

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD IN THE RSL MEMORIAL HALL,
15 BRUFORD STREET, MUTTABURRA
ON WEDNESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2015
COMMENCING AT 9.20A.M.**

ATTENDANCE

Councillor R Chandler (Mayor) (In the Chair), Councillor J Gray (Deputy Mayor), Councillors G Bettiens, A Cowper, G Peoples, P Mitchell and R Glindemann.

OFFICERS

D Howard (Chief Executive Officer), R Bauer (Executive Manager – Alpha), I Kuhn (Executive Manager – Aramac), B Walsh (Executive Manager – Barcaldine), J Ricks (Manager – Engineering Services) and A Newton (Minute Secretary).

PRAYER – Cr. Gray read the prayer.

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of Mrs. Junita "Nita" Cunningham, former Mayor of Bundaberg and State MP for Bundaberg, Mr. George Adams, formerly of Aramac and Mr. Chris Templeton of Barcaldine, Mr. Kevin "Bundy" Healy of Dalby and Mrs. Jan McKenzie, formerly Caberfeidh Station, Aramac.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Nil

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional owners of the land, past and present.

DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

Material Personal Interest on any items of Business

Pursuant to Section 173 (2) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Councillor Bettiens informed the meeting of a material personal interest in relation to Item 3.6.3 (as a contractor) and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Conflict of Interest

Mr. B. Walsh declared he had an interest in Item 3.6.2 as a member of the Barcaldine Lawn Tennis Club and remained in the meeting during discussion.

Mr. J Ricks declared he had an interest in Items 3.1.7 and 3.8.1 as an employee of George Bourne and Associates Consulting Engineers, and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

Personal Gifts and Benefits - Nil

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*Summary: The following minutes required confirmation by Council:-
General Meeting – 21 January 2015.*

Amendment

Moved Cr Peoples

Seconded Cr Cowper

That Barcaldine Regional Council would prefer that RAPAD lobby State/Federal Government for \$15 million in funding for two (2) forms of exclusion fencing:-

1. \$13 million for the Regional Wild Dog Check Fence due to the consultation by the Check Fence Committee and the overwhelming support by landholders and communities for this regional fence – which benefits all landholders; and
2. \$2 million to fund cluster fencing along the lines of the SWNRM model or similar for the landholders who can afford cluster fencing and wish to further advance wild dog control on their properties.

The amendment was put and was lost.

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

The motion was then put and carried.

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

3.1.3 Councillor Remuneration – 1 July 2015

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer advising that the Remuneration Tribunal released its report on 4 December 2014, with the new Remuneration Schedule appearing in the Queensland Government Gazette on 5 December 2014.

Resolution: 2015/02/020 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That the report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.1.4 Central West Biosecurity Plan

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling the Central West Biosecurity Plan for endorsement by Council.

Resolution: 2015/02/021 **Moved Cr Gray** **Seconded Cr Peoples**
That the Central West Biosecurity Plan which has been endorsed by both the Central West Regional Pest Management Technical Group (TG) and then, the Central West Regional Pest Management Group (MG) at their 3 and 4 February 2015 meetings be endorsed by Council.

Carried
Unanimous

3.1.5 Mobile Testing Report

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer tabling correspondence from RAPAD advising that the Mobile Testing Report is now complete and that Council should seek advice on the report from the author.

Resolution: 2015/02/022 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Mitchell**
That the report be received and Council contact the author of the Mobile Testing Report to seek further advice.

Carried
Unanimous

3.1.6 Environmental Health Activities Report

Summary: From the Environmental Health Officer submitting his report on environmental health activities.

Resolution: 2015/02/023 **Moved Cr Gray** **Seconded Cr Bettiens**
That Council receives the Environmental Health Officer's report on environmental health activities.

Carried
Unanimous

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

3.1.7 Development Approval – 73 Elm Street Barcaldine

Summary: A recommendation from Council's Town Planner for Development Approval for an office building at 73 Elm Street Barcaldine for Council consideration.

Resolution: 2015/02/024 **Moved Cr Mitchell** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That the Development Application for a Material Change of Use for "Commercial Activity" – "Professional Office" and "Commercial Premises" (Secretarial, Printing, Copying and Binding) by George Bourne & Associates, Consulting Engineers for property described as Lot 11 on RY184 and situated at 73 Elm Street, Barcaldine be approved in full with the following conditions:-

General

- 1. Approval is granted for the purpose of Material Change of Use for "Commercial Activities" – "Professional Office" and "Commercial Premises" (Secretarial Services, Printing, Copying and Binding).**
- 2. The development shall be in accordance with supporting information supplied by the applicant with the development application and the Information Request response including the plans listed in Item 10 (above) of this Decision Notice.**

Operation of Use

3. Operation of the use, including loading and unloading of goods, shall occur only between the hours of 8:00am and 5:30pm, Monday to Friday, other than on public holidays.

