
**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BARCALDINE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 71 ASH STREET, BARCALDINE
ON WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE 2024
COMMENCING AT 8:30AM**

ATTENDENCE

Councillor R Chandler (Mayor) [in the Chair], Councillor M Rogers (Deputy Mayor)[via TEAMS]; Councillors T Gleeson, K Williams, V Howard, L Penna and R O'Brien.

OFFICERS

J Lawrence (District Manager – Barcaldine), D Young (Minute Secretary), P Coulton (District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra), D Bradford (Director of Corporate and Financial Services), Karyn Coomber (District Manager – Alpha and Jericho) and Lee Busby (Director of Works).

Councillor Rogers led council in prayer.

CONDOLENCES

Mr Keith Bedolf, Mr William McDonnell, Mr Charles Gleeson of Alpha, Mr Neville Peoples of Aramac and Mrs Jeanette Lawson, Mrs Deidre Blythe, Mrs Patricia Stirling, Mr David Hauenschild and Mrs Yvonne McDonald of Barcaldine.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

S Gray (Chief Executive Officer)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Prescribed Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Rogers under item 3.2.10 – Councillor Rogers informed the meeting she has a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Regional Arts Development Fund Applications Report as she is involved in the festival. Councillor Rogers will leave the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

Councillor Williams under item 3.2.4 – Councillor Williams informed the meeting he has a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Lease Barcaldine Clay Target Club Incorporated Report as he is President of the club. Councillor Williams will leave the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

Councillor O'Brien under item 3.2.9 – Councillor O'Brien informed the meeting he has a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Lease Barcaldine Aged Care Incorporated Report as a close associate, being his wife, works in this field. Councillor O'Brien will leave the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

Declarable Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Rogers under items 3.3.3 and 6.6.4 – ongoing declaration.

Councillor O'Brien under item 3.3.2 – Councillor O'Brien informed the meeting he has Declarable Conflict of Interest in the Community Care Services Report as a close associate, being his wife, works in this field. As this is an information report only, Councillor O'Brien will remain in the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

Councillor Gleeson under item 3.6.5 – Councillor Gleeson informed the meeting he has Declarable Conflict of Interest in the District Manager – Barcaldine Report as he is the President of the Campdraft Committee. As this is an information report only, Councillor Gleeson will remain in the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

DEPUTATION

Nil

BUSINESS

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: 2024/06/153	Moved Cr Williams That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional Council held on 13 May 2024 be received.	Seconded Cr O'Brien	Carried 7/0
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Resolution: 2024/06/154	Moved Cr O'Brien That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional Council held on 13 May 2024 be confirmed.	Seconded Cr Rogers	Carried 7/0
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Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/155 **That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Barcaldine Regional**
Council held on 16 May 2024 be received.

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr O'Brien** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/156 **That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Barcaldine Regional**
Council held on 16 May 2024 be confirmed.

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2024/06/157 **That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional**
Council held on 24 May 2024 be received.

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr O'Brien**
2024/06/158 **That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Barcaldine Regional**
Council held on 24 May 2024 be confirmed.

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/159 **That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Barcaldine Regional**
Council held on 6 June 2024 be received.

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/160 **That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Barcaldine Regional**
Council held on 6 June 2024 be confirmed.

Carried
7/0

2. PETITIONS

Nil

3.1 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

**BARCADDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
Minutes of the General Meeting held on 19 June 2024**

Richard Lewis from George Bourne and Associates was in attendance from 8.32am and left the meeting at 9.10am.

Resolution: **Moved Cr O'Brien** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2024/06/161 **That Council closes the meeting to the public in accordance with**
Section 275(1)(e) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, to
discuss contracts proposed to be made by Council.

Carried
7/0

The meeting was closed at 8.46am and moved into open session at 9.09am.

Resolution: **Moved Cr O'Brien** **Seconded Cr Williams**
2024/06/162 **That Council reopens the meeting.**

Carried
7/0

3.1.1 Flood Damage Gravel Supply - Ballyneety and Hexam Roads

Summary: This report provides for Council to consider the submitted tenders for Flood Damage 2024 Gravel Supply. The works required are those works approved by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) from the January 2024 flood event.

The flood event caused significant damage to Council’s road network across the region. Following the initial period of emergent flood damage works, seven submissions were made to QRA for work across the region. The works, once approved, have then been packaged up and issued for tender.

The open public tenders for this package of works were requested through Council’s online public tendering system, VendorPanel and closed on 10 June 2024. The package of work saw four submissions.

This report contains the evaluation of the submissions below.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Williams** **Seconded Cr O'Brien**
2024/06/163 **That Council:**
1. Accept the Ballyneety and Hexam Roads Road Maintenance
Performance Contract (RMPC) Gravel Supply submission from

Michael Horman Transport Proprietary Limited for the submitted value of \$783,100.01 (ex GST).

