

DRAFT Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Diamantina Shire Council held at the Diamantina Shire Council Administration Centre, Bedourie on Monday, August 17, 2009 commencing at 9.10am.

1. Attendance

Cr Robbie Dare (Mayor)	Cr Barry Gaffney (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Joyce Crombie	Cr Geoff Schrader
Mr Scott Mason (Chief Executive Officer)	

2. Apologies

Cr Garth Tully	
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Min 2009.7.1

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That the apology tendered by Cr Garth Tully be accepted.

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

Mr Mason left the meeting and returned at 9.13am in the company of Mr David Kerrigan, Acting Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Services Coordinator, Central West Health Service District, Queensland Health, who was present for the purpose of briefing Council on the Good Sports Program.

Deputation No. 1 – Mr Kerrigan

Mr Kerrigan delivered a presentation on the Good Sports Program, which is available to assist sporting clubs to manage alcohol responsibly to provide a safe environment for players, members, families and supporters. He also showed Council a variety of illegal drugs (demonstration samples) for awareness purposes.

He fielded a variety of questions from Council.

Mr Kerrigan informed Council of the type of presentation he would make to the Diamantina Shire Youth Council Meeting being held in Birdsville today.

A discussion took place regarding the following.

- Making some events alcohol free
- Responsible Service of Alcohol training
- 'Drink Rite' Program
- Drug and alcohol awareness education for the community and Council employees
- Implementation of drug and alcohol policies
- Liquor accords

Attendance

The meeting adjourned for morning tea from 9.58am to 10.17am. Mr Kerrigan was not present when the meeting resumed. Inspector Ray Pringle, Superintendent, Mount Isa District Office, Queensland Police Service was in attendance when the meeting resumed. He was present for the purpose of discussing policing in Diamantina Shire.



Deputation – No 2 – Inspector Pringle

Council raised the following matters with Inspector Pringle.

- Maintaining a constant community police presence
- Accessing quality police relief staff
- Cordoning off of drinking areas at community events
- The prevalence of drugs within the community
- Strengthening the Queensland Government Agent Program (QGAP)
- Improving pushbike helmet safety and relationship with schools
- 'Drink Rite' Program
- Establishing Birdsville Court House as an Outback Police Museum
- Accessing funding for research of interesting police stories

Mr Pringle addressed the matters above and the following matters.

- Circumstances regarding the return to work of Mr Darren Mills, Officer-In-Charge, Bedourie Police Station
- The level of employment interest in Bedourie Police Station
- Full strength alcohol at community events
- Utilising Councils 'Desert Yarns' monthly newsletter as a medium for regular Police communication
- Road safety
- Policing large gatherings
- Prevalence of travelling criminals
- Accessing Problem Orientated Partnerships in Policing (POPP) funds

Attendance

Inspector Pringle and Crs Crombie and Dare left the meeting at 11.15am. Cr Dare returned at this time and Cr Crombie returned at 11.17am.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Min 2009.7.2

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Gaffney.

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Diamantina Shire Council held July 27, 2009 be confirmed.

Carried 4/0.

5. Motion to receive all reports

Min 2009.7.3

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That all reports be received.

Carried 4/0.

6. Reports

6.1 Operational Plan Report

Considered by Council.

6.2 Chief Executive Officers Report

1. Staff Matters (includes three confidential sections)



2. Parks and Wildlife Dinner at Birdsville – July 30, 2009

Attendance

Luncheon adjournment from 1.06pm to 2.11pm.

3. Central Western Queensland Remote Area Planning and Development Board
Teleconference

4. Chief Executive Officers of Western Shires Meeting at Longreach – August 7, 2009

Attendance

Cr Schrader left the meeting at 3.47pm and returned at 3.51pm.

5. CONFIDENTIAL – Wangkangurra/Yarluyandi Indigenous Land Use Agreement

Min 2009.7.4

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That Council close the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 463(1)(h) of the Local Government Act 1993.

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

The meeting was closed at 4.02pm.

Min 2009.7.5

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Gaffney.

That Council re-open the meeting to the public.

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

The meeting re-opened at 4.45pm.

Min 2009.7.6

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council provide the Local Government Association of Queensland Inc with the following advice with respect to the draft Indigenous Land Use Agreement between the Wangkangurru/Yarluyandi People and Local Government, the parties being Linda Crombie, Raelene Hudson, Brenda Shield, Sharon Lucas and Haydyn Bromley and the Diamantina Shire Council respectively.

