

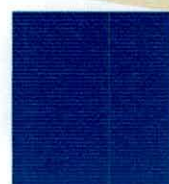


Special Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Friday 15 May 2020

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 8.13am.

2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Roger Volz

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Cr Lyn Barnes

Mr Dave Burges (Chief Executive Officer)

In attendance: Director of Engineering Services, Mr Peter See

Minutes Secretary, Mrs Nina Burges

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 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.

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Mackenzie declared he has a material personal interest (as defined by section 175B of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in item 6.1 as follows:

Cr Mackenzie is Chair of the Outback Gondwana Foundation which operates the Eromanga Natural History Museum and Cr Mackenzie's wife is the Collections Manager of the Eromanga Natural History Museum. The Eromanga Natural History Museum stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter.

Cr Mackenzie advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he will leave the meeting while the matters are discussed and voted on.

5 SPECIAL MEETING REPORTS

5.1 (05/20) – Q51 1920 Supply and Delivery 2020 4WD Utility

Council has modified the Engineering Services Department structure and appointed a Works Coordinator. Due to the work required, a four wheel drive utility is essential.

Resolution No: (01S-05-20)

Moved by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

Seconded by: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council receive the report and that Council award the offer for the purchase of a four wheel drive to Black Toyota for supply and delivery of a Toyota Hilux SR 2.8L Turbo Diesel for a total cost of \$57,654.06.

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5.2 (05/20) – 2020 Flood Damage Repair Works

Gooyea Road (65), Hell Hole Gorge Road (88) and Pinkenetta Road (36) have been extensively damaged in both the 2019 and the 2020 flood damage events. Contracts to repair the 2019 damage on Gooyea Road (65), Hell Hole Gorge Road (88) and Pinkinetta Road have been awarded. Works are about to commence in the next few weeks.

All three roads have again been badly damaged in the 2020 flood event. As contractors are due on the sites, new invited quotations were called to determine if quick repairs could be economically completed quicker than would otherwise have occurred. The values are more than could be awarded as a variation to the existing contracts

Resolution No: (02S-05-20)

Moved by: Cr Lyn Barnes

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council receive the report and that Council award the works as follows:

- Hell Hole Gorge Road (88) to Adavale Plant Hire for a total of \$ 99,870.00 inc GST;
- Pinkenetta Road (36) to SC & KG Bowen for a total of \$198,306.00 inc GST; and
- Gooyea Road (65) to Adavale Plant Hire for a total of \$191,785.50 inc GST.

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ATTENDANCE

Mr See left the meeting at 8.41am.

5.3 (05/20) – Application for Mining Claim No 300285

By lodgment on 06 May 2020, Council have been provided details of a mining claim and have the opportunity to object to the application for the claim until 03 June 2020.

Resolution No: (35-05-20)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council offers no objection to the Mining Claim Certificate for Mining Claim No.300285

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6 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Resolution No: (04S-05-20)

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 8.45m to discuss the following matters:

- *Rating concessions; 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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Cr Mackenzie advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he will leave the meeting while the matters are discussed and voted on.

ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 8.46am and Cr Hewson assumed the role of Chair.

Cr Mackenzie returned to the meeting at 9.03am and resumed the position of Chair.

Resolution No: (05S-05-20)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Lyn Barnes

That Council moves out of closed session and resumes the Special Meeting at 9.51am.

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MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST DECLARED

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Cr Mackenzie advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he will leave the meeting while the matters are discussed and voted on.

ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie left the meeting at 9.52am and Cr Hewson assumed the role of Chair.

6.1 (05/20) – Request for Exceptional Hardship Assistance – Outback Gondwana Foundation

The Covid-19 pandemic has resulted in considerable hardship being suffered by various businesses within Quilpie Shire.

Details of a request for assistance under the “exceptional hardship” category has been received from OGF.

Resolution No: (06S-05-20)

Moved by: Cr Lyn Barnes

Seconded by: Cr Bruce Paulsen

That Council receive the report and provide exceptional hardship support to the Outback Gondwana Foundation in their operation of the Council owned Eromanga Natural History Museum by way of

financial assistance to the value of \$50,000 ex GST with a re-application of funding to be submitted if required, following the expenditure of the funds; and

That the Outback Gondwana Foundation provide monthly expenditure reports on the operations of the Eromanga Natural History Museum to the Chief Executive Officer.

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ATTENDANCE

Cr Mackenzie returned to the meeting at 9.55am resumed the role of Chair.

6.2 (05/20) – Request for Hardship Assistance – Various COVID Affected Businesses

The Covid-19 pandemic has resulted in considerable hardship being suffered by various businesses within Quilpie Shire.

Council has met with affected business owners where possible and issued a press release advising that hardship assistance would be considered.

Resolution No: (07S-05-20)

Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson

Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz

That Council receive the report and that due to the hardship impacts as a result of Coronavirus approve a full rates and charges concession (excluding the State Government Emergency Management Levy) for the period 01 January to 30 June 2020 for impacted businesses identified as the following assessments:

Assessment No. 00460-00000-000;

Assessment No. 00274-00000-000;

Assessment No. 00176-00000-000;

Assessment No. 00069-00000-000;

Assessment No. 00337-20000-000;

Assessment No. 00449-47000-000;

Assessment No. 00449-41000-000;

Assessment No. 00011-00000-000;

Assessment No. 00648-00000-000;

Assessment No. 00211-10000-000; and

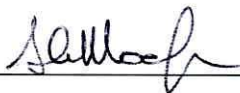
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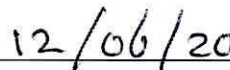
There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9.57am.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Special Meeting held on the Friday, 15 May 2020.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Friday, 12 June 2020.



Cr Stuart Mackenzie



Date

Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council