MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 71 ASH STREET, BARCALDINE ON WEDNESDAY 18 JULY 2018 COMMENCING AT 9.05AM

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

S Boxall (Chief Executive Officer), B Walsh (Deputy 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. Steven Boxall read the prayer.

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of Mr. Jack Dickson, formerly of Hobartville, 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 3.4.2 (as a contractor) and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Conflict of Interest

Cr. Rogers for Items 3.2.3 and 3.2.4: - "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 being a representative on the Wild Dog Committee. 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."

Personal Gifts and Benefits

Councillor Gray declared a gift of a bound copy of "The Queenslander" which was presented to her by Mr. Ron Anderson in appreciation of her help with research.

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Summary: The following minutes required confirmation by Council:-

General Meeting – 27 June 2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Peoples 2018/07/196 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional

Council on the 27 June 2018 be received.

Carried 7/0

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Plumb
2018/07/197 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional

Council on 27 June 2018 be confirmed.

Carried

7/0

- 2. PETITIONS Nil
- 3. REPORTS
- 3.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
- 3.1.1 Chief Executive Officer Information Report July 2018

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

Resolution: Moved Cr Bettiens Seconded Cr Gray 2018/07/198 That Council receives the Chief Executive Officer's Report for July.

Carried 7/0

3.1.2 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 13 July 2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr DIllon Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/07/199 That the report be received.

Carried 7/0

3.1.3 Flowers in the Dust Exhibition and Book

Summary: From the Events and Tourism Officer submitting correspondence from Jenny

Mace regarding the Flowers in the Dust exhibition and book.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples 2018/07/200 That Council:-

Seconded Cr Dillon

- (a) does not accept the gift of Jenny Mace collection of prints in 2019 and arrange for collection, storage and exhibition distribution for art galleries as required; and
- (b) does not reprint the Flowers in the Dust book.

Carried

7/0

3.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3.2.1 Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Information Report - July 2018

Summary: The Deputy Chief Executive Officer's report for July is presented to Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Gray

2018/07/201 That Council receives the Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Report for

July 2018.

Carried 7/0

3.2.2 Planning and Development Report – July 2018

Summary: The planning and development report for the period ending 12 July 2018 is

presented to Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Bettiens

2018/07/202 That Council receives the Planning & Development Report.

Carried 7/0

At 10.05am the meeting adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 10.30am.

At 10.30am Mrs. Debbie Nichols and Mr. Terry Hales from the In Pursuit of Beersheba Organising Committee attended the meeting to present gifts of appreciation to Council, Cr. Gary Peoples, Mr. Terry Hales, Miss Angela Waugh and the Barcaldine Branch of the RSL represented by John and Joycelyn Bennetts. Mrs. Nichols left the meeting at 10.35am.

3.2.3 BRC Wild Dog Committee

Summary: A proposal to change the name and focus of the BRC Wild Dog Management

Committee to include control of weeds.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Peoples

2018/07/203 That Council changes the name of the Wild Dog Management Committee

to the Barcaldine Regional Council Wild Dog, Pest and Weed Management Advisory Committee and reviews the terms of reference to

include weeds.

Carried

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3.2.4 Request for Wild Dog Fence Assistance

Summary: A letter from the BRC Wild Dog Committee requesting Council support a

financing scheme for wild dog fences.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Dillon

2018/07/204 That Council receives the letter and the Chief Executive Officer ask the

Committee to provide written detailed expressions of interest from

graziers within their regions.

Carried

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3.2.5 BRC Community Care Advisory Committee

Summary: A proposal to form a Barcaldine Regional Council Community Care Advisory

Committee.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Gray

2018/07/205 That Council forms a Barcaldine Regional Council Community Care

Advisory Committee and appoints Councillors Bettiens and Peoples to

be members of that Committee.

Carried

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3.3 FINANCE

3.3.1 Financial Report

Summary: The financial report for the period ending 30 June 2018 is presented to

Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/07/206 That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 30 June

2018.

Carried

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3.4 MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

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

June 2018.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Peoples

2018/07/207 That the Works Report for the period June 2018 be received.

Carried

7/0

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

3.4.2 Aramac Aquatic Centre

Summary: From the Chief Engineer, detailing the Contract status for the Aramac Aquatic

Centre.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray

2018/07/208 That Council receives the report.

Carried

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At this stage Councillor Bettiens returned to the meeting.

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 Peoples Seconded Cr Dillon 2018/07/209 That the Acting District Manager's Information Report be received.

Carried

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3.6 DISTRICT MANAGER – ARAMAC AND MUTTABURRA

3.6.1 General Information Report

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

Council for information.

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Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Dillon 2018/07/210 That the District Manager's – Aramac and Muttaburra General

Information Report be received.

Carried

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3.6.2 Sale of Land – 102 Lord Street, Muttaburra

Summary: Council has received an enquiry regarding the possible sale of Council owned

land at 102 Lord Street, Muttaburra.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gray Seconded Cr Peoples

2018/07/211 That:-

(a) 102 Lord Street, 25 Bridge Street and 43 Bridge Street, Muttaburra be offered for sale by tender in accordance with Section 227 of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and

(b) Council agrees to waive development application fees if a dwelling is constructed on the land within 18 months of the purchase date.

Carried 7/0

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Gray

2018/07/212 That Council waives all development application fees for residential

dwellings constructed on vacant land within 18 months of permit

application from 1st July 2018 for a period of two years.

Carried

7/0

At 12.25pm Mr. Steven Schofield attend the meeting and was presented with a signed Paramatta Rugby League jersey after his collection of memorabilia was destroyed in a house fire. At 12.30pm Mr. Schofield left meeting.

3.6.3 RADF Applications

Summary: From the Community Development Officer reporting RADF Assessment

Outcomes and Funded Project Outcome reports.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray

2018/07/213 That Council accepts the following applications approved by the RADF

Committee for the amount of \$2,184:-

Applicant: Barcaldine Cultural Association Project: Furniture Restoration Workshop

Category: 2 – Building Community Cultural Capacity

Total Cost: \$5,540 RADF Grant Amount: \$1,260 Applicant: Barcaldine Cultural Association

Project: Silversmithing Workshop

Category: 2 – Building Community Cultural Capacity

Total Cost: \$2,194 RADF Grant Amount \$924

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 Gray Seconded Cr Plumb

2018/07/214 That the District Manager's – Barcaldine General Information Report be

received.

Carried 7/0

3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Dillon

2018/07/215 That Council move into closed session pursuant to Section 72 of the

Local Government Act 2009, for the consideration of a commercial

property purchase.

Carried 7/0

Procedural Motion

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gray

2018/07/216 That the meeting move into open session.

Carried

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3.8.1 Purchase of Commercial Property

Summary: A proposal for Council to purchase a commercial property.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Peoples

2018/07/217 That Council purchases the land and buildings at 67 Elm Street for a

price of \$290,000 (excl GST).

Carried

7/0

3.9 NOTIFIED MOTIONS

3.9.1 Cr. Peoples – Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer advising that notification has been received

from Cr. Peoples of his intention to move a motion regarding the Strong and

Sustainable Resource Communities Act.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Rogers
2018/07/218 That BRC submit a submission to the Coordinator General's Office

seeking support for the towns in the BRC area (Aramac, Muttaburra,

Barcaldine, Jericho and Alpha) with regards to the Carmichael Mine under the Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act.

	Carried 7/0
As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12.45pm.	
CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD	
MAYOR:	

DATED: 15 August 2018