

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BARCALDINE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 71 ASH STREET, BARCALDINE
ON TUESDAY 15 MARCH 2022
COMMENCING AT 8.45AM**

ATTENDANCE

Councillor S Dillon (Mayor) (In the Chair), Councillor M Rogers (Deputy Mayor),
Councillors D Arthur, T Gleeson, C Hansen, G Peoples and R Plumb.

OFFICERS

B Walsh (Acting Chief Executive Officer), P Coulton (District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra), J Lawrence (District Manager – Barcaldine), D Howard (District Manager – Alpha and Jericho), S Habib (Finance Officer), A Waugh (Community Engagement Coordinator), D Young (Minute Secretary).

PRAYER

Cr Arthur read the prayer.

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of the late Mr Harry Sanderson of Barcaldine, Mrs Anne Louise Ahern of Maylands Station Muttaborra and Mr Peter Naylor of Politic Station Aramac.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

Cr Dillon acknowledged the traditional owners of the land; past, present and emerging.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Prescribed Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Arthur under item 3.3.7 – Councillor Arthur informed the meeting he has a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Quotes – Capricorn Highway Widening Report, as his employer, Michael Horman Transport Pty Ltd, is a supplier of goods to the works.

Councillor Peoples under item 3.4.2 – continuing declaration from a prior meeting.

Councillor Peoples under item 3.7.2 – Councillor Peoples informed the meeting he has a Prescribed Conflict of Interest in the Sponsorship Request – Aramac Races Report, as he is the President of the Central West Racing Association and may be a bookmaker at the races.

Declarable Conflicts of Interest

Councillor Rogers under item 3.4.2 and 3.5.1 – continuing declaration from a prior meeting.

Councillor Rogers under item 3.6.1 – Councillor Rogers informed the meeting she has a Declarable Conflict of Interest in the Information Report, as the creator of the Lake Dunn Sculpture Trail.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Hansen**
2022/03/74 **That Councillor Rogers may participate in the discussion of and vote on**
this matter despite the Councillor’s conflict of interest.

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.

Councillor Rogers under item 3.7.3 – Councillor Rogers informed the meeting she has a Declarable Conflict of Interest in the Sponsorship Request – Muttaborra Stock Show, as she has previously been a sponsor for this event and will leave the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

Councillor Rogers under item 3.9.2, 3.9.3, 3.9.4 and 3.9.6 – Councillor Rogers informed the meeting she has a Declarable Conflict of Interest in the Australian Traveller Advertising, Bendigo Monthly – Leisure & Travel Guide Advertising, Caravanning Australia – Winter 2022 Advertising and WIN TV – Tourism Advertising Reports, as the creator of the Lake Dunn Sculpture Trail and will leave the meeting for the discussion and vote on this item.

BUSINESS

Councillor Peoples left the meeting at 9.04am and returned at 9.07am.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: **Moved Cr Plumb** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2022/03/75 **That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional Council**
held on the 15 February 2022 be received.

Carried
7/0

Resolution: **Moved Cr Plumb** **Seconded Cr Hansen**
2022/03/76 **That the minutes of the General Meeting of Barcaldine Regional Council**
held on the 15 February 2022 be confirmed.

Carried
7/0

2. PETITIONS - Nil

3. REPORTS

3.1 MAYOR

3.2.1 Mayor's Information Report

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

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Gleeson
2022/03/77 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.3 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

3.3.1 Acting Chief Executive Officer's Information Report

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling his information report to Council.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Rogers
2022/03/78 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.3.2 Councillor Information Correspondence

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

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Plumb
2022/03/79 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.3.3 Planning and Development Report

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

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Rogers
2022/03/80 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.3.4 Economic Development Report

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the monthly economic development report.

Resolution: Moved Cr Hansen Seconded Cr Arthur
2022/03/81 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

Meeting was adjourned at 10.02am and recommenced at 10.29am.

3.3.5 Workplace Health and Safety Report

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, presenting a report on Council's Workplace Health and Safety.

Resolution: Moved Cr Arthur Seconded Cr Gleeson
2022/03/82 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.3.6 Muttaborra Men's Shed

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, presenting a request from the Muttaborra Men's Shed to retain the existing building.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Hansen
2022/03/83 That Council:

- a. receives the request from the Muttaborra Men's Shed to retain the existing building and does not proceed with the sale of 34 Edkins Street Muttaborra and**
- b. Council enters into a lease arrangement with the Muttaborra Men's Shed, for the premises at 34 Edkins Street, that limits Council's ongoing exposure to continued investment as well as providing certainty of tenure.**

Carried
5/2

*Councillors Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Rogers voted for the motion.
Councillors Arthur and Plumb voted against the motion.*

Councillor Arthur declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 10.47am.

