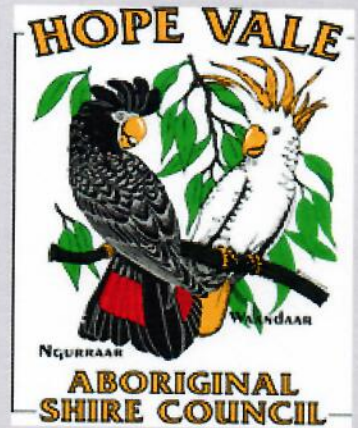


Minutes

General Meeting

Thursday 30 May 2019

Board Room Cairns Office



1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Acting Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.45 am.

The Council then acknowledged those members of the region who have recently passed away as well as other members of the region who have suffered illness or injury.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Members Present: Deputy Mayor Cr June Pearson (in the Chair)
Cr Barry Bowen
Cr Selina Bowen
Cr Bruce Gibson

Officers Present: Chief Executive Officer Steve Linnane
Finance Director Shannon Gibbs (Part of the Meeting)

Apologies: Greg McLean

3 OBLIGATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

3.1 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Section 175C of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of material personal interests were made during this meeting.

3.2 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Section 175E of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of conflict of interest were raised.

3.3 REGISTERS OF INTEREST

Councillors reviewed their Registers of Interests and Related Parties Disclosures.



4 Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 10 April 2019.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution:

That the minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 10 April 2019, be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 Business arising from Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 10 April 2019.

Nil

6 REPORTS

6.1 RECEPTION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution:

That the Chief Executive Officer's Report dated 26 May 2019 be received.

CARRIED

6.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

6.2.1 Meetings Attended

The CEO advised of meetings that he had attended since the last Council meeting.

It was agreed that Council note the meetings attended by the Chief Executive Officer.

6.2.2**Hope Vale Master Plan**

The first Master Planning meeting between Council, DATSIP and the consultant was undertaken in January 2018. Broader community consultation occurred on the 11th and 12th June 2018. Based on feedback from the community, the draft Master Plan concept was amended to incorporate community and Council feedback.

A final draft has been prepared for Council review and considered for endorsement. (Attachment A of the Report)

The Hope Vale Master Plan is a Council Policy document and act as supporting document in the assessment of development applications.

The Hope Vale Master Plan is a living document and will be reviewed and amended to align with the changing needs of the community.

The Master Plan should be reviewed at least every five years to accommodate changes in legislation as well as local changed circumstances.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen**Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson****Resolution:****That Council,**

- (a) endorse the Hope Vale Master Plan in its current form acknowledging that it will be reviewed and amended to align with the changing needs of the community,**
- (b) endorse the Hope Vale Master Plan as a policy of Council in support of the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Planning Scheme dated 1 December 2017, and**
- (c) delegated authority to the CEO to make minor amendments to the Hope Vale Master Plan from time to time.**

CARRIED**6.2.3****Pama Futures**

At a meeting with the CEO, Gerhardt Pearson and Tim McGreen on 24 May 2019, a meeting was requested with Council and representatives from Pama Futures to enable it to outline its aims and objectives.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen**Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson****Resolution:****That the CEO be authorised to arrange a meeting between Council and Pama Futures****CARRIED**

During discussions on this Item Cr Bruce Gibson advised the meeting that he had resigned from his role in Pama Futures.



6.2.4 Indigenous Leaders Forum

It was advised that the LGAQ's Indigenous Leaders Forum will be held in Cairns on 5 & 6 June 2019. All Councillors have been tentatively registered to be in attendance.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution:

That all Councillors be authorised to attend the Local Government Association's Indigenous Leaders Forum to be held in Cairns on 5 & 6 June 2019.

CARRIED

6.2.5 Senior Staff Appointments

Two senior staff appointments have been made recently. Kay Gibson has been appointed to the role of Aged Care Facility Manager/Registered Nurse and proposes to commence duties on 17 June 2019. Rani Johnson has been appointed to the role of HR Manager and proposes to commence duties on 12 June 2019.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution:

That Council the received and note the advice in relation to the recent senior staff appointments.

CARRIED

6.2.6 State Government \$40 million Interim Housing Program

On 10 October 2018, the Queensland Government committed \$40 million to an interim capital housing program to sustain a modest level of construction and employment in discrete Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. The intent of this funding is to support all 17 Indigenous Councils and their communities during the 2019 calendar year.

A working group was created to act in an advisory capacity to the Director General, Department of Housing and Public Works, and the Honourable Mick de Brenni, Minister for Housing and Public Works on an allocation methodology for the \$40 million dollars for a capital housing program.

After a series of meetings and teleconferences the Minister has authorized for the distribution of the funding to be divided equally between the 17 Indigenous Councils. (ie approx. \$2.35 million per Council). Accordingly, Council officers will be liaising with Dept of Housing and Public Works officers to develop a program for the allocated funding.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution:

That Council note the present status of State Government \$40 million Interim Housing Program.