<u>Matter</u>	<u>Advice</u>
Clause 67	Acceptable to Council
Clause 69	Acceptable to Council
Schedule 10	<u>Heavy Vehicle By Pass</u> Council wishes to undertake this project in future <u>Wirrarri Visitor Information Centre extension</u> Council believes this should not have been included as a Schedule 10 Act <u>Graveyard extension</u> Council believes that sufficient land exists at the Birdsville Cemetery at



	<p>this stage</p> <p><u>Extension of current air landing strip</u> This project has been completed</p> <p><u>Other planned activities</u> Nil</p>
Schedule 13	Acceptable to Council
Schedule 16	Acceptable to Council
Schedule 17	<p>Salary levels: \$180 per half day and \$45 per hour thereafter</p> <p>Travel allowance: \$1 per kilometre payable to vehicle operator only</p>
Schedule 19	Acceptable to Council

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

Afternoon tea adjournment from 4.47pm to 4.54pm. Mr Bruce Taylor of BevTech Consulting was present when the meeting resumed for the purpose of reporting on the final stage of the feasibility study into the proposed Water Bottling Facility in Bedourie.

Deputation # 2 – MrTaylor

Mr Taylor delivered a presentation on the business and marketing aspects of a proposed Diamantina Springs Water Co.

Attendance

Mr Mason left the meeting at 5.08pm and returned at 5.13pm. Mr Taylor left the meeting at 5.38pm.

6.2(b) Part II – Chief Executive Officer Report

This report was not included in the published agenda. Rather, it was distributed during the meeting.

6. Bitumen and Aggregate Tenders – Nappabillie Creek and Sandhills

Min 2009.7.7

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That council accept the tender submitted by PE and GC Harris for the supply and delivery of cover aggregates for the Nappabillie Creek and Sandhills job, Birdsville for \$175,972.50.

That council accept the tender submitted by Road Surfaces Group to cart, supply, heat and spray bitumen products for Nappabillie Creek and Sandhills, Birdsville for \$165,781.

Carried 4/0.



Attendance

Mr Mason left the meeting at 5.41pm and returned at the same time. Mr Stuart Bourne, Engineer, George Bourne and Associates entered the meeting at 5.42pm for the purpose of delivering his report.

6.4 Director of Works Report

No report submitted – Director of Works, Mr Kevin Barr is on Sick Leave.

6.5 Engineers Report

1. Birdsville and Bedourie Aerodrome Terminal Layout Plans

A late report entitled "Proposed Passenger Terminal Redevelopment – Birdsville & Bedourie Airports" was tabled for Councils consideration. Advice was provided by Council regarding the terminal layout plans for Bedourie and Birdsville Airport terminals.

2. Visits to Shire/Conferences

3. Main Roads Expenditure

4. Main Roads Minor Works Performance Contract Works

5. Birdsville Subdivision

6. Flood Damage Estimates

7. Wirrarri Visitor Information Centre - Birdsville

8. Bedourie Residential Subdivision

9. Natural Disaster Mitigation Program Submissions

10. Road to Recovery

11. Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme

12. Works Program - Two Year Look Ahead

13. Betoota Realignment

14. Black Spot Funding

15. Bedourie Cooling Pond

16. Bedourie and Birdsville Aerodrome Terminal Layouts and Development Plan

Tennis courts and Club House Project

A discussion took place regarding the proposed layout design for the Bedourie Tennis Courts and Club House Project. Councils views were reiterated regarding the location of infrastructure which is that the Club House be located on the western side of the oval, generally centre of the oval and for the Tennis Courts to be positioned north of the Club House. The car parking area will be located south of the Club House. It was agreed that elevations regarding common effluent disposal be considered.



Attendance

Mr Mason left the meeting at 6.41pm and Mr Bourne left the meeting at 6.42pm. Mr Mason returned at 6.42pm in the company of Mr Henry Wallace (Deputy Chief Executive Officer) who was present for the purpose of presenting his report.

6.3 Deputy Chief Executive Officers Report

1. Councillor Computer Training

Advice was provided that councillor's preference is for one-on-one style computer skills training. Printer needs were also identified.

2. Adoption of Council's 2008/2009 Un-Audited Financial Statements

Min 2009.7.8

Moved by Cr Schrader and Seconded by Cr Dare.

