

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Diamantina Shire Council held in the Boardroom of the Diamantina Shire Council, Bedourie on Friday, December 19, 2008 commencing at 9.02am.

1. Attendance

Cr Barry Gaffney (Deputy Mayor)	Cr Joyce Crombie
Cr Geoff Schrader	Cr Garth Tully
Scott Mason (Chief Executive Officer)	Ms Karen McGrath (Personal Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer)

Attendance

- Cr Schrader was not in attendance when the meeting commenced.

2. Apologies

Min 2008.12.1

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That the apology tendered by Mayor Cr Rob Dare be accepted.

Carried 3/0.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Min 2008.12.2

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That the minutes of the previous Ordinary Meeting of Diamantina Shire Council held November 24, 2008 be confirmed.

Carried 3/0.

Min 2008.12.3

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That all officers' reports be received.

Carried 3/0.

Attendance

- Cr Schrader entered the meeting at 9.37am.

4. Chief Executive Officers Report

4. Abuse of Bedourie Aquatic Centre

Min 2008.12.4

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That council elevate the refundable bond for hire of keys to the Bedourie Aquatic Centre from \$20 to \$50.

Carried 4/0.

5. Local Government Bill Discussion – December 12, 2008

Min 2008.12.5

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That council endorse the actions of its Mayor and Chief Executive Officer in seeking to have the Shires views regarding the Local Government Bill put forward on its behalf by the Mayor of Boulia Shire Council at the discussion held in Brisbane on December 12, 2008.

Carried 4/0.

6. RAPAD Representation

Min 2008.12.6

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council endorse Mayor Cr Rob Dare as its representative on the Central Western Queensland Remote Area Planning and Development Board in the capacity of Director and congratulate him on his re-appointment to the position of Deputy Chairman at the recent Annual General Meeting held November, 2008.

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

- Cr Tully left the meeting at 9.48am.
- The Chief Executive Officer left the meeting at 9.48am and returned immediately with Mr Henry Wallace, Deputy Chief Executive Officer for the purpose of presenting his report.
- Cr Tully returned to the meeting at 9.49am.

5. Deputy Chief Executive Officers Report

Attendance

- Morning tea adjournment from 10.15am to 10.34am.
- Mr Kevin Barr, Director of Works was in attendance when the meeting resumed.

5. Tender 2008-21 – Supply and Delivery of One New Motor Grader

Attendance

- Miss Dominique Wells, Finance Officer entered the meeting at 10.37 and left immediately.
- Cr Tully left the meeting at 10.37am and returned immediately.

Min 2008.12.7

Moved by Cr Schrader and Seconded by Cr Tully.

That council accept the tender received from Hastings Deering for the supply and delivery of one new Caterpillar 140M motor grader for the price of \$422,000 (ex GST) with trade of Council's unit 515 of \$205,000 (ex GST) giving a net change-over of \$217,000. Council notes that this is not the most economical quotation, however because of the quality of the machine and Hastings Deering's service in the area Council expects the transaction to completed efficiently with extensive back up service.

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

- The Chief Executive Officer attempted to contact representatives of Hitachi to participate in a teleconference to discuss their submitted tender for a wheel loader.

6. Director of Works Report

Considered by council.

5. Deputy Chief Executive Officers Report (continued)

6. Tender 2008-22 – Supply and Delivery of One New Wheel Loader

Attendance

- Teleconference at 11.01am with Mr Gavin Smith, Sales Representative, Mr Mark Hauritz, Sales Representative and Mr Gilberto Pauleto, Operations Manager, Hitachi to discuss submitted tender for wheel loader.
- Ms McGrath left the meeting at 11.15am and returned at 11.18am.
- Teleconference concluded at 11.23am.
- Mr Wallace left the meeting at 11.33am.

6. Director of Works Report

Considered by council.

Attendance

- The meeting adjourned at 12.04pm to participate in a team photograph.
- The meeting resumed at 12.14pm without Mr Barr in attendance.
- The Chief Executive Officer left the meeting at 12.14pm and returned immediately with Mr Richard Cooley, Funding Manager for the purpose of presenting his report.

7. Funding Managers Report

Considered by council.

Attendance

- Mr Cooley left the meeting at 12.32pm.

8. Engineers Report

Considered by council.

9. Environmental Health Officers Report

5. Waste Tyres

Min 2008.12.8

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council direct the Chief Executive Officer to obtain advice on alternative and practical methods of waste tyre disposal/storage.