CARRIED

6.2.7 Elderly Blockholder Access

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution:

That the CEO liaise with Hopevale Congress requesting it undertake urgent access improvement works for those elderly blockholder residents suffering medical conditions

CARRIED

6.2.8 Hope Vale Aged Care Hostel

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

Resolution:

That Council agree to the request from Rev David Spanagel dated 25 May 2019 for a 50% discount on accommodation at the Hope Vale Aged Care Hostel for a group of young people in Hope Vale to gain a "community" experience in September 2019.

CARRIED

6.3 Finance Director's Report

The Finance Director's report dated 26 May 2019 was considered by Council.



Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

Resolution:

That

- (a) the Finance Director's report dated 26 May 2019 be received and adopted,
- (b) Council note the Internal Audit Report – Review of Desktop Valuation Report, and
- (c) Council endorse the Fraud and Corruption Policy and Fraud and Corruption Preventative Framework

CARRIED

6.4 Human Resource Manager's Report

Nil

6.5 Social Services Director's Report

The Social Services Director's Report dated 19 May 2019 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution:

That the Social Services Director's Report dated 19 May 2019 be received and noted.

CARRIED

6.6 Operations Manager's Report

The Operations Manager's Report dated 24 May 2019 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

Resolution:

That the Operations Manager's Report dated 24 May 2019 be received and noted.

CARRIED

7 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

At 1.30pm the following Telstra representatives were admitted to the meeting - Andy Penn CEO, Tim O'Leary, Chief Sustainability Officer and Rachael Cliffe – Regional General Manager.

At 2.45pm, Stuart Jackson from Myriad Design was admitted to the meeting for discussions on the Hope Vale Townscape Elements.

At 3pm, Tracey Wilson (Working Visions) and Director of Finance Shannon Gibbs were admitted to the meeting for a briefing on the Hope Vale 2023 Forum.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Remote Indigenous Housing

From TCICA forwarding advice from Minister Scullion dated 4 April 2019 advising that he is agreeable to explore options to fund local entities directly for remote housing delivery.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted

8.2 Electoral Commission QLD

From Electoral Commission QLD dated 17 April 2019 providing a cost estimate for conducting the Local Government quadrennial elections that will be held on 28 March 2020.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

8.3 Local Government Reform

From Far North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils dated 24 April 2019 to Premier Palaszczuk MP providing feedback on the various local government reform legislation proposed by the State Government.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

8.4 QDesign

From Minister Mick de Brenni MP dated 29 April 2019 informing Council of QDesign – the Queensland Government's guiding urban design document to support the delivery of quality places across Queensland's cities and towns.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

8.5 Local Thriving Communities

From TCICA dated 15 May 2019 to Deputy Premier Jackie Trad MP requesting clarification on the reform process of the proposed Local Thriving Communities framework

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted

8.6 New Aged Care Quality Standards

From the Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission dated 16 April 2019 advising Council of the important changes to aged care regulations that come into effect from 1 July 2019.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

8.7 2019-21 Works for Queensland Program

From the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs dated 16 May 2019 approving projects to the value of \$1,300,000 under the 2019-21 Works for Queensland Program

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

8.8 FNQROC Advocacy Report

From Far North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils presenting the FNQROC Advocacy Report for the State Mayoral Delegation to Brisbane held on 14 and 15 May 2019.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

8.9 2019-21 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program

From the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs dated 22 May advising that the Minister has approved the Banana Farm Road – Resilience Project.

It was agreed that the letter be received and noted.

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 NAIDOC Week

Moved by Cr Selina Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

Resolution

That NAIDOC Week be celebrated in the first week of July 2019.

CARRIED

9.2 Developing Northern Australia Conference

Moved by Acting Mayor June Pearson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution

That Cr Bruce Gibson and Cr Barry Bowen be authorised to attend the 2019 Developing Northern Australia Conference held in the City of Karratha from 11-12 July 2019.

CARRIED

Cr Bruce Gibson and Cr Barry Bowen subsequently advised that they were unable to attend the conference.

10 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to sections 275 (a), (b), and (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to consider the following item:

- 10.1 Employment of Social Services Director
- 10.2 Employment – Disability Services
- 10.3 Employment of Chief Executive Officer

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution

That the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED

10.1 Employment of Social Services Director

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution

That the CEO be authorized to negotiate with Kerry-Lee Bird for her reappointment as Director of Social Services

CARRIED



10.2 Employment – Disability Services

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

Resolution

That Council

- (a) endorse that the 2 existing staff in Thawuun Support Services be offered casual employment in the CHS Program, and
- (b) de-register as an NDIS Service Provider

CARRIED

10.3 Employment of Chief Executive Officer

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

Resolution

That the matter of the reappointment of Steve Linnane to the position of CEO be delegated to the Acting Mayor

CARRIED

CEO Steve Linnane left the meeting for discussions on 10.3 and Finance Director Shannon Gibbs attended whilst he was absent.

11 NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting is planned to be held on Wednesday 26 June 2019

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4pm.



Acting Mayor June Pearson
Meeting Chair



Steve Linnane
Chief Executive Officer

