



PUBLIC GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

NOTICE OF MEETING
Wednesday 27 May 2015
Council Chambers, 35 Gordon Street, Aramac
To be held at 9.00 am

Councillors

Rob Chandler (Mayor)
Jenni Gray (Deputy Mayor)
Garry Bettiens
Russ Glindemann

Andrew Cowper
Phil Mitchell
Gary Peoples

Officers

Des Howard (Chief Executive Officer)
Rob Bauer (Executive Manager - Alpha)
Ian Kuhn (Executive Manager – Aramac)
Brett Walsh (Executive Manager – Barcaldine)
Jason Ricks (Manager – Engineering Services)

In Attendance

Alison Newton (Minute Secretary)

10.30am Mr. David Coulton to update Council on his proposal to construct a kangaroo processing plant in Aramac

Please find attached agenda for the General Meeting to be held on **Wednesday 27 May 2015**, at the Council Chambers, 35 Gordon Street, Aramac commencing at **9.00 am**.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D A Howard".

D A Howard
Chief Executive Officer

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL

Our Vision - Cohesive communities with exceptional lifestyle, opportunity, facilities and services.

Our Mission - To provide excellence in local government through extraordinary service to our citizens.

Opening of Meeting

Prayer

Condolences

Apologies

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

Declarations of Councillors Material Personal Interest on any items of business

Declarations of Councillors Conflict of Interest on any items of business

Declarations of Councillors Personal Gifts and Benefits

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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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 22 May 2015.

3.1.2 Financial Assistance Grants to Local Government

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer advising that correspondence has been received from the Australian and Queensland Local Government Associations in relation to Financial Assistance Grants to Local Government.

3.1.3 Good Neighbourhood Policy

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer reporting on a programme to assist with the control of weeds in Western Queensland.

3.1.4 Thompson River Weed Eradication Project

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer reporting on the Thompson River Weed Eradication Project.

3.2 FINANCE

3.2.1 Financial Report – May 2015

Summary: The financial report for the period ending 20 May 2015 is presented to Council.

3.3 MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES

3.3.1 Works Report Period – April 2015

Summary: From the Manager (Engineering Services), Barcaldine Regional Council, submitting for Council's advice and consideration the report on engineering works and environmental matters for the period ending 30 April 2015.

3.3.2 Tender No. 2015-003 - Sewerage Treatment Plant Fencing

Summary: From the Manager, Engineering Services submitting a report pertaining to the Supply and Installation of approximately 1,600 m of chain link fabric fencing to enclose the Sewerage Treatment Plants located in Muttaborra, Aramac and Barcaldine.

3.4 EXECUTIVE MANAGER - ALPHA**3.4.1 General Information Report**

Summary: From the Executive Manager, Alpha submitting the General Information Report for information.

3.4.2 Jericho Swimming Pool

Summary: Funding for the proposed Jericho swimming pool has been confirmed. Council now needs to determine whether the tender is for a joint design and construct or individual design and then construct.

3.4.3 Tumbar Water Facility

Summary: The Mill at the above facility has blown over and is unusable. A report on the repairs is attached, along with a quote to replace.

3.4.4 Landscaping of the Eastern Entrance to Jericho

Summary: From the Jericho Tourism Association presenting a proposal to landscape the eastern entrance to Jericho and requesting Council contribute \$2,500 plus connect the drippers to the reticulated water supply.

3.4.5 Jericho Aerodrome

Summary: From the Jericho Bush Nursing Fundraising Committee Inc advising that they are prepared to contribute on a 50/50 basis to a maximum of \$20,000 to have solar lighting installed on the runway at the Jericho Aerodrome.

3.4.6 Request for Write-Off of Rates

Summary: From the owners of 2 Shakespeare Street, Alpha requesting that the rates and charges be written off for the half year ending 30 June 2015 as the residence has been removed and the lease of the land cancelled.

