



MCKINLAY SHIRE COUNCIL

CONFIRMED MINUTES

OF THE

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

HELD AT THE

BOARDROOM, CIVIC CENTRE
JULIA CREEK

Tuesday 21st February 2017

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All Councillors having signed the Attendance Book, the Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:05am.

1. ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Cr. B Murphy

Members: Cr. N. Walker, Cr. P. Curr, Cr. J. Fegan, Cr. S. Royes

Staff:

Chief Executive Officer Mr Peter Fitchat
Director of Corporate and Community Services Mrs Tenneil Cody
Director of Engineering Services Mr Brian Wood
Director of Environment and Regulatory Services Mr. Andrew Boardman
Executive Assistant Amy Tinning

Apologies:

Nil

Other people in attendance:

Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the Minutes of Ordinary Meeting on 17th January 2017 be confirmed.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of Ordinary Meeting on 17th January 2017 to be confirmed.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.178/1617

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

4. ENGINEERING SERVICE REPORT

5.1 Engineering Services Report

Brian Wood Director of Engineering presented the Engineering report to Council.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the Engineering Services monthly report.

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Resolution No.179/1617

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance - Director of Engineering Brian Wood left the meeting at 9:47am. Director of Environmental Services Andrew Boardman entered meeting at 9:46am.

5. ENVIRONMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES

6.1 Environment and Regulatory Services February 2017.

This report outlines the general activities, revenue and expenditure for the department for the period January 2017.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That Council receives the January 2017 Environment and Regulatory Services Report.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.180/1617

19. Lot 28 on SP147785 – Old Normanton Road, Carinya Homes

The Environmental and Regulatory Services Department has been reviewing Council building/housing assets for developing a housing plan. The review of the tenure of the 'Carinya Homes' facility found it to be a Council reserve (water). This report recommends that council pursue changing the tenure to freehold to ensure flexibility of the land in the future.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to freehold Lot 28 on SP147785.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N. Walker

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to freehold Lot 28 on SP147785.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.181/1617

20. Lot 3 on JC55732 – 5 & 7 Coyne Street.

The Environmental and Regulatory Services Department has been reviewing Council building/housing assets for developing a housing plan. The review of the land parcel of 5 & 7 Coyne St found it to be one Lot. This report recommends that Council pursue subdividing to ensure flexibility of the land in the future.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council commences the process to subdivide Lot 3 on JC55732.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council commences the process to subdivide Lot 3 on JC55732.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.182/1617

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21. Lot 1 on JC55727 – CEO Residence and Workshop Coyne Street

The Environmental and Regulatory Services Department has been reviewing Council building/housing assets for developing a housing plan. The review of the land parcel of the CEO residence and workshop Coyne St found the tenure to be reserve and it to be one Lot. Previous review of Council minutes found decision from 22 July 2015 to subdivide and 15 March 2016 for a development approval. This hasn't commenced due to the land not being freehold. Correspondence from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines recommends freeholding to progress with the lot subdivision.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to freehold Lot 1 on JC55727.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to freehold Lot 1 on JC55727.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.183/1617

22.Lot 4 on JC55726 – Depot Coyne Street

The Environmental and Regulatory Services Department has been reviewing Council building/housing assets. The review of the land parcel of the Depot Coyne St found the tenure Reserve (operational). This report recommends that council pursue changing the tenure to freehold too ensure flexibility of the land in the future.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to freehold Lot 4 on JC55726.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to freehold Lot 4 on JC55726.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.184/1617

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

Cr. J Fegan declared a MPI conflict of interest (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) in relation to agenda item 23 and left the meeting at 10:03am and took no part in the discussion.

Meeting Closed: 10:03am

That Council resolve that the meeting be closed to the public under section 275 1(e) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

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CARRIED /0

Resolution No. 185/1617

Closure of meeting – 10:03am

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. P Curr Seconded Cr. N Curr

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public.

Resolution No.186/1516

CARRIED 4/0

The meeting remained closed and Cr. J Fegan did not re-enter the meeting and took no part in the discussion.

23.T1617005 Amenity Buildings Tender Evaluation

Council has received nine hundred and seven thousand dollars (\$907,000.00) in drought relief funding that has been allocated to the development of the new Julia Creek Caravan Park and Kev Bannah Oval amenity building to create jobs within our region. The tender was released December 2016 and closed 17 January 2017. One tender was received this was over the budget allocation. The Contractor was requested to review the price. The final price submitted was still over the budget however some items in the scope were not allowed for in budget consideration.

