



BURDEKIN SHIRE COUNCIL



MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

**HELD AT COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
145 YOUNG STREET, AYR**

on 26 April 2016

COMMENCING AT 9:00AM



TUESDAY 26 APRIL 2016

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ATTENDANCE

Councillors L.A. McLaughlin (Mayor), J.F. Woods (Deputy Mayor), E.J. Bawden, J.T. Bonanno, A.J. Goddard, U.E. Liessmann and S.P. Perry.

Mr. M. Magin - Chief Executive Officer
Mr. D. Mulcahy – Manager Governance and Local Laws
Mr. S. Great - Manager Planning and Development
Mr. T. Vaccaro – Manager Community Development
Mr. A. Scott – Manager Economic Development
Mrs. K. Olsen - Manager Financial and Administrative Services
Mr. W. Saldumbide - Manager Operations
Mr. K. Byers - Manager Technical Services
Mrs. E. Robinson – Manager Client Services

Minutes Clerk – Miss S. Cronin

1 PRAYER

The meeting prayer was delivered by Pastor Luke Stuart of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Mayor called for declarations of interest.

Councillor Perry declared a conflict of interest in respect of item 11.1 as the community may perceive her having a conflict of interest as she is a volunteer and a referee on a weekly basis however Councillor Perry is of the opinion she is able to vote in the best interest of the public.

Councillor Bonanno declared a conflict of interest in respect of item 11.1 as the community may perceive him having a conflict of interest as he is a coach, a volunteer and a member of the senior playing group. Councillor Bonanno is of the opinion he is able to vote in the best interest of the public.

3 MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Minutes - Ordinary Council Meeting - 19 April 2016

Recommendation

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 April 2016 be received as a true and correct record.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Councillor Woods, seconded Councillor Goddard that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

4 REPORTS

4.1 Capital Projects Monthly Report for Period Ending 31 March 2016

Recommendation

That the Capital Projects Monthly Report for Period Ending 31 March 2016 be received.

Resolution

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

CARRIED

4.2 Operating Statement for Period Ending 31 March 2016

Recommendation

That the Operating Statement for the period ending 31 March 2016 be received.

Resolution

Moved Councillor Bonanno, seconded Councillor Perry that the recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

5 GOVERNANCE & LOCAL LAWS

5.1 Ayr Pool Refurbishment

Mr. Mulcahy presented an update on the Ayr Pool refurbishment. Further discussions are to be held considering the original concepts and also the concept plans for the adjoining old junior soccer grounds and a separate indication and estimate to upgrade the existing 50m pool to sustain its future.

5.2 Rubbish Removal at Boat Ramps

Mr. Mulchay provided an update on the history of the bulk bin removal at boat ramps. Further information is to be brought back to Council for further discussions.

6 CLIENT SERVICES

7 FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

7.1 Presentation - Administration and Records Co-ordinator

Mrs. Jacqui Thomasson, Administration and Records Co-ordinator gave a presentation on record keeping and Councillors responsibility with regards to handling corporate records.

8 OPERATIONS

8.1 Concrete Crossovers - Porter and Mackersie Streets, Ayr

Discussions were held on requests for completion of concrete crossovers at Porter and Mackersie Streets, Ayr noting that Councillor Liessmann left the meeting for a brief time during these discussions.

Moved Councillor Bawden, seconded Councillor Perry that Council complete the concrete crossovers at 4 Porter, 6 Porter, 6-8 Mackersie and 16 Mackersie Streets to the estimated value of \$5,592.40.

FOR: Councillor Goddard, Liessmann, Perry and Bawden

AGAINST: Councillors Woods, Bonanno and McLaughlin

CARRIED

8.2 Coutts Park Play Equipment Upgrade

Discussions were held on the upgrade of Coutts Park play equipment.

Moved Councillor Liessmann, seconded Councillor Woods that Council endorses Option 4 as the preferred option for playground equipment upgrades and accepts the quotation of Urban Play Pty. Ltd. for the sum of \$87,686.50 including GST. for the Supply and Installation of Playground Equipment in Coutts Park, Ayr.

CARRIED

8.3 Mowing of Footpath - Ayr State School

Discussions regarding mowing the footpath surrounding Ayr State School.

Moved Councillor Bawden, seconded Councillor Liessmann that Council supports the request to mow the footpath at Ayr State School on a 'one off' basis noting that this footpath is regularly used by the community to access the CBD area.

CARRIED

9 TECHNICAL SERVICES

10 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

11 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

11.1 Request for Community Assistance - Burdekin Amateur Basketball Inc.

Councillor Perry declared a conflict of interest in respect of this item as the community may perceive her having a conflict of interest as she is a volunteer and a referee on a weekly basis however Councillor Perry is of the opinion she is able to vote in the best interest of the public and remained in the meeting.

Councillor Bonanno declared a conflict of interest in respect of this item as the community may perceive him having a conflict of interest as he is a coach, a volunteer and a member of the senior playing group. Councillor Bonanno is of the opinion he is able to vote in the best interest of the public and remained in the meeting.

Discussions were held regarding the request from Burdekin Amateur Basketball Inc. for community assistance.

Moved Councillor Woods, seconded Councillor Bawden that Council offers an interest free loan of \$250,000.00 to Burdekin Amateur Basketball Incorporated for the purpose of assisting in funding to construct a multi-purpose outdoor stadium in the current location of the outdoor courts.

CARRIED

11.2 Increase Interest Free Fund

Resolution

Moved Councillor Woods, seconded Councillor Bonanno that Council increases the interest free fund to support community development to \$650,000.00.

CARRIED

12 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

13 NOTICES OF MOTION

14 CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

14.1 Nominated Sites for Telstra 4G Small Cells

Resolution

Moved Councillor Liessmann, seconded Councillor Bawden that Council resolves to apply for Telstra 4G Small Cells to be located at Alva, Ayr, Clare, Millaroo, Groper Creek, Home Hill and Inkerman following investigations to locate the black spots.

CARRIED

15 GENERAL BUSINESS

15.1 Leave of Absence - Councillor Goddard

Resolution

Moved Councillor Woods, seconded Councillor Perry that Council approves Councillor Goddard's leave of absence for the following dates:

1. Friday 29 April 2016 to Friday 20 May 2016 inclusive; and
2. Friday 27 May 2016 to Friday 3 June 2016 inclusive.

CARRIED

15.2 Mowing of Ayr Cemetery

Councillor Woods passed on congratulations to Mr. Saldumbide and Council staff for the quick response to a customer request in mowing around the Ayr Cemetery as requested.

15.3 Footpath/Bikeway - Seventh Avenue, Home Hill

Resolution

Moved Councillor Liessmann, seconded Councillor Bonanno that a footpath or bikeway be listed for budget consideration on Seventh Avenue, Home Hill from Sixth Street to Milburn Road.

CARRIED

16 CLOSED MEETING ITEMS

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

Resolution

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

- 275(1)(c) the local government's budget;
- 275(1)(g) any action to be taken by the local government under the Planning Act, including deciding applications made to it under the Act.

For the purpose of discussing:

1. Update on Ayr Industrial Estate
2. List of Major Projects
3. Budget Discussions

CARRIED

Council Meeting opened to Public

Resolution

Moved Councillor Perry, seconded Councillor Liessmann that the Council meeting be opened to the public.

CARRIED

17 DELEGATIONS

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.10pm.

These minutes were confirmed by Council at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 3 May 2016.

MAYOR

