MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 35 GORDON STREET, ARAMAC ON WEDNESDAY 16 MAY 2018 COMMENCING AT 9.10AM

ATTENDANCE

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

OFFICERS

B Walsh (Acting Chief Executive Officer), I Kuhn (District Manager – Aramac and Muttaburra), J Lawrence (District Manager – Barcaldine), R Rolfe (Chief Engineer) and A Newton (Minute Secretary).

PRAYER – Mr. Brett Walsh read the prayer.

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of Mr. Kelvin (Kelly) Arnold of Aramac, Mr. Kenneth Murray of Barcaldine and Mr. Clifford (Paul) Webb of Barcaldine.

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 Items 3.4.1 and 3.4.2 (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 3.4.1 (as a member of the Queensland Country Racing Board) 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 3.6.1 (as a supplier of equipment) and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Pursuant to Section 173 (2) of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Dillon informed the meeting of a material personal interest in relation to Item 3.1.4 (as a rural property owner) and given that no decision was to be made on the issue, decided to remain in the meeting during discussions thereon.

Pursuant to Section 173 (2) of the Local Government Act 2009, Mr. Brett Walsh informed the meeting of a material personal interest in relation to 3.4.2 (as the owner of property on Acacia Street) and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Conflict of Interest - Nil

Personal Gifts and Benefits - Nil

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Summary: The following minutes required confirmation by Council:-

General Meeting - 18 April 2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2018/05/124 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional

Council on the 18 April 2018 be received.

Carried

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Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2018/05/125 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional

Council on 18 April 2018 be confirmed.

Carried

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2. PETITIONS - Nil

3. REPORTS

3.1 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3.1.1 Acting Chief Executive Officer Information Report May 2018

Summary: The Acting Chief Executive Officer's report for May is presented to Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/05/126 That Council receives the Acting Chief Executive Officer's Report for

May.

Carried

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3.1.2 Superannuation for Councillors

Summary: A proposal for Council to make superannuation contributions for Councillors.

Resolution: Moved Cr Chandler Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/05/127 That Council makes superannuation contributions for Barcaldine

Regional Council Councillors on the same conditions as local

government employees.

Lost

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3.1.3 Muttaburra Men's Shed

Summary: An offer to purchase land and buildings in Muttaburra for the establishment of

a men's shed for Council consideration.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Bettiens

2018/05/128 That Council authorises the Acting Chief Executive Officer to negotiate

the purchase of land and buildings in Muttaburra for the establishment

of a Men's Shed.

Carried

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Councillor Dillon declared a material personal interest in a part of the following matter, specifically the clearing of vegetation with respect to the Town Planning Scheme. As no decision was to be made on the issue he remained in the room during discussions thereon.

3.1.4 Planning and Development Report – May 2018

Summary: The planning and development report for the period ending 2 May 2018 is

presented to Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/05/129 That Council receives the Planning & Development Report for May 2018.

Carried

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3.1.5 Councillor Information Bulletin

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

Councillors in the Councillor Information Bulletin up to and including 11 May

2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Peoples

2018/05/130 That the report be received.

Carried

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Mayoral Minute

3.1.6 Appointment of Chief Executive Officer

Summary: Appointment of a new Chief Executive Officer.

Resolution: Moved Cr Chandler Seconded Cr Dillon

2018/05/131 That Council appoints Mr. Steven Boxall as Chief Executive Officer

commencing on 11 June 2018 and authorises the Mayor to sign the Chief

Executive Officer's contract.

Carried

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3.1.7 Western Queensland Local Government Association - Voting Delegates

Summary: The Council to appoint voting delegates for the Western Queensland Local

Government Association Annual General Meeting to be held in Emerald in

May 2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Bettiens

2018/05/132 That the Mayor and Councillor Rogers be appointed voting delegates for

the May 2018 Annual General Meeting of the Western Queensland Local

Government Association.

Carried

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3.2 CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER - NII

3.3 FINANCE

3.3.1 Financial Report

Summary: The financial report for the period ending 9 May 2018 is presented to Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Dillon

2018/05/133 That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 9 May

2018.

Carried

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3.4 MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

Councillors Peoples and Bettiens declared an interest in parts of the following item, left the meeting during those parts which related to them, and took no part in discussions thereon.

3.4.1 Works Report

Summary: From the Chief Engineer submitting for Council's information, the status of the

scopes of work assigned to Engineering Services for the period ending 30

April 2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray 2018/05/134 That the Works Report for the period April 2018 be received.

Carried

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At this stage Councillors Peoples and Bettiens returned to the meeting.