3.3.7 Quotes – Capricorn Highway Widening

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, requesting approval for quotes for the Capricorn Highway culvert works.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples **Seconded Cr Hansen**
2022/03/84 **That Council endorses the decision to engage McIntyre Concrete and DP & JC Thorn to complete culvert installation works on the Capricorn Highway at a daily rate of \$3,485 and \$4,895 respectively, on the basis that these quotes are the most advantageous to Council.**

Carried

6/0

Councillors Dillon, Hansen, Gleeson, Peoples, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.

Councillor Arthur returned to the meeting at 10.54am.

3.3.8 Meeting Date – May 2022

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, requesting a change to the May Council meeting date.

Resolution: Moved Cr Hansen **Seconded Cr Plumb**
2022/03/85 **That Council changes the date of the April Council meeting to Wednesday 27 April 2022 and the May Council meeting to Tuesday 31 May 2022.**

Carried

7/0

3.3.9 Aramac Recreation and Camping Ground

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, recommending a change to the name of the Aramac Showground to the Aramac Recreation and Camping Ground.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples **Seconded Cr Plumb**
2022/03/86 **That Council endorses the decision of the Chief Executive Officer to change the name of the land previously known as the Aramac Showground to the Aramac Recreation and Camping Ground.**

Carried

7/0

3.4 FINANCE

3.4.1 Financial Report

Summary: From the Finance Officer, presenting the monthly financial report.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Plumb
2022/03/87 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

Councillor Peoples declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 11.26am.

3.4.2 Project Progress Report

Summary: From the Finance Officer, reporting on the progress of the capital and special operating projects included in the 2022 budget.

Resolution: Moved Cr Plumb Seconded Cr Gleeson
2022/03/88 That Council receives the report.

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.

Councillor Peoples returned at 11.27am.

3.4.3 Community Care Services Report

Summary: From the Finance Officer, reporting on the operations of the Community Care Services.

Resolution: Moved Cr Hansen Seconded Cr Peoples
2022/03/89 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.5 Director of Works Report

3.5.1 Works Report

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, presenting the status of the scope of works assigned to Infrastructure Services.

Resolution: Moved Cr Gleeson Seconded Cr Peoples
2022/03/90 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.6 DISTRICT MANAGER – ALPHA AND JERICHO

3.6.1 Information Report

Summary: From the District Manager – Alpha and Jericho, submitting to Council the monthly Information Report.

Resolution: Moved Cr Rogers Seconded Cr Peoples
2022/03/91 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

3.7 DISTRICT MANAGER – ARAMAC AND MUTTABURRA

3.7.1 Information Report

Summary: From the District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra, submitting to Council the monthly Information Report.

Resolution: Moved Cr Hansen Seconded Cr Rogers
2022/03/92 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

Councillor Peoples declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 11.55am.

3.7.2 Sponsorship Request – Aramac Races

Summary: A request from the Aramac Racing Club, seeking sponsorship from Council for their annual race event.

Resolution: Moved Cr Rogers Seconded Cr Plumb
2022/03/93 That Council agrees to sponsor the Aramac Racing Club for \$1,500 towards their annual race day.

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Plumb and Rogers voted for the motion.

Councillor Peoples returned to the meeting at 11.56am.

Councillor Rogers declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 11.56am.

3.7.3 Sponsorship Request – Muttaborra Stock Show

Summary: A request from the Muttaborra Stock Show, seeking sponsorship for their 60th annual stock show.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Plumb** **Seconded Cr Peoples**
2022/03/94 **That Council agrees to sponsor the Muttaborra Stock Show for the cash sum of \$1,500 with in-kind support to be determined by the Chief Executive Officer.**

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.

Councillor Rogers returned to the meeting at 12.03pm.

3.8 DISTRICT MANAGER – BARCALDINE**3.8.1 Information Report**

Summary: From the District Manager – Barcaldine, submitting to Council the monthly information report.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Plumb**
2022/03/95 **That Council receives the report.**

Carried
7/0

3.8.2 Sponsorship Request – Leading in the Central West Incorporated

Summary: From the District Manager – Barcaldine, requesting Council resolution providing sponsorship to Leading in the Central West.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Arthur** **Seconded Cr Hansen**
2022/03/96 **That Council agrees to provide sponsorship of \$4,000 – \$800 per person, free use of The Globe Gallery and equipment to Leading in the Central West Incorporated for the free attendance of five local community members, (representing one per town area – where possible) selected in conjunction with Barcaldine Regional Council, to attend a three-day leadership training course on 28–30 October 2022.**

Carried
5/2

*Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Hansen, Plumb, and Rogers voted for the motion.
 Councillors Gleeson and Peoples voted against the motion.*

3.9 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

3.9.1 Information Report

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

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Rogers
2022/03/97 That Council receives the report.

