MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE RSL MEMORIAL HALL, MUTTABURRA ON WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2017 COMMENCING AT 9.15AM

ATTENDANCE

Councillor R Chandler (Mayor) (In the Chair), Councillor J Gray (Deputy Mayor), Councillors G Bettiens, S Dillon, M Rogers, B Plumb and G Peoples.

OFFICERS

D Howard (Chief Executive Officer), G Frangos (Acting Executive Manager – Alpha), G Rintoul (Executive Manager – Aramac), B Walsh (Executive Manager – Barcaldine), J Ricks (Manager – Engineering Services) and T Gray (Minute Secretary).

PRAYER – Cr Dillon read the prayer.

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of Mr. Monty (Snow) Tilse of Alpha, Mrs. Libby Graham, formerly of "Brookwood" Muttaburra, Mr. Reg Mitchell of Mullabin Waters formerly of Aramac and Mrs. Mavis Dickfos formerly of Jericho.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - NII

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional owners of the land, past and present.

DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

Material Personal Interest on any items of Business

Pursuant to Section 173 (2) of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Bettiens informed the meeting of a material personal interest in relation to Item 3.3.2 (as a contractor) and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Pursuant to Section 173 (2) of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Peoples informed the meeting of a material personal interest in relation to Item 3.1.5 (as a business owner and member of the committee) and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Conflict of Interest

Cr. Plumb for Item 3.1.4 - I declare I may have a perceived conflict of interest in this matter, as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009, due to my membership of the Barcaldine Lawn Tennis Club. I have determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead me to making a decision on this matter that is contrary to the public interest. I honestly believe that I will best perform my responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of council's area by participating in this discussion and voting on this matter.

Mr. Brett Walsh for Item 3.1.4 - I declare I have a real conflict of interest in this matter, as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009), due to my Committee membership of the Barcaldine Lawn Tennis Club. I propose to exclude myself from this meeting while this matter is debated and the vote is taken.

Personal Gifts and Benefits - Nil

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Summary: The following minutes required confirmation by Council:-

General Meeting – 9 January 2017.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Dillon

2017/02/012 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional

Council on the 9 January 2017 be received.

Carried

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Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/013 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional

Council on 9 January 2017 be confirmed.

Carried

7/0

2. PETITIONS

2.1 Bowen Downs Road and Procurement Policy

Summary: Cr Gray presented a petition containing 88 signatures regarding the condition

of Bowen Downs Road and Cr Peoples presented a petition containing 54

signatures regarding Council's Procurement Policy.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/014 That the petitions be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer

for consideration at the next General Meeting.

Carried

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3. REPORTS

3.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/015 That Item 3.1.6 now be dealt with.

Carried

3.1.1 Councillor Information Bulletin

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling a list of items sent to Councillors in

the Councillor Information Bulletin up to and including 8 February 2017.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/016 That the report be received.

Carried

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3.1.2 Expressions of Interest - Funding provided by Tourism Events QLD for the Tree of Knowledge Festival 2017

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling Expressions of Interest received by

community groups for a share in funding provided by Tourism Events

Queensland for the staging of the 2017 Tree of Knowledge Festival.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Peoples

2017/02/017 That Council provides funding to community groups for the 2017 Tree of

Knowledge Festival 2017 as follows:-

Barcaldine Motorsports Association
 Barcaldine Goat Race Committee
 May Day Fundraising Committee
 Barcaldine Rugby League
 \$2,500
 \$3,500

subject to the approval of funding from Tourism and Events Queensland.

Carried

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3.1.3 Expressions of Interest - 2017 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling correspondence from the Emirates

Melbourne Cup Tour team and the Victoria Racing Club that the tender

process is now open for the 2017 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour.

Resolution: Moved Cr Grav Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/018 That Council submit an expression of interest to have the Cup come to

our region.

Carried

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Executive Manager Mr. Brett Walsh declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.1.4 Request for Assistance – Tennis Club

Summary: Correspondence from Barcaldine Lawn Tennis Club requesting assistance

from Council with the construction of a shed.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Rogers

2017/02/019 That Council agrees that this matter be withdrawn.

Carried

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At this stage Mr. Walsh returned to the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9.45am for morning tea and resumed at 10.30am.

Cr. Peoples declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.1.5 Harry Redford Cattle Drive

Summary: From the Events and Tourism Officer submitting a report updating Council with

regard to the 2017 Harry Redford Cattle Drive.

Resolution: Moved Cr Rogers Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/020 That Council:-

(a) employs an Event Coordinator on a contract basis for the 2017 Harry Redford Cattle Drive

- (b) allocates costs to the Event in accordance with Council's normal accounting practices
- (c) complies with Council's Procurement Policy for all purchases of goods and services for the Event; subject to the procurement policy review
- (d) agrees to consider a list of Council resources for use during the Event

Carried

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At this stage Cr Peoples returned to the meeting.