3.4.7 Relocation of Beta Tourist Hut

Summary: The Alpha and District Tourist Development Association Inc. has been successful in obtaining a grant of \$35,000 from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund to relocate the Beta Tourist Hut from the present site in Dryden Street to the Roley Roberts Tourist Centre in Shakespeare Street, Alpha.

3.5 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – ARAMAC**3.5.1 General Information Report**

Summary: From the Executive Manager, Aramac submitting the General Information Report for information.

3.5.2 RADF Applications

Summary: From the Community Development Officer reporting RADF Assessment Outcomes and Funded Project Outcome reports

3.5.3 Landsborough Flock Ewe Show Society Inc - Sponsorship

Summary: A letter from the Landsborough Flock Ewe Show Society Inc. has been received requesting sponsorship for their show held on 6th June 2015. Sponsorship recognition is comprised of 3 categories: \$700 Gold; \$450 Silver; and \$200 Copper

3.6 EXECUTIVE MANAGER – BARCALDINE

3.6.1 General Information Report

Summary: From the Executive Manager, Barcaldine submitting the General Information Report for information.

3.6.2 Barcaldine Tourist Association

Summary: An offer by the Barcaldine Tourist Association for Council consideration.

3.6.3 Desert Uplands – Green Army Project

Summary: A proposal from the Desert Uplands Committee for a Green Army project, “Ecologica” for Council consideration.

3.6.4 National Stronger Regions Fund

Summary: Applications for the National Stronger Regions Fund are now open.

3.6.5 LGM Assets

Summary: LGAQ has established a mutual fund for insuring Council’s property assets.

3.6.6 Debtor Write-off

Summary: Adopted Infrastructure Charges proposed to be written off for Council consideration.

3.6.7 Request for Access to Council Property

Summary: A letter has been received from a ratepayer requesting access to Council property.

3.7 RURAL SERVICES MATTERS - NIL

3.8 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS – NIL

3.9 NOTIFIED MOTIONS - NIL

4. CLOSE OF MEETING

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL					
Statement of Income & Expenditure					
For the period ending 20 May 2015					
		20-May-15	Actual /	2015	2014
		Actual	Budget	Budget	Actual
		\$	%	\$	\$
Recurrent Revenue					
Net rates and utility charges		5,879,384.25	99.52%	5,907,588.00	5,972,535.40
Fees and charges		691,892.39	66.07%	1,047,148.00	1,040,202.23
Rental income		310,089.86	92.94%	333,650.00	340,567.44
Interest received		717,294.69	96.93%	740,000.00	770,659.10
Recoverable works income		12,775,094.79	138.63%	9,215,000.00	19,300,062.46
Grants, subsidies, contributions, donations		8,391,291.17	102.90%	8,154,928.00	5,008,087.49
Other recurrent income	3	9,972.47	6.58%	151,500.00	357,307.59
Total Operating Revenue		28,775,019.62	112.62%	25,549,814.00	32,789,421.71
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee costs		7,944,477.63	74.31%	10,690,692.00	9,961,836.79
Materials & Services costs		13,377,295.09	72.68%	18,406,683.00	18,711,065.95
Finance costs		101,820.79	75.19%	135,411.00	147,955.65
Depreciation		4,046,956.80	73.25%	5,524,700.00	7,601,228.06
Total Operating Expenses		25,470,550.31	73.28%	34,757,486.00	36,422,086.45
Net Operating Income/Loss		3,304,469.31		- 9,207,672.00	- 3,632,664.74
Capital Revenue and Expenses					
Gain/(Loss) on sale of non-current assets		800,538.58	114.36%	700,000.00	- 438,667.81
Capital flood damage recoveries	2	6,167,843.42	73.43%	8,400,000.00	7,539,358.12
Grants, subsidies, contributions, donations	1	3,363,068.59	12.09%	27,819,251.00	2,694,436.49
Net Capital Income/Loss		10,331,450.59		36,919,251.00	9,795,126.80
Net Income/(Loss)		13,635,919.90		27,711,579.00	6,162,462.06
			88.77%	of year elapsed	
<i>The above Statement is unaudited and may not include all transactions for the period.</i>					
Major Variances - Income					
Airport grant funding not received	1	\$20,000,000.00			
Flood damage funds received in advance	2	\$ 4,607,228.28			
Harry Redford Cattle Drive fees refunded	3	\$ 129,179.31			
Major Variances - Expenditure					

