

1. Attendees

Councillors Cr RL Chambers, Mayor
 Cr FO Whelan, Deputy Mayor
 Cr BJ Zahl
 Cr RP Radel
 Cr WJ Bowen
 Cr PW Lobegeier
 Cr PF Webster

Officers Chief Executive Officer, MJP Pitt
 Deputy Chief Executive Officer, D Wiskar
 General Manager of Engineering and Environmental Services, B Pearce
 Executive Assistant, NJ Zillman

2. Welcome

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:03am and welcomed all attendees.

3. Apologies

Nil Apologies.

4. Declarations of Interest

The Chief Executive Officer, MJP Pitt declared a conflict of interest in Agenda Item 9.5 Arts and Cultural Development RADF due to a family member application.

Cr RP Radel declared a perceived conflict of interest in Agenda Item 9.5 Arts and Cultural Development RADF (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to membership with an applicant of RADF and proposed to exclude himself from the meeting while this matter is debated and the vote is taken.

5. Deputations

5.1 Mr Tom Marinucci

Council will make time available at each General Meeting for public questions/ representations. This is an opportunity for members of the public to make a representation on a matter in which they have an interest on an item which is before the Council for decision e.g. development applications. Other than with approval of the Mayor, individuals will not be allowed to address Council on agenda related matters at any other time during the meeting. Public Question and Statements Time will commence at 9:30am.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 03 – March – General Meeting – Minutes – Biggenden – 150317

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr FO Whelan seconded: That the minutes of the General Meeting held in Biggenden on 15 March 2017, appearing on pages 034-041 of the minute book be adopted.

CARRIED 7/0

6.2 04 – April – Technical Services – Minutes – Monto – 050417

Cr WJ Bowen moved and Cr PF Webster seconded: That the minutes of the Technical Services held in Monto on 05 April 2017, appearing on pages 044-046 of the minute book be adopted. **CARRIED 7/0**

6.3 04 – April – Policy and Planning Meeting – Minutes – Monto – 050417

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr FO Whelan seconded: That the minutes of the Policy and Planning meeting held in Monto on 05 April 2017, appearing on pages 047-048 of the minute book be adopted. **CARRIED 7/0**

7. Governance Reports

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That Council endorse the actions of the Chief Executive Officer in contacting the Department of Transport and Main Roads request a minimum of 40km speed limitation and dust suppression for trucks travelling from Booyal Quarry on the Monto – Perry Road to a work site on the Burnett Highway. **CARRIED 7/0**

7.1 Councillor Portfolio Committee Meeting Minutes

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That the Minutes of the Works and Environmental Services Portfolio Meetings be received, contents noted and recommendations as amended be endorsed. **CARRIED 7/0**

7.2 Contact Centre Update

Cr BJ Zahl moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That the Contact Centre Report be received as information and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

Resolved: Councillors attend the Call Centre to gain a greater understanding of the centre, its role and actions.

7.3 Customer Service Update

Cr BJ Zahl moved and Cr PF Webster seconded: That the Customer Service Quarterly Report be received as information and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

7.4 Library Quarterly Update

Cr RP Radel moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That the Library Quarterly Update report be received as information and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

7.5 Industrial Relations Act 2016 Update

Cr WJ Bowen moved and Cr BJ Zahl seconded: That the Industrial Relations Act 2016 Update report as presented be received for information and further, CEO Mark Pitt advise LGAQ of relevant staff attendance at future Industrial Relations Act 2016 briefing sessions. **CARRIED 7/0**

A discussion was held on the external workforce leave over the Easter holiday period, the framework of industrial relations in which Council's workforce operators and common community myths in regards to the workforce and entitlements with the Chief Executive Officer to provide a briefing paper to Councillors with information that will allow them to respond better to community enquiries.

Mr Tom Marinucci entered the meeting at 9:53am and presented Council with his concerns on the current tourist and itinerant accommodation operations in the region, specifically Gayndah, Monto and Biggenden.

Mr Marinucci withdrew from the meeting at 10:22am.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:22am and resumed at 11:02am.

