



MCKINLAY SHIRE COUNCIL

CONFIRMED MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD AT THE

BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTRE
JULIA CREEK

21 May 2024

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1. OPENING BUSINESS

All Councillors having signed the Attendance Book, Mayor Janene Fegan declared the meeting open at 08:28am.

2. ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Cr. J Fegan

Members: Cr. L Spreadborough, Cr. F Malone, Cr. J Lynch, Cr. S Royes (teleconference)

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Trevor Williams

Director of Engineering, Environment and Regulatory Services, Mr. Cameron Scott

Director of Corporate & Community Services, Ms. Tenneil Cody

Team Leader, Environmental and Regulatory Services, Mr. Jason Brady

Apologies:

Nil

Other people in attendance:

Allan Southern – Julia Creek Work Camp

George Muir – Qld Corrections (Videoconference)

Sheree Pratt – Julia Creek Dirt & Dust Festival

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Confirmation of Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 15 April 2024 be confirmed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15 April 2024 be confirmed.

Resolution No. 142/2324

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15 April 2024 be confirmed.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

4.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Clarification of the street lighting quote request from Cr. S Royes.

5. ENGINEERING SERVICES

5.1 Engineering Works Report

This report outlines the general activities for the Engineering Department for the month of April 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Engineering Services monthly report for April 2024.

Resolution 143/2324

Council receives the Engineering Services monthly report for April 2024.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

5.2 Department of Transport and Main Roads Emergent Works Program

The purpose of this report is to report on the monthly expenditure for the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) Emergent Works program and to broaden the scope to include two further State Controlled roads, namely 5807 (Julia Creek to Kynuna Road) and 78A (Wills Developmental Road). This is in relation to Resolution 133/2324 passed at the April Ordinary meeting of Council held on 15th April 2024.

Recommendation:

1. That Council confirms to broaden the scope of the DTMR Emergent Works Program to include 5807 – Julia Creek Kynuna Road and 78A – Wills Developmental Road (Julia Ck – Burketown); and
2. That Council note the expenditure for April 2024 in relation to DTMR Emergent Works on 14E totals \$784,145.23

Resolution 144/2324

That Council resolves to:

- a) confirm to broaden the scope of the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) Emergent Works Program to include roads 5807 – Julia Creek Kynuna Road and 78A – Wills Developmental Road (Julia Creek – Burketown); and
- a) note the expenditure for April 2024 in relation to DTMR Emergent Works on 14E totalling \$784,145.23

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

5.3 Extension of Engagement of DRFA Project Managers

Project Delivery Managers (PDM) are currently engaged undertaking Project Management, superintendency, contract administration and Inspectorial works of Council's 2022, 2023 & 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement (DRFA) projects. The current engagement is until 31st December 2024. The Current Recovery of Essential Public Asset (REPA) projects will extend beyond this date.

PDM have requested an extension to current arrangement to support Council with current recovery arrangement including 2024 activation event.

This report considers a potential extension of the engagement and authorizing the Chief Executive to raise the relevant purchase orders.

Recommendation:

That Council resolves to;

- a) Extend Project Delivery Managers (PDM) DRFA engagement through to 31st December 2026 and;
- b) In accordance with the Local Government Act 2009, Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into arrangements, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with 2023 & 2024 DRFA to Council's existing procurement policies and practices.

Resolution 145/2324

That Council resolves to:

- a) Extend Project Delivery Managers (PDM) DRFA engagement through to 31st December 2026 and;
- b) In accordance with the Local Government Act 2009, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into arrangements, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with 2023 & 2024 DRFA to Council's existing procurement policies and practices.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

ENVIROMENTAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES**6.1 Environmental and Regulatory Services Report**

This report outlines the general activities, revenue and expenditure for the department for the period April 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the April 2024 Environmental and Regulatory Services Report.

Resolution No. 146/2324

Council receives the April 2024 Environmental and Regulatory Services Report.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. J Lynch

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance - Allan Southern entered the meeting room at 9:58am.

Appointment 10:00am Queensland Correction Services – George Muir (videoconference) & Allan Southern

Attendance - Allan Southern left the meeting room at 10:15am

Resolution No. 147/2324

Council resolves to make representations to Queensland Corrective Services to establish the Workcamp program on a permanent basis at Julia Creek.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. J Lynch

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance Cr L Spreadborough left the meeting room at 10:16am

Attendance Cr L Spreadborough re-entered the meeting room at 10:17am

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES

7.1 Community Services Monthly Report

Council is presented with the monthly Community Services report, which provides an overview of the operations for the month of April 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Community Services monthly report for April 2024.

