



Confirmed Minutes
Burke Shire Council Ordinary General Meeting
15th February 2012
9.00am Council Chamber

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01. Opening of Meeting

The Chair declared the Meeting open at 9.15am.

02. Present

Cr Annie Clarke, Mayor - Chair
Cr Ernie Camp, Deputy Mayor
Cr Tracy Forshaw
Cr Tonya Murray

John Page, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Deborah Glyde, Acting Corporate and Community Services Manager
Trevor Connors, Acting Works Manager
Madison Marshall, Trainee (Minutes)

Away Cr Bill Olive

03. Prayer

Cr Clarke led Council in Prayer.

04. Consideration of applications for leave of absence

That Council grant leave of absence for Cr Olive.

Moved: Cr Murray
Seconded: Cr Forshaw

Carried 01.120215 4/0

05. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

05.01 General 18th January 2012

That the Minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on '18th January 2012 as presented be confirmed by Council.

Moved: Cr Camp
Seconded: Cr Murray

Carried 02.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/Minutes

06. Condolences

Council notes the passing of Alwyn Hookey and expresses their condolences to the Family.

07 Works and Services Reports

07.01.01 Works and Services Monthly Update Report

1. That council notes the contents of the Works and Services February 2012 Update report.
2. That the A/CEO arranges a meeting between Burke Shire Council and Doomadgee Aboriginal Community Council and Burke Shire Council and MMG to discuss matters pertaining to roads and other matters affecting our region.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 03.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/WM

Attendance

Russell Cunningham; R/WHSO entered the meeting at 9.49am.

07.02.01 Rangers/WHSO Monthly Status Report

That council notes the contents of the Ranger/WHSO February 2012 Update report.

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 04.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/RWHSO

07.02.02 Declaration of Dangerous Dog

That Council authorise the A/CEO to serve a notice on the owner of the dog which was involved in a recent attack to show cause within seven days of receipt of the notice why the dog should not be declared dangerous in accordance with the legislation following the biting of a Council employee.

Moved Cr Clarke
Seconded Cr Forshaw

Carried 05.120215 4/0

FILENO: BCS/L&E/AC

Attendance

Trevor Connors, Acting WM left the meeting at 10.13am.
Trevor Connors, Acting WM entered the meeting at 10.19am.

09.01.09 Burke Shire Council Local Government Stock Route Network Management Plan 2012 to 2016

That Council appoint the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Cr Olive, A/CEO and the R/WHSO as Council's representatives on the Burke Shire Council Local Government Stock Route Network working group

Moved Cr Murray
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 06.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/EM/SRM/BSCLGSRNMP

09.01.10 Burke Shire Council Local Government Stock Route Network Management Plan 2012 to 2016

That Council defer consideration of the Burke Shire Council Local Government Stock Route Network Management Plan 2012 to 2016 and ask the working group to conduct a workshop on the management plan

Moved Cr Clarke
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 07.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/EM/SRM/BSCLGSRNMP

Attendance

Russell Cunningham; R/WHSO left the meeting at 10.25am.
Cr Clarke left the meeting at 10.26am. Cr Camp assumed chair.
Cr Clarke entered the meeting at 10.28am and resumed chair.
John Page; A/CEO left the meeting at 10.28am
John Page; A/CEO entered the meeting at 10.31am

08 Corporate and Community Services Reports

08.01.01 Acting Corporate and Community Services Manager Monthly Update Report

That Council notes the contents of the Acting Corporate and Community Services Managers January 2012 Monthly Update Report.

Moved Cr Murray
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 08.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/CCSM

08.01.02 Donation request

Council approves the in-kind donation of \$500 towards the landscaping of the new Primary Health Care building.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 09.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/CR/S/D 2011-12

08.01.03 Internet and Computer Usage Policy

Council adopts the Internet and Computer Usage Policy as presented.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 10.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/P&P/P

Attendance

Hayley Booth; PHR entered the meeting at 10.44am.