That a Special Meeting be held on September 14, 2009 for the purpose of considering the Un-audited Financial Statements for the period July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

Carried 4/0.

3. July, 2009 Financial Report

4. LG Super – "Take Control of Your Super" Seminars

5. 2008/09 Expenditure

6. Internet Usage Fees and Charges

Min 2009.7.9

Moved by Cr Crombie and Cr Gaffney.

That Council amend its 2009/2010 Fees and Charges Register to include the internet usage rates as presented.

NAME	PER	\$ RATE	\$ PER HOUR
15 minute block	15 minute block	2.50	10.00
30 minute block	30 minute block	5.00	10.00
45 minute block	45 minute block	7.50	10.00
1 hour block	1 hour block	10.00	10.00
5 hour block	5 hour Block	20.00	4.00
BYO Computer – 10 hours	10 hours	35.00	3.50

Carried 4/0.

7. Photo Kiosk Fees and Charges

Min 2009.7.10

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That Council amend its 2009/2010 Fees and Charges Register to include the Photo Kiosk rates as presented.



NAME	PER	\$ RATE
<u>6x4 Photos or Index Card</u>		
1-20 photos	Photo	\$0.60
21-50 photos	Photo	\$0.50
51+	Photo	\$0.40
<u>6x8 Photos</u>		
1-20 photos	Photo	\$4.95
21-50 photos	Photo	\$3.95
51+	Photo	\$2.95
<u>8x10 Photos</u>		
1-20 photos	Photo	\$6.95
21-50 photos	Photo	\$5.95
51+	Photo	\$4.95
<u>8x12 Photos</u>		
1-20 photos	Photo	\$8.95
21-50 photos	Photo	\$7.95
51+	Photo	\$6.95
<u>Photos copied to CD or DVD</u>	CD/DVD	\$5.95
(CD/DVD supplied by DSC)		

NAME	PER	\$ RATE
<u>Greeting Cards</u>	Per Card	Photo Price + \$0.20
<u>Calendars</u>		
8x10	Calendar	\$8.95
8x12	Calendar	\$10.95

Carried 4/0.

Attendance

Mr Wallace left the meeting at 7.07pm.

6.6 Tourism and Development Officers Report

Visitor Statistics

- 1. Wirrarri Land Trust**
- 2. Birdsville Airport Management – Birdsville Races**
- 3. Birdsville Races Shuttle Bus**
- 4. Tidy Towns Achievement Awards**
- 5. Q150 Mosaic Project**
- 6. Regional Arts Development Fund**



7. Diamantina Children's Services Program

8. Youth Council

9. Indigenous Business Association

Funding Managers Report

10. Applications for Community Housing

11. Westbuilt Homes

12. Major Housing Improvements – Bedourie and Birdsville from July 1, 2008

13. July, 2009 Events Coordinator Report

14. Australia Day Awards

Min 2009.7.11

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That Diamantina Shire Council conduct Australia Day Awards every second year, the next event being January 26, 2011.

Carried 4/0.

15. Unicom (Control Tower) for Birdsville Races

Min 2009.7.12

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That Diamantina Shire Council accepts the quotation from Integrated Airport Solutions for \$3,366 for the provision of Unicom for airport services at Birdsville during Race Week.

Carried 4/0.

16. Birdsville Hotel Request

Min 2009.7.13

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That pursuant to Section 915(2)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993, that a section of Burt Street, Birdsville be closed, that section being described as from the northern end of the Birdsville Hotel (such that access is permitted to the laneway adjacent Burt Street) across Burt Street to the Airport fence down to the intersection of Adelaide Street (such that normal Adelaide Street traffic remains unimpeded) on Sunday, September 6, 2009 from 7am until midnight for the purpose of operating a wet entertainment area. Further, that music is permissible from 10am until 8pm.

Carried 4/0.

17. Rental Increase – Bond Adjustment

Min 2009.7.14

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Dare.

That Diamantina Shire Council increase rental bonds in line with present day rental charges.

Carried 4/0.



18. Hard to Let Properties

Min 2009.7.15

Moved by Cr Crombie and Seconded by Cr Dare.

That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to make tenancy allocations on 'Hard to Let' community housing.

Carried 4/0.

19. Birdsville Photographic Group – Second Request

Received and noted.

