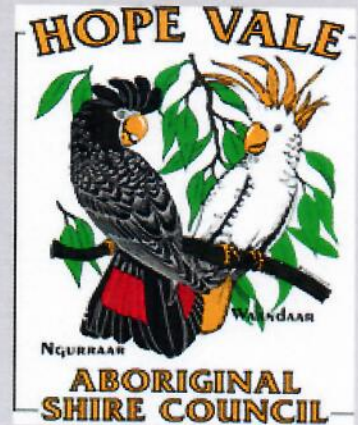


Minutes

General Meeting

Wednesday February 17, 2021

Council Chambers, Hope Vale



1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.50am.

Cr Keithean Bowen acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the Meeting is being held and elders, past present and future.

The Meeting then acknowledged those members of the Hope Vale region who have recently passed away as well as other members of the region who have suffered illness or injury by observing a minute's silence.

2 MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cr Jason Woibo -Mayor

Cr Bruce Woibo -Deputy Mayor

Cr Barry Bowen

Cr Keithean Bowen

Cr Allison Michael

Officers Present:

Chief Executive Officer- Mark Kelleher

Apologies:

Nil

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 declarations of prescribed conflicts of interest were made during 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 conflict of interests were made during this meeting.

3.3 REGISTERS OF INTEREST

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

Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 20 January 2021.

Moved by Cr Keithan Bowen

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution:

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 20 January 2021, be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 Business arising from Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 16 December 2020.

Nil

The Meeting adjourned for Morning tea at 10.30am and resumed at 11am.

Sgt Amit Singh joined the Meeting and briefed Council on recent work in the community in relation to issues of concern.

Sgt Singh departed at 11.30am and Council adjourned the meeting until 11.50am.

Mr Peter Gibson joined the meeting to discuss the purpose of the Guugu Yimithirr Families alliance.

MR Gibson left the Meeting at 12.35pm and Council adjourned the Meeting for lunch.
The Council reconvened at 1.30pm.

6 REPORTS

6.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Chief Executive Officer's report dated 15 February 2021 was considered by Council.

Item 1: Endorsement of Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Local Disaster Management Plan

Council is aware of the requirement to keep Local Disaster Management Plans current and up to date.

Attached is the latest updated Plan for endorsement by Council. This document has been circulated to core members of the LDMG and has been reviewed with the assistance of the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service.

The Document will be available on Council's website.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael**Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen****Resolution:****That Council endorse the Hope Vale Local Disaster Management Plan. (Attachment 1)****CARRIED****Item 2: Proposed Supermarket/Fuel Service Station Tender**

The Meeting discussed several matters relating to the proposed tender and lease without having to close the Meeting. It was noted the CEO would now proceed to finalise the documentation with Councils solicitors and advertise the tender.

6.2 Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report

The Finance Director's Report, dated 12 February 2021 was considered by Council

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen**Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen****Resolution:****That the Finance Director's Report (Report 2) dated 12 February 2021 be received and noted and the following recommendations be endorsed:**

- The Council approve the External Audit Plan for 2020-21**
- The Council approve the Strategic 3 year Internal Audit Plan 2020-2023 and the Detailed Internal Audit Plan 2020-2021**
- The Council note the unconfirmed Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 18 December, 2020**
- the Council endorse and approve the revised Audit Committee Charter**

CARRIED**6.3 Social Services Director's Report**

Cr Keithean Bowen left the meeting.

Ms Sandi Churchill and Ms Michelle Vick, Director Social Services (DSS) joined the meeting. Acknowledging Ms Vick had resigned, Ms Churchill was introduced to Council as the acting DSS until a suitable person is appointed to the vacant position.

The Director Social Service's Report to 31 January 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved Cr Barry Bowen**Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo****Resolution:****That the Social Services Director's Report to 31 January 2021 be received and noted. (Report 3)****CARRIED**

Cr Keithean returned to the Meeting. Cr Keithean and the Mayor acknowledged Ms Vick for the work she had performed during her employment with Council and thanked her for the mentoring role she had undertaken with staff. Ms Vick also thanked Council for the opportunity to work for the Hope Vale Community and that she had enjoyed working with her team of dedicated employees and she wished them well for the future.

Ms Vick and Ms Churchill left the meeting at 2.15 pm

6.4 Human Resource Manager's Report

The Human Resource Manager's Report for the month of January 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Keithean Bowen**Seconded by Cr Allison Michael****Resolution:****That the Human Resource's Manager Report for the month of January 2021 be received and noted. (Report 4)****CARRIED**

Mr Gene Brookes, Operations Manager entered the meeting at 2.25pm

6.5 Operations Manager's Report

The Operations Manager's Report dated 10 February 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved by Mayor Cr Jason Woibo**Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen****Resolution:****That the Operations Manager's Report dated 10 February 2021 be received and noted and that Item 8 in the report relating to an application for funding as part of Building Better Regions Round 5 be endorsed as recommended. (Report 5)****CARRIED**

Mr Brookes left the Meeting at 3.20pm

7 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

The Council acknowledged the Hope Vale School had written requesting Councillors attendance at the forthcoming Senior Leadership Ceremony on 5 March and a request for holding an Art and Science Exhibition on 31 March at a suitable council building at no cost.

It was agreed to provide the Council Meetings Rooms for the Exhibition and those Councillors available on 5 March to attend the Leadership ceremony.

A request for assistance was also received from Ms Selina Kerr- Bowen for celebrating International Women's Day on 8 March in Hope Vale. The Council agreed to provide food as requested and to provide the Council Meeting Rooms free of cost for this special day.

It was also agreed Council would hold it first Community Meeting on 10 March and that an agenda be prepared to ensure the meeting was focused on key issues of importance to community.


10 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Nil

11 NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 17 March 2021, in the Cairns Boardroom.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.40 pm.


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Mayor Cr Jason Woibo


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Mark Kelleher
Chief Executive Officer