MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 145 YOUNG STREET, AYR

on 13 May 2014

COMMENCING AT 9:00AM

BURDEKIN SHIRE COUNCIL



TUESDAY 13 MAY 2014

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ATTENDANCE

Councillors W.C. Lowis (Mayor), R.H. Lewis (Deputy Mayor), L.D. McCathie, L. Loizou, U.E. Liessmann, P.M. Dalle Cort and E.J. Bawden

Mr. M. Magin - Chief Executive Officer

Mr. D.P. Mulcahy - Director Corporate and Community Services

Mr. S. Great - Manager Planning and Development

Mrs. B. Whitworth - Manager Environment and Health

Mr. W. Saldumbide - Manager Operations

Mr. K. Byers - Manager Technical Services

Mrs. K. Olsen – Manager Financial Services

Minutes Clerk - Mrs. J. Thomasson

Apologies: Mr. T.G. Williams

1 PRAYER

The meeting prayer was delivered by Pastor Andrew Ballin of the Baptist Church.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor called for declarations of interest.

Councillor Lewis declared a material personal interest in respect of agenda item 5.1 as he is a partner in BQC Quarries, a tenderer for the Supply and Delivery of Stone Products.

Council Meeting closed to Public under Section 275 of Local Government Regulation 2012

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor McCathie that the Council meeting be closed to the public under the following sections of the Local Government Regulation 2012:

275(1)(f) starting or defending legal proceedings involving it;

for the purpose of discussing a current legal matter.

Council Meeting opened to Public

Resolution

Moved Councillor Lewis, seconded Councillor McCathie that the Council meeting be opened to the public.

CARRIED

2.1 CEO Authorised to Attend Mediation - Planning and Environment Court Appeal No. 56 of 2014

Resolution

Moved Councillor Lewis, seconded Councillor Loizou that Council resolves to authorise its Chief Executive Officer to attend and participate in a mediation for Planning and Environment Court Appeal No. 56 of 2014 ("the Proceeding"), and to make all decisions on behalf of Council that are necessary, reasonable or appropriate in relation to the Proceeding, including and decision to resolve or settle the Proceeding subject to any conditions or terms that the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate, or any decisions to progress the Proceeding to a hearing in the Planning and Environment Court in circumstances the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate.

CARRIED

3 MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes - 22 April 2014

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 April 2014 be received as a true and correct record.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor Liessmann that the recommendation be adopted.

4 REPORTS

4.1 Second Amended Budget for 2013/14

Executive Summary

In accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 and the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council may, by resolution, amend the budget for a financial year at any time before the end of the financial year.

Management have completed a review of the 2013/14 Budget based on results to the end of March and estimated transactions for the remainder of the financial year.

A second amended budget for the 2013/14 financial year is submitted for adoption.

Recommendation

That the amended budget and report for the period ending 30th June, 2014 as tabled be adopted.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Lewis, seconded Councillor McCathie that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

5 ENVIRONMENT & OPERATIONS

5.1 Annual Tenders for Period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015

Councillor Lewis declared a material personal interest in respect of agenda item 5.1 as he is a partner in BQC Quarries, a tenderer for the Supply and Delivery of Stone Products, and he left the meeting.

Executive Summary

Annual Tenders as listed below were called in the Ayr Advocate and Townsville Bulletin on Friday 21 and Saturday 22 March, 2014 respectively.

Recommendation

That Council accepts tenders as follows:

(1) TBSC/14/003 – Supply & Delivery of Bitumen, Bitumen Emulsion, Premix & Asphalt Products – 2014/2015

It is recommended that Council accept the tenders from Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd, Rock n Road Bitumen Pty Ltd and Boral Resources Qld Pty Ltd due to variation of prices and product as well as availability of supplier when required by council. Authorised Requisitioning Officers are to choose the most advantageous supplier at time of ordering.

(2) TBSC/14/004 – Supply & Delivery of Stone Products – 2014/2015

It is recommended that Council accept tenders from both BQC Quarries and Gromac Quarries as there could be a cost saving to council depending on delivery locations. Authorised Requisitioning Officers are to choose the most advantageous supplier at time of ordering.

(3) TBSC/14/005 - Supply & Delivery of Bulk Fuels - 2014/2015

It is recommended that Council accept tenders from both Puma Energy and Malpass Enterprises based on availability and the price most advantageous to Council.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor Liessmann that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Councillor Lewis returned to the meeting.