- 2. In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* and Council's procurement policy, Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract, negotiate and finalise all matters in relation to the execution of the contracts awarded in 1.**

Carried

6/1

Councillor Gleeson voted against the motion.

3.2 DECISION REPORTS

3.2.1 2024 Western Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly

Summary: Mayor Chandler received an email and date claimer from the Chair of the Remote Area Planning and Development Board regarding the 2024 Western Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly, to be held in Mount Isa on 4 and 5 September 2024.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr O'Brien**
2024/06/164 **That Council endorse the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to attend the 2024 Western Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly in Mount Isa.**

Carried

7/0

Meeting adjourned at 9.11am.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2024/06/165 **That Council closes the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 275(1)(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; to discuss the appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees.**

Carried

7/0

The meeting was closed at 9.18am and moved into open session at 9.43am.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/166 **That Council reopens the meeting.**

Carried
7/0

Mayoral Minutes

Resolution: **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/167 **That Council note the Chief Executive Officer has resigned his position as of 1 July 2024. Council thanks Mr Gray for his service to Council and community over the past two years.**

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Williams** **Seconded Cr O'Brien**
2024/06/168 **That Council grant the Chief Executive Officer 'Gardener's Leave' until his resignation comes into effect on 1 July 2024.**

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Williams**
2024/06/169 **That Council endorse the Director of Corporate and Financial Services – Daniel Bradford - as acting Chief Executive Officer (under Section 195b of the Act) at the appropriate level, until the position is filled.**

Carried
7/0

3.2.2 Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Council

Summary: Mayor Chandler received an email and letter from the Secretariat of the Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Council seeking representative nominations.

Resolution: **Moved Cr O'Brien** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/170 **That Council endorse the following officers: Chief Executive Officer and Human Resources Manager and Councillor Howard as the**

Barcaldine Regional Council representatives of the Local Government Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Champions Network.

Carried
7/0

3.2.3 Australian Workers Heritage Centre Kerbside Disability Access

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to rectification work to kerbside disability access in front of Australian Workers Heritage Centre.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/171 **That Council agrees to rectification work to correct the issue with accumulation of water and debris at kerbside disability ramp access and stairs in front of Australian Workers Heritage Centre by Council employees, for approximate cost of \$11,700.00.**

Carried
7/0

Councillor Williams declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 9.49am.

3.2.4 Lease Barcaldine Clay Target Club Incorporated

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration of the conditions of Lease to Barcaldine Clay Target Club Incorporated over land known as 41388 Landsborough Highway Barcaldine - Lot 1 on SP104445.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/172 **That Council defer a decision until the acting Chief Executive Officer undertakes further consultation with the Barcaldine Clay Target Club, with a further report to Council once Lease Agreement finalised.**

Carried
6/0

Councillor Williams returned to the meeting at 9.59am.

3.2.5 NRMA Electric Vehicle Charging Station Location

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to approve location for installation by NRMA of Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Williams** **Seconded Cr Rogers**
2024/06/173 **That Council approves the installation by NRMA of EV Charging Station at site on road reserve on the northern side of Wilga Street Barcaldine (after reviewing whether an alternate/more appropriate site is available), as per diagram, on condition that the power be underground.**

Carried

4/3

Councillors Penna, Howard and Gleeson voted against the motion.

3.2.6 Masterplans – Barcaldine Showground and Racecourse and Barcy Rec Park

Summary: This report is presented to Council for adoption of Masterplans for Barcaldine Showground and Racecourse and Barcy Rec Park.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Rogers** **Seconded Cr Williams**
2024/06/174 **That Council adopts Masterplans for Barcaldine Showground and Racecourse and Barcy Rec Park as presented by architect to meeting on 24 April 2024.**

Carried

7/0

3.2.7 Land Purchase – 90 and 94 Lord Street, Muttaborra

Summary: Council has received an email requesting to purchase 90 and 94 Lord Street, Muttaborra.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/175 **That Council does not agree to sell 90 and 94 Lord Street, Muttaborra for the proposed offer and agrees to advertise the lots: 607 and 606 CM162 for sale to the open public.**

Carried
7/0

3.2.8 Muttaborra State School Parents and Citizens Association

Summary: Council has received an application for community assistance from the Muttaborra State School Parents and Citizens (P&C) Association, seeking a donation towards the purchase of a Generator for the Muttaborra State School. The application has been assessed under Council's Community Grants Policy and due to its request value, requires consideration from Council.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Williams**
2024/06/176 **That Council agrees to support the Muttaborra State School P&C Association by way of a donation for the amount of \$3,000.00.**

Carried
7/0

Meeting was adjourned at 10.14am and reconvened at 10.49am.

Councillor O'Brien declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 10.50am.