Resolution No. 148/2324

Council receives the Community Services monthly report for April 2024.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

Appointment Julia Creek Dirt & Dust Festival

Attendance - Sheree Pratt (Dirt & Dust) entered the room at 10:32am

Attendance - Sheree Pratt left the meeting room at 10:59am.

7.2 Sponsorship Request – Saxby Round-Up

Council has received a Community Sponsorship Request from Saxby Round-Up for in-kind support to assist the provision of the use of a Council water truck for their 2024 event.

Recommendation:

Council resolves to approve the Community Sponsorship Request for Saxby Round-Up for in-kind support up to \$5,000 to assist the provision of the use of a Council water truck for their 2024 event.

Resolution No. 149/2324

That Council resolves to approve the Community Sponsorship Request for Saxby Round-Up for in-kind support up to \$5,000 to assist the provision of the use of a Council water truck for their 2024 event.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

7.3 Community Sponsorship Request – McKinlay Race Club

Council has received a Community Sponsorship Request from McKinlay Race Club for a cash contribution of \$5,000. This sponsorship will assist the club with running their annual race meeting and help to cover the costs of the ambulance, children's entertainment, live music for the event and to help transport patrons to and from the racetrack to the Walkabout Creek Hotel.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council resolves to approve the Community Sponsorship Request for McKinlay Race Club for a \$5,000 cash to cover costs associated with an ambulance, children's entertainment, live music and transport patrons to and from the racetrack.

Resolution No. 150/2324

Council resolves to approve the Community Sponsorship Request for McKinlay Race Club for \$5,000 cash to cover costs associated with an ambulance, children's entertainment, live music and transport patrons to and from the racetrack.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

7.4 Community Sponsorship Request – Sedan Dip Sports & Recreation Club

Council has received a Community Sponsorship Request from Sedan Dip Sports and Recreation Club with an in-kind contribution request to utilise Council's Water Truck for their 2024 event.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council resolves to approve the Community Sponsorship Request from Sedan Dip Sports and Recreation Club with an in-kind contribution up to \$5,000 to utilise Council's Water Truck for their 2024 event.

Resolution No. 151/2324

Council resolves to approve the Community Sponsorship Request from Sedan Dip Sports and Recreation Club with an in-kind contribution up to \$5,000 to utilise Council's Water Truck for their 2024 event.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. L Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

7.5 Regional Arts Development Fund – Quick Response Application

Council has received one (1) Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Quick Response Application that were assessed by the RADF Committee and recommended for approval:

- McKinlay Shire Cultural Association Children's Pottery & Adult Mosaic Workshops - \$2,046

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resolves to support the recommendations made by the RADF Committee to support:

- *McKinlay Shire Cultural Association Children's Pottery & Adult Mosaic Workshops - \$2,046*

Resolution No. 152/2324

That Council resolves to support the recommendations made by the RADF Committee to support:

- *McKinlay Shire Cultural Association Children's Pottery & Adult Mosaic Workshops - \$2,046*

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

Late Agenda Item**Resolution No. 153/2324**

That Council resolves to accept late agenda item 7.6 Community Benefit Assistance Scheme.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. L Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

7.6 Community Benefit Assistance Scheme

The Community Benefit Assistance Scheme for 2023/24 has been advertised on a ongoing basis throughout the year seeking applications from local not-for-profit groups for assistance with equipment, infrastructure or volunteer support. Grants are available as dollar-for-dollar contributions with the group and Council co-contributing to the specific project. One application has been received from the McKinlay Shire Cultural Association.

Resolution No. 154/2324

That Council fund McKinlay Shire Cultural Association \$1,273.34 under the Community Benefit Assistance Scheme program.

Moved Cr. F Malone

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

8. CORPORATE SERVICES**8.1 The Corporate Services Report**

The Corporate Services Report as of October 2023 which summarises the financial performance and position is presented to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending October 2023.