Carried 4/0.

10. Correspondence for Decision

12.10.1 Bush Heritage Australia Board – Proposed North-South Tourist Road and Proposed Relocation of Police Barracks

Min 2008.12.9

Resolved.

That council defer consideration of the proposed north-south tourist road via Kamaran Downs Station after seeking feedback from its Mayor regarding discussions with land holder, Mr David Brook.

Min 2008.12.10

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council advise Bush Heritage Australia that it accepts their offer to relocate the Ethabuka Police Barracks to a community interpretive display in Bedourie and accepts the condition that Bush Heritage Australia provide input into an agreed interpretive text that reflects the history of the Barracks.

Carried 4/0.

12.10.2. Roger Warren (Construction Foreman) – Request for Fuel Card

Min 2008.12.11

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Tully.

That council advise Mr Roger Warren (Construction Foreman) that it does only provide access to fuel cards for work usage.

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

- The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1.11pm and resumed at 2pm with Mr Grant Samson, Sales Representative, Hastings Deering, Mr Barr and Mr Wallace, Deputy Chief Executive Officer in attendance.
- Cr Schrader left the meeting at 2.36pm and returned at 2.37pm.
- Ms McGrath left the meeting at 2.37pm and returned at 2.43pm.
- Mr Samson left the meeting at 2.45pm.

5. Deputy Chief Executive Officers Report (continued)

Min 2008.12.12

Moved by Cr Schrader and Seconded by Cr Tully.

That council accept the tender submitted by Hitachi for the supply and delivery of one new Hitachi ZW310 Wheel Loader for the price of \$432,300 including GST.

Carried 3/1.

Attendance

- Messrs Wallace and Barr left the meeting at 2.56pm.

12.10.3 Anthony Girdler – Personal Use of a Council Vehicle Outside of the Shire

Min 2008.12.13

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council amend Policy 1.13 “Private Use of Council Vehicles” to enable a foreman private use of a council vehicle upon application after five years continuous service.

Carried 4/0.

12.10.4 Local Government Association of Queensland Inc. – Circular – Meeting with Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

Min 2008.12.14

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That councils funding allocation of \$100,000 from the Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program be accessed to complete the Bedourie Tennis Court project.

Carried 4/0.

12.10.5 Birdsville Caravan Park – Fee Schedule Changes

Min 2008.12.15

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council advise Minserv Pty Ltd that it accepts the 2009 fee schedule for the operation of the Birdsville Caravan Park in accordance with clause 60.1 of the lease between said parties except prices for rooms and cabins during Birdsville Race Week. Council considers these rates exorbitant and requests that Minserv Pty Ltd resubmit a revised fee schedule for hire of rooms and cabins for the period of the Birdsville Race Week.

Carried 4/0.

12.10.6 Date Claimer – Local Government Infrastructure Symposium 2009

Min 2008.12.16

Moved by Cr Tully and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer attend the Local Government Infrastructure Symposium to be held in Brisbane from April 21 to 24, 2009.

Carried 4/0.

13.1 Australia Day Nominations

Min 2008.12.17

Resolved.

That council hold a teleconference during January, 2009 to discuss the nominations for the Australia Day Awards.

13.2 Youth Council Nominations

Min 2008.12.18

Resolved.

That council accept all nominations for the Bedourie Youth Council.

14.1 Diamantina Shire Council Foreman's Meeting Minutes - October 29, 2008

Considered by council.

14.2 Diamantina Shire Council Foreman's Meeting Minutes - December 9, 2008

Considered by council.

11. Councillors Ideas and Recommendations

11.1 Bedourie Race Club Payment

Min 2008.12.19

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council grant permission for the Bedourie Race Club to utilise their \$20,000 Capital Works budget for 2008/2009 for the connection of electricity to the kitchen at the Bedourie Race Course.

Carried 4/0.

15. Chief Executive Officers Late Report

Considered by council.

16. Late Correspondence for Decision

1. Birdsville Social Club Inc.

Min 2008.12.20

Moved by Cr Schrader and Seconded by Cr Gaffney.

That council thank the Birdsville Social Club Inc. for their letter dated December 4, 2008 and advise that council is unable to provide additional funds from its capital works budget for community projects but that it will support

funding applications the Birdsville Social Club Inc. apply for, as well as offer the services of Mr Richard Cooley, council's Funding Manager.

Carried 4/0.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.01pm.

Minutes confirmed this twenty-third day of February, 2009.

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Cr Rob Dare
MAYOR

