

PAROO SHIRE COUNCIL



Established 1879

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 27 February 2009

OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 10.30am.

ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

Councillors:

Mayor	Cr Joanna Sheppard
Deputy Mayor	Cr Karen Ticehurst
	Cr Don Dunsdon
	Cr David Land
	Cr Carmel Meurant

Officers:

Chief Executive Officer	Mark Watt
Director Governance	Neil Mitchell
Minutes Secretary	Rita McIntyre
Minutes Secretary	Kelly Cordwell

MOTION OF SYMPATHY

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

General Meeting Minutes 23 January 2009

Res.M09/014

Moved Cr Ticehurst seconded Cr Meurant that the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Friday 23 January 2009 are taken as a true and correct record of that meeting of Council.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE**QAO – AUDIT RESULTS 2007/08**

File/Ref: 10/1;137979

Description:

Letter from Tim Davis, Horizon Accounting Group, regarding matters arising from the 2007/08 audit. The only matter arising from the audit was valuation of Road Assets – Formation, which is assessed as a moderate risk. The implication is that Council is required to value the formation component of roads, which are currently not valued correctly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

Res.M09/015

Moved Cr Land seconded Cr Dunsdon that Tim Davis, Horizon Accounting Group be advised of Council's progress towards a road revaluation in accordance with current accounting standards.

CARRIED

Attendance: Neil Mitchell entered the meeting at 10.35am.

Application for change of lease condition – TL 0/214324, being Lot 23 on Crown Plan WN76

File/Ref: 67/1;137988

Description:

Correspondence from Toni Ferguson of the Department of Natural Resources and Water informing Council of an application for change of lease condition

Res.M09/016

Moved Cr Meurant seconded Cr Land that Toni Ferguson, Department of Natural Resources and Water be advised that Council has no objection to a change of lease condition regarding a proposed residential purpose and associated trucking business on land described as L23/crown plan WN76 Parish Cunnamulla, subject to the following:

- 1. Council is guaranteed, by way of an easement or agreement, access to existing infrastructure across the land being a flood levy bank; and*
- 2. Any proposed change of activity or use of the land is subject to a development approval in accordance with Council's Planning Scheme 2006.*

CARRIED

OFFICERS REPORTS**Chief Executive Officer**

Consideration of the Chief Executive Officers Report.

Drug and Alcohol Policy

Consideration of a Drug and Alcohol Policy that has been developed in consultation with Supervisors, Police and the Local Government Association of Queensland Inc.

Res.M09/017

Moved Cr Ticehurst seconded Cr Dunsdon that the Drug and Alcohol policy, as presented, be adopted.

CARRIED

Drug and Alcohol Management Plan (DAMP) – Cunnamulla Airport

New regulations introduced under Part 99 of the *Civil Aviation Safety Regulations 1998* require certain aviation organizations to develop and implement a Drug and Alcohol Management Plan by 23 March 2009. The Drug and Alcohol Management Plan requires certain notification of key events, training and education in relation to drug and alcohol in aviation activities at the Airport.

Res.M09/018

Moved Cr Dunsdon seconded Cr Land that the Drug and Alcohol Management Plan (DAMP), as presented, be adopted.

CARRIED

Attendance: Cr Meurant left the meeting at 11.18am and returned at 11.20am.

Director of Governance

Consideration of the Director of Governance Report

Deputation: The Member for Warrego Howard Hobbs MP entered the meeting at 11.46am as a part of a visit within his electorate. Mr Hobbs departed the meeting at 12.05pm, Mark Watt and Neil Mitchell left the meeting at 12.00pm and both returned at 12.03pm.

Adjournment: the Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.05pm and resumed at 1.05pm
Neil Mitchell was not in attendance.

Shire Engineer

Consideration of the Shire Engineer's Report

Airport Road Upgrade**Res.M09/019**

Moved Cr Ticehurst seconded Cr Meurant that the TIDS funding of \$149,000 from Jobs Gate Road is approved for allocation to the airport road to fund bitumen widening to 7m and installation of culverts.