Resolution No. 155/2324

Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending April 2024.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. L Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

8.2 Councillors' Portfolio System & Protocols

Council established a policy document, Councillors' Portfolio System & Protocols in 2020 to detail how the portfolio system works and details the portfolios of each Councillor. Following the recent election and changes to portfolios the policy was reviewed and is presented to Council for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

The Policy for the Councillors' Portfolio System and Protocols version 3.0 be adopted as presented.

Resolution No. 156/2324

The Policy for the Councillors' Portfolio System and Protocols version 3.0 be adopted as presented.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

8.3 Acceptable Requests Guidelines Policy

Council has reviewed its Acceptable Request Guidelines Policy in line with S170A of the Local Government Act 2009, and is presented to Council for review and adoption.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the Acceptable Request Guidelines Policy version 3.0 as presented and will revoke all previous versions of the policy.

Resolution No. 157/2324

That Council adopts the Acceptable Request Guidelines Policy version 3.0 as presented and will revoke all previous versions of the policy.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. J Lynch

CARRIED 5/0

8.4 Review of Public Interest Disclosure Policy & Associated Documents

Council has obligations under the Public Interest Disclosure Act 2010 to establish procedures to deal with public interest disclosures (PIDs) in order to ensure that PIDs are appropriately assessed and managed, support is offered to disclosers and public officers are protected from reprisal. To this end a review of the Public Interest Disclosure Policy, Management Plan and Procedures have been undertaken.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the Public Interest Disclosure Policy V4.0 along with the Public Interest Disclosure Management Plan V4.0 and the Public Interest Disclosure Procedure V3.0 as presented.

Resolution No. 158/2324

That Council adopts the Public Interest Disclosure Policy V4.0 along with the Public Interest Disclosure Management Plan V4.0 and the Public Interest Disclosure Procedure V3.0 as presented.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

8.5 McKinlay Shire Council Organisational Structure Review

A review of the current organisational structure was undertaken, and updates were made to reflect the workforce required to meet the operational needs of Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the McKinlay Shire Council organisational structure version 3.0 as presented.

Resolution No. 159/2324

That Council adopts the McKinlay Shire Council organisational structure version 3.0 as presented.

Moved Cr. F Malone

Seconded Cr. J Lynch

CARRIED 5/0

PROCEDURAL MOTION

That the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J(3)(f) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public to discuss matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or group of individuals.

Resolution No. 160/2324

Council resolves to close the meeting to the public in accordance with Section 254J(3)(f) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

Items 8.6 through to 8.8 are is classified CONFIDENTIAL under section 254J(3)(f) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public to discuss matters that may directly affect the health and safety of an individual or group of individuals.

PROCEDURAL MOTION**Resolution No. 161/2324**

Council resolves to re-open the Ordinary Meeting of Council to the public.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

CARRIED 5/0

8.6 Sale of land for overdue rates – Lot 702 on CPAL75

This report is presented to Council to consider whether to sell Lot 702 on CP AL75 (Assessment: 00423-90000-000) for overdue rates or charges. The land meets the requirements of section 140(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the "Regulation").

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves to:

- (a) sell Lot 702 on CP AL75 (Assessment: 00423-90000-000) pursuant to section 140(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and*
- (b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:*
 - a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and*

- b. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to effect the sale of the land.*

Resolution No. 162/2324

That Council resolves to:

- (a) sell Lot 702 on CP AL75 (Assessment: 00423-90000-000) pursuant to section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- (b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:
- a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- b. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to effect the sale of the land.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

8.7 Sale of land for overdue rates – Lot 141 and 142 on SP151986

This report is presented to Council to consider whether to sell Lot 141 and Lot 142 on SP151986 (Assessment: 00275-00000-000) for overdue rates or charges. The land meets the requirements of section 140(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the "Regulation").

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves to:

- (a) sell Lot 141 and Lot 142 on SP151986 (Assessment: 00275-00000-000) pursuant to section 140(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and*
- (b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:*
- a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and*
- b. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to effect the sale of the land.*

Resolution No. 163/2324

That Council resolves to:

- (a) sell Lot 141 and Lot 142 on SP151986 (Assessment: 00275-00000-000) pursuant to section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- (b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:
- a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- b. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to effect the sale of the land.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

8.8 Sale of land for overdue rates – Lot 118 on CP JC5571

This report is presented to Council to consider whether to sell Lot 118 on CP JC5571 (Assessment: 00106-00000-000; for overdue rates or charges. The land meets the requirements of section 140(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* (the “Regulation”).