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

3.4.2 Acacia Street Stormwater Drainage Stage 3 - Barcaldine

Summary: From the Chief Engineer recommending the tenderer and budget for the

construction of Acacia Street Stormwater Stage 3 in Barcaldine.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2018/05/135 That Council awards the tender for the construction of Acacia Street

Stormwater Stage 3 to Capricornia Plumbing and Drainage Pty Ltd with a tendered price of \$447,503.50 (ex. GST) and that Council applies to Queensland Treasury Corporation to borrow \$500,000 to fund the

project.

Carried

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At this stage Mr. Walsh and Councillor Bettiens returned to the meeting.

At 10.50am the meeting adjourned for morning tea. The Council then inspected the Aramac Aquatic Centre and the meeting resumed at 11.40am.

3.4.3 Historical Roads Expenditure

Summary: From the Chief Engineer providing for Council's information historical roads

expenditure for the period from 2010/11 Financial Year to the 1st Quarter of the

2017/18 Financial Year.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2018/05/136 That Council receives the report.

Carried

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3.5 ACTING DISTRICT MANAGER - ALPHA AND JERICHO

3.5.1 Information Report

Summary: From the Acting District Manager - Alpha and Jericho submitting the

Information Report for information.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Peoples** 2018/05/137 That the Acting District Manager's Information Report be received.

Carried

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3.5.2 **Giant Chess and Checkers Game**

Proposal for a Giant Chess and Checkers Game in Shakespeare Street, Summary:

Alpha.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Dillon** Seconded Cr Peoples

2018/05/138 That Council agrees to consider the construction of a concrete base and

painting for the Giant Chess and Checkers Game in Shakespeare Street

Alpha in the 2018-2019 Budget.

Carried

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3.5.3 Star Downs Self Drive 4WD Tour

Summary: Alpha District Tourism & Development Association asking Council if they could

address the Safety Concerns that are stopping Council from promoting the

Star Downs Self Drive 4WD Tour.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Peoples** Seconded Cr Dillon

2018/05/139 That Council receives the correspondence and continues to consider the

matter.

Carried

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DISTRICT MANAGER - ARAMAC AND MUTTABURRA 3.6

Councillor Peoples declared an interest in part of this report and left the meeting during discussions on the supply of electric barbeques and took no part in discussions thereon.

3.6.1 **General Information Report**

The District Manager's – Aramac and Muttaburra report was submitted to Summary:

Council for information.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Gray** 2018/05/140 That the District Manager's – Aramac and Muttaburra General

Information Report be received.

Carried

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At this stage Councillor Peoples returned to the meeting.

3.6.2 RADF Applications

Summary: From the Community Development Officer reporting RADF Assessment

Outcomes and Funded Project Outcome reports.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Rogers

2018/05/141 That Council accepts the following applications approved by the RADF

Committee for the amount of \$5,800.

Applicant: Barcaldine State School

Project: Mashed Theatre Master class and Performance Category: 2 – Building Community Cultural Capacity

Total Cost: \$5,384 RADF Grant Amount: \$3,500

Applicant: Barcaldine Cultural Association

Project: Maxine Thompson – Fast and loose in charcoal

and pastels

Category: 2 – Building Community Cultural Capacity

Total Cost: \$3,850 RADF Grant Amount \$2,300

Carried 7/0

3.7 DISTRICT MANAGER - BARCALDINE

3.7.1 General Information Report

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

information.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray

2018/05/142 That the District Manager's – Barcaldine General Information Report be

received.

Carried 7/0

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1.06pm and resumed at 1.55pm.

3.7.2 Barcaldine & District Historical Society Assistance

Summary: Barcaldine & District Historical Society have written to Council requesting

assistance with maintenance of the Museum grounds.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/05/143 That Council agree to mow and whipper snip the Museum yard once a

month.

Carried

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3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

At this stage Mr. Rick Rolfe let the meeting

Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Bettiens

2018/05/144 That Council move into closed session pursuant to Section 72 of the

Local Government Act 2009, for the consideration of a contract for

Engineering Services.

Carried 7/0

Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/05/145 That the meeting move into open session.

Carried 7/0

3.8.1 Contract for Supply of Engineering Services

Summary: A new contract for the supply of engineering services is presented for Council

consideration.

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Plumb
2018/05/146 That Council authorises the Acting Chief Executive Officer to sign the

amended contract with mandatory six (6) monthly performance reviews, with George Bourne & Associates for the supply of engineering services for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2021 and awards the contract in

accordance with the LocalBuy Contract for the Provision of Engineering

and Environmental Consultancy Services BUS262-0317.

Carried 4/3

3.9 NOTIFIED MOTIONS - Nil

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.35pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR:

DATED: 27 June 2018