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# Ordinary Meeting of Council

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## MINUTES

Friday 9 July 2021

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 10.10 am.

### 2 PRESENT

Cr Stuart Mackenzie (Mayor)

Cr Jenny Hewson (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Roger Volz

Cr Bruce Paulsen

Cr Lyn Barnes

In attendance:

Mr Justin Hancock (Chief Executive Officer)

Mrs Lisa Hamlyn (Director Corporate and Community Services)

Mr Peter See (Director Engineering Services)

Ms Lorraine Mathieson (Minutes Secretary)

### 3 APOLOGIES

Nil.

### 4 CONDOLENCES

Condolences noted for Frank Fazarri and Rita Callaghan.

### 5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Chapter 5B of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) requires Councillors to declare a Prescribed or Declarable Conflict of Interest. The Declaration is to be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

## 6 RECEIVING AND CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### 6.1 (06/21) – Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held Friday 11 June 2021

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held in the Council Boardroom, 50 Brolga Street Quilpie on Friday, 11 June 2021.

*Resolution No: (01-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council held on Friday, 11 June 2021 are taken as read and confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.*

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## 7 ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Nil.

## 8 MAYORAL REPORT

The Mayor provided a brief update on activities that he has undertaken since the June Ordinary Meeting of Council. Cr Mackenzie attended and participated in a range of meetings during the month including:

- 14/06/21 SWQROC Meeting (zoom)
- 14/06/21 SWRRTG Meeting (zoom) – discussed grids
- 15-16-17/06/21 RDA Forum (Canberra)
- 15-16/06/21 Ministerial Meetings with Ministers Coulton and Pitt, Senator McGrath – discussed communications, NBN, Health, Carbon Farming, water and gas
- 21/06/21 OQTA Meeting (zoom)
- 24/06/21 Budget Meeting
- 24/06/21 Bengal Meeting
- 25/06/21 NBN Meeting (Zoom)
- 28/06/21 Mardigan Handover
- 01-02/07/21 SWQROC Meeting (St George) – FAG review
- 05/07/21 Housing Study Meeting (Teams) – Western Alliance

## 9 COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIO REPORTS

Councillors provided brief updates on activities they have undertaken since the June Ordinary Meeting of Council.

| Details   | Date of Meeting | Location  | Mackenzie | Hewson | Paulsen | Volz | Barnes |
|---|-----------------|-----------|-----------|--------|---------|------|--------|
| Ordinary Council Meeting                              | 11-Jun-21       | Quilpie   | ✓         | ✓      | ✓       | ✓    | ✓      |
| Proterra Group  | 11-Jun-21       | Quilpie   | ✓         | ✓      | ✓       | ✓    | ✓      |
| SWQROC  | 14-Jun-21       | Zoom      | ✓         |        |         |      |        |
| SWRRTG  | 14-Jun-21       | Zoom      | ✓         |        |         |      |        |
| RDA Forum   | 15-17 Jun-21    | Canberra  | ✓         |        |         |      |        |
| Ministerial Meetings - Min Coulton, Pitt, Sen McGrath | 15-16-Jun-21    | Canberra  | ✓         |        |         |      |        |
| OQTA  | 21-Jun-21       | Zoom      | ✓         |        |         |      |        |
| LGQA Update - Kristy Gooding, Subathra Ramachandra    | 23-Jun-21       | Quilpie   |           | ✓      |         |      | ✓      |
| Bengal Energy   | 24-Jun-21       |           | ✓         | ✓      | ✓       |      | ✓      |
| Budget Meeting  | 24-Jun-21       | Quilpie   | ✓         | ✓      | ✓       | ✓    | ✓      |
| NBN Meeting - Grant Higgs, Jodi Dare                  | 25-Jun-21       | Zoom      | ✓         |        |         |      | ✓      |
| Mardigan Land Handover                                | 28-Jun-21       | Quilpie   | ✓         | ✓      |         |      |        |
| SWQROC  | 1-2 Jul-21      | St George | ✓         |        |         |      |        |
| Gallery Opening "Collective"                          | 01-Jul-21       | Quilpie   |           |        |         |      | ✓      |
| Businesses re Internet failure in Quilpie             | 01-Jul-21       | Quilpie   | ✓         | ✓      |         | ✓    | ✓      |
| Queensland Music Trails "Echoes in the Dust"          | 01-Jul-21       | Quilpie   |           | ✓      | ✓       | ✓    | ✓      |
| Outback Golf Masters Dinner                           | 02-Jul-21       | Quilpie   | ✓         | ✓      | ✓       | ✓    | ✓      |
| Housing Study Meeting                                 | 05-Jul-21       | Teams     | ✓         |        |         |      |        |

## 10 OPERATIONAL STATUS REPORTS

### 10.1 (07/21) – Engineering Services Status Reports

Noted.

