

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Glindemann
2014/03/058 That the minutes of the General Meeting held by Barcaldine Regional Council on 19 February 2014 be confirmed.

Carried
Unanimous

2. PETITIONS - Nil

3. REPORTS

3.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3.1.1 Councillor Information Bulletin

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling a list of items sent to Councillors in the Councillor Information Bulletin up to and including 14 March 2014.

Resolution: Moved Cr Mitchell Seconded Cr Gray
2014/03/059 That the report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.1.2 Request to Bale Hay on Brixton Water Facility

Summary: A verbal request has been received from a landholder, requesting permission to bale hay on the Brixton water facility for drought affected cattle.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Mitchell
2014/03/060 That the landholder be advised that Council will not permit the baling of hay on stock routes or stock route watering reserves as this feed is to be retained for travelling stock.

Carried
Unanimous

3.1.3 National General Assembly of Local Government Canberra 15- 18 June 2014

Summary: An invitation has been received for Council to attend the National General Assembly of Local Government in Canberra 15-18 June 2014.

Resolution: Moved Cr Glindemann Seconded Cr Gray
2014/03/061 That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer attend the National General Assembly of Local Government in Canberra 15-18 June 2014 as Council's representatives.

Carried
Unanimous

At this stage Cr. Peoples declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.1.4 Request for Refund of NLIS Tag Costs

Summary: Correspondence has been received from the Aramac Common Committee requesting a reduction of the costs of NLIS Tags used to travel stock on the stock route due to exceptional circumstances.

Resolution: 2014/03/062 **Moved Cr Chandler** **Seconded Cr Cowper**
That the cost of NLIS Tags in this instance only be reduced to \$4.00 per tag due to exceptional circumstances.

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At this stage Cr. Peoples returned to the meeting.

3.2 FINANCE

3.2.1 Financial Report – March 2014

Summary: The Financial Report for the period ending 10 March 2014 is presented to Council.

Resolution: 2014/03/063 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Mitchell**
That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 10 March 2014.

Carried
Unanimous

3.3 MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

3.3.1 Works Report

Summary: From the Manager Engineering Services submitting for Council's advice and consideration his report on engineering works and environmental matters in Barcaldine, Alpha, Jericho, Aramac & Muttaborra for the period ending 28 February 2014.

Resolution: 2014/03/064 **Moved Cr Gray** **Seconded Cr Bettiens**
That the Works Report for the period February 2014 be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.3.2 Restumping and Repairs - Jericho Disaster Co-ordination Centre and Drive-In Theatre

Summary: From the Manager, Engineering Services submitting a report on the tender for the restumping of the Jericho Disaster Coordination Centre and drive-in theatre, Jericho.

Resolution: 2014/03/065 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council ratifies the decision to award the tender for the restumping of the Jericho Disaster Coordination Centre and drive-in theatre, Jericho to Mr Peter Garland for the amount of \$30,640 (ex GST) for the following reasons:-

- (a) Mr Peter Garland is sufficiently qualified to undertake the work; and
- (b) the tender received from Mr Peter Garland was the lowest Tender received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.3.3 Tender – Supply and Delivery of Precoated Cover Aggregate

Summary: From the Manager, Engineering Services submitting a report on the tender for the Supply and Delivery of Precoated Cover Aggregate.

Resolution: 2014/03/066 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council award the tender for the Supply and Delivery of precoated cover aggregate to various locations in the Region to FIEDOL Quarries for the amount of \$179,080 (ex GST) for the following reasons:-

- (a) FIEDOL Quarries was the lowest for the locations for which award has been made; and
- (b) FIEDOL Quarries is a local supplier.

Carried
Unanimous

3.3.4 Tender – Supply and Delivery of Precoated 10 mm & 14 mm Cover Aggregate

Summary: From the Manager, Engineering Services submitting a report on the tender for the Supply and Delivery of Precoated 10 mm and 14 mm Cover Aggregate.

Resolution: 2014/03/067 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council award the tender for the balance of the Supply and Delivery of precoated 10 mm Cover Aggregate to FIEDOL Quarries for the amount of \$63,181.44 (ex GST) and exclude the balance of the Supply and Delivery of precoated 14 mm Cover Aggregate from the tender for the following reason:-

- (a) Fiedol Quarries has demonstrated compliance with expectations and the Department of Transport and Main Roads specifications.

Carried
Unanimous

3.3.5 Tender – Supply, Cart, Heat and Spray Polymer Modified Bitumen

Summary: From the Manager, Engineering Services submitting a report on the tender to Supply, Cart, Heat and Spray Polymer Modified Bitumen.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Mitchell**
2014/03/068 **That Council awards the tender to Supply, Cart, Heat and Spray Polymer Modified Bitumen associated with various projects throughout the region to Road Surfaces Group Pty Ltd for the amount of \$386.024.29 (ex GST) for the following reasons:-**

- (a) the tender represents value for money; and**
- (b) the tenderer has extensive experience in the industry and have worked in the region and proven to be a trusted and reliable Contractor.**

Carried
Unanimous

At 9.55am Mr. Jeff Deardon, Mr. James Spence and Mr. David Edbrooke from The MAC attended the meeting to introduce the company to Council. The representatives left the meeting at 10.30am.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am and resumed at 11.00am.

At 11.00am Mr. David Hobbs from the State Valuation Service addressed Council on the recent 2013-2014 valuation. At 11.30am Mr. Hobbs left the meeting.

