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# Ordinary Meeting of Council

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## MINUTES

Friday 12 June 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 9.44am.

### 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: Mrs Maree Radnedge (Minutes Secretary)

### 3 APOLOGIES

Nil

### 4 CONDOLENCES

Council noted the recent passing of John Espie 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 were made.

## 6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 (06/20) – Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Friday 8 May 2020

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 8 May 2020.

Resolution No: (01-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 8 May 2020 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.*

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### 6.2 (06/20) – Special Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Friday 15 May 2020

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 15 May 2020.

Resolution No: (02-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 15 May 2020 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.*

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## 7 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

### 7.1 (05/20) – Quilpie Swimming Pool Management Contract

The current Quilpie Swimming Pool Management Contract with “All About Aquatics” expires on 31 July 2020. In accordance with the Management Contract an extension of the Contract may be negotiated for a further three years.

At the May Ordinary Meeting of Council, the CEO was authorised to further renegotiate the Quilpie Swimming Pool Management Contract with current lessee Alina Graham, All About Aquatics for a further period of 3 years. Council was presented with a final Contract for their information.

*Noted.*

## 7.2 (05/20) – Flying Minute – Rates Concession

By Flying Minute dated 16 May 2020, Council approved a rates concession for the owner of Assessment No. 00210-10000-000 due to the COVID-19 impact.

*This matter was considered as a separate report – refer Item 15.1.*

## 8 MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS

The Mayor and Councillors provided brief updates on activities they have undertaken since the May Ordinary Meeting of Council. All Councillors attended multiple Council workshops during the month including a workshop with Dr John Sing and a budget workshop. Two business breakfasts were hosted by Council regarding the Quilpie Wellspring project which were well attended and the Councillors took a tour of the new bore drilling project.

Member for Warrego, Ms Ann Leahy visited Quilpie and during her stay Cr Barnes escorted Ms Leahy to the Quilpie State College, St. Finbarr's School and for an inspection of the new bore drilling project. Councillors Mackenzie and Hewson attended a luncheon with Ms Leahy and Crs Volz, Paulsen and Barnes attended the community dinner.

Councillors Mackenzie, Hewson, Volz and Barnes attended a community meeting in Eromanga in addition to the Wild Dog Advisory Group meeting.

Cr Stuart Mackenzie held discussions with Anita Clark regarding the SWRED Bus Tour Tourism project in addition to participating in weekly Premier's conferences regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and a teleconference with the CEO of the Outback Queensland Tourism Authority (OQTA) regarding infrastructure and support funding.

Cr Mackenzie attended several meetings including the South West Road Group meeting, SWRED meeting and OQTA meeting in addition to participating in zoom meetings for the Western Queensland Alliance and the Community Advisory Network.

During the month Cr Mackenzie and Tourism Manager, Karen Grimm participated in a data collection initiative with the OQTA.

Cr Volz and Council's CEO participated in a South West Waste Reference Group meeting.

In addition to the activities attended by all Councillors, Cr Paulsen met with Director of Corporate and Community Services, Lisa Hamlyn regarding TRAIC funding.

All Councillors held various conversations with community members regarding the Wellspring Project and Cr Barnes also met with local businesses and community members regarding a variety of topics including the COVID-19 restrictions and local businesses plans for reopening, the Lake Eyre Basin Management Plan and a bridge proposal for the flood prone South Comongin Bulloo River crossing. Cr Barnes also met with representatives of the Outback Gondwana Foundation and Council's Visitor Information Centre.

Cr Barnes attended the SWRED meeting and dinner as a Quilpie Shire delegate and sat in as an observer at the SWRRTG meeting in Charleville.

Cr Barnes also held discussions with Senator Gerard Rennick regarding the progress of the Outback Gondwana Foundation's application under the Building Better Regions funding.

In addition to the abovementioned meetings, Cr Barnes commenced DLGRMA training in Financial Literacy, Financial Sustainability and Councillor Conduct in addition to training regarding the Office of the Independent Assessor and the Crime and Misconduct Commission.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.47am and resumed at 10.55am.

