

MCKINLAY SHIRE COUNCIL

CONFIRMED MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD AT THE

BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTRE
JULIA CREEK

10th December 2024

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Opening
- 2. Attendance
- Declaration of Conflict of Interest
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- 4.2.1 Business Arising

5. ENGINEERING REPORT

5.1 Engineering Services Monthly Report November 2024

6. ENVIRONMENTAL & REGULATORY SERVICES REPORT

6.1 Environmental and Regulatory Services Monthly Report November 2024

7. COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

7.1 Community Services Monthly Report November 2024

8. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

8.1 Corporate Services Report November 2024

9. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

- 9.1 CEO Report to Council Meeting November 2024
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10. WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

10.1 WHS&R Report November 2024

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

11. CLOSE

1. OPENING BUSINESS

All Councillors having signed the Attendance Book, Mayor Janene Fegan declared the meeting open at 08:32 am.

2. ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Cr. J Fegan

Members: Cr. S Royes Cr. L Spreadborough and Cr. F Malone

Cr. J Lynch via TELEPHONE

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Trevor Williams
Director of Engineering, Environment and Regulatory Services, Mr. Cameron Scott
Acting Director of Community Services, Mr. Kalan Lococo
Team Leader, Environmental and Regulatory Services, Mr. Jason Brady
Executive Assistant, Ms. Cathy Bowe

Apologies:

Acting Director of Corporate Services, Ms Aimie Batt

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 19th November 2024 be confirmed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 19th November 2024 be confirmed.

Resolution No. 116/2425

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 19th November 2024 be confirmed with changes that have been updated and circulated to all attendees.

Moved Cr. J Lynch Seconded Cr S. Royes

CARRIED 5/0

4.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4.2 Confirmation of Minutes

Confirmation of Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on the 29th November 2024 be confirmed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 29th November 2024 be confirmed.

Resolution No. 117/2425

Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 29th November 2024 be confirmed with changes that have been updated and circulated to all attendees.

Moved Cr L. Spreadborough Seconded Cr F. Malone

CARRIED 5/0

4.2.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

5. ENGINEERING SERVICES

5.1 Engineering Works Report

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

RECOMMENDATION

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

Resolution 118/2425

Council receives the Engineering Services monthly report for November 2024.

Moved Cr S. Royes Seconded Cr F. Malone

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 November 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the November 2024, Environmental and Regulatory Services Report.

Resolution No. 119/2425

Council receives the November 2024 Environmental and Regulatory Services Report.

Moved Cr L. Spreadborough Seconded Cr S. Royes

CARRIED 5/0

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 November 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

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

Resolution No. 120/2425

Council receives the Community Services monthly report for July 2024.

Moved Cr. S. Royes Seconded Cr F. Malone

8. CORPORATE SERVICES

8.1 The Corporate Services Report

The Corporate Services Report as of 30th November 2024 which summarises the financial performance and position is presented to Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending 30th November 2024.

Resolution No. 121/2425

Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending 30th November 2024.

Moved Cr L. Spreadborough Seconded Cr J. Lynch

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.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive and note the report from the Chief Executive Officer for the period ending 3rd December 2024 except where amended or varied by separate resolution of Council.

Resolution No. 122/2425

That Council receive and note the report from the Chief Executive Officer for the period ending 3rd December 2024 except where amended or varied by separate resolution of Council.

Moved Cr S. Royes Seconded Cr L. Spreadborough

2. Meeting with State Ministers in Brisbane December 19th and 20th

The mayor and CEO are trying to arrange meetings in Brisbane with Ministers for Resources, Education, Local Government, Corrections and Energy on December 19th and 20th. These meetings will enable ministers to be briefed on issues such as permanent Workcamp presence in Julia Creek, the acquiring of the land for an industrial estate, the Kynuna Rodeo Ground land, the ongoing middle school arrangements, the projected increase in population in Julia Creek over the next 2 to 5 years and the need for government service providers to plan for expansion, and the Julia Creek substation requirement as part of CopperString.

It is recommended Council approves Cr. Fegan to attend meetings in Brisbane with State Government Ministers as the need arises.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approves the attendance of Cr. Fegan to meetings in Brisbane with State Government Ministers as the need arises.

Resolution No. 123/2425

That Council resolves to approve the attendance of Cr. Fegan to meetings in Brisbane with State Government Ministers as the need arises.

Moved Cr S. Royes Seconded Cr F. Malone

CARRIED 5/0

3. Appointment of Acting CEO During CEO Leave from 16th to 18th December 2024 and 16th to 20th January 2025

In the absence of the CEO on Leave commencing 16^{th} December -18^{th} December 2024 and 16^{th} January to 20^{th} January 2025 it is desired that Council appoints an acting CEO.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council appoints Mr. Cameron Scott as Acting CEO from 16th December – 18th December 2024 and 16th January to 20th January 2025.

