horses on Warrabin Lane Reserve for a period of three months commencing 10 June 2014.

5/0

13 CONSIDERATION OF LATE ITEMS

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

14.1 Quilpie Dump – Richard Watkins

A letter has been received from Richard Watkins (Watkins Earthmoving) to manage the Quilpie Dump

Resolution No: (24-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Lilburne

That Council instructs the Chief Executive Officer to meet with Richard Watkins of Watkins Earthmoving to further discuss the proposal for the Quilpie Dump.

5/0

14.2 Dump Point Subsidy Scheme

No further action

14.3 LGAQ Election

Council agreed to continue with the First Past the Post system for future Councillors elections

ATTENDANCE

Cr Hewson left to the meeting at 4:47pm

Resolution No: (25-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Milosevic

Seconded by: Cr Lilburne

That Council supports the LGAQ submission in relation to proposed amendments to the Local Government Electoral Act.

4/0

ATTENDANCE

Cr Hewson returned to the meeting at 4:49pm

14.4 Regional Achievement and Community Awards & Public Service Medal

The Queensland Regional Achievement and Community Awards are now being advertised and Council would be interested in presenting an application

14.5 Stop Sign at Quilpie Hardware

Safety concerns have been raised in regards to the dip near the Quilpie Hardware.

Resolution No: (26-06-14)

Moved by: Cr Lilburne

Seconded by: Cr Milosevic

That Council agrees to erect a Stop sign at the dip near the Quilpie Hardware.

5/0

15 MEETING DATES

The next meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Tuesday, 8 July 2014 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom, commencing at 9:30am.

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 5:03pm

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Tuesday, 10 June 2014.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the Tuesday, 8 July 2014.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council

Date