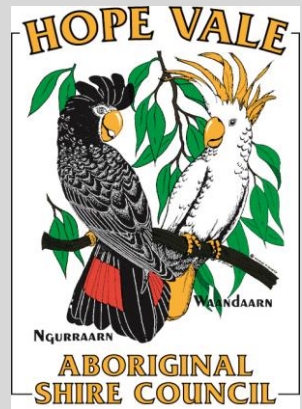


# Minutes



General Meeting

Wednesday, 20 May, 2015

Council Chambers, Hope Vale

## MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

**Members Present:** Cr. Greg McLean (Mayor)  
Cr. June Pearson (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr. Dwayne Bowen  
Cr Chris Woibo  
Cr. Carmen Pearson

## OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

**Officers Present:** Chief Executive Officer Ross Higgins

## MEETING OPENED

Meeting declared open at 11.10 am

## APOLOGIES

Nil

The Mayor requested a minutes silence for the recent passing of Dean Casey

**Item 1: Declaration of conflict, any perceived or other potential conflict of interest to be declared prior to meeting.**

Nil

**Item 2: Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held on 22 April, 2015**

**Moved by Cr Carmen Pearson**

**Seconded by Cr Dwayne Bowen**

01200515 Resolution: That the minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 22 April 2015 be accepted as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED**

### **Item 3: Business arising from minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 22 April, 2015.**

#### **Community Security Issues**

As raised by the Justice Group and following recent events, Council needs to look at how it can assist to further support safety and security in Hope Vale. Matters for discussion include:

- Additional lighting around buildings.
- Sheriffs / Community Police
- Security officers with appropriate qualifications
- Neighbourhood Watch
- How can the Men's Group assist
- Activities with PCYC including movie nights

It was made clear also that agencies in Hope Vale that can assist with this need to be accountable for the funds they receive

### **Item 4: REPORTS**

#### **1. Mayor**

- Met with Department of Housing and Public Works to establish a process that can assist with future housing allocations for social housing in Hope Vale.
- Attended Cape York Indigenous Summit in Cairns.

#### **2. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

##### **Endeavour Valley Road**

It is proposed that the program for the sealing of the remaining sections of Endeavour Valley Road as part of the contract with Transport and Main Roads and Road Tek will be as follows:

- 2015 – Williams Creek to Endeavour Falls
- 2016 – Old Dairy Road seal to Ryder Road seal
- 2017 – Endeavour Falls to Ryder Road seal

##### **Register of Delegations**

The Registers of Delegations relating to the following legislation have been up-dated were presented to Council for review and adoption.

- Local Government Act 2009
- Local Government Regulation 2012

- Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008
- Right to Information Act 2009
- Information Privacy Act 2009

**Moved by Cr Chris Woibo**

**Seconded by Cr Carmen Pearson**

02200515 Resolution: That the revised Registers of Delegations from Council to the Chief Executive Officer be approved:

Local Government Act 2009  
Local Government Regulation 2012  
Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008  
Right to Information Act 2009  
Information Privacy Act 2009

**CARRIED**

#### **Award Issues – Long Service Leave**

With the recent new award, it is believed that there is a need for some consistency for all of the Council workforce and to bring Long Service Leave into line for all workers. The award provides for 2 different levels of service needed before leave is due.

It has been recommended that all workers now have access to 13 weeks Long Service Leave after 10 years of continuous/unbroken service and remove the alternative of 13 weeks leave after 15 years service.

This will be a cost to Council in that employees will now be entitled to the leave in a shorter period of time.

**Moved by Cr Dwayne Bowen**

**Seconded by Cr June Pearson**

03200515 Resolution: That Council approves that all accruals for long service leave for all Council employees be based on 13 weeks leave after 10 years of continuous service.

**CARRIED**

### Acceptance of Mayor and Chief Executive Officer Reports

Moved by Cr June Pearson

Seconded by Cr Chris Woibo

04200515 Resolution: That the reports from the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be accepted.

**CARRIED**

### 3. Finance Director's Report

The Finance Director's report for the period to 18 May 2015 was tabled and discussed by Council.

Moved by Cr Chris Woibo

Seconded by Cr Dwayne Bowen

05200515 Resolution: That the financial report for the period to 18 May 2015 incorporating the financial statements, be approved and accepted.

**CARRIED**

### 4. Operations Manager Report

Report noted

Moved by Cr Dwayne Bowen

Seconded by Cr Carmen Pearson

05200515 Resolution: That the Operations Manager's Report be accepted.

**CARRIED**

### Item 5: VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

## Item 6: AGENDA ITEMS

Nil

## Item 7: CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 – Letter from Vicki Yen, Photographer seeking Council permission to come to Hope Vale to take photos. She has indicated that she will also take some photos for Council if required.

**Action Required:** Chief Executive Officer to advise Ms Yen that there is no objection to this request.

7.2 – Email from Faith Lutheran College in Brisbane seeking approval to use the Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council logo on shirts for students and staff visiting Hope Vale at the end of June.

**Action Required:** Chief Executive Officer to advise that there is no objection for the use of the logo as requested.

## Item 8 – GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.20 pm.

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**Cr G McLean**  
Mayor

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**Ross Higgins**  
Chief Executive Officer