CARRIED

PETITIONS

Nil

TENDERS**PSC2009-004 Supply of Fuels**

Consideration of tenders for the supply of unleaded petrol, Diesel and Avgas. Tenders closed on Friday 6 February 2009.

Res.M09/020

Moved Cr Land seconded Cr Meurant that in accordance with section 484 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council accept the tender from NL & LM Hatchman for the supply of fuels in accordance with tender specifications for the period up to an including 31 August 2009.

CARRIED

PSC2009/001 Sale of House – 47 John Street

Consideration of tenders received for the purchase of a Council house located 47 John Street, Cunnamulla and described as L1/RP94361 Parish Cunnamulla. Tenders closed on Wednesday 11 February 2009.

Res.M09/021

Moved Cr Ticehurst seconded Cr Dunsdon that in accordance with section 491 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council accept the tender from Suzette Beresford for the purchase of a Council house located at 49 John Street, Cunnamulla on land described as L1/RP94361 Parish Cunnamulla for the tendered price.

CARRIED

PSC2009/002 Sale of House – 39 Louise Street

Consideration of tenders received for the purchase of a Council house located 39 Louise Street, Cunnamulla and described as L6/RP198740 Parish Cunnamulla. Tenders closed on Wednesday 11 February 2009.

Res.M09/022

Moved Cr Land seconded Cr Meurant that in accordance with section 491 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council accept the tender from Darryl & Susan Morcom for the purchase of a Council house located at 39 Louise Street, Cunnamulla on land described as L6/RP198740 Parish Cunnamulla for the tendered price.

CARRIED

PSC2008/005 CEO Residence

Consideration of tenders received for the construction of a CEO Residence at 246B Weir Road, Cunnamulla on land described as L2/RP101106 Parish Cunnamulla. Tenders closed on Monday 9 February 2009.

Res.M09/023

Moved Cr Dunsdon seconded Cr Ticehurst that this matter be further considered at the information meeting to be held on 19 March 2009.

CARRIED

NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

QUESTIONS**Cr Land**

Councillor Land enquired if Council can do anything about children in town and the associated youth issues causing problems.

Cr Dunsdon

Councillor Dunsdon had been asked by people along Weir Road and Cuttaburra area about connection to town water.

Cr Sheppard

Councillor Sheppard provided an update on the illegal occupancy by Leonard at Yowah. It was noted that legal action will now be undertaken to remove him.

GENERAL BUSINESS & LATE ITEMS**Community Grants Submissions- Round 2**

Consideration was given to the community Grants Submission-Round 2.

Conflict of Interest - Cr Sheppard declared a conflict of interest in the Community Grant Submissions given her membership of the Noorama Race Club Inc and decided to remain in the meeting and vote on this decision

Res.M09/024

Moved Cr Land seconded Cr Meurant that the following grants be approved:

Applicant	Description	Approved (Ex-Gst)
<i>Yapunyah Craft Group</i>	<i>To purchase 3 fold away tables.</i>	<i>\$360</i>
<i>Youth Programs</i>	<i>To supply sand for a volleyball court at the Weir. And for the Weir to be levelled around the bbq areas. A basic clean up, including the BBQ area's to be free of burs, glass and rubbish.</i>	<i>\$100</i>
<i>Eulo Polocrosse Assoc</i>	<i>The use of the Paroo Shire Council Water truck to prepare the fields and roads. And cement bar area, would need one tonne of cement powder.</i>	<i>\$2,975</i>
<i>Cunnamulla Rams Senior Rugby League Football Club Inc.</i>	<i>Would like the fee's to be waived for the hire of John Kerr Park Oval and amenities, whilst conducting the touch football competition, training and match days.</i>	<i>\$1,100</i>
<i>Noorama Sports & Recreation Centre</i>	<i>To extend the cemented area around the clubhouse, including retaining wall which is needed between the tennis court and clubhouse.</i>	<i>\$5,000</i>
TOTAL		\$9,535

CARRIED

Res.M09/025

Moved Cr Land seconded Cr Meurant that Council conduct an information session on 19 March 2009.

CARRIED

CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 2.45pm

MINUTES CERTIFICATE

Confirmation

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Cr J Sheppard
Mayor

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Mark Watt
Chief Executive officer