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves to:

- (a) sell Lot 118 on CP JC5571 (Assessment: 00106-00000-000) pursuant to section 140(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and*
- (b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:*
 - a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; and*
 - b. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to effect the sale of the land.*

Resolution No. 164/2324

That Council resolves to:

- (a) sell Lot 118 on CP JC5571 (Assessment: 00106-00000-000) pursuant to section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
- (b) delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its power to:
 - a. give a Notice of Intention to Sell the land to all interested parties under section 140(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*; and
 - b. take all further steps required under sections 141, 142, 143, 144, 145 and 146 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to effect the sale of the land.

Moved Cr. F Malone

Seconded Cr. L Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

8.9 Internal Audit Report – Job Costing Practices

In accordance with the Local government Regulation 2012, Council must carry out an internal audit each financial year. This financial year an internal audit on Job Costing Practices was carried out in accordance with the adopted Internal Audit Plan. Council is presented with a summary of the report including management responses to the recommendations.

RECOMMENDATION

Council note the Internal Audit report for Job Costing practices including the recommendations and the management responses inclusive of actions to be taken.

Resolution No. 165/2324

Council note the Internal Audit report for Job Costing practices including the recommendations and the management responses inclusive of actions to be taken.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**9.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report**

In addition to the information provided below, a verbal update will be given on current matters headlined in the body of the report which have arisen from the Office of the Chief Executive Officer.

Resolution No. 166/2324

That Council receive and note the report from the Chief Executive Officer for the period ending 16th May 2024 except where amended or varied by separate resolution of Council.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. J Lynch

CARRIED 5/0

1. NWQROC Meeting 8th and 9th May 2024

The Mayor, Cr. Fegan, Cr. Lynch and I attended the monthly meeting of the NWQROC held in Cloncurry on May 8th and 9th 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

For Council Information

2. North Queensland Resilience Program Projects to QRA

As discussed above the QRA North Queensland Resilience Program has been released. The QRA have requested Council to submit 3-5 high priority natural disaster resilience focused projects at a local level and 2-3 at a regional level to nominate

RECOMMENDATION

Council endorses the action of the CEO in submitting the construction of the Julia Creek Early Learning Centre (\$2M) and the construction of Council Houses (\$2.547) as our 2 high priority natural disaster resilience focused projects. As a back-up the construction of roads to a bitumen standard on roads identified in the Local Resilience Action Plan, including Etta Plains Road, Taldora Road, Nelia – Bunda Road, Punchbowl Road and Malpas Trenton Road.

Resolution No. 167/2324

Council endorses the action of the CEO in submitting the construction of the Julia Creek Early Learning Centre (\$2M) and the construction of Council Houses (\$2.547) as our 2 high priority natural disaster resilience focused projects. As a back-up the construction of roads to a bitumen standard on roads identified in the Local Resilience Action Plan, including Etta Plains Road, Taldora Road, Nelia – Bunda Road, Punchbowl Road and Malpas Trenton Road.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. L Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

3. Attendance of Mayor at the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) Board Meeting in Roma on June 25th and future board meetings

The mayor Cr Fegan has been elected to the OQTA Board as the MITEZ Representative. The next board meeting is being held in Roma on June 25th. It is recommended council approve the attendance of Cr. Fegan

to the board meeting in Roma and future board meetings. Attendance at the meetings is usually covered by the OQTA and MITEZ.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approves the Mayor, Cr. Fegan to attend the OQTA Board Meeting in Roma on 25th June 2024 and future board meetings.

Resolution No. 168/2324

Council approves the Mayor, Cr. Fegan to attend the OQTA Board Meeting in Roma on 25th June 2024 and future board meetings.

Moved Cr. F Malone

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

4. Attendance of Mayor to the 2024 Queensland Agriculture Industry Conference in Brisbane on 1-2 October 2024

The mayor Cr Fegan has been invited to attend the 2024 Queensland Agriculture Industry Conference in Brisbane on 1-2 October 2024. The conference will provide the mayor the opportunity to meet industry leaders and discuss agricultural opportunities in Queensland. With the development of intensive agriculture in our shire and the review of the Gulf Regional Water Strategy it is recommended council approve the attendance of Cr. Fegan to the conference. Attendance at the conference will be funded from the Councilor Conference budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approves the Mayor, Cr. Fegan to attend the 2024 Queensland Agriculture Industry Conference in Brisbane on 1-2 October.