Moved Cr. N Walker Seconded Cr. P Curr

That,

- Council allocates additional budget to cover the shortfall in the tender (\$17,204.39),
- Council allocates Work 4 QLD funding to cover additional item nots included in original scope (\$232,497.40)
- That Council award tender 1617005 to Auzscot Civil for the sum of one million sixty one thousand one hundred and seventy two dollars and seventy nine cents (\$1,061,172.79) excluding GST.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.187/1617

Re-opening of Meeting – 10:12am

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. N Walker Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council resolve that the meeting be closed to the public under section 275 1(h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Resolution No. 188/1617

CARRIED 4/0

Closure of meeting – 10:16am

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PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public.

Resolution No. 189/1617

CARRIED 4/0

Re-opening of Meeting – 10:23am

Attendance - Cr. J Fegan re-entered the room 10:12am

Attendance – Cr. P Curr and Mayor B. Murphy left the meeting at 10:14am

Cr. P Curr and Mayor B. Murphy declared an MPI conflict of interest (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) in relation to agenda item 24 and left the meeting at 10:14am and took no part in the discussion.

24. Purchase of Part of Lot 57 on SP284275 and Adjacent Road Opening

The offer provided by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines for the Purchase of Part Lot 57 on SP284275 and Adjacent Road Opening expired 20 January 2017. Due to this Council requested an extension pending outcome of Overland Sun Farming commitment to the solar farm on the purchased land. No formal commitment has been provided by Overland Sun Farming and the extension, granted until 31 March 2017 is approaching. The application also sought a new road opening to provide access to Hilton Park Lot 10 EN16 and Lot 2 SP229752 owned by Kevin Wayne Murphy.

RECOMMENDATION

That;

- Council does not proceed with the purchase of part lot 57 on SP284275, and;
- Council realigns the survey to leave Lot 58 on SP143110 intact and shapes road to ensure road intersect perpendicularly. Council to contact the Department of Natural Resources and Mines for road opening.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

Resolution No.190/1617

CARRIED 3/0

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council resolve that the meeting be closed to the public under section 275 1(g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Resolution No. 191/1617

CARRIED 3/0

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public.

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Resolution No. 192/1617

CARRIED 3/0

Re-opening of Meeting – 10:23am

Attendance - Mayor B Murphy and Cr. P Curr re-entered the meeting at 10:23am.

25. Witness Statement for Stock Route Management Bill 2016 – Longreach Hearing

In the Ordinary Meeting January 2017 Council resolved to attend the Stock Route Network Management Bill 2016 Hearing in Longreach, 8 February 2017. Council prepared a Statement and presentation for the hearing. Councillor Curr, CEO and Director of Environmental and Regulatory Services attended the hearing.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Witness Statement for the Stock Route Network Management Bill 2016 – Longreach Hearing

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receives the Witness Statement for the Stock Route Network Management Bill 2016 – Longreach Hearing

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.193/1617

ADJOURNMENT: 10:28 am -11.00am. The mayor adjourned the meeting for morning tea and to present Australia Day Award “Sports Administrator” 2016 to Calem Fegan.

Meeting re-opened at 11:00 am.

26.Renewal Term Lease Over Lot 35 EN98 (old HACC Centre)

Council’s has received correspondence dated 24 January 2017 from DNRM – SLAM inviting Council to renew the lease on Lot35 EN98.

RECOMMENDATION

That in reference to renewal term lease over Lot 35 EN98 (Old HAC Centre) Council applies to Department of Natural Resources and Mines to renew the lease.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That in reference to renewal term lease over Lot 35 EN98 (Old HAC Centre) Council applies to Department of Natural Resources and Mines to renew the lease.

