Minutes

HOPE VALE

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ABORIGINAL

SHIRE COUNCIL

General Meeting

Wednesday 15 March 2023

Council Offices, Hope Vale





1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor Woibo declared the meeting open at 9.11am.

Mayor Woibo acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting was being held and elders, past, present, and emerging.

Paster Mark Winter was also welcomed to the meeting and led the meeting in a prayer. The prayer was preceded by a minute silence to acknowledge those members of the Hope Vale region who have recently passed away as well as other members of the region who have recently suffered illness or injury.

2 Members Present:

Cr Jason Woibo - Mayor

Cr Bruce Woibo - Deputy Mayor

Cr Barry Bowen

Cr Allison Michael

Cr Keithean Bowen

Officers Present:

Chief Executive Officer - Steve Linnane

Finance and Corporate Services Director - Shannon Gibbs

(Item 6.2) (via teleconference)

Social Services Director - Deborah Burke (Item 6.3)

Operations Manager - Gene Brookes (Item 6.4)

3 OBLIGATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

3.1 Declaration Of Prescribed Conflict Of Interest On Any Item Of Business

Pursuant to Sections 150EG-150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, no Prescribed Conflict of Interest were made relating to this meeting.

3.2 Declarable Conflict Of Interest On Any Item Of Business

Pursuant to Sections 150EN-150ET of the Local Government Act 2009, no Declarable Conflicts of Interest were made relating to this meeting.

3.3 Registers Of Interest

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to keep their Registers of Interests and Related Parties Disclosures updated.





4 Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 15 February 2023

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 15 February 2023, be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 Business arising from Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 15 February 2023

The Chief Executive Officer advised that an on-site meeting had been arranged with Island and Cape Retail Enterprises LTD in relation to the use of the Service Station building.

6 OFFICER'S REPORTS

6.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Chief Executive Officers Report dated 13 March 2023, was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That Council

- (a) receive the Chief Executive Officer's Report dated 13 March 2023, and
- (b) note the meetings attended by the Chief Executive Officer

CARRIED





6.1.1 2024 Queensland Local Government Elections

Queensland local government elections are held every four years on the last Saturday in March, unless changed by regulation. Discussions have commenced with the Election Commission Queensland (ECQ) in relation to the 2024 Queensland Local Government Elections. By correspondence dated 13 February 2023, (Attachment A of the Chief Executive Officer's Report), the Electoral Commission Queensland provided —

- a dashboard reflecting key metrics related to the Hope Vale 2020 election,
- a summary of a workshop with Chief Executive Officers on Friday, 25 November 2022 as part of the Indigenous Local Government Chiefs Forum to discuss engagement, participation, and support in Indigenous communities for the 2024 elections,
- a Statement of Intent from ECQ advising it is committed to ongoing and constructive engagement with Queensland's local governments and stakeholder organisations regarding delivery of local government elections which efficiently and effectively meet the electoral needs of local communities in Queensland.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That Council receive and note correspondence from the Election Commission Queensland dated 13 February 2023 in relation to the 2024 Queensland Local Government Elections.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Hope Vale Events Coordination Advisory Committee Proposal

At its meeting held on 15 February 2023, Council resolved that it "support "in principle" the formation of a Hope Vale Events Co-ordination Advisory Committee and a further report be submitted in relation to the proposal"

Attached to the Chief Executive Officer's report for Council consideration (Attachment B) was a draft Terms of Reference for a proposed Hope Vale Events Coordination Advisory Committee. The draft Terms of Reference is based on the Terms of Reference for the Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Communities Advisory Committee.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution

That consideration the formation of a Hope Vale Events Coordination Advisory Committee be deferred until the next meeting.

CARRIED





At this stage, Cr Keithean Bowen arrived at the meeting.

6.1.3 Chief Executive Officer Briefings

The Chief Executive Officer briefed Council on the following issues -

- A possible joint meeting of the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council and the Interim Hope Vale Local Thriving Community Committee for a Hope Vale Stakeholder Working Group Forum,
- Council's Corporate Governance Framework, and
- The temporary secondment of a state government officer in the Finance and Corporate Services Department.

At this stage Council dealt with Item 7.1

6.2 Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report

The Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report dated 12 March 2023 was considered by Council.

Moved Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution

That Council receive and note the Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report dated 12 March 2023.

CARRIED

Cr Keithean Bowen and Cr Barry Bowen left the meeting during part of the discussions on this Item

At this stage, Council dealt with Item 6.4

6.3 Social Services Director's Report

The Social Services Director's Report dated 13 March 2023 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Keithean Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution

That Council

- (a) receive and note the Social Services Director's Report dated 13 March 2023, and
- (b) is satisfied that the services to be supplied by Marc Harbrow for the April School Holidays Program are of such a specialised nature that it would be impractical or disadvantageous to the Council to invite tenders or quotations.

CARRIED





6.4 Operations Manager's Report

The Operations Manager's Report dated 9 March 2023 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Bruce Woibo

Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen

Resolution

That Council

- (a) receive and note the Operation Manager's Report dated 9 March 2023,
- (b) invite Hopevale Congress to attend an urgent meeting with Councilllors to discuss the need for the upgrading of accesses to blockholder residences,
- (c) in view of the special circumstances, authorize the Operation's Manager to undertake urgent minor works to the access of 7a Hope vale Road on compassionate grounds, and
- (d) the Operations Manager report on a proposed pathway program for consideration in the forthcoming budget.

CARRIED

7 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Many Tracks

At 11.15 am, Katrina Rutherford was admitted to the meeting and briefed the meeting on Many Tracks. Many Tracks supports schools to develop culturally responsive education experiences, build resilience and promote the holistic wellbeing of remote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil





10 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

10.1 Aged Care Centre Operations

Moved by Cr Keithean Bowen

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution

That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to sections 254J (3) (f) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to consider the Confidential Report by the Director Social Services on data in relation to the Aged Care Centre operations.

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Bruce Woibo

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Allison Woibo

Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen

Resolution

That the Confidential Social Services Director's Report for the month of February 2023 on data in relation to the Aged Care Centre operations be noted.

CARRIED

11 NEXT MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held in Hope Vale on Wednesday 5 April 2023.

12 MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2.55 pm.

Mayor Cr Jason Woibo

Steve Linnane

Chief Executive Officer