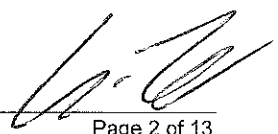


**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Diamantina Shire Council
held in the Boardroom of the Administration Centre, Bedourie
on Monday, August 19, 2019 commencing at 9.00am.**

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2 ATTENDANCE

Councillors: Cr Geoff Morton (Mayor), Cr Steve Cramer (Deputy Mayor), Cr Doug Cooms, Cr Bev Maunsell, Cr Don Rayment

Staff: Chief Executive Officer, Leon Love.
Executive Assistant, Amanda Schnitzerling

3 APOLOGIES

Nil

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

a) Ordinary Meeting – July 15, 2019

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-1

Moved by Cr Maunsell and Seconded by Cr Rayment

‘That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Diamantina Shire Council held on July 15, 2019 be confirmed.’

Carried 5/0.

a) Special Budget – July 15, 2019

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-2

Moved by Cr Maunsell and Seconded by Cr Rayment

‘That the minutes of the Special Budget Meeting of Diamantina Shire Council held on July 15, 2019 be confirmed.’

Carried 5/0.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

6 INFORMATION REPORTS

6.1 I (I) NEWSBRIEF REPORTS

Executive Summary

The Newsbrief contains information reports from the Executive, the Corporate and Community Department and the Infrastructure Department to keep Council informed of operations.

Recommendation

'That Council receive the Newsbrief Reports.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-3

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cramer

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

Attendance:

9:18am Cassie White, Deputy CEO entered the meeting

6.2 I (II) FINANCIAL REPORTS

Executive Summary

Monthly Financial reports including Income Statement, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Cashflows, Statement of Changes in Equity are provided to Councillors for their information,

Recommendation

'That Council receive all Financial Reports.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-4

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Maunsell

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

6.3 I (III) REGISTER OF INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL AUDIT ISSUES

Executive Summary

The external audit conducted in May 2018 identified a deficiency from a review of the minutes of Council meetings regarding the monitoring of progress towards implementing internal and external audit recommendations. The interim audit reports recommends that a register of internal and external audit recommendations and issues be incorporated as a standing item at council meetings.

Recommendation

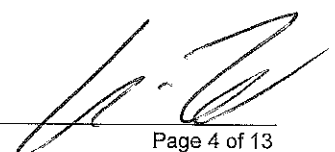
'That Council receive the Audit Issues Register.'

Minute No. 2018.10.15-OM-5

Moved Cr Cooms, Seconded Cr Maunsell

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.



7 ACTION REPORTS

7.1 A (I) DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2018-19

Executive Summary

The draft Financial Statements for 2018-2019 have been prepared and are presented for Councillors information and review.

Recommendation

'That Council receive the Draft Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2019.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-6

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cooms

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

Attendance:

9:54am Cassie White, Deputy CEO left the meeting

9:54am Jessica Greenaway, Tourism and Event Manager, entered the meeting

7.2 A (II) POLICY FOR ADOPTION - CHRISTMAS EVENT POLICY

Executive Summary

This policy has been reviewed in accordance with the policy review schedule.

Recommendation

'That Council adopt the Christmas Event Policy as presented.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-7

Moved Cr Maunsell, Seconded Cr Rayment

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

Closure of the Meeting to the Public

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-8

Moved Cr Cramer, Seconded Cr Maunsell

'That in relation to agenda item A(iii) Birdsville Races Waste Management 2019 and

A(iv) Birdsville Airport Management Contract for Birdsville Races

pursuant to section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the meeting be

closed to the public so that the councillors or members can discuss contracts

proposed to be made by Council.

Carried 5/0.

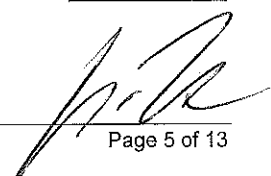
Opening of the Meeting to the Public

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-9

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cooms

'That the meeting be opened to the public.'

Carried 5/0.



7.3 A (III) BIRDSVILLE RACES WASTE MANAGEMENT 2019

Executive Summary

The report recommends Council consider the waste management services level to be provide for the 2019 Birdsville Races period.