20. Birdsville Races Accommodation

Min 2009.7.16

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That Diamantina Shire Council permit staff assisting with the Birdsville Races to use Unit 1, 21 Gibber Court, Birdsville during the event and if other housing becomes vacant (surplus to Councils needs) that Council make it available to the Birdsville Race Club.

Carried 4/0.

6.6(b) Part II - Tourism and Development Officers Report

21. Birdsville Courthouse Project Research

Attendance

Cr Schrader left the meeting at 7.50pm and returned at 7.52pm.

Min 2009.7.17

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That Diamantina Shire Council support research for the Birdsville Court House project by providing a budget of \$12,000. Further, that Council's 2009/2010 budget be amended during the first quarter review to reflect this decision and to transfer \$5,000 from the Area Promotion budget to pool with additional monies thus creating a \$17,000 budget.

Carried 4/0.

Cr Crombie volunteered her time to peruse old records of Council to identify noteworthy stories to research.

7. Other Minutes

Youth Council Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2009

Min 2009.7.18

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That the Minutes of the Diamantina Shire Council Youth Council Meeting held July 20, 2009 be endorsed subject to permission being obtained from Council regarding the location of proposed barbecue for the Bedourie Caravan Park. Further, that information be provided to Council regarding cost and connection to electricity.

Carried 4/0.



Bedourie Play Group Meeting Minutes – July 29, 2009

Min 2009.7.19

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Schrader.

That the Minutes of the Bedourie Playgroup Meeting held July 28, 2009 be endorsed.
Carried 4/0.

Management Team Meeting Minutes – June 18, 2009

Received and noted.

Foreman's Meeting Minutes – July 3, 2009

Received and noted.

Management Team Meeting Minutes – July 30, 2009

Received and noted.

Regional Arts Development Fund Teleconference Meeting Minutes – August 7, 2009

Min 2009.7.20

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That the Minutes of the Regional Arts Development Fund Meeting held via teleconference on August 7, 2009 be endorsed.

Carried 4/0.

8. Councillors Ideas and Recommendations

Two Boy Dreaming Project

Min 2009.7.21

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Crombie.

That Mr Donald Rowlands be provided with the following support to complete the Two Boys Dreaming cultural project at Birdsville.

- Provision of a contractor to erect hand railing
- Approximately four side tippers of gravel
- Hire of wheeled loader to spread material
- Dry hire of bob cat machine

Further, that the site be made safe enough for people to walk around it prior to the 2009 Birdsville Race Week event and that any earthworks do not alter the flow of bore water to the Billabong. Further, that Council amend its 2009/2010 budget during the first quarter budget review to reflect this decision.

Carried 4/0.

Marion Downs Lookout

Min 2009.7.22

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Gaffney.

That Council seek permission from North Australian Pastoral Company to position a lookout on Marion Downs Station on the escarpment that bounds the eastern side of Bedourie-Boulia Road near the boundary between Diamantina and Boulia Shires, but on the Diamantina side.

Carried 4/0.



Overseer Position

Min 2009.7.23

Moved by Cr Dare and Seconded by Cr Gaffney.

That Council forward a letter of thanks to Sedl Earthmoving Pty Ltd for permitting the secondment of Mr Trevor Stewart to Diamantina Shire Council for up to four months to fulfil the role of Overseer.

Carried 4/0.

Sandringham Stock Water

Cr Schrader advised that a stock water pipe was shut off near Crownwheel on the Bedourie-Boulia Road. It is suspected that this may have been done by Council. The Chief Executive Officer will address the matter.

Wirrarri Visitor Information Centre Opening

Min 2009.7.23

Moved by Cr Gaffney and Seconded by Cr Crombie.


That Council respectfully decline the offer by the Honourable Mr Anthony Albanese MP, Member for Grayndler and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government to open the Extensions to the Wirrarri Visitor Information Centre, Birdsville on September 4, 2009 on the basis that Council's preference is for the opening to not be held in conjunction with the Birdsville Race Week event.

That Council request the Honourable Anna Bligh MP, Premier of Queensland or the Honourable Peter Lawlor MLA, Minister for Tourism and Fair Trading to officially open the Extensions to the Wirrarri Visitor Information Centre, Birdsville.

Carried 4/0.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.37pm.

Minutes confirmed this Twenty-first day of September, 2009.



Cr Robbie Dare
MAYOR