7.6 2017 National Assembly of Local Government Call for Motions

Cr RP Radel moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That North Burnett Regional Council submits the following resolutions to the National General Assembly of Local Government:

Drought to be declared as a Natural Disaster (Resolution no. 123-03-2017)

Time frame NDRRA

Support for NDRRA proposed upfront model 2018

Depreciation

Aged Care / NDIS

Weather conditions and interference with weather patterns

7.7 March Financial Report

Cr WJ Bowen moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That the Financial Report for March as presented be received and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

7.8 Q2 Budget Review

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr BJ Zahl seconded: That the North Burnett Regional Council 2016-17 Amended Budget Statements including:

-Statement of Comprehensive Income & Long Term Forecast

-Balance Sheet & Long Term Forecast

-Cash Flow Statement & Long Term Forecast

-Statement of Changes in Equity & Long Term Forecast

-Financial Sustainability Ratios

-Rate & Utility Charges analysis

-Debt Policy 106

be adopted. **CARRIED 7/0**

8. Economic Reports

8.1 March Development and Compliance Statistics

Cr PF Webster moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That the Development and Compliance Statistics for March as presented be received and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

8.2 Q2 Caravan and Camping Report

Cr PF Webster moved and Cr BJ Zahl seconded: That the Quarter 3 Caravan and Camping Report be received as information and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

8.3 Royalties for Regions EOI

Cr BJ Zahl moved and Cr RP Radel seconded:

- 1) The Royalties for Regions - EOI report as presented be received.
- 2) Council submit an Expression of Interest for the following projects:
 - Biggenden Wash-down Bay
 - Biggenden Water
 - Monto Mt Perry Road
 - Boyne River Bridge
 - Gayndah Mt Perry Road
 - Solar Energy for Council facilities

CARRIED 7/0

9. Social Reports

9.1 Three Moon Historical and Cultural Complex Minutes

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr BJ Zahl seconded: That Council receives the Three Moon Historical and Cultural Complex report as information and the minutes from the meeting held on 6th March 2017 as presented be adopted.

CARRIED 7/0

9.2 Social Cohesion Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Cr moved and Cr seconded:

1. That the Social Cohesion Steering Committee report be received as information;
2. That the minutes from the meetings held on 27th of February 2017 - Gayndah, 1st of March 2017 - Monto, 7th of March 2017 - Mundubbera as amended be adopted;
3. That the action items identified at the meeting be endorsed and tasked to the Community Development Team.

CARRIED 7/0

9.3 AGFutures Innovation and Investment Conference

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr RP Radel seconded:

- a) That Council plans and develops a suitable economic and tourism trade stand for use at future conferences, utilising a portion of the TC Marcia Funding;
- b) That Council, in partnership with North Burnett Agricultural organisations, applies for a NBRC stand at the TropAg 2017 international conference (20th – 22nd November 2017) to promote investment opportunities found in the North Burnett; and
- c) That Council incorporates an Agricultural resource component in the Portfolio Task “Online Investment Statement”, similar to the Logan Office of Economic Development’s Business Support.

CARRIED 7/0

9.4 2017 Queensland Women’s Week Report

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr FO Whelan seconded: That the 2017 Queensland Women’s Week Report as presented be received as information.

CARRIED 7/0

The Chief Executive Officer, MJP Pitt, Cr RP Radel and Cr PW Lobegeier withdrew from the meeting at 12:09pm.

Cr PW Lobegeier declared a perceived conflict of interest in Agenda Item 9.5 Arts and Cultural Development RADF (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to membership with an applicant of RADF and proposed to exclude himself from the meeting while this matter is debated and the vote is taken.

9.5 Arts and Cultural Development RADF

Cr FO Whelan moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That Council receives the information presented and ratifies the report. **CARRIED 5/0**

The Chief Executive Officer, Cr RP Radel and Cr PW Lobegeier re-entered the meeting at 12:15pm.

Cr WJ Bowen moved and Cr FO Whelan seconded:

1. That Council maintains its current contribution of \$45,000 towards the RADF program for the 2017-2018 year; and
2. That Council agrees to acknowledge the contribution of the late Shelley Kelly by naming the Mt Perry Gallery Room "The Shelley Kelly Gallery". **CARRIED 7/0**

9.6 Mundubbera Regional Art Gallery Advisory Committee

Cr RP Radel moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That Council receives the Mundubbera Regional Art Gallery report as information and the minutes from the meeting held on 6th February 2017 as presented be adopted.