Recommendation

'That Council consider the future waste management services levels.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-10

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cramer

'That Council authorise the CEO to execute an agreement with VEOLIA to provide waste management services for the 2019 Birdsville Races based on the revised quote provided and that the Tourism and Events Manager provide a report on future waste management options for future Birdsville Races to the October Council meeting.'

Carried 5/0.

7.4 A (IV) BIRDSVILLE AIRPORT MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR BIRDSVILLE RACES

Executive Summary

The report provides information in relation to the management of the Birdsville Airport for Birdsville Races 2019 and beyond.

Recommendation

'That Council:

- 1. Approve the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract with Platinum Aviation Consulting for a period of one year for the 2019 Birdsville races, with a one year option that can be exercise by mutual agreement of both parties for the Management of the Birdsville Airport,**
- 2. Officers report back to Council with a management plan for the Birdsville Races airport operations for 2020 and beyond, and**
- 3. The management plan include a review of the fees and charges for the airport so that the level of service provided is cost neutral to Council.'**

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-11

Moved Cr Maunsell, Seconded Cr Rayment

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

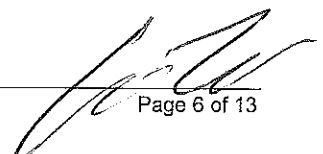
Attendance:

11:10am Council adjourned the Meeting for morning tea.
11:43am Council resumed the Meeting.

7.5 A (V) PROPOSED WATTI WATTI WALKING TRACK

Executive Summary

This report seek Council's direction on a request for in-kind support from Watti Watti Custodial Services for the Watti Watti Walking Track Initiative.



Recommendation

'That Council authorise Council officers to submit an application under Building our Regions Program for the establishment of the walk/bike trail to the east of Birdsville with further consultation with Watti Watti Custodial Services and traditional owners be undertaken by Council officers to determine the final route and standard of construction (with a maximum council contribution of 10% of the estimated cost).'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-12

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cramer

'That Chief Executive Officer:

- **advise the applicant that Council does not agree to the proposed walkways extending to the 'Pelican Point' side of the Eyre Developmental Road;**
- **advise the applicant that Council supports the balance of the project in principle to restore the Two Boys Dreaming site and wishes to enhance this project with a broader Birdsville 'heritage' trail;**
- **undertake further consultation with Watti Watti Custodial Services and other local traditional owners to determine the final route and standard of construction for the entire project;**
- **submit an Expression of Interest under the Building our Regions Program for the redevelopment of the Two Boys Dreaming site and the establishment of a 'heritage' trail through Birdsville with Council to contribute 10% of the estimated cost; and**
- **allocate \$50,000 from the 2019-20 budget to fund the research of sites and oral history for the Birdsville 'Heritage' trail project.**

Carried 5/0.

7.6 A (VI) MEMORIAL POLICY

Executive Summary

This report request Council approve that Memorials Policy as presented.

Recommendation

'That Council adopt the Memorials Policy as presented.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-13

Moved Cr Cooms, Seconded Cr Cramer

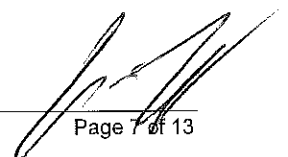
'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

7.7 NAMING OF ROADS AND PUBLIC PLACES POLICY

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-14

Council resolved that the Tourism and Event Manager draft a Naming of Roads and Public Places Policy to present for feedback at a future Council meeting.



7.8 DESERT YARNS

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-15

Council resolved that the Tourism and Event Manager make the following changes to the Desert Yarns:

- Limit the size to 20 pages;
- Remove the Playgroup pages;
- Remove the school pages;
- Limit reports from community clubs to ½ page; and
- Limit events advertising to ¼ page.

7.9 A (VII) QUEENSLAND DAY GRANTS

Executive Summary

The Queensland Day Sponsorship Program (QDSP) offers up to \$15,000 to not-for-profit, non-commercial associations and local governments that are running initiatives to celebrate our great State, encourage public participation, promote social, cultural and economic benefits to the community, and showcase the best of Queensland.