Engineering

4. Adequate loading and unloading areas for the use shall be provided on the site. All loading and unloading shall be carried out only within the boundaries of the site and shall not be undertaken external to the site.
5. The existing vehicle crossover from Beech Street as shown on “Proposed Office & Staff Parking Layout”, drawing no. 2013-069/01 – H, prepared by George Bourne & Associates, dated 28-11-2014 shall be retained and upgraded if required to accord with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Area and Access, Section 2.3(1) of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
6. One (1) sealed vehicle crossover shall be provided from Elm Street, generally as shown on plan “Proposed Office & Staff Parking Layout”, drawing no. 2013-069/01 – H, prepared by George Bourne & Associates, dated 28-11-2014. The vehicle crossover shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Areas and Access, Section 2.3(1) of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
7. Traffic directional signage shall be erected at the Beech Street and Elm Street site access points, to ensure the one-way operation of all vehicles conforms with plan “Proposed Office & Staff Parking Layout”, drawing no. 2013-069/02 – H, prepared by George Bourne & Associates, dated 28-11-2014. Signage shall be in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices Parts 1, 2, 4, 10 and 11.
8. A minimum of 23 car parking spaces (including 1 PWD car parking space) as shown on plan “Proposed Office & Staff Parking Layout”, drawing no. 2013-069/02 – H, prepared by George Bourne & Associates, dated 28-11-2014, shall be provided on-site, for the purposes of staff and visitor parking, in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Areas and Access, Section 2.2(1)(a) of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme.
9. All internal driveways and areas where vehicles regularly manoeuvre and park shall be sealed, designed and constructed in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 2: Standards for Roads, Carparking, Manoeuvring Areas and Access, Section 2.2(1)(b) of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
10. The premises shall be connected to Council’s reticulated water supply system in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 3: Standards for Water Supply of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
11. The premises shall be connected to Council’s reticulated sewerage system in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 4: Standards for Sewerage, Section 4.1 of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.

12. The premises shall be connected to the electricity supply in accordance with relevant standards required by the service provider.
13. The site shall be adequately drained and all stormwater shall be disposed of in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 5: Standards for Stormwater Drainage, Section 5.1 of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards
14. Surface drains as shown on plan "Proposed Office Drain Layout & Existing Levels", drawing no. 2013-069/04 – B, prepared by George Bourne & Associates, dated 28-11-2014 shall be designed and constructed to ensure no stormwater flows to the adjoining properties to the east and south.
15. Any filling or excavation necessitated to meet the conditions of this approval shall be undertaken in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 1: Standards for Construction Activities, Section 1.1 of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards.
16. All works required by the conditions of approval for vehicle crossovers, water supply connections, stormwater drainage, earthworks and reticulation of electricity shall be completed prior to the commencement of the use, unless such works are bonded to the satisfaction of Council.
17. Best practice soil erosion control techniques shall be used at the location of all works to be completed on the subject site in accordance with Schedule 1, Division 1: Standards for Construction Activities, Section 1.1 of the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme or to other accepted and endorsed engineering standards, and shall remain in place for the duration of construction.

Landscaping

18. A 1.8 m high screen fence shall be erected on the eastern and southern site boundaries.
19. Landscaping, as shown on plan "Proposed Office & Staff Parking Layout", drawing no. 2013-069/02 – H prepared by George Bourne & Associates, dated 28-11-2014, shall be provided along:
 - i) the entire length of the eastern boundary (with a minimum width of 0.6 metres)
 - ii) the entire length of the southern boundary (with a minimum width of 1 metre)
 - iii) the entire length of the Beech Street and Elm Street frontages other than the vehicle access

Additionally the design and treatment of all the external walls of buildings (including materials and colours) shall be such as to minimise potential visual intrusion and enhance the residential amenity.

20. A landscaping plan for the overall site, which addresses in particular the requirements of Condition 18 and 19 shall be submitted by the applicant to and for the endorsement of Council prior to the commencement of the use.
21. All landscaping areas shall be planted with screening and shade trees, shrubs and ground cover and shall be in accordance with the endorsed landscaping plan and maintained at all times while the use continues.

Environment and Health

22. Any air conditioning equipment shall be acoustically screened to ensure noise levels do not exceed 5 dB (A) above the background noise level measured at the boundaries of the subject site.
23. Lighting of the site, including any security lighting, shall be such that the lighting intensity does not exceed 8.0 lux at a distance of 1.5 metres from the site at any property boundary.

Rates and Costs

24. The cost of carrying out works and providing services to the site, as required by conditions of approval, shall be at the expense of the applicant.
25. All outstanding rates and charges shall be paid to Council prior to the commencement of the use.

Notes:

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

This approval in no way removes the duty of care responsibility of the applicant under the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003. Pursuant to Section 23(1) of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").

Carried
Unanimous

At this stage Mr. J. Ricks returned to the meeting.

At 10.25am the meeting adjourned for morning tea. The meeting resumed at 11.00am.

3.2 FINANCE

3.2.1 Financial Report – February 2015

Summary: The Financial Report for the period ending 9 February 2015 was presented to Council.