## **10 STATUS REPORTS**

### **10.1 (06/20) – Engineering Services Status Reports**

Noted.

### **10.2 (06/20) – Corporate and Community Services Status Reports**

Noted.

### **10.3 (06/20) – Financial Services Status Reports**

Noted.

### **10.4 (06/20) – Governance Status Reports**

Noted.

## **11 ENGINEERING SERVICES**

### **11.1 (06/20) – 05/20 Q52 19-20 Sealing of 51-54.35 and 58.5-60 Quilpie-Adavale Road (7101)**

Quotations were called for the continuing upgrades to the Quilpie-Adavale Road (7101) under TIDs and Resheeting funds. Quotations closed at 5.00pm on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020. A total of four (4) quotations were received.

Resolution No: (03-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council ratify their decision by flying minute to award Q52 19-20 7103 51-54.35 and 58.5-60 sealing to Austek for a total cost of \$258,053.51 inc GST.*

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### **11.2 (06/20) – Consideration of a future waste collection service for Eromanga**

Council will be replacing the present garbage truck during the 2020-2021 budget and it is proposed to keep the present truck after replacement. If the current truck is retained, an opportunity is available to consider a waste service in Eromanga.

Resolution No: (04-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council receive the report and make further investigations into the demand for a waste service in Eromanga by conducting a survey with the residents of the township.*

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### 11.3 (06/20) – Quilpie Footpath Master Plan

To date, Council has not had a plan for the construction of footpaths in Quilpie. To assist in planning future footpath works, a proposed Footpath Master Plan for Quilpie has been developed and presented to Council.

Resolution No: (05-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council receive the report and adopt the Footpath Master Plan as amended as the basis for future funding applications and budget allocations.*

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### 11.4 (06/20) – Declared Service Areas For Water Supply

Council's Water Supply Schemes are governed by the provisions of the *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008*. An amendment (Chapter 2 Part 5 Division 2 Section 163) was made in May 2019 which requires that Council keep a map showing the limits of the service area and the location of Council's infrastructure.

Maps of water supply reticulation for both Quilpie and Eromanga have been developed however a map has not been prepared for Adavale as this is a non-potable supply and as such, is not covered by the legislation.

Resolution No: (06-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council declare the water supply service areas for Quilpie and Eromanga as presented in Item 11.4 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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### 11.5 (06/20) – Tenders for Installation of Solar Panels at Quilpie Depot

Council budgeted in the 2019-2020 budget to install Solar Energy Panels at the Quilpie Depot to offset some electrical costs of operation. An electrical engineering consultant was engaged to carry out the design works and to call tenders due to the highly specialist content of this type of work. The consultant developed tender documents and called tenders on Council's behalf. At the closing of the tender period, four (4) tenders were received.

Resolution No: (07-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That Council receive the report and that Council award the Tender to K and K Electrical for a total of \$67,653.46 excluding GST.*

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## 12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

No reports

## 13 FINANCE

### 13.1 (06/20) – Financial Services Report for Month Ending 31 May 2020

The Finance report for the period ending 31 May 2020 was presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (08-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 31 May 2020 as presented in Item 13.1 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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## 14 GOVERNANCE

### 14.1 (06/20) Eromanga Masterplan

CUSP Landscape Architecture & Urban Design have been appointed to prepare the Eromanga Masterplan. Following Council and Community feedback, the amended draft plan was presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (09-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council adopt the Eromanga Masterplan as presented in Item 14.1 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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### 14.2 (06/20) Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal Report 2019

The *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal to determine, on or by 1 December, the maximum amount of remuneration to be paid from 1 July to mayors, deputy mayors, and councillors of all local governments (except Brisbane City Council).

The Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal have handed down their 2019 report. The Tribunal's 2019 report includes the Tribunal's remuneration schedule which will apply from 1 July 2020, as well as details of councillor conduct matters heard by the Tribunal during 2019.

The Tribunal has decided to increase the maximum remuneration levels previously determined for each category of council by 2.0% from 1 July 2020.

Section 247 of the regulation requires councils to pay each elected representative as per the schedule unless by resolution they resolve to adopt a lesser amount.