CARRIED 5/0

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27. Swimming Pool Opening Hours

The Environment and Regulatory Services Department has received correspondence from both internal Council programs and external user groups to extend the pool hours. The additional hours are 7am – 8am Wednesday and 7am – 8am Fridays and 7am-9am Saturday/Sunday leading up to Dirt N Dust.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council extends the pool opening hours until the Dirt N Dust.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council extends the pool opening hours until the Dirt N Dust.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.197/1617

28. Sewerage Treatment Plan Lot Realignment

Council received correspondence from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection relating to compliance issues at the STP December 2016. Council responded to this correspondence in January 2017. One issue raised was that Councils ERA for the Plant is limited to land parcel 37/EN16 however the plant extend across 2 other parcels.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to realign the land parcels to ensure all Councils STP operations are on an appropriate land parcel with the appropriate ERA in place.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That Council commences the process with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines to realign the land parcels to ensure all Councils STP operations are on an appropriate land parcel with the appropriate ERA in place.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.198/1617

29. New Planning Scheme under Planning Act 2016

Council's current Planning Scheme is outdated and cannot be aligned to meet the Planning Act 2016 and is required to be re-written to the current legislation. The Planning and Development Services, Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning have offered to provide their services to assist Council with the implementation of the new planning Scheme.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council in conjunction with the Planning and Development Services, Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning creates a new Planning Scheme under the Planning Act 2016 for adoption.

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Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.199/1617

Attendance – Director of Environmental Services, Andrew Boardman left the meeting at 11:15am

30.COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Director of Corporate & Community Services Tenneil Cody presented Community Services Report.

30. Community Services Monthly Report

Council is presented with the monthly Community Services report, which provides an overview of the operations for the month of January 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the Community Service monthly report.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That Council receive the Community Service monthly report.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.199/1617

31. Outback Queensland Tourism Association Symposium and Awards

McKinlay Shire Council has nominated to host the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) Symposium and Awards on Thursday 2nd November until Saturday 4th November 2017. This report seeks Councils support and commitment for the project. It is estimated that there will be between 150-250 tourism delegates that attend. McKinlay Shire Council is in the process of completing a submission to be the host Shire which details activities, events, accommodation, catering, venues and transport options around the Shire over the three days. Should McKinlay Shire be successful, it is expected that this will require a Council contribution of \$20,000 to host this event. The economic impact for the Shire is estimated to be approximately \$150,000 to \$250,000 (number of attendants x \$1000). By showcasing our Shire and best experiences to tourism delegates, the long-term benefits for the Shire are indispensable.

Recommendation:

That Council agrees to contribute \$20,000 should Council be successful in their application to host the OQTA Symposium and Awards.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

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That Council agrees to contribute \$20,000 should Council be successful in their application to host the OQTA Symposium and Awards.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.200/1617

32. Drought Relief Funding 2017

Council has been offered \$97,500 in drought relief funding from the Department of Communities, Child Safety & Disability Services to be expended by 30 November 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council allocate the drought relief funding provided from the Department of Communities, Child Safety & Disability Services to events and initiatives listed below provided the funds are expended in accordance with the guidelines with the funding program and that 2016 funds are acquitted.

EVENT	AMOUNT
Dirt N Dust Festival	\$5,000
Saxby Round -Up	\$5,000
Julia Creek Campdraft	\$5,000
Sedan Dip Sports and Recreation, Races, Rodeo and Campdraft	\$5,000
Julia Creek Turf Club Annual races	\$5,000
CSA Town V's Country	\$5,000
McKinlay Races	\$5,000
McKinlay Shire Cultural Association - Cultural Capers	\$5,000
Julia Creek Challenge	\$5,000
Julia Creek Pony Club Gymkhana	\$3,500
North West Pony Club camp	\$3,500
McKissa athletics	\$1,000
Julia Creek Mini School	\$2,000
McKinlay Shire Community Christmas Tree	\$10,000
McKinlay Xmas Tree	\$1,000
Nelia Xmas Tree	\$1,000
Get Back in the Saddle	\$5,000
School holiday activities	\$5,000
Men's Day	\$5,000
Community Evening – OQTA Awards	\$10,000
Julia Creek Swimming Carnival	\$1,000
Unallocated	\$4,500

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

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That Council allocate the drought relief funding provided from the Department of Communities, Child Safety & Disability Services to events and initiatives listed below provided the funds are expended in accordance with the guidelines with the funding program and that 2016 funds are acquitted.

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McKinlay Races	\$5,000
McKinlay Shire Cultural Association - Cultural Capers	\$5,000
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Julia Creek Pony Club Gymkhana	\$3,500
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School holiday activities	\$5,000
Men's Day	\$5,000
Community Evening – OQTA Awards	\$10,000
Julia Creek Swimming Carnival	\$1,000
Unallocated	\$4,500

Resolution No.201/1617

CARRIED 5/0

Cr. J Fegan declared a real conflict of interest (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) in relation to Item 33 and left the room at 11:39am, taking no part in the discussion.