Carried
7/0

Councillor Rogers declared a conflict of interest in the following three reports and left the meeting at 12.46pm.

3.9.2 Australian Traveller Advertising

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting a request from Australian Traveller for digital advertising.

Resolution: Moved Cr Peoples Seconded Cr Plumb
2022/03/98 That Council does not agree to digitally advertise via Australian Traveller at a cost of \$8,950.

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.

3.9.3 Bendigo Monthly – Leisure & Travel Guide Advertising

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting a request from Bendigo Monthly to advertise in the Leisure & Travel Guide.

Resolution: Moved Cr Dillon Seconded Cr Peoples
2022/03/99 That Council does not agree to a half page advertisement in the Leisure & Travel Guide at a cost of \$1,800.

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.

3.9.4 Caravanning Australia – Winter 2022 Advertising

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting a request from Caravanning Australia to advertise in their Winter 2022 edition.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Hansen** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2022/03/100 **That Council does not agree to include a [option 1 – full page, option 2 – half page or option 3 – quarter page] advertisement and editorial in the Winter 2022 edition of Caravanning Australia at a cost of [option 1 - \$2,400.00, option 2 - \$1,750.00 or option 3 - \$1,250.00].**

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.

Councillor Rogers returned to the meeting at 12.50pm.

3.9.5 Out of Abingdon

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting a request from Out of Abingdon to host their jazz show in Barcaldine.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Arthur** **Seconded Cr Hansen**
2022/03/101 **That Council agrees to host the Out of Abingdon show in Barcaldine on 9 July 2022 at a cost of \$1,000 - with a ticket price of \$20 per adult and \$10 per child.**

Carried
7/0

Councillor Rogers declared a conflict of interest in the following report and left the meeting at 12.51pm.

3.9.6 WIN TV – Tourism Advertising

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting a request from WIN TV for television advertising to promote the region.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Plumb** **Seconded Cr Peoples**
2022/03/102 **That Council agrees to advertise on WIN TV at a cost of \$1,000 with the 9 Life Package Queensland Broadcast.**

Carried
6/0

Councillors Arthur, Dillon, Gleeson, Hansen, Peoples and Plumb voted for the motion.

Councillor Rogers returned to the meeting at 12.57pm.

4. Questions on Notice

4.1.1 Questions on Notice – Responses February Meeting

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the responses to the February Council Meeting Questions on Notice.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Arthur** **Seconded Cr Hansen**
2022/03/103 **That Council receives the report.**

Carried
7/0

Cr Gleeson

Toilet cleaning tender – back to Council before decision made.

Waste facility – public will not be able to utilise the pit without council supervision. Will the council truck/compacter have access?

Cr Arthur

Barcaldine showground very dry – check sprinkler system.

Cr Plumb

Oak Street mural/information – further discussion prior to meeting with Transport and Main Roads.

Works order to repair fridges in campdraft shed.

Response required to Jericho resident regarding cactus (Note: email sent to two Councillors only).

Cr Rogers

When is the park across from IGA reopening?

Toilets across from waste facility – lights on all time – consideration for them to be placed on timers.

Meeting adjourned at 1.05pm and recommenced at 1.42pm.

Mayoral Minute

Resolution: **Moved Cr Peoples** **Seconded Cr Gleeson**
2022/03/104 **That Council closes the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 254J(3)(g) of the Local Government regulation 2012, as negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government.**

Carried
7/0

The meeting was closed at 1.44pm and reopened at 1.47pm.

Resolution: **Moved Cr Arthur** **Seconded Cr Plumb**
2022/03/105 **That Council reopens the meeting.**

Carried
7/0

**Resolution:
2022/03/106**

Moved Cr Plumb

Seconded Cr Hansen

That Council agrees to sell the property at 45 Dryden Street, Alpha (Lot 5 SP328183) to Leonard and Roslyn Hafey for a price of \$125,000 because it provides certainty of accommodation for an employee who currently holds a valued role with Council and is for a figure higher than the value of the asset.

**Carried
7/0**

5. Close of Meeting

As there was no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 1.48pm.

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

MAYOR: -----

DATED: 15 March 2022