Resolution No: (10-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That the report be received and that Councillors not increase their remuneration by 2% despite the recommendation of the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal.*

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### 14.3 (06/20) – Policy Review – F.06 Debt Policy

The objective of the Debt Policy is to document Council's position on borrowings. This is to ensure responsible financial management on the loan funding of infrastructure and other capital projects by ensuring the level of Council indebtedness is within limits acceptable to Council, its ratepayers and interested external parties.



This policy is reviewed annually in conjunction with setting and adopting the budget for the following financial year.

Resolution No: (11-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council adopt the revised policy F.06 Debt Policy as presented in Item 14.3 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.4 (06/20) – Policy Review – F.08 Investment Policy

The objectives of the Investment Policy are:

- To invest Council funds not immediately required for financial commitments;
- To maximise earnings from authorised investments of cash reserves after assessing counterparty, market and liquidity risks; and
- To ensure that appropriate records are kept and that adequate internal controls are in place to safeguard public monies.

This policy is reviewed annually in conjunction with setting and adopting the budget for the following financial year.

Resolution No: (12-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council adopt the revised policy F.08 Investment Policy as presented in Item 14.4 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.5 (06/20) – Policy Review – F.03 Revenue Policy

The objective of the Revenue Policy is to set out the principles used by Council for:

- The levying of rates and charges;
- The granting of concessions for rates and charges;
- The recovery of overdue rates and charges; and
- Cost recovery fees.

This policy is reviewed annually in conjunction with setting and adopting the budget for the following financial year.

Resolution No: (13-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council adopt the revised policy F.03 Revenue Policy as presented in Item 14.5 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.6 (06/20) – Review of Various Policies

Council undertakes regular reviews of various policies.

A workshop was held on Friday 15 May to discuss various policies which included the following:

1. C.01 Community Assistance Policy
2. F.03 Revenue Policy;
3. F.06 Debt Policy;
4. F.08 Investment Policy;
5. F.10 Recovery of rates & Charges and General Debt Policy; and
6. F.11 Rates & Utility Charges – Pensioner Rebate & Concession Policy.

The outcome of the review of F.03 Revenue Policy, F.06 Debt Policy and F.08 Investment Policy are the subject of separate reports to Council.

Resolution No: (14-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council review the following policies and note that no changes are necessary:*

*F.10 Recovery of rates & Charges and General Debt Policy;*

*C.01 Community Assistance Policy*

*That Council review the following policies and adopt the amended policy as documented at the workshop held on Friday 15 May 2020:*

*F.11 Rates & Utility Charges – Pensioner Rebate & Concession Policy.*

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#### 14.7 (06/20) – Quilpie Shire Economic Development and Tourism Strategy Report

SC Lennon and Associates were engaged to develop an Economic Development and Tourism Strategy for the Quilpie Shire. The document provides a five-year (2020-2024) planning framework to support the vibrancy, diversity and sustainability of the communities of Quilpie Shire.

Following changes that were identified at the May Council Workshops, the Strategy was presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (15-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council adopt Outback Horizon 2024: Quilpie Shire Economic Development and Tourism Strategy – A roadmap for promoting prosperity as presented in Item 14.7 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.8 (06/20) – Invasive Pests Scheme Policy

The intention of the Invasive Pests Scheme is to place the responsibility of identifying and controlling invasive pests upon the landholder, in line with the general biosecurity obligation imposed by the Biosecurity Act 2014. Landholders will be required to demonstrate effective control of all invasive pests documented in the Plans. Council will provide information and advice to assist landholders achieve best practice control of invasive pests.

Council was presented with the draft Invasive Pests Scheme Policy for consideration.

Resolution No: (16-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council adopt E.05 Invasive Pests Scheme Policy as presented in Item 14.8 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.9 (06/20) – Asset Management Strategy

As part of a South West Regional Road & Transport Group (SWRRTG) initiative, the six members Councils undertook a core asset management audit in 2018.