5.2 Rescission of Policies [RB023] and [RB025]

Executive Summary

Council adopted a new Tree Policy on 26 March 2014. Council has two other documents listed in our policy register which have now become obsolete due to the adoption of the new Tree Policy. The "Guideline for planting of trees on rural road reserves" [RB023] and the "Landscaping standards for new roundabouts" [RB025] are now no longer needed. Neither of these documents meets our current policy standards. Any relevant operational information contained within the old policies will be transferred into procedure documents for operational use.

Recommendation

That Council rescinds policies [RB023] Guideline for planting of trees on rural road reserves and [RB025] Landscaping standards for new roundabouts

Resolution

Moved Councillor Bawden, seconded Councillor Dalle Cort that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

6 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

7 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

7.1 Nomination - Mr. T. Williams Emergency Management Assurance Framework Workshop - 13 to 15 May, 2014 - Brisbane

Council resolved to congratulate Mr. Trevor Williams, Local Disaster Co-ordinator, on his nomination to attend the Emergency Management Assurance Framework Workshop in Brisbane from 13 to 15 May, 2014.

8 NOTICES OF MOTION

9 URGENT BUSINESS

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Leave of Absence - Councillor Liessmann

Resolution

Moved Councillor Liessmann, seconded Councillor Loizou that Councillor Liessmann be granted a leave of absence from 13 July to 23 July 2014.

CARRIED

10.2 Leave of Absence - Councillor Loizou

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor Bawden that Councillor Loizou be granted a leave of absence from 20 to 22 May, 2014 to attend a State Conference of the Community Bank.

10.3 Letter of Support - Canegrowers Burdekin - Request for Irrigation Tariffs to be Reduced by 33 Percent

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor Bawden that Council send a letter of support to Canegrowers in relation to their submission to Ergon and the State Government to implement a 33% reduction in irrigation tariffs for 2014/2015.

CARRIED

10.4 Leave of Absence - Councillor Lewis

Resolution

Moved Councillor Lewis, seconded Councillor Bawden that Councillor Lewis be granted a leave of absence from 1 September to 4 October, 2014.

CARRIED

10.5 Leave of Absence - Councillor Liessmann

Resolution

Moved Councillor Liessmann, seconded Councillor Bawden that Councillor Liessmann be granted a leave of absence from 11 to 22 October, 2014.

CARRIED

10.6 Fees and Charges - Inventory Culverts

Resolution

Moved Councillor Liessmann, seconded Councillor Bawden that Council agrees to include a new fee for the sale of Inventory Culverts at cost price in the 2013/14 Fees and Charges.

CARRIED

10.7 Reissue of Standard Aerodrome Lease - Neil Hoffensetz - Ayr Aerodrome

Resolution

Moved Councillor Lewis, seconded Councillor McCathie that Council approves the reissue of a standard aerodrome lease to Neil Hoffensetz at the Ayr Aerodrome over Lease G in Lot 106 on RP898777 under the following terms:

- Commencement date 1st July 2014;
- Term of Lease 5 years with a 5 year option;
- First year rental to be in accordance with Council's fees and charges and subsequent year rentals to be increased by 5% per annum.

CARRIFD

10.8 Additional Parking - Railway Street, Ayr

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor Bawden that Council approve the proposed layout amended to include a total of five parking bays in Railway Street, Ayr between Queen and Graham Streets.

CARRIED

10.9 Media and Communication Officer

Resolution

Moved Councillor Loizou, seconded Councillor Lewis that Council accepts the position description of Media and Communication Officer.

CARRIED

Councillor Liessmann and Councillor Bawden voted against the motion.

10.10 Recommendations - Energy Audit on Council Buildings - Tropical Energy Solutions

Resolution

Moved Councillor McCathie, seconded Councillor Liessmann that Council proceed with non cost recommendations resulting from the energy audit conducted by Tropical Energy Solutions.

11 CLOSED MEETING ITEMS

9:00am Briefing by Moya Steele from MacDonnells Law on a current legal matter.

12 DELEGATIONS

12:00 noon Representatives from Tropical Energy Solutions to address Council on findings from the Energy Audit carried out on Council buildings – Mr. Frank Dallmeyer and Mr. Mark Lewis.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2:10pm.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 May, 2014.

MAYOR