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

3.1.6 Review – Procurement Policy

Summary: Request from Cr Rogers that the Procurement Policy be reviewed.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Second Cr Rogers

2017/02/021 That Council commits to supporting its small businesses and ensuring it

is effectively working with its business community to support the

smaller townships by:-

(a) calling tenders for prequalified suppliers for supply of fuel in each of the five communities; and

(b) reviewing procedures and amending the procurement policy to allow for the unique circumstances applying to the supply of fuel to Council.

Carried

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3.2 FINANCE

3.2.1 Financial Report – February 2017

Summary: The Financial Report for the period ending 31 January 2017 was presented to

Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Bettiens

2017/02/022 That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 31

January 2017.

Carried 7/0

3.3 MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

3.3.1 Works Report

Summary: From the Manager of Engineering Services submitting for Council's

information, the status of the scopes of work assigned to Engineering Services

for the period ending 31 January 2017.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/023 That the Works Report for the period January 2017 be received.

Carried

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Cr Bettiens declared an interest in the following matter and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.3.2 Muttaburrasaurus Interpretation Centre

Summary: From the Manager of Engineering Services, Barcaldine Regional Council,

submitting for Councils' consideration a summary of Tender No. 2016-008,

Muttaburrasaurus Interpretation Centre.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/024 That Council accepts the tendered sum from Peter Garland totalling

\$840,080 for the construction of the Muttaburra Interpretation Centre

(Stages 1 and 2).

Carried

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At this stage Cr Bettiens returned to the meeting.

3.3.3 Water and Sewer Incident Report

Summary: From the Water and Sewer Engineer, Engineering Services, submitting a

report to notify Councillors of any drinking water quality incidents and sewer

environmental incidents.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/025 That Council receives the report from Engineering Services, notifying

Council of recent drinking water quality and sewer environmental

incidents.

Carried

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3.3.4 Tender No. 2017-001 - Design and Construction of Barcaldine Sewer Relining

Summary: From the Water and Sewer Engineer of Engineering Services submitting a

report on Tender No. 2017-001 pertaining to the Design and Construction of

Barcaldine Sewer Relining.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Rogers

2017/02/026 That Council accepts the tender from Relining Solutions to reline 3,277

metres of 225mm diameter sewer main, and 1388 metres of 150mm

diameter sewer main, to the value of \$472,615.20 (excluding GST).

Carried

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At 11.55am Ms. Deb Colledge from Local Buy addressed Council on the capabilities of the Local Buy system.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.45pm and resumed at 2.10pm.

3.4 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – ALPHA

3.4.1 General Information Report

Summary: The Acting Executive Manager's – Alpha report was presented to Council for

information.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Dillon

2017/02/027 That the Acting Executive Manager's – Alpha General Information Report

be received.

Carried 7/0

Mayoral Minute

To expedite the process of amending the local law. The Mayor moved a mayoral minute.

Resolution: Moved Cr Chandler

2017/02/028 That Council resolves to propose to make *Animal Management*

(Amendment) Subordinate Local Law (No. 1) 2017.

Carried

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3.5 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – ARAMAC

3.5.1 General Information Report

Summary: The Executive Manager's – Aramac report was submitted to Council for

information.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Dillon

2017/02/029 That the Executive Manager's – Aramac General Information Report be

received.

Carried

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3.5.2 Proposed Scoping Change to Budget Allocation

Summary: From the Executive Manager reporting on a minor scoping change to the

2016/17 Budget in relation to the funds allocated to the Aramac Tramway Museum upgrades and re-allocate for new fencing at the Aramac Cemetery.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Bettiens

2017/02/030 That Council approves the change of scope for Aramac Tramway

Museum upgrades and re-allocate for new fencing at the Aramac

Cemetery.

Carried

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3.5.3 Proposed EOI for use of Lake Dunn Canteen Facility for "Café" type purposes

Summary: From the Executive Manager advising that a request has been made for the

use of the Lake Dunn Kiosk facility for proposed commercial purposes.

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Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Bettiens

2017/02/031 That Council approves the use of the Lake Dunn Kiosk facility for

commercial purposes subject to the following conditions:-

(a) expressions of interest (EOI) are publically called;

(b) appropriate commercial arrangements are entered into between Council and the successful applicant; and

(c) the applicant obtains all necessary licenses and business approvals.