08.02.01 Home and Community Care Monthly Update Report

That Council notes the contents of the Home and Community Care Team Leader Officers February Monthly Update Report.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 11.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/CommS/HACC/CR

08.02.02 Payroll HR Monthly Update Report

That Council notes the contents of the Payroll HR Officer's February 2012 Monthly Update Report.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 12.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/PHR

Attendance

Hayley Booth; PHR left the meeting at 10.56am

Adjournment

That Council adjourn the proceedings of standing orders at 11.10am for Morning Tea.

Resume Proceedings

That Council resume proceeding of standing orders at 11.20am.

08.02.03 Burke Shire Council Monthly Cemeteries Report

That Council notes the contents of Trainee Burke Shire Council Monthly Cemeteries Report update.

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Clarke

Carried 13.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/RPO

08.02.04 Community Officer Monthly Council Report

That Council notes the contents of the Community Officer January Monthly Update Report.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 14.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/CO

Note: The Mayor expressed appreciation to Cr Camp and Cr Murray as well Council staff for their involvement in the Australia Day celebrations. The positive comments and feedback by Ms Alison Alexander who expressed her appreciation of the experiences provided to her were well received and noted within the community. The community's appreciation for Alison Alexander's attendance as Ambassador be recognised.

Attendance

Cr Clarke relinquished the chair at 11.45am to allow Cr Camp to make a presentation to Cr Clarke of her Community Champion Award in conjunction with Australia Day.
Cr Clarke assumed the chair at 11.47am.

09 Chief Executive Officer Reports

09.01.05 Queensland Reconstruction Authority Audit 2010 and 2011 Flood Damage Works

That the report of the visit of the Queensland Reconstruction Authority Auditors be received and noted.

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Forshaw

Carried 15.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/EmergM/QRA

Attendance

Cr Murray left the meeting at 12.16pm
Trevor Connors, Acting WM left the meeting at 12.17pm
Cr Murray entered the meeting at 12.18pm

09.01.01 Chief Executive Officer Monthly Update Report

That council notes the contents of the Acting Chief Executive Officer February 2012 Monthly Update Report and endorses the actions of the Mayor in authorising the A/CEO in applying for an extension for the presentation of the 2010/2011 financial statements and adoption of the annual report 2010/2011 to the 13th April 2012.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 16.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/CM/R/CEO

09.01.02 2012 National General Assembly of Local Government – Call for Motions

That Council submits the following Motions for consideration at the 2012 National General Assembly of Local Government in Canberra on 17 to 29 June 2012 and North Queensland Local Government Association Conference:

1. That the Australian Local Government Association be requested to write to the Federal Minister for Resources and Energy Hon Martin Ferguson MP and the Federal Minister for Regional Development Hon Simon Crean MP for the introduction of a Policy on Solar Electricity Rebates in remote areas not connected to the grid;
2. That the Australian Local Government Association write to the Federal Treasurer Hon Wayne Swan Mp, Federal Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities Hon Tony Bourke MP, Federal Minister for Finance and Deregulation Senator Hon Penny Wong seeking a policy on the introduction of a 10c per container rebate system such as in South Australia and Northern Territory to overcome littering in our communities as well as the effect on landfill sites.

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Forshaw

Carried 17.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/E/SP/S and BCS/WasteM/R

09.01.03 Delegation to Acting Works Manager

That Council delegate authority to Mr Trevor Connors, Acting Works Manager to sign requisitions up to a value of \$50,000 providing such funds are contained in the current year's budget.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 18.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/Per/A/D

Adjournment

That Council adjourn the proceedings of standing orders at 12.35pm for Lunch.

Resume Proceedings

That Council resume proceedings of standing orders at 1.46pm. Cr Camp assumed chair at 1.46pm.

09.01.04 Land Use Study for Burketown and Gregory

That subject to funding being available Council engage the services of Planning Far North Queensland Pty Ltd to undertake a Land Use Study as contained in their proposal.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Clarke

Carried 19.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/LUP/Plan/PS

09.01.06 Shire Hall Musgrave Street Burketown

That Council carries out an inspection of the Shire Hall and provides direction on this matter.