Recommendation

‘That Council consider an application to the Queensland Day Sponsorship Program.’

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-16

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cramer

‘That Council authorise the Tourism and Event Manager to submit an application to the Queensland Day Sponsorship Program for an event as discussed with a total budget of \$20,000, with \$10,000 funded by Council.’

Carried 5/0.

Attendance:

1:31pm Jessica Greenaway, Tourism and Event Manager, left the meeting

Attendance:

1:31pm Council adjourned the Meeting for lunch.

2:39pm Council resumed the Meeting.

2:39pm Trevor Stewart, Infrastructure Manager, Stuart Bourne, Engineer, entered the meeting

7.10 A (VIII) 2019 ROAD INSPECTION PROGRAM

Executive Summary

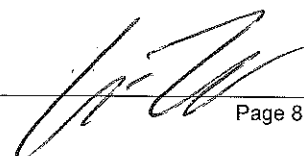
Council undertakes an annual road inspection program which needs to be finalized to allow arrangements to be made.

Recommendation

‘That Council provide input into the proposed road inspection program submitted by the Infrastructure Manager.’

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-17

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cooms



'That Council authorise the Infrastructure Manager to update the timing of the proposed road inspection program to after November 19 Council meeting.'

Carried 5/0.

7.11A (IX) SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF PRE-COATED COVER AGGREGATE 2019-20

Executive Summary

Tenders have been assessed for Supply and Delivery of Precoated Cover Aggregate for the 2019/20 bitumen works, which includes the Sunshine Flats pave and seal project (among others).

The tender was closed at 12pm Monday 5th August 2019. The tenders were assessed based on price and experience. PE & GC Harris Pty Ltd provided a very competitive price and has previous experience in Diamantina Shire

Recommendation

'That Council award the Supply and Delivery of Pre-coated Cover Aggregate tender for 2019/20 to PE & GC Harris Pty Ltd at a cost of \$424,580.64.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-18

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Maunsell

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

7.12A (X) 'ALL SERVICES' SUPPLY AND INSTALL BITUMINOUS PRODUCTS TENDER 2019/20

Executive Summary

The tender for Supply and Install Bituminous Products 'All Services' was advertised on LG Tenderbox. The tender was closed at 12pm Monday 5th August 2019. The tenders were assessed based on price (60%) and previous experience (40%).

Recommendation

'That Council award the 'All Services' supply and install bituminous products tender for 2019/20 to Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd at an estimated cost of \$973,272.10.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-19

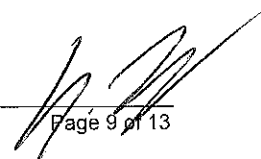
Moved Cr Cooms, Seconded Cr Rayment

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

Attendance:

2:48pm Richard Watkins, Works Coordinator entered the meeting
2:51pm Trevor Stewart, Infrastructure Manager, Stuart Bourne, Engineer, Richard Watkins, Works Coordinator left the meeting



7.13A (XI) COMPLAINTS PROCESS - ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION COMPLAINTS

Executive Summary

This policy has been reviewed in accordance with the policy review schedule and minor administrative updates have been made.

Recommendation

'That Council adopt the Complaints Process – Administrative Action Complaints Policy as presented.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-20

Moved Cr Cooms, Seconded Cr Maunsell

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

7.14A (XII) POLICY - AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Executive Summary

The Australia Day policy presented at the February meeting has been amended and is presented for adoption.

Recommendation

'That Council adopt the Australia Day Policy as presented.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-21

Moved Cr Rayment, Seconded Cr Cramer

'That Council adopt the Australia Day Policy with the amendments as discussed.'

Carried 5/0.

7.15A (XIII) POLICY – FIT FOR WORK

Executive Summary

Council's current Drug and Alcohol Policy has been under review for some time and with new legislative requirements around fatigue management and National Heavy Vehicle Regulations a new Fit for Work policy has been developed for Council's consideration.

Recommendation

'That Council adopt the Fit for Work policy and associated forms and procedures as presented.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-22

Moved Cr Cramer, Seconded Cr Maunsell

'That the recommendation be adopted.'

Carried 5/0.