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL					
Statement of Financial Position					
As at 20 March 2015					
			20-May-15	30-Jun-15	30-Jun-14
			Actual	Budget	Actual
Current Assets					
Cash			25,110,895.79	18,437,870.00	21,807,008.22
Receivables			5,145,016.35	3,541,637.00	5,356,324.92
Inventories			720,332.08	734,508.00	691,485.96
Other financial assets			-	166,397.00	166,397.25
Non-current assets held for sale			47,240.36	1,226,624.00	-
Total current assets			31,023,484.58	24,107,036.00	28,021,216.35
Non-current Assets					
Property, plant and equipment			311,671,616.65	340,081,892.00	314,584,895.47
Capital works in progress			14,222,519.86	5,525,681.00	2,284,369.82
Total non-current assets			325,894,136.51	345,607,573.00	316,869,265.29
TOTAL ASSETS			356,917,621.09	369,714,609.00	344,890,481.64
Current Liabilities					
Trade and other payables			726,936.82	1,479,489.00	2,239,198.72
Borrowings			70,630.46	388,422.00	276,638.84
Employee benefits			899,373.46	984,780.00	828,028.91
Total current liabilities			1,696,940.74	2,852,691.00	3,343,866.47
Non-current Liabilities					
Borrowings			2,506,650.47	3,119,440.00	2,506,650.47
Employee benefits			1,953,779.60	1,833,522.00	1,915,634.32
Total non-current liabilities			4,460,430.07	4,952,962.00	4,422,284.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES			6,157,370.81	7,805,653.00	7,766,151.26
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS			350,760,250.28	361,908,956.00	337,124,330.38
COMMUNITY EQUITY					
Retained surplus/(deficiency)			164,161,833.98	175,134,481.00	150,525,914.08
Asset revaluation surplus			186,598,416.30	186,774,475.00	186,598,416.30
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY			350,760,250.28	361,908,956.00	337,124,330.38
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BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL					
Statement of Cash Flows					
For the period ending 20 May 2015					
	20-May-15	%	2015	2014	
	Actual	Budget	Budget	Actual	
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Receipts from customers	25,081,124.19	75.52%	33,209,814.00	38,634,123.36	
Payments to suppliers and employees	- 18,037,324.71	62.15%	- 29,020,375.00	- 27,916,762.34	
	7,043,799.48		4,189,439.00	10,717,361.02	
Interest paid	- 101,820.79	75.19%	- 135,411.00	- 147,956.00	
Interest received	717,294.69	96.93%	740,000.00	770,659.10	
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	7,659,273.38	159.77%	4,794,028.00	11,340,064.12	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Payments for property, plant and equipment	- 13,071,828.02	33.09%	- 39,502,787.00	- 12,199,164.63	
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	800,538.58	28.59%	2,800,000.00	865,368.00	
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	8,121,912.01	29.20%	27,819,251.00	2,694,436.49	
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	- 4,149,377.43	46.71%	- 8,883,536.00	- 8,639,360.14	
Cash flows from financing activities					
Proceeds from borrowings	-		1,000,000.00	-	
Repayment of borrowings	- 206,008.38	74.82%	- 275,336.00	- 271,786.73	
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	- 206,008.38	-28.43%	724,664.00	- 271,786.73	
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	3,303,887.57		- 3,364,844.00	2,428,917.25	
Cash at beginning of reporting period	21,807,008.22		21,802,714.00	19,378,090.97	
Cash at end of reporting period	25,110,895.79		18,437,870.00	21,807,008.22	
		88.77%	of year elapsed		
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