Attendance – Cr. J Fegan left the meeting at 11:39am.

33. Sponsorship Request - Julia Creek Turf Club

Council has received a request from the Julia Creek Turf Club under the Community Grants Policy for sponsorship. The group has requested \$5,000 to go towards the cost of a variety of items for their annual event. The application is presented for Council's consideration.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council sponsor the Julia Creek Turf Club for the 2017 Artesian Express Race Day, to the value of \$5,000. Pending the supply of audited financial statements.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council sponsor the Julia Creek Turf Club for the 2017 Artesian Express Race Day, to the value of \$5,000.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.202/161

Attendance - Cr. J Fegan declared a real conflict of interest and remained outside of the meeting, therefore taking no part in the meeting.

34. Community Benefit Assistance Scheme

Council is presented with a summary of applications through the Community Benefit Assistance Scheme for ratification.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council fund the following Community Benefit Assistance Scheme applications:

1. Julia Creek Turf Club – Infrastructure \$465 Equipment \$3490
2. Julia Creek Amateur Swimming Club – Volunteer Support \$1000

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That Council fund the following Community Benefit Assistance Scheme applications:

1. Julia Creek Turf Club – Infrastructure \$465 Equipment \$3490
2. Julia Creek Amateur Swimming Club – Volunteer Support \$1000

Both approvals pending the supply of audited financial records.

CARRIED 4/0

Resolution No.203/1617

Attendance – Cr J Fegan re-entered the meeting at 11:50am

35. Regional Arts Development Fund

Council received a quick response RADF application for a project outside the normal funding round. The RADF Committee present the recommendation for Council's ratification.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council ratify the recommendations made by the Regional Arts Development Fund Committee, to fund the Dirt n Dust Application for a total of \$4'200. The Dirt n Dust committee is to work with the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) committee to ensure the workshops maximise community involvement.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council ratify the recommendation made by the Regional Arts Development Fund Committee.

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Resolution No.204/1617

CARRIED 5/0

36. Matilda Way Drive Route

With support from the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA), representatives from nine councils situated along the Matilda Way (Cunnamulla to Karumba) have formed to reestablish the Matilda Way committee. This committee's objective is to market the Matilda Way to attract and keep more visitors in this region. The committee, which will be chaired by Blackall-Tambo Regional Council is seeking \$1000.00 in seed funding from each Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council agrees to contribute \$1000.00 to re-establish the Matilda Way committee.

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council agrees to contribute \$1000.00 to re-establish the Matilda Way committee.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.205/1617

37. Julia Creek Early Learning Centre Fees

Council is presented with a review of the fees for the Julia Creek Early Learning Centre, with a proposal to implement Holiday Half Gap fees for children who do not attend during School Holidays.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council implement a Holiday Half Gap fee for families who do not utilize the service during the School holiday period. Full day fees would be reduced from \$68 to \$34 per day and half day fees would be reduced from \$44 to \$22 per day during the gazetted Queensland School Holidays.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council implement a Holiday Half Gap fee for families who do not utilize the service during the School holiday period. Full day fees would be reduced from \$68 to \$34 per day and half day fees would be reduced from \$44 to \$22 per day during the gazetted Queensland School Holidays.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.206/1617

38. 2017 Tourism Strategy Meeting

Each year the Community Services Tourism Portfolio meet to discuss the tourism strategy for the coming tourism season. Council is presented with a summary of discussion points for their information purposes.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the report.

Moved Cr. S Royes

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receive the report.

CARRIED 5/0

Resolution No.207/1617

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39. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

Director of Corporate and Community Services Tenneil Cody delivered Corporate Services Report.

39. Corporate Services Report

The Corporate Services Report as of 31st January 2017 which summarises the financial performance and position is presented to Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending 31st January 2017.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. N Walker

That Council receives the monthly Corporate Services Report for the period ending 31st January 2017.

Resolution No.208/1617

CARRIED 5/0

Attendance – Director of Corporate & Community Services Tenneil Cody left the meeting at 12:13am.

40. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT

Chief Executive Report was delivered by CEO Peter Fitchat.