### 10.2 (07/21) – Corporate and Community Services Status Reports

Noted.

### 10.3 (07/21) – Financial Services Status Reports

Noted.

### 10.4 (07/21) – Governance Status Reports

Noted.

## 11 ENGINEERING SERVICES

### 11.1 (07/21) – T36 20/21 Supply of one (1) Prime Mover Truck

Tenders were called for the supply of one (1) Road Train Rated Prime Mover Truck in accordance with Council's proposed capital works program for 2021-2022. Council resolved to call tenders early subject to adoption in the 2021-2022 budget. The purpose of this report is to allow Council to review the tender results and accept the recommendation.

*Resolution No: (02-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council receives the report, and accepts the tender for \$281,967.09 excl GST from Brown and Hurley for one (1) Kenworth T659 Prime Mover Truck subject to adoption of the 2021-2022 Council budget.*

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## **11.2 (07/21) – T37 21/22 30,000 | Water Tanker**

Tenders were called for the supply of one (1) 32,500L Water Tanker in accordance with Council's capital works program for 2021-2022. The purpose of this report is to allow Council to review the tender results and accept the recommendation.

*Resolution No: (03-07-21)*

**Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson**

**Seconded by: Cr Roger Volz**

*That Council receives the report and accepts the tender for \$137,500.00 excluding GST for one (1) 32,500L, Mick Murray Water Tanker from Brown and Hurley Group subject to adoption of the 2021-2022 Council budget.*

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## **12 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

### **12.1 (07/21) – Quilpie Shearing School Community Assistance Application**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from the Quilpie Shearing School to provide financial support for catering at the School taking place at Wanko Shearing Shed, 28 June to 9 July 2021.

*Resolution No: (04-07-21)*

**Moved by: Cr Jenny Hewson**

**Seconded by: Cr Lyn Barnes**

*That Council approves the Community Assistance Program Grant Application received to provide financial support for the catering at the Quilpie Shearing School taking place 28 June – 9 July 2021 at Wanko Shearing Shed up to the value of \$3,000.*

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### **12.2 (07/21) – Channel Country Ladies Day – Invitation to Partner 2021 Event**

## **PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED**

Cr Barnes advised that she has a prescribed conflict of interest (as defined by sections 150EG, 150EH and 150EI of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in matters regarding the Channel Country Ladies Day, item 12.2.

Cr Barnes is Artist in Residence at the Channel Country Ladies Day. The Channel Country Ladies Day stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of the matter.

All other Councillors voted on the matter and it was agreed that as a reasonable person would not have a perception of bias in this instance, Cr Barnes remains in the meeting and doesn't vote on item 12.2.

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider an invitation from the Channel Country Ladies Days Committee to partner with them in delivering the 2021 Ladies Day Event to be held in Quilpie at Bulloo Park 15 to 17 October 2021.

*Resolution No: (05-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr **Bruce Paulsen**

**Seconded by:** Cr **Jenny Hewson**

*That Council approves the invitation from the Channel Country Ladies Day Committee to partner with them in delivering the 2021 Ladies Day Event to be held in Quilpie at Bulloo Park 15 to 17 October 2021 by purchasing a Platinum Event Sponsorship package, comprising \$12,000 cash and \$4,000 in-kind.*

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## **12.3 (07/21) – Request to Purchase Land, Adavale, A & T Jakeman**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider an offer received from A & T Jakeman to purchase Lots 301 and 302 / A2451, Klugh Street Adavale for \$800 per lot.

*Resolution No: (06-07-21)*

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

**Seconded by:** Cr **Roger Volz**

*That Council accepts accept the offer received from A & T Jakeman to purchase Lots 301 & 302 / A2451, Klugh Street, Adavale for \$800 per lot.*

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## **12.4 (07/21) – Request to Purchase Land, Adavale, J & N Jakeman**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider an offer received from J & N Jakeman to purchase Lots 204 and 205 / A2451, Klugh Street, Adavale for \$500 per lot.

As outlined in correspondence received from J & N Jakeman, they currently own Lots 201, 202 & 203 running in succession with the lots they wish to purchase. Lots 204 and 205 have a large area of wash out which has gouged soil. They wish to repair the damage and secure the water run off to prevent further erosion.