An application for funding under the Local Government Grants & Subsidies Program (LGGSP) was made in 2019 for a Regional Asset Management Strategy. The Asset Management Review and Council's Asset Management Strategy have been updated as part of the Regional Asset Management Strategy.

Resolution No: (17-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That the report be received and that Council note the Asset Management Review May 2020 and that Council endorse the Asset Management Strategy May 2020 as presented in Item 14.9 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.10 (06/20) – 2019/20 Asset Revaluation Report

Shepherd Services were appointed to undertake a comprehensive asset revaluation for roads, drainage and aerodrome infrastructure.

The driver for this body of work was the high cost of depreciation of these assets, a need to review the level of service provided by the asset replacement strategy and a review necessary to determine if the 2020 flood damage was significant enough to include the impairment of the assets in the 2019/2020 financial statements.

Resolution No: (18-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council receive this report and approve the 2019-20 comprehensive asset revaluation report for roads, drainage and aerodrome infrastructure as presented in Item 14.10 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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#### 14.11 (06/20) – Conservation and Land Management Economic Stimulus

By email of 13 May 2020, Jack Gough, National Pastoral Conservation Manager, The Pew Charitable Trusts, is requesting Council support for a submission to government. The submission relates to economic stimulus funding for various conservation and land management initiatives.

*Noted.*

#### 14.12 (06/20) – Agforce Queensland Invitation for Membership

By letter of 20 May 2020, the President of Agforce Queensland has written to Mayor Mackenzie congratulating him on his election as Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council and outlining some of the issues facing the industry. The President has also invited Council to become a Corporate (Support) Member of the organisation.

Resolution No: (19-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council does apply for Corporate (Support) membership of AgForce Queensland Farmers Limited for 2020/2021.*

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#### 14.13 (06/20) – Quilpie Airport Refuelling Facility

Council has been operating an Avgas and Jet A1 refueling facility at the Quilpie airport since November 2017. An initial sale price was set for each product and regular reviews have been undertaken in relation to profit/loss.

Resolution No: (20-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council charge a retail price for Jet A1 and Avgas fuel at the Quilpie Airport at 120% of the purchase price.*

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#### 14.14 (06/20) – Tender T07 1920 Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers – Contractors for 2020-2022

Tenders have been invited from persons or companies interested in being included on Council's Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers – Contractors for the period 2020-2022.

Tenders are only invited from companies located within Quilpie Shire.

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*.

Resolution No: (21-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council accepts the following tenders for inclusion on T07 Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers – Contractors for 2020-2022 for the services nominated by each company:*

- Eromanga Contracting Pty Ltd
- Red Earthmoving Pty Ltd
- Kev Richardson Welding
- Great Western Electrical
- Adavale Plant Hire
- Ardoch Pastoral Company
- SL & KG Bowen
- Halliebec Towing & Contracting
- Peter Donohue
- BHL & DA Hall Transport
- Gilby and Tonkin Mechanical
- Channel Country Refrigeration
- Tolbra Earthmovers and Haulage
- SL and SA Travers
- APV Contracting Pty Ltd
- Steve McCann Electrical

- *O.C. heavy Vehicle Repairs*
- *Quilpie Hardware*
- *Channel Country Refrigeration*

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#### 14.15 (06/20) – Tender T08 1920 Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers – Plant Hire for 2020-2022

Tenders have been invited from persons or companies interested in being included on Council's Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers for plant hire for the period 2020-2022.

Tenders are only invited from companies located within Quilpie Shire.

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*.

##### Resolution No: (22-06-20)

**Moved by:**            **Cr Jenny Hewson**

**Seconded by:**       **Cr Bruce Paulsen**

*That Council accepts the following tenders for inclusion on T08 Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers – Plant Hire for 2020-2022 for the plant details submitted by each company:*

- *Kev Richardson Welding*
- *Red Earthmoving Pty Ltd*
- *Halliebec Towing & Contracting*
- *Adavale Plant Hire*
- *SC & KG Bowen*
- *Peter Donohue*
- *BHL & DA Hall Transport*
- *Tolbra Earthmovers and Haulage*
- *SL and SA Travers*
- *APV Contracting Pty Ltd*
- *Steve Bonsey Transport*

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## 15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Resolution No: (23-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council enters into closed session under s275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 at 1.33pm to discuss the following matters:*

- Various requests for Rates Concession;
- Requests for Hardship Assistance – Various COVID-19 affected Businesses;
- Conversion to Freehold;
- Renewal of Term Lease; and
- WiFi Proposal.