41. Chief Executive Officers Report

Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade and Investment

The Honourable Jackie Trad

Announced on Thursday, January 19, 2017

\$200 million Works for Queensland program to create regional jobs now

Further to previous correspondence emailed by Mr Frankie Carroll, Director-General, Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, the **Works for Queensland** (W4Q) funding program was officially announced earlier today.

The W4Q Program is an excellent opportunity for the State and local governments to work together to address unemployment in regional and rural areas. The objective of the W4Q Program is to support job creating maintenance and minor infrastructure works related to assets owned or controlled by eligible applicants.

As discussed, funding consists of two parts. A base allocation of \$1M for each council plus an amount that reflects unemployment levels in the region relevant to the council. To assist, I have listed the funding amounts for each Council that I am an Advisor to. I understand the amounts for other Councils have been listed in local newspapers.

2016-17 Works for QLD Program schedule

Council	W4Q Allocation
Charters Towers Regional Council	\$ 2,740,000
Cloncurry Shire Council	\$ 1,420,000
Flinders Shire Council	\$ 1,110,000
Hinchinbrook Shire Council	\$ 2,220,000

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McKinlay Shire Council	\$	1,070,000
Mount Isa City Council	\$	3,030,000
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	\$	2,600,000
Richmond Shire Council	\$	1,050,000
Total	\$	15,240,000

The Guidelines and templates are now available online and can be found here

<http://www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/local-government/grants/works-for-queensland> . Please be reminded Council are required to provide the department with a list of projects using the appropriate template found on the department's website.

Key dates to remember -

Eligible local governments must submit a list of projects form to the department by **10 February 2017**. All endorsed 2016–17 W4Q program projects must be completed by **30 November 2017**.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives this report and endorses the projects nominated for the Work for Queensland Program 2017 and submitted on the 10th February 2017.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council receives this report and endorses the projects nominated for the Work for Queensland Program 2017 and submitted on the 10th February 2017.

Resolution No.209/1617

CARRIED 5/0

42. Draft 2017/18 Capital Works Funding Application

A proposed draft budget program presented to Council for discussion indicates our financial position at the end of the 2017-18 financial.

The reason why this was raised now is to understand our capability to fund the potential Capital presented to Council in current 2016/17 and 2017/18 financial years.

Transport and Tourism Connection Program:

McKinlay Shire Council has submitted to NWQRRGTG/ROC 2 projects to the Transport and Tourism Connection Program.

1. RV connection Road Project Cost of \$299,677.09 with Council Contribution of \$148,838.55 for the Shaw Street connection road with the RV Park.
2. Combo Waterhole Road Upgrade Cost of \$1,269,021.51 with Councils contribution of \$634,510.76 this will be withdrawn for a future project and until an arrangement with Winton Shire is reached to contribute to this project.

Regional Aviation Access Program (RAAP) Remote Airstrip Upgrade (RAU):

A new project that requires immediate decisions is the Regional Aviation Access Program (RAAP) Remote Airstrip Upgrade (RAU).

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The funding amount for the project is: \$2,291,090.00 and Council contribution is \$1,145,545.00.

This project is nominated for 2016/17 financial year and with current commitments we are preparing to ask the Dept. of Infrastructure and Regional Development if they would accept a proposal to move this to the 2017/18 financial year.

Building Better Regions Fund

The applications close on 31 March 2017 for this funding round and Council is looking at the following achievements for this program. Improved expanded RV park area including a nature trail, and at the Cattle Yard we are improving the parking area for cattle trucks and table and seating and with some landscaping. The load out facility will also be improved with a platform walkway for unloading cattle. The total application is for **\$2,862,538**.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accepts the draft 2017/18 Budget Program as presented to continue the application for the following projects.

Delegate the CEO to write to the Dept. of Infrastructure and Regional Development to move this to 2017/18 Financial year for the Regional Aviation Access Program (RAAP) Remote Airstrip Upgrade (RAU).

That Council accepts the Transport and Tourism Connection Program Shaw Street if approved for 2017/18 financial year.

That McKinlay Shire continues the application for Building Better Regions fund for the 2017/18 as a Capital works project if approved.

Moved Cr. P Curr

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

Noting the presented draft 2017/18 Budget program and the recent funding approval for the RAAP Council delegate the CEO to write