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Forshaw

Carried 20.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/CP/SB/BSHB/M

Attendance

Deborah Glyde, Acting CCSM left the meeting at 2.07pm

09.01.07 Tender 11-33 Lease of land Lot 46 B1364 Musgrave Street Burketown.

That Council not accept the tender of G and R Wade for the lease of lot 46 B1364 and authorise the A/CEO to negotiate with G and R Wade in accordance with the terms and conditions discussed by Council.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 21.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/TAQ/2011/11-33

09.01.08 Report on Assessment of Progress of Implementation of the Operational Plan 2011/2012

That Council receives and note the contents of the Acting Chief Executive Officers Assessment on the progress towards the implementation of Council's Operational Plan.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Clarke

Carried 22.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/CorM/Plan/OP

10 Consideration of committee recommendations

Council noted that no committee recommendations were received.

Attendance

Rob Macalister entered the meeting at 2.16pm.

17 Deputations and presentation scheduled for meeting

Council notes presentation received from Rob Macalister, CEO Gulf Savannah Development.

Attendance

Deborah Glyde, Acting CCSM entered the meeting at 2.18pm.

Trevor Connors, Acting WM entered the meeting at 2.36pm.

Rob Macalister left the meeting at 2.42pm.

11 Late Item Reports

11.01.01 Council Remuneration

That Council write a letter of support to McKinlay Shire Council supporting their proposal in relation to Category One Councillor Remuneration and a copy be sent to the Remuneration Tribunal, the Minister for Local Government, LGAQ and Category One Councils.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 23.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/C/CA

11.01.02 Council Remuneration

That Council request the Remuneration Tribunal to increase the Category One Councillor Remuneration to 16% of the reference rate.

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Clarke

Carried 24.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/G/C/CA

11.01.03 Retransmission of Digital Television Services

That Council call for expressions of interest for the necessary infrastructure for the retransmission of digital television services within the townships of Burke Shire area.

Moved Cr Murray
Seconded Cr Clarke

Carried 25.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/T/TTF/DU

12 Consideration of Notice(s) of Motion and Petitions

12.01 Notices of Motion

12.02 Petitions

That Council notes that no Notice(s) of Motion and Petitions were received.

14 Councillor Reports

That Council note the verbal reports provided by Councillors Forshaw, Murray and Camp as attached.

Moved: Cr Murray
Seconded: Cr Forshaw

Carried 26.120215 4/0

Cr Tracy Forshaw

Spent Australia Day on the Strand in Townsville
RDA members
Met the new school teacher at Gregory

Cr Tonya Murray

Spent some time showing the Australia Day Ambassador, Alison Alexander around
Attended Australia Day celebrations in Burketown
SIA trust fund meeting coming up at MMG
Sent an email to MMG about the contaminated diesel
Approached by Matt from the pub regarding security

Cr Ernie Camp

I have attended the following functions/meetings on behalf of Council:

AUSTRALIA DAY

I attended the Australia Day celebrations in Burketown and also, along with my family, went to dinner with Allison Alexander and Jenny Williams at the Pub that evening.

There was a good number in attendance and despite the wet weather all enjoyed a day of fun events, eating a lovely lunch and the entries in the lamington and sponge cake bake off and testing their knowledge in the quiz. Many entries were received in the colouring competition and there were several entries in the bakeoff.

Allison gave a lovely speech and I was honoured to present her with a badge as the Australia Day Ambassador for Burke Shire.

I also had the privilege of presenting awards to Cheryl Portch (for Citizen of the Year), Tyrone Cooling and Dyneika Taylor (for Junior Citizen and Encouragement Award for Junior Citizen) as well as an Award for Community Champion to Annie Clarke, Local Hero Award to

Laurie Portch and Community Event of the Year to Burke Shire for the Xmas in the Park event.

Thank you to all staff and volunteers who helped make a great day out for the community. We also hosted Allison to an afternoon tea and fishing down at the River at Floraville . She also got quite a lesson in poultry from Zara.

Thanks to Tonya for playing hostess (along with the unofficial hostess - Hahli) to Allison for the few days she was here. Allison is a food fellow for Qld - promoting healthy food, regional produce and healthy eating – and on behalf of Council; I stated that Council, if possible, would look forward to working with her on mutually beneficial projects that could help the community.