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Resolution No: (24-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council moves out of closed session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 2.39pm.*

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### 15.1 (06/20) – 05/20 Request for Rates Concession

By Flying Minute dated 16 May 2020, Council approved a rates concession for the owner of assessment number 00210-10000-000 due to the COVID-19 impact.

Resolution No: (25-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council ratify their decision by flying minute to approve a full rates and charges concession (excluding the State Government Emergency Management Levy) for the period 01 January to 30 June 2020 for the following assessment:*

*Assessment No. 00210-10000-000*

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### 15.2 (06/20) – Request for Rates Concession

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

By letter of 23 April 2020, the owner of various assessments has requested a rates concession due to hardship.

Resolution No: (26-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That due to hardship, Council defer the first instalment of the 2020/2021 rating period with a review to be undertaken in January 2021 with the view to negotiating a payment plan on the following assessments:*

Assessment No. 886-00220-000;  
Assessment No. 886-20000-000;  
Assessment No. 856-10000-000;  
Assessment No. 858-10000-000;  
Assessment No. 795-01000-000;  
Assessment No. 576-12000-000; and  
Assessment No. 886-30000-000.

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### 15.3 (06/20) – Various Rates Arrears and Discount Issues

Various minor rate arrears issues have arisen from the last rates levy and were presented to Council for information.

Resolution No: (27-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council ratify the following rates arrears actions:*

<b>Rates Assessment Number</b>	<b>Action</b>
00370-00000-000	Discrepancy written off and discount allowed
00321-00000-000	Discrepancy written off and discount allowed
00189-00000-000	Discrepancy written off and discount allowed
00320-00000-000	Outstanding amount paid and discount allowed
00156-00000-000	Interest written off
00340-10000-000	Interest written off
00140-20000-000	Interest written off



*and;*

*That Council allow the discount on rates assessment 00137-00000-000;*

*and;*

*That Council allow the discount and interest on rates assessment 00042-20000-000.*

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#### **15.4 (06/20) – 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.

Council has received various requests for rates and charges concessions due to hardship.

*Resolution No: (28-06-20)*

***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. 855-00000-000;*
- Assessment No. 229-10000-000; and*
- Assessment No. 450-00000-000.*

*and;*

*That Council does not approve a rates concession for the following assessments:*

- Assessment No. 690-00000-000;*
- Assessment No. 674-00000-000.*

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#### **15.5 (06/20) – Conversion to Freehold**

By email of 01 June 2020, 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 of the conversion to freehold over Lot 59 on NK102 being Term Lease 238223 issued for residential purposes.

Resolution No: (29-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) State Land Asset Management (SLAM) unit that it has no requirements in relation to the proposed conversion over Lot 59 on NK102 being Term Lease 238223 issued to freehold and that Council is not aware of any non-indigenous cultural heritage issues associated with the land.*

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#### 15.6 (06/20) – Renewal of Term Lease

By email of 02 June 2020, 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 renewal of Term Lease 0/234028 over Lot 7 on Q6808 and Lot 8 on Q68035.

Resolution No: (30-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) State Land Asset Management (SLAM) unit that it has no requirements in relation to the proposed renewal of Term Lease 0/2234028 over Lot 7 on Q6808 and Lot 8 on Q68035 and that Council is not aware of any non-indigenous cultural heritage issues associated with the land.*

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#### 15.7 (06/20) – WiFi Proposal

Council has long identified that poor internet connectivity, poor download speeds and lack of mobile phone coverage is a great impediment to economic development within the Shire.

Resolution No: (31-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That the report be received and that Council:*

- *Further investigate a WiFi proposal; and*
- *Investigate funding options for the project.*

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## 16 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

No reports.