*Resolution No: (07-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council accepts the offer received from J & N Jakeman to purchase Lots 204 & 205 / A2451, Klugh Street, Adavale for \$500 per lot.*

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#### **14.5 (07/21) – 2021 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement Project Management**

The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) have been activated for the 2021 Southern Queensland Severe Weather, 20 – 31 March 2021 event. The purpose of this report is to allow Council to appoint a project manager for the delivery phase of the works.

*Resolution No: (13-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council appoint Proterra Group as project manager for the 2021 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements Restoration of Essential Public Assets works program.*

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#### **ATTENDANCE**

Director Engineering Services Mr Peter See left the meeting at 12.10pm

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.33 pm and resumed at 12.48pm.

## **13 FINANCE**

### **13.1 (07/21) – Financial Services Report for Month Ending 30 June 2021**

The Finance report for the period ending 30 June 2021 was presented to Council for consideration.

Resolution No: (08-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 30 June 2021 as presented in Item 13.1 of the accompanying Agenda.*

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## 14 GOVERNANCE

### 14.1 (07/21) – Building Application for Renovations to Dwelling

Quilpie Shire Council received a Building Application BA09 20/21 for Renovations to Dwelling, 29 - 31 Winchu Street, Quilpie, Lot 48 on Q6803.

Resolution No: (09-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council accepts the approval granted for the Building Application BA09 20/21 for renovations to dwelling, 29 – 31 Winchu Street, Quilpie, Lot 48 on Q6803 as detailed in the accompanying Agenda.*

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### 14.2 (07/21) – Building Application for Deck Extensions to Dwelling

Quilpie Shire Council received a Building Application BA10 20/21 for Deck Extension to Dwelling, 6 Brolga Street, Quilpie, Lot 908 on Q6802, County of Nickavilla.

Resolution No: (10-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That Council accepts the approval granted for the Building Application BA10 20/21 for deck extension to dwelling, 6 Brolga Street, Quilpie, Lot 908 on Q6802, County of Nickavilla as detailed in the accompanying Agenda.*

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### 14.3 (07/21) – Special Holiday 2022

The purpose of this report is to allow Council to select a date for the 2022 Special Holiday.

Resolution No: (11-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council nominate Friday 9 September 2022 as a 2022 bank holiday.*

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#### 14.4 (07/21) – Sale of Land – Toompine

Council received correspondence on 7 June 2021 enquiring if Council would consider selling the current 'depot' block of land in Toompine (Lot 100 on SP234962).

Resolution No: (12-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That Council:*

- A. *Undertake an independent valuation of Lot 100 on SP234962; and*
- B. *Authorise CEO to negotiate the sale of Lot 100 on SP234962 as per S228 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, with the neighbouring landholder.*

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#### 14.6 (07/21) – The Lake – Request for Fencing Material

Council have received a request to supply 1.65km of fencing material to install a fence on the Western side of The Lake as per the plan in the Agenda.

Resolution No: (14-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council authorise the CEO to negotiate the terms of the agreement with The Lake to provide funding for fencing materials as part of the public access agreement to the western side.*

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#### 14.7 (07/21) – 2020/2021 Operational Plan Fourth Quarter Review

Council's Operational Plan is the detailed business and organizational planning document and forms the basis of Council's annual budget. The plan translates our community's needs, expectations and aspirations into action.

The Operational Plan is monitored on an on-going basis to ensure Council is achieving the outcomes for the financial year.

The purpose of this report is to present the fourth quarter review of the 2020/21 Operational Plan to Council for information.

Resolution No: (15-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That the 2020-21 Operational Plan be reviewed for the fourth quarter and noted.*

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#### **14.8 (07/21) – Quilpie Key Workforce Project**

The purpose of this report is to update Council on the progress to date with the Workforce Project and where it fits into the strategy of lifting Quilpie Shire's population statistics back to 1,000 people.

Resolution No: (16-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Roger Volz

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That Council:*

- A. *receive the updated report on the Workforce Participation, and;*
- B. *support hosting internships as a way of promoting the Shire to the refugee/migrant community.*

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#### **14.9 (07/21) – 2021 Interim Audit Report**

It is a requirement under the *Local Government Regulation 2012* section 213 that the Auditor General's observation report on the matters reviewed by the Queensland Audit Office be provided to Council.