Further, that the Deputy Chief Executive Officer follow-up on the operation of the Gallery humidifier. **CARRIED 7/0**

10. Councillor Reports

Cr WJ Bowen moved and Cr Radel seconded: That the Councillor Reports are received for information and the contents noted. **CARRIED 7/0**

11. Confidential Reports

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That in accordance with Section 275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be closed to the public to allow discussion regarding other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain financial advantage. **CARRIED 7/0**

Cr RP Radel moved and Cr WJ Bowen seconded: That in accordance with Section 275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be reopened to the public. **CARRIED 7/0**

11.1 Refugee Program Report

Cr BJ Zahl moved and Cr FO Whelan seconded:

- a) That Council develops and delivers consistent messages regarding the North Burnett's historical, current & future multicultural diversity.
 - Perhaps through showcasing individual stories of current residents/council employees with non-English ancestry (i.e. Small newspaper article, in Council's newsletter, postcard size mail out).
 - Historical stories of our communities multicultural beginnings (i.e. Migrant pioneers)
- b) Council explore the relocation of successfully resettled refugees looking to move to an agricultural region
- c) Council looks at operating their refugee, migrant, multicultural and social cohesion activities concurrently. **CARRIED 7/0**

11.2 Library Saturday Opening Hours

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr PF Webster seconded: That Council endorses a 6 month trial period for Eidsvold, Biggenden and Mt Perry, with the operating hours extending to opening from 9:00am to 12 noon every Saturday.

CARRIED 6/1

CR WJ BOWEN AGAINST THE MOTION

11.3 Supply of Concreting Services Tender

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That Council approves the following suppliers:

1. DJ's Steel & Concrete
2. Whitmee Enterprises
3. Anthony Jones Pty Ltd
4. Burnett Mini Excavators
5. Brown Contractors

for inclusion on the Supply Panel for Contract No. 2909_2016-16_TTB_27 – Supply of Concreting Services

CARRIED 7/0

13.4 Lock Standardisation Tender

Cr RP Radel moved and Cr BJ Zahl seconded: That Council award the tender for the residual lock standardisation project to Active Security Pty Ltd.

CARRIED 7/0

12. General Business

The Chief Executive Officer discussed the following items:

- Expenses report to be presented at the May Policy and Planning meeting.
- Kimba Street drainage report to be presented at the May Technical Services meeting.
- Local Disaster Management Group 'Recovery' meeting to be held in conjunction with the debrief for Ex TC Debbie.

Cr PW Lobegeier moved and Cr RP Radel seconded: That Council send a letter to the Minister acknowledging the declaration of the region as a Category B due to Ex Tropical Cyclone Debbie.

CARRIED 7/0

Cr RP Radel discussed the following items:

- Progress of the standardisation of waste management facilities operating hours.
- Community consultation for wash-down bay with a progress report to the May Standing Committee.
- Progress on the plaque for the Biggenden Rose.

Cr RP Radel moved and Cr PW Lobegeier seconded: That Council close and decommission the Biggenden Memorial Hall external toilet.

CARRIED 7/0

Cr PW Lobegeier discussed the following items:

- Highway meeting to be held in Gayndah on 19 May 2017 at the Disaster Management Centre.
- 9-13 June 2017 attendance at the Queensland Caravan, Camping & Touring Super show in Brisbane.
- Banana Shire Promotional Diaries.

Cr PF Webster discussed the following items:

- Investigate the placement of a trainee for Eidsvold at the end of 2017
- Compliance / overgrown house in Eidsvold.
- Plaques or similar recognition for staff that go above and beyond.

The General Manager of Engineering and Environmental Services to follow-up on the maintenance of the single portable toilets for use at Gooroolba on the April/May long weekend.

Cr PF Webster moved and Cr BJ Zahl seconded: That Council submit a letter of support of the BIEDO Advancing Regional Innovation Program Application for the Wide Bay and Burnett region for a \$15 000 contribution on the success of the application. **CARRIED 7/0**

13. Closure of Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1:36pm.

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