## 17 LATE ITEMS

### 17.1 (06/20) – Request for Quotation 2020 Flood Damage Works Keeroongooloo Rd & Ray Rd

As a result of extensive damage occurring to Council's road network during flooding earlier in the year, the Federal and State Governments have approved Disaster Recovery Funding to repair Council's road network.

Keeroongooloo Road (SR71) and Ray Road (SR30) have been approved for repair by the QRA. Requests for Quotation were called from Council's Local Contractors and closed on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020. At the time that quotations closed five (5) quotations were received for the required work to Keeroongooloo Road and six (6) quotations were received for the work required on Ray Road.

Resolution No: (32-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council receive the report and the award the Flood Damage works as follows:*

1. Keeroongooloo Road (SR71) to SC & KG Bowen for a total of \$167,266.66 excluding GST; and
2. Ray Road (SR30) to APV Contracting for a total of \$337,570.65 excluding GST.

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### 17.2 (06/20) – Eromanga Streetscape – Entry to Eromanga

At the May Ordinary Meeting Council resolved to write to the owners of Lot 10 GO844025 requesting them to remove all materials from Lot 15 CP905386 (Eromanga Town Common).

The owners of the land have subsequently written to Council requesting Council consider selling the land on which the equipment is being kept, namely Lot 15 on CP905386.

Resolution No: (33-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council does not agree to sell Lot 15 CP905386 and that Council write to the owners of Lot 10 GO844025 to negotiate the removal of plant and equipment from Lot 15 CP905386.*

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### 17.3 (06/20) – Quilpie Polocrosse Club Request for Assistance

A Community Assistance Program Application has been received from the Quilpie Polocrosse Club for financial assistance of \$2,000 to hold a Coaching and Horsemanship Clinic over the June/July 2020 School Holiday's. As the polocrosse season has been cancelled due to COVID-19, the Club feels it is important to continue providing skill development opportunities to members, particularly junior members in preparation for the next polocrosse season.

Resolution No: (34-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That Council approves the request for financial assistance from Quilpie Polocrosse Club Inc for \$2,000 toward the 'Get Playing Again' Coaching and Horsemanship Clinic.*

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## 18 GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillors were provided the opportunity to raise any matters for further consideration. Matters raised included the progress and location of the next section of commemorative Pavers.

### 18.1 (06/20) – Quilpie Town Common

A discussion took place regarding the storage of personal plant and equipment on the Town Common area by adjoining property owners.

Resolution No: (35-06-20)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council commence negotiations with affected property owners to have personal plant and equipment removed from the town common.*

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### 18.2 (06/20) – Regional Recovery Representative

By email dated 09 June 2020, the Queensland Reconstruction Authority advised Council of their role to facilitate the development of eleven (11) Regional Recovery Strategies to verify impacts of COVID-19 and identify medium and long-term opportunities for the regions to support state-wide recovery from COVID-19. Council is invited to nominate a Regional Recovery Representative to be part of the consultation that will inform the Regional Recovery Strategies to be delivered by September 2020.

Council nominations for Regional Recovery Representatives can include CEO's, Mayors, senior Council Officers, and other regional leaders and representatives.

*Noted.*

## ATTENDANCE

Cr Stuart Mackenzie retired from the meeting at 3.28pm and Cr Jenny Hewson assumed the role of Chair.

### 18.3 (06/20) – Outback Gondwana Foundation Building Better Regions Funding Application

The Outback Gondwana Foundation (OGF) has been unsuccessful with their application for the Building Better Regions Fund Round Four (4). OGF is eligible to apply for funding through the upcoming Growing Tourism Infrastructure Fund and a discussion took place regarding Council demonstrating immediate support for the application.

*Resolution No: (36-06-20)*

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council support the OGF Stage 2B Project and lobby relevant Ministers.*

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## 19 MEETING DATES

The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Friday 10 July 2020 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

There being no further business Cr Hewson declared the meeting closed at 4.10pm.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 12 June 2020.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Friday, 10 July 2020.

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Cr Stuart Mackenzie

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Date

**Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council**