7.16A (XIV) SHORT-TERM RENTAL OF VACANT COUNCIL HOUSES

Executive Summary

Council is often called upon to rent vacant housing on a short term basis during events. This report proposes some guidelines and associated rental charges for consideration and discussion.

Recommendation

'That Council consider guidelines for approval of short-term rental of vacant houses and associated fees for inclusion in the 2019-20 Fees and Charges.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-23

Moved Cr Maunsell, Seconded Cr Cooms

'That Council approve the inclusion of the short-term rental fees in the 2019-20 Fees and Charges and the amendment of the Housing Policy to include the guidelines for short-term rental as presented.'

Carried 5/0.

Closure of the Meeting to the Public

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-24

Moved Cr Maunsell, Seconded Cr Rayment

'That in relation to agenda item A(xv) Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) – Wangkamahdla Nation People, Diamantina Shire Council and Boulia Shire Council pursuant to section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the meeting be closed to the public so that the councillors or members can discuss:

- (a) Contracts proposed to be made by Council; or
- (b) Starting or defending legal proceedings involving Council.

Carried 5/0.

Opening of the Meeting to the Public

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-25

Moved Cr Cramer, Seconded Cr Cooms

'That the meeting be opened to the public.'

Carried 5/0.

7.17 A (XV) INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (ILUA) – WANGKAMAHDLA NATION PEOPLE, DIAMANTINA SHIRE COUNCIL AND BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL

Executive Summary

Holding Redlich has provided Council with a draft Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) – Wangkamahdla Nation People, Diamantina Shire Council and Boulia Shire Council. The purpose of this report is to seek instructions from Council in respect of a Federal Court native title proceeding to which Council is a respondent party.

Recommendation

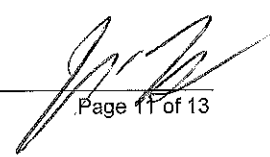
'That Council consent to:

1. commence ILUA negotiations with the Wangkamahdla Nation; and
2. delegate the power to the CEO to negotiate and reach in principle agreement on the terms of an ILUA with the final agreement to be subject to Council resolving to enter into the ILUA.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-26

Moved Cr Cramer, Seconded Cr Cooms

'That the recommendation be adopted.'



Carried 5/0.

7.18A (XVI) STOCK ROUTE STRATEGY AND FEE OPTIONS WORKSHOP

Executive Summary

Council has received an invite from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (DNRME) to attend a workshop to review a draft outline for a new stock route strategy, to direct and coordinate management of the stock route network and to discuss fee options for the use of the network.

Recommendation

'That Council consider whether to attend the DNRME Stock Route Strategy and Fee Options Workshop.'

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-27

Moved Cr Cramer, Seconded Cr Rayment

'That Council not send a representative to the DNRME Stock Route Strategy and Fee Options Workshop.'

Carried 5/0.

7.19 BUILDING OUR REGIONS EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI)

Minute No. 2019.08.19-OM-28

'Council resolved to submit an Expression of Interest to the Building our Regions Program for the Towns solar panel Project.'

8 MEMBERS BUSINESS

8.1 CR COOMS

Cr Cooms enquired about getting funding to improve the Bedourie Rubbish Dump. The CEO advised that there was no funding opportunities but that Council could consider allocating some budget funds. Councillors discussed increasing the depth of the hole and increasing the height of the fence to reduce the amount of rubbish blowing out of the open pit.

8.2 CR CRAMER

Cr Cramer enquired about the status of the Betoota Pub. The CEO provided an update further to emails received by Councillors

8.3 CR MAUNSELL

Nil

8.4 CR MORTON

Nil

8.5 CR RAYMENT

Cr Rayment enquired about the status of 23 Bilby St, Birdsville. The CEO advised that the house has stabilised and will be reviewed again before maintenance can be performed.

Cr Rayment asked for a letter to be written to the Premier and Minister commending them for their advertising campaign encouraging tourists to spend money in the outback. We have noticed the difference not only in our shire but throughout western Queensland.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 4:30pm.

Minutes confirmed this 16th day of September, 2019.

Cr Geoff Morton
MAYOR