Resolution No. 124/2425

Council resolves to appoint Mr. Cameron Scott as Acting CEO from 16th December – 18th December 2024 and 16th January to 20th January 2025.

Moved Cr L. Spreadborough Seconded Cr J. Fegan

4. Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD) Course

The LGAQ are partnering with the AICD to run an in-house Company Directors Course in Brisbane from the 24th February to the 28th February 2025. The course covers Governance and the Practice of Directorship, The Legal Environment, Risk and Strategy, Financial Literacy and Performance and Achieving Board Effectiveness. The cost of the course is \$8,280 per participant.

It is recommended Council approves Cr. Fegan and the CEO to attend the course. The course will be funded from the councilor training vote and the CEO professional development allowance.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approves the attendance of Cr. Fegan and the CEO to the AICD Course in Brisbane from 24th February to 28th February 2025.

Resolution No. 125/2425

That Council approves the attendance of Cr. Fegan and the CEO to the AICD Course in Brisbane from 24th February to 28th February 2025.

Unable to attend February 2025, aim to attend one later in 2025.

Moved Cr L. Spreadborough Seconded Cr F. Malone

CARRIED 5/0

5. Meeting with Tourism Minister in Mount Isa 18th December 2024

The Outback Queensland Tourism Association has organized a meeting in Mount Isa on December 18th with the Minister for Tourism (Andrew Powell) and the Director General (Trish O'Callaghan). The mayor Cr. Fegan and Acting Director Community Services Kalan Lococo have been invited to the meeting.

It is recommended Council approve Cr. Fegan attend the meeting in Mount Isa. The Acting Director Community Services will also attend the meeting.

Recommendation:

Council approves the attendance of Cr. Fegan to meet with the Tourism Minister and Director General in Mount Isa on December 18^{th} , 2024.

Resolution No. 126/2425

That Council resolves to approve the attendance of Cr. Fegan to meet with the Tourism Minister and Director General in Mount Isa on December 18th, 2024.

Moved Cr S. Royes Seconded Cr J. Lynch

9.2 Council Meeting Dates 2025

In accordance with Section 277 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 Council must "at least once in each year, publish a notice of the days and times when- (a) its ordinary meetings will be held;". This report is prepared for council to confirm the meeting dates for 2025.

Meetings will be held in the Julia Creek Civic Centre Boardroom, 29 Burke Street Julia Creek QLD 4823. All meetings will commence at 8:30am, unless otherwise notified.

The proposed dates for Briefing and Ordinary Meetings of Council for 2025 are as follows:

BRIEFING MEETINGS		ORDINARY	ORDINARY MEETINGS OF COUNCIL		
	No January Meeting	Tuesday	21 January 2025		
Tuesday	4 February 2025	Tuesday	18 February 2025		
Tuesday	4 March 2025	Tuesday	18 March 2025		
Tuesday	1 April 2025	Tuesday	15 April 2025		
Tuesday	6 May 2025	Tuesday	20 May 2025		
Tuesday	3 June 2025	Tuesday	17 June 2025		
Tuesday	1 July 2025	Tuesday	15 July 2025		
Tuesday	5 August 2025	Tuesday	19 August 2025		
Tuesday	2 September 2025	Tuesday	16 September 2025		
Tuesday	7 October 2025	Tuesday	21 October 2025		
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Tuesday	No December Meeting	Tuesday	9 December 2025		

Recommendation:

Council confirms that the Ordinary Meetings of Council will be held on a monthly basis and generally on the third Tuesday of the month. The dates of the 2025 Ordinary Meetings of Council will be:

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Resolution No. 127/2425

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Moved	Cr J. Fegan	Š	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 December 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the December 2024 WHS Report.

Resolution No. 128/2425

That Council receives the December 2024 WHS Report.

Moved Cr S. Royes Seconded Cr L. Spreadborough

CARRIED 5/0

Cr. J Lynch excused himself from the rest of the meeting.

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 General Business

This item is noted for any matters arising in general business

Cr S. Royes:

- Enquiry about St Elmo Pit.
- Checked on the status of Australia Day Awards
- Checked on the status of Christmas Lights Competition

Cr F. Malone:

 Noted Landsborough Highway intersection near Kynuna has rubbish dumped on side of the road and requested clean up

Cr J. Fegan:

- Congratulations for the crew of Dirt N Dust for the Christmas Tree event
- Congratulations and thank you to Council workforce for their hard work throughout the year

11. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair of the meeting Mayor Cr. Janene Fegan declared the meeting closed at 9.55 am.

Jegan