ERGON ENERGY

I attended a meeting with Ergon reps in Burketown at which we discussed emerging needs for electricity in the Shire and raised again the need for electricity for Gregory.

PHONE MEETINGS

I attended two teleconferences, along with Mayor and relevant staff, one with Auditors and the other to discuss TIDS funding.

13 Mayoral Minute and Report

That the written report provided by Councillor Clarke be noted by Council.

Moved: Cr Camp
Seconded: Cr Murray

Carried 27.120215 4/0

Cr Annie Clarke

Daily conversations with ACEO re local processes, staff matters including staffing levels, audit matters, EB discussions, actions re misrepresentation of Council resolutions in Community

Community enquiries: Australia Day Packs for wider community, differential in rating categories, larger bin capacities for businesses needing them e.g. skips; Opening of the new Burketown Clinic, April dates

Jan 18: QRA handling internal engineering audit

Feb 2: Teleconference with D.M. Cr Camp, ACEO, Roads Foreman JY, Col Baker, CCSM Debbie Glyde re TIDS reallocation with RRG.

Trevor Connors and Debbie Glyde to attend RRG meeting this Friday.
SGC

Resolutions: re

- Carbon Farming opportunities
- Local Member Betty Kiernan visit March 14
- Housing forum Dept of Communities: March 14, land tenure including state owned blocks, Dept negating their responsibility, cost comparison council v private owner, bank lending requirements, eligibility build in a capacity for remoteness, Diamantina Council Report Debbie, home ownership particularly long term residents
- Abattoir study Cloncurry 22 Feb
- International Women's Day invitation by the Governor March 8
- Gregory Matters
- Alcohol management
- Invitation to all State nominees to a reception in Burke shire
- MITEZ 27/28 Feb Charters Towers

13.01.01 Reception for Mrs Betty Kiernan, Member for Mount Isa

That Council host a small reception on the 14th March 2012 for the local member Mrs Betty Kiernan in conjunction with her visit on that day.

Moved Cr Forshaw
Seconded Cr Camp

Carried 28.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/GR/SL/LM

13.01.02 Invitation to candidates

That Council extend an invitation to the candidates for the seat of Mount Isa to attend a small reception hosted by Burke Shire and suggest that the dates of 20th and 21st March would see Council meeting in Burketown.

Moved Cr Clarke
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 29.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/GR/SL/OM

Attendance

John Page, A/CEO left the meeting at 4.05pm.

John Page, A/CEO entered the meeting at 4.09pm.

15 New Business of an Urgent Nature admitted by Council

Council notes that there was no New Business of an Urgent Nature

Attendance

Trevor Connors, Acting WM left the meeting at 4.47pm.

Madison Marshall, Trainee left the meeting at 4.47pm.

Adjournment

That Council adjourn the proceedings of standing orders at 4.48pm.

Resume Proceedings

That Council resume proceedings of standing orders at 4.58pm.

16 Closed Session Reports

That Council move into closed session to discuss confidential items as stated in the *Local Government (Operations) Regulation 2010* in Chapter 5 Administration, Part 2 Local government meetings and committees, under *Sections 72 (1)(d)*.

Council moved into closed session at 5.00pm

Moved Cr Murray
Seconded Cr Forshaw

Carried 30.120215 4/0

Move into Open Session

That the meeting resume in open session to consider recommendations arising out of the closed session.

Council resumed open session at 6.35pm

Moved Cr Camp
Seconded Cr Murray

Carried 31.120215 4/0

Attendance

Cr Clarke assumed the chair at 6.36pm.

16.01.01 Closed Session - Proposed Sale of Residential Blocks Burketown

That council offer a rate concession of general rates under s 54 (1)(d) of the Finance Plans and Reporting Regulations for two years providing a residence is constructed and owner occupied within three years of purchase of the land.

Moved: Cr Clarke
Seconded: Cr Forshaw

Carried 32.120215 4/0

FILE NO: BCS/CP/VLS

18. Closure of Meeting

The Chair declared the Meeting closed at 6.40pm.

I hereby certify that these pages numbered 1 to 13 - constitute the
Confirmed minutes of the Council Meeting of
Burke Shire Council held on
Wednesday 15th February 2012

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MAYOR