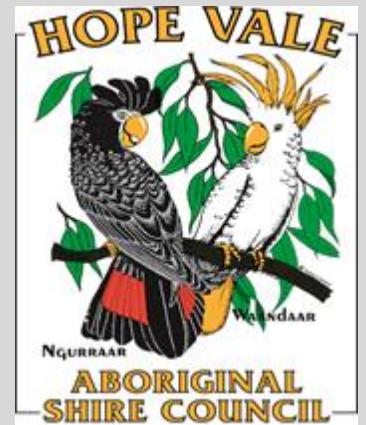


Minutes

General Meeting

Wednesday 12 October 2016

Board Room, Cairns Office



1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.33 am

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Members Present: Cr. Greg McLean (Mayor)
Cr Barry Bowen
Cr Bruce Gibson
Cr Selina Bowen

Leave of Absence:

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

01121016 Resolution: That leave of absence be granted to Deputy Mayor June Pearson.

CARRIED

Officers Present: Chief Executive Officer Steve Linnane

3 OBLIGATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

3.1 DECLARATION OF MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Mayor Greg McLean declared a material personal interest (as defined in Section 172 of the Local Government Act 2009) in Item 10.1 relating to current legal proceedings due to his involvement in the matter. Mayor Greg McLean left the meeting room for all the discussions and consideration of this item.

3.2 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of a conflict of interest were made during this meeting.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21 September, 2016

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

02121016 Resolution: That the minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 17 August, 2016 be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17 AUGUST, 2016

Nil

6 REPORTS

6.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor provided a verbal report in conjunction with Item 6.2.1 of the Chief Executive Officer's report.

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 the CEO should arrange for Councillor's training on conduct, roles and responsibilities.

6.2.2. 2016/2017 Operational Plan

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the implementation of Council's 2016/2017 Operational Plan is generally progressing satisfactorily, apart from a number of activities in the Social Services area. The interim Director of the Social Services Department is currently addressing these issues.

Moved by Cr Selina Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

03121016 Resolution: That Council receive and note the advice.

CARRIED

6.2.3: Indigenous Council CEO Forum

The Local Government Managers Australia (Queensland) is the peak professional body for local government managers. About 9 years ago they commenced the Indigenous Council CEO Forum for CEOs to discuss indigenous specific matters. The next Forum is being held in Brisbane on 16 November 2016.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

04121016 Resolution: That the CEO be authorised to attend the LGMA(Qld) Indigenous Council CEO Forum to be held in Brisbane on 16 November 2016.

CARRIED

6.2.4: 2016/2017 Grants and Subsidies Program

On 9 September 2016, Council was advised by the State Dept of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning the Expressions Of Interest applications for the State Government's Grants and Subsidies Program were open, but would close on 28 September 2016. The guidelines allowed for 10 prioritised Expressions of Interest.

Accordingly, the following applications were submitted –

1. Water mains re-alignment: emergency water bores impacted by asbestos mains - \$300,000
2. Hope Vale heavy vehicle by-pass - \$950,000
3. Construction of an industrial estate in Hope Vale - \$2,100,000
4. Palm Close to Thiele Street - road extension and adjoining cemetery carpark - \$350,000
5. Hope Vale Multi-Purpose Centre field lighting - \$160,000
6. Hope Vale Cemetery Fencing project - \$55,000
7. Spring Hill Rd – Bulls Crossing culvert upgrade - \$ 118,960

8. Fire compliance at Hope Vale Aged Care Facility - \$180,000
9. Development of Hope Vale Streetscaping Master Plan - \$85,000
10. Reuther St drainage restoration and culvert upgrade - \$150,000

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

05121016 Resolution: That Council

- a) receive and note the advice,
- b) endorse the submission of the applications, and
- c) the Chief Executive Officer arrange for the immediate rectification of the drainage issues at the Council's workshop

CARRIED

6.2.13 ACCEPTANCE OF THE MAYOR'S AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

06121016 Resolution: That Council receive and note the reports from the Mayor and CEO.

CARRIED

At this stage of the meeting Council dealt with Item 10 - Confidential Session

6.3 Finance Director's Report

The report was discussed and noted.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

07121016 Resolution: That the Finance Director Report for the period to 10 August 2016 be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

6.4 Human Resource Manager's Report

The report was discussed and noted.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Selina Bowen

08121016 Resolution: That the Human Resources Report be accepted and approved.

CARRIED

6.5 Social Services Director's Report

The report was discussed and noted.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

09121016 Resolution: That

- a) the Social Services Director's Report be accepted and approved.
- b) the maintenance issues raised in the report be referred to the Chief Executive Officer for action

CARRIED

6.6 Operations Manager's Report

The report was discussed and noted.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

10121016 Resolution: That Council accept and approve the Operation Manager's Report, subject to

- a) the Chief Executive Officer reporting on options to reduce the number of aged job cards for "do and charge" work,
- b) the proposed horse enclosure site being fenced on all sides,
- c) expressions of interest being sought for the Council workshop, and
- e) Council reviewing and endorsing the proposed water park design prior to the acceptance of a tender.

CARRIED

7 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

8 CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Letter from Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy dated 5 October 2016 requesting a donation of \$150 from Council for a Graduation Cake in support of the Grade 6 Graduation

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

11121016 Resolution: That Council approve a donation of \$150 towards the Grade 6 Graduation.

CARRIED

8.2 Letter from the Department of Justice and Attorney - General dated 21 September 2016 advising of a sophisticated scam targeting government departments, agencies, and local governments.

Moved by Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

12121016 Resolution: That Council receive and note the advice.

CARRIED

8.3 Letter from Cooktown Boar Thai Boxing Club Inc dated 15 September 2016 requesting Council to sponsor an installment of the Legal Assault fight series in Cooktown.

Moved by Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

13121016 Resolution: That Council receive and note the request.

CARRIED

8.4 Letters from Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service dated 25 August 2016 and 19 September 2016 advising that 3 staff members will visit Hope Vale on Wednesday 2 November 2016 to conduct a Community Awareness session on Tuberculosis

Moved by Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

14121016 Resolution: That Council receive and note the advice.

CARRIED

8.5 Correspondence from Coen Campus of CYAAA advising of a proposed visit of the Campus on Wednesday 26 October 2016 and departure on Friday 28 October 2016 after the proposed swimming carnival. There will be approximately 24 students and teachers.

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

15121016 Resolution: That Council

- a) raise no objection to the use of the PCYC and the swimming pool, and
- b) request Peter Morrison to erect the Council shade shelters for the event

CARRIED

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 Waste Disposal Facility

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

16121016 Resolution: That the Chief Executive Officer update Council on dealings in relation to a proposal for the management of Council's Waste Disposal Facility

CARRIED

10 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Gibson

17121016 Resolution: That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to sections 275 (f) and (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to consider the following items:

- 10.1 Legal issue
- 10.2 Staffing issue
- 10.3 Request for financial assistance

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Selina Bowen

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

18121016 Resolution: That Cr Bruce Gibson be appointed as the Chairman for consideration of Item 10.1 due to Mayor Greg McLean not being present during this Item.

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

19121016 Resolution: That the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED

Moved by Cr Bruce Gibson

Seconded by Cr Selina Bowen

20121016 Resolution: That the Hope Vale Foundation be requested to arrange a joint meeting with Councillors and interested parties to provide a presentation and overview of the strategic review of the Hope Vale Banana Farm

CARRIED



11 NEXT MEETING

The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 9 November 2016

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.30 pm

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Cr G McLean
Mayor

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Steve Linnane
Chief Executive Officer