Resolution: 2015/02/025 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That Council receives the Financial Report for the period ending 9 February 2015.

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 and Muttaborra for the period ending 31 January 2015.

Resolution: 2015/02/026 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Bettiens**
That the Works Report for the period January 2015 be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.3.2 Parking Improvements - Ash and Oak Streets, Barcaldine

Summary: From the Manager, Engineering Services submitting a report detailing the proposed parking improvements for Ash and Oak Streets, Barcaldine.

Resolution: 2015/02/027 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That the report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.4 EXECUTIVE MANAGER - ALPHA

3.4.1 General Information Report

Summary: The Executive Manager's – Alpha report was presented to Council for information.

Resolution: 2015/02/028 **Moved Cr Gray** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That the Executive Manager's – Alpha General Information Report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.4.2 Acquisition of Native Title Rights and Interests of Lot 1 on SP223511 – Waste Management Facility (Refuse Tip) Purposes

Summary: A report tabling correspondence from King & Company advising that the report of the Chief Executive Officer on the issuing of Notices and Receipt of objections to the above acquisition of land and the procedure to complete the acquisition needs to be resolved by Council.

3.5 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – ARAMAC

The Mayor welcomed newly appointed Executive Manager Mr. Ian Kuhn to Barcaldine Regional Council.

3.5.1 General Information Report

Summary: The Executive Manager's – Aramac report was presented to Council for information.

Resolution: 2015/02/030 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That the Executive Manager's – Aramac General Information Report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

3.6 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – BARCALDINE

3.6.1 General Information Report

Summary: The Executive Manager's – Barcaldine report was submitted to Council for information.

Resolution: 2015/02/031 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Mitchell**
That the Executive Manager's – Barcaldine General Information Report be received.

Carried
Unanimous

Mr. B. Walsh declared an interest in the following item.

3.6.2 Barcaldine Tennis Courts Upgrade

Summary: A report on the progress of the Barcaldine Tennis Courts Upgrade project is presented for Council's consideration.

Resolution: 2015/02/032 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Bettiens**
That Council receives the progress report on the Barcaldine Tennis Courts Upgrade.

Carried
Unanimous

Cr. Bettiens declared a material personal interest in the following item and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.6.3 Barcaldine Cultural Complex – Stage 1

Summary: A report on the progress of the Barcaldine Cultural Complex project is presented for Council's consideration.

Resolution: 2015/02/033 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council receives the progress report on the Barcaldine Cultural Complex – Stage 1.

Carried
Unanimous

At this stage Cr. Bettiens returned to the meeting.

3.6.4 Barcaldine Cultural Complex

Summary: Recommendations from the Globe Advisory Committee for naming of the Barcaldine Cultural Complex and the associated entities for Council consideration.

Resolution: 2015/02/034 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council applies the following names to the former Globe Hotel building and its entities:-

Building and surrounds – The Globe
Art Gallery – Galilee Gallery
History Room – History on Oak
Information Centre – Barcaldine Visitor Information Centre

Carried
Unanimous

3.6.5 Q2 Review – Annual Operational Plan

Summary: The Chief Executive Officer's quarterly progress report on the implementation of the Annual Operational Plan.

Resolution: 2015/02/035 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That Council receives the report.

Carried
Unanimous

3.6.6 Planning and Development Report – February 2015

Summary: The Planning and Development and Adopted Infrastructure Charges Notices Report for February 2015 is presented for consideration.

Resolution: 2015/02/036 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That Council receives the Planning and Development Report and the Adopted Infrastructure Charges Notice Report for February 2015.

Carried
Unanimous

3.6.7 Barcaldine Show Society Office

Summary: Options for location of a new office for the Barcaldine Show Society are presented for Council consideration.

Resolution: 2015/02/037 **Moved Cr Bettiens** **Seconded Cr Peoples**
That Council agrees in principle subject to acceptable plans and costing to construct new office space for the Show Society on the southern side of the Barcaldine Fitness Centre utilising funds donated by the Estate of Gloria May Lowe.

Carried
Unanimous

3.7 RURAL SERVICES MATTERS - Nil

Mr. J. Ricks declared an interest in the following item and left the meeting during discussions thereon.

3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Procedural Motion

Resolution: 2015/02/038 **Moved Cr Glindemann** **Seconded Cr Cowper**
That Council move into closed session pursuant to Section 72 of the Local Government Act 2009, for the consideration of the contract for Engineering Services.

Carried
Unanimous

Procedural Motion

Resolution: 2015/02/039 **Moved Cr Cowper** **Seconded Cr Glindemann**
That the meeting move into open session.

Carried
Unanimous

3.8.1 Contract for Engineering Services

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer advising that correspondence has been received from George Bourne and Associates, Consulting Engineers, wishing to renew their contract to provide engineering services.

Resolution: 2015/02/040 **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gray**
That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer commence negotiations for the contract to continue and report back to Council.

Carried
Unanimous

3.9 NOTIFIED MOTIONS - Nil

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12.55pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR: _____

DATED: 18 March 2015