3.4 EXECUTIVE MANAGER - ALPHA

3.4.1 General Information Report

Summary: Executive Manager's – Alpha report for information.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
2014/03/069 **That the Executive Manager's – Alpha General Information Report be received.**

Carried
Unanimous

3.4.2 Request for Funding of Alpha Debutante Ball

Summary: Correspondence has been received from the Alpha Combined Churches applying for funding of \$3000 to assist with holding a Debutante Ball in Alpha in 2014.

Resolution: 2014/03/070 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That Council advise the Alpha Combined Churches that it agrees to fund the 2014 Alpha debutante Ball to the value of \$3,000 as requested from the Community Donations Budget.

Carried
Unanimous

3.4.3 Irrecoverable Debts

Summary: The debt listed below is on a liquidated company and has no prospects of payment.

Resolution: 2014/03/071 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Peoples**
That Council write-off debt amounting to \$99.60 as irrecoverable due to the liquidation of the Company.

Carried
Unanimous

3.4.4 New Alpha Swimming Pool – Endorsement of Design & Project Management Construction Contract

Summary: King and Company Solicitors has confirmed that the process in awarding the above contract at the last meeting of Council is legally binding and suggested that the reasons for such contract being awarded be recorded in the minutes of this meeting of Council.

Resolution: 2014/03/072 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That in accordance with Section 235(b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council endorses its previous decision (Resolution 2014/02/042) for the following reasons:-

- (a) due to the specialised nature of the project it would disadvantageous to Council to invite quotes or tenders;
- (b) an inferior product could cause major future maintenance costs; and
- (c) Council believes that the Contractor is the best person to carry out the proposed work because he has an extensive knowledge and proven record in the design and project management of the construction of Swimming Pools in the area.

Carried
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Councillor Peoples called for a division. Councillors Chandler, Cowper, Gray, Glindemann, Mitchell and Bettiens voted for the motion. Councillor Peoples voted against the motion.

3.5 EXECUTIVE MANAGER - ARAMAC

3.5.1 General Information Report

Summary: Executive Manager's – Aramac report for information.

Resolution: 2014/03/073 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That the Executive Manager's – Aramac General Information Report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.5.2 Rural 4-Strand Fence – Belltopper Reserve (Aramac)

Summary: From the Executive Manager, Aramac submitting a report on quotations which were recalled for the Rural 4-Strand Fence for the Belltopper Reserve (Aramac).

Resolution: 2014/03/074 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That Council ratify the Chief Executive Officer's decision to award the installation fencing contract for the Rural 4-Strand Fence at Belltopper Reserve to Robert Schmidt for the amount of \$43,558.90 Inc GST for the following reasons:-

- (a) the quote was the lowest quotation received;**
- (b) the supplier has extensive experience in Central Queensland;**
- (c) the supplier provided quality referees showing previous worked performed; and**
- (d) the supplier was able to start within the required timeframes.**

Carried
Unanimous

3.6 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – BARCALDINE

3.6.1 General Information Report

Summary: Executive Manager's – Barcaldine report for information.

Resolution: 2014/03/075 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Mitchell**
That the Executive Manager's – Barcaldine General Information Report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

At this stage Mr. Brett Walsh declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.6.2 Excess Water Charges

Summary: A letter from a Barcaldine resident requesting a review of water allocations for the 2013-14 year due to the drought conditions.

Resolution: 2014/03/076 **Moved Cr Glindemann** **Seconded Cr Cowper**
That the resident be advised that Council will not review the excess water allocations for the 2013-2014 year.

Carried
Unanimous

At this stage Mr. Brett Walsh returned to the meeting.

3.6.3 Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy

Summary: From the Executive Manager, Barcaldine Area, submitting the Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy for consideration.

Resolution: 2014/03/077 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council adopts the Barcaldine Regional Council Child and Youth Risk Management Strategy (as per Attachment A).

Carried
Unanimous

3.6.4 Corporate Plan 2015-2019

Summary: The Draft Barcaldine Regional Council Corporate Plan 2015–2019 is presented for Council's consideration.

Resolution: 2014/03/078 **Moved Cr Mitchell** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council adopts the Barcaldine Regional Council Corporate Plan 2015-2019 (as per Attachment B).

Carried
Unanimous

3.6.5 Revised Library Strategic Plan

Summary: From the Executive Manager, Barcaldine Area, submitting the revised Library Strategic Plan 2014 - 2017.

Resolution: 2014/03/079 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That Council adopts the Barcaldine Regional Council Library Strategic Plan 2014 – 2017 (as per Attachment C).

Carried
Unanimous

3.6.6 Rates Notices

Summary: Councils in western Queensland have been providing various concessions for the payment of rates due to drought conditions.

Resolution: 2014/03/080 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Bettiens**
That Council, due to the financial hardship caused by the drought, provides a concession to all ratepayers by allowing an extension of the rates discount period for payment of the second half year rates notice until 30 May 2014.

Carried
Unanimous

3.7 RURAL SERVICES MATTERS

3.7.1 Regional Rural Lands Coordinator's Report - February 2014

Summary: From the Regional Rural Lands Coordinator submitting a review of activities for the month of February.

Resolution: 2014/03/081 **Moved Cr Glindemann** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council receives the Regional Rural Lands Coordinator's Report.

Carried
Unanimous

3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS - Nil

4. CLOSE OF MEETING

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12.40pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR: _____

DATED: 16 April 2014