Resolution No: (17-07-21)

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

*That the Queensland Audit Office 2021 Interim Audit Report to the Mayor be received and noted.*

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## 15 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

*Resolution No: (18-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council enters into closed session under s 275 of the Local government Regulation 2012 at 1.57pm to discuss the following Confidential item:*

*Conversion of Term lease 0/234033 to Freehold Tenure - Rural*

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*Resolution No: (19-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Roger Volz

*That Council moves out of closed session and resumes the Ordinary Meeting at 1.55 pm.*

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### 15.1 07/21) – Conversion of Term Lease 0/234033 to Freehold Tenure – Rural

The purpose of this report is to allow Council to provide their views to the Department of Resources on a request for conversion of Lot 5 on Plan NK75 which is currently Term Lease 0/234033 for Water Facility purposes and Lot 4 on Plan SP126461 which is a Grazing Homestead Perpetual Lease for grazing purposes to freehold tenure.

*Resolution No: (20-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council provides no objections to the conversion of land described as Lot 5 on Plan NK75 and Lot 4 on Plan SP126461 to freehold land.*

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## 16 LATE CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

### 17 LATE ITEM

#### 17.1 07/21) – Quilpie Golf Club Open Golf Weekend

## PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARED

Cr Paulsen declared he has a prescribed conflict of interest (as defined by sections 150EG, 150EH and 150EI of the *Local Government Act 2009*) in matters item 17.1 regarding the Quilpie Golf Club.

Cr Paulsen is President of the Quilpie Golf Club, which stands to gain a financial benefit depending on the outcome of the matter.

Cr Paulsen advised that in accordance with legislative requirements he would leave the meeting while the matter is discussed.

## ATTENDANCE

Cr Paulsen left the meeting at 2.02pm.

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider a request from the Quilpie Golf Club Inc. for community assistance funding of \$2,500 to ensure that the Quilpie Golf Club Inc. has adequate finances to host a successful 2021 Quilpie Open Golf Weekend to be held 14-15 August 2021.

*Resolution No: (21-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Lyn Barnes

*That Council approves the request received from the Quilpie Golf Club Inc. for \$2,500 to ensure that the Quilpie Golf Club Inc. has adequate finances to host a successful 2021 Quilpie Open Golf Weekend to be held 14-15 August 2021.*

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## ATTENDANCE

Cr Paulsen returned to the meeting at 2.04pm

## 17.2 (07/21) – Adoption of the 2021/2022 Fees and Charges

The purpose of this report is for Council to adopt the 2021/2022 fees and charges.

*Resolution No: (22-07-21)*

**Moved by:** Cr Jenny Hewson

**Seconded by:** Cr Bruce Paulsen

*That Council, pursuant to section 97(1) of the Local Government Act 2009, adopt the Cost Recovery Fees and the Commercial Fees and Charges for the 2021/2022 financial year as set out in the Register of Fees and Charges.*

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## GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillors were invited to raise any matters they wished to discuss. Matters raised included:

- Cr Barnes was contacted by proprietors of the Lake on 24 June regarding the destruction of livestock by town dogs and illegal butchering of stock; referred matter to CEO and councillors for discussion
- Cr Barnes was contacted by local business people regarding the failure of internet in Quilpie 1 – 2 July. Cr Barnes contacted Mayor Mackenzie, Deputy Mayor Hewson and Councillor Volz to make contact with Charleville Telstra technicians to resolve problem. The internet failure created an issue for people trying to download maps to locate a missing person. Other business people are having continuous intermittent problems with their internet access. Councillors requested that a letter be written (Contact David Littleproud for advice on who should be contacted) to gain clarification of these issues, and to seek information regarding alternative providers
- Cr Mackenzie reported that the Shearing School was well attended, and another school is planned
- Cr Volz suggested cars should have decals applied while they are travelling out of the Shire. Also suggested that the VIC car should have advertising wrap applied permanently
- Cr Volz noted 'containers for change' was no longer operating, and asked if anybody else was planning something similar
- Cr Volz asked if Council would be supportive of attracting Outback Golf Masters for 2023. Councillors agreed that a letter of support be submitted to attract the event in future years
- Cr Volz asked about progress on cleaning up messy blocks on Sommerfield Road
- Cr Volz noted that the new waste transfer station is a huge improvement
- Cr Barnes asked if the investment prospectus was completed. She was advised that it is due for distribution in the next two weeks
- Cr Barnes suggested that we create an event for the Queens Platinum Jubilee planned for 2 June 2022.

## 18 MEETING DATES

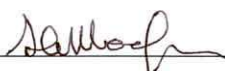
The next Ordinary Meeting of Quilpie Shire Council will take place on Friday 20 August 2021 in the Quilpie Shire Council Boardroom commencing at 9.30am.

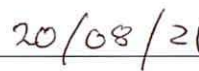
There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 3.23pm.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on the Friday, 9 July 2021.

Submitted to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Friday, 20 August 2021

  
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Cr Stuart Mackenzie

  
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Date

**Mayor of Quilpie Shire Council**