Carried 7/0

3.5.4 Auction Notices to Auction Land for Arrears of Rates

Summary: From the Executive Manager regarding the issue of Auction Notices to

interested parties associated with three (3) individual blocks of land which

have rates owing on them for a period of greater than three years.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Bettiens

2017/02/032 That Council hereby resolves to:-

(a) issue Auction Notices to interested parties of the following properties pursuant to the section 96 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 142 Local Government Regulation 2012:

(i) 102 Lord St, Muttaburra Qld 4732 L9 CM159/Muttaburra

(ii) 7 Brigalow St, Barcaldine Qld 4725 L14 RY185/Barcaldine

(iii) 52 Willow St, Barcaldine Qld 4725 L3 RP602366/Barcaldine; and

(b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to effect the sale of these properties.

Carried

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3.5.5 Plant Assessment – 3 Axle Tipper Trailer

Summary: From the Executive Manager regarding the calling of quotations for a three (3)

axle tipper trailer as part of the 2016/17plant replacement program.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/033 That the Barcaldine Regional Council approves the purchase of a three

(3) axle tipper trailer as part of the 2017/17 plant replacement program from Biggenden Engineering Works (trading as Darben Enterprises Ltd)

to the value of \$82,350.00 GST Exc delivered.

Carried

3.5.6 RADF Application and update

Summary: From the Community Development Officer reporting RADF Assessment

Outcomes and Funded Project Outcome reports.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/034 That Council accepts the application approved by the RADF Committee

for the total amount of \$4,961 as follows:-

Joanne Taylor for Wayne Singleton print making workshop under Category 2 – Building Community Cultural Capacity for a total cost of

\$6,695 with a RADF Grant Amount of \$4,961.

Carried 7/0

3.6 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – BARCALDINE

3.6.1 General Information Report

Summary: The Executive Manager's – Barcaldine report was submitted to Council for

information.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/035 That the Executive Manager's – Barcaldine General Information Report

be received.

Carried 7/0

3.6.2 Dunraven Rural Fire Brigade

Summary: Correspondence from Dunraven Rural Fire Brigade regarding the Barcaldine

Town Reserve.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/036 That Council prepares a Fire Management Plan for the Barcaldine Town

Reserve in consultation with the Rural Fire Service.

Carried

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3.6.3 Request for Assistance – Tower Hill Picnic Race Club Inc.

Summary: Correspondence from Tower Hill Picnic Amateur Race Club Inc. requesting

sponsorship of its annual race meeting.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Peoples 2017/02/037 That Council does not agree to sponsor the Tower Hill Picnic Races.

Carried

3.6.4 Q2 Review – Annual Operational Plan

Summary: The Chief Executive Officer's quarterly progress report on the implementation

of the Annual Operational Plan.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/038 That Council receives the report.

Carried

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3.6.5 Building Better Regions Fund

Summary: Applications for the Building Better Regions fund close on 31 March 2017.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Plumb

2017/02/039 That Council applies for funding from the Building Better Regions Fund

for:-

1. Barcaldine Regional Council Community Economic Development Plan:

2. Turf of the Barcaldine race track; and

3. Harry Redford Cattle Drive.

Carried

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3.6.6 Building Our Regions Fund

Summary: Applications for the Building Our Regions fund close on 24 February 2017.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Bettiens 2017/02/040 That Council applies for funding of \$250,000 from the Building Our

Regions Fund for the amenities block, pathways, landscaping and boat

ramp at the Barcaldine Water Recreation Park.

Carried

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3.6.7 Barcaldine Swimming Pool Lease

Summary: A proposal to call tenders for the Barcaldine Swimming Pool Lease for the

next three years.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/041 That Council calls tenders for the lease of the Barcaldine Swimming Pool

for three years from the 2017-18 season.

Carried

3.6.8 Planning and Development Report – February 2017

Summary: The Planning and Development Report for February 2017 is presented for

consideration.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray 2017/02/042 That Council receives the Planning and Development Report for

February 2017.

Carried

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3.6.9 RAPAD Drought Funding

Summary: RAPAD has received funding from the Department of Communities, Child

Safety and Disability Services for community events in drought affected areas.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Bettiens

2017/02/043 That Council calls for Expressions of Interest, closing Tuesday 28

February 2017, from local community organisations for funding to support local community events in accordance with the funding

guidelines.

Carried

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3.7 RURAL SERVICES MATTERS - Nil

3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Dillon

2017/02/044 That Council move into closed session pursuant to Section 72 of the

Local Government Act 2009, for the consideration of a staff issue.

Carried

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Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Dillon

2017/02/045 That the meeting move into open session.

Carried

3.8.1 Contract of Employment – Chief Executive Officer

Summary: From the Mayor advising that the Chief Executive Officer's Contract is ready to

be executed.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2017/02/046 That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer execute the Chief Executive

Officer's Contract of Employment as per the offer agreed to at the

December 2016 meeting (2016/12/369).

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3.9 NOTIFIED	MOTIONS - NII	
As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4.20pm.		
CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD		
MAYOR:		
DATED:	15 March 2017	