Resolution No. 169/2324

Council approves the Mayor, Cr. Fegan to attend the 2024 Queensland Agriculture Industry Conference in Brisbane on 1-2 October.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. L Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

5. Meetings with External Organizations in May

The Mayor and CEO have met with Epic Environmental to discuss the Richmond Vanadium Project.

The Mayor and CEO also met with researchers from the CSIRO who are undertaking a project 'Navigating Sustainability Transitions in Australian regions undergoing critical mineral development'.

The Mayor and CEO have a meeting scheduled on 22/5/2024 with Aileen Eccles from DAF. Aileen will be in Julia Creek to discuss and inspect our livestock facility including the dip.

RECOMMENDATION:

For Council Information

6. NWQROC Mayoral Delegation to Canberra 5-6 June 2024

The NWQROC is sending a Mayoral Delegation to Canberra on 5-6 June 2024. Meetings have been sought with the Hon Emma McBride MP, Assistant Minister for Rural and Regional Health and Assistant Minister for Mental Health re Regional Health Challenges; the Hon Tanya Plibersek MP, Minister for the Environment and Water re Water Security and the GAB; the Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government re Road Infrastructure; the Hon Madeline King MP, Minister for Northern Australia and Resources re NA related issues and opportunities and resources; the Hon Kristy McBain MP, Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories re LG Financial Sustainability; the Hon Michelle Rowland MP, Minister for Communications re Digital Connectivity; Senators McDonald, McGrath, Canavan, Scarr & Rennick re Queensland Senator championing; Senator the Hon Anthony Chisolm, Assistant Minister for Education and Assistant Minister for Regional Development re Regional Development; Senator the Hon Murray Watt, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. Minister for Emergency Management. Attendance at the delegation will be funded from the Councilor Conference budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approves the Mayor, Cr. Fegan to attend the NWQROC Mayoral Delegation to Canberra on 5-6 June 2024.

Resolution No. 170/2324

Council approves the Mayor, Cr. Fegan to attend the NWQROC Mayoral Delegation to Canberra on 5-6 June 2024.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

7. Appointment of Acting CEO During CEO Leave from 10th June – 14th June 2024

In the absence of the CEO on Leave commencing 10th June – 14th June 2024 it is desired that Council appoints an Acting CEO.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council appoints Ms. Tenneil Cody as Acting CEO from 10th June – 14th June 2024.

Resolution No. 171/2324

Council appoints Ms. Tenneil Cody as Acting CEO from 10th June – 14th June 2024

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

8. Appointment of Acting CEO During CEO Leave from 10th July – 15th July 2024

In the absence of the CEO on Leave commencing 10th July – 15th July 2024 it is desired that Council appoints an Acting CEO.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council appoints Mr. Cameron Scott as Acting CEO from 10th July – 15th July 2024.

Resolution No. 172/2324

Council appoints Mr. Cameron Scott as Acting CEO from 10th July – 15th July 2024.

Moved Cr. J Lynch

Seconded Cr. S Royes

CARRIED 5/0

10. WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY ▲**10.1 Workplace Health and Safety**

This report outlines the general status of Work Health and Safety at McKinlay Shire Council for the period of April 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the April 2024 WHS Report.

Resolution No. 173/2324

That Council receives the April 2024 WHS Report.

Moved Cr. L Spreadborough

Seconded Cr. F Malone

CARRIED 5/0

General Business – Councillor Requests

Cr. F Malone

- Kynuna Cemetery extremely overgrown.
- Enquiry as to possibility of Rural Women’s Day event
- Compliments to Parks & Gardens team - Smart Hub trees and area presenting well
- Compliments to recent grading work done by Council

Cr. J Lynch

- Prickly Acacia along side the Shire roads needs spraying and removing to allow greater visibility.

Cr. J Fegan

- Request interest from Councillors regarding public speaking training for Councillors
- Meeting with Matt Nichols North West Weekly scheduled for 23rd May 2024
- Economic Development Community Consultation – successful event and pass on congratulations to the team who organised.

11. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair of the meeting Mayor Cr. Janene Fegan declared the meeting closed at 12:12pm.