3.2.9 Lease Barcaldine Aged Care Incorporated

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to renew Lease with Barcaldine Aged Care Incorporated.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2024/06/177 **That Council agrees to renewal of Lease with Barcaldine Aged Care Incorporated for premises located at 71 Beech Street Barcaldine, Lot 2 SP197794, as per Clause 6 Term of Lease option, two by three years.**

Carried
6/0

Councillor O'Brien returned to the meeting at 10.55am.

Councillor Rogers declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 10.55am.

3.2.10 Regional Arts Development Fund Applications

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, reporting on the Regional Arts Development Fund Assessment Outcomes

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/178 **That Council accepts the Committee recommendations to approve the following three applications, pending annual funding being received in July 2024:**

- 1. ARC Circus for the amount of \$5,000 for a Bee Story Regional Development Tour.**
- 2. Barcaldine Cultural Association for the amount of \$1,700 for a Pastel Workshop.**
- 3. Muttaborra Sculpture Festival and Qld Country Womens Association Muttaborra for the amount of \$13,598 for the Reuse/Recycle Sculpture Festival Workshop.**

Carried

5/1

Councillor O'Brien voted against the motion.

Councillors Chandler, Penna, Williams Howard and Gleeson voted for the motion.

Councillor Rogers returned to the meeting at 11.16am.

3.3 FINANCE

3.3.1 Financial Performance Report

Summary: Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a finance report to present at each monthly meeting of the local government. The financial report must state the progress that has been made in relation to the local government's budget for the period of the financial year up to a day

as near as practicable to the end of the month before the meeting is held.

The purpose of the report is to promote sound financial management and accountability by presenting the Council's budget performance as of 31 May 2024.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr O'Brien**
2024/06/179 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.3.2 Community Care Services Report

Summary: This report provides an update on the Community Care Services financial progress. The financial performance of the business unit broken up into the care packages provided by Council.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/180 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.3.3 Project Progress Report

Summary: Council has adopted a Capital Works Program for 2023/2024 financial year at its budget meeting in June 2023. At the meeting Council also adopted a list of special operating projects for this financial year. This report is a progress summary of each project to the end of March 2024.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2024/06/181 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.4.1 Regional Council Business

- Councillor Penna suggested that upcoming tenders be advertised elsewhere – other than the online portal – can be placed on Facebook and in The Gazette.
- Councillor Gleeson noted he had been advised that the grid on Saltern Creek road needs repair.
- Councillor Chandler queried the replacement of steps at the Barcaldine Race Club.
- Councillor Chandler noted the Minister for Transport and Main Roads was visiting on 16 July 2024.
- Councillor Howard queried whether the community forums would occur when future council meetings were being held in the other towns of the community.

Meeting was adjourned at 12.22pm and reconvened at 1.04pm.

3.5.1 Councillor Information Correspondence

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling a list of significant and relevant correspondence for Councillor's Information.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Williams
2024/06/182 That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

3.5.2 Planning and Development Report

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling the monthly Planning and Development Report.

Resolution: Moved Cr Penna Seconded Cr Howard
2024/06/183 That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

3.5.3 Workplace Health and Safety Report

Summary: From the Workplace Health and Safety Administration Support Officer, presenting a report on Council's Work Health and Safety.

Resolution: 2024/06/184 **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Penna**
That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

3.5.4 Environmental Health Officer Report

Summary: From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling the Environmental Health Officer Report for Councillor Information.

Resolution: 2024/06/185 **Moved Cr Williams** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

3.5.5 Economic Development Report

Summary: From the Chief executive Officer, tabling the monthly Economic Development Report.

Resolution: 2024/06/186 **Moved Cr Penna** **Seconded Cr Williams**
That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

3.6.1 Mayor's Information Report

Summary: From the Mayor, tabling his information report to Council.

Resolution: 2024/06/187 **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Williams**
That Council receive the report.

2024/06/187 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.6.2 Chief Executive Officer's Information Report

Summary: *From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling his information Report to Council.*

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Howard**
2024/06/188 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.6.3 Alpha/Jericho District Report

Summary: *This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month in and around the Alpha and Jericho District.*

Resolution: **Moved Cr Gleeson** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/189 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.6.4 Aramac/Muttaborra District Report

Summary: *This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month in and around the Aramac and Muttaborra District.*

Resolution: **Moved Cr Howard** **Seconded Cr Penna**
2024/06/190 **That Council receive the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.6.5 Barcaldine District Report

Summary: This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month in and around the Barcaldine District.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Howard
2024/06/191 That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

3.6.6 Community Engagement Coordinator

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting the Information Report.

Resolution: Moved Cr Penna Seconded Cr Williams
2024/06/192 That Council receive the report.

Carried
7/0

4. Close of Meeting

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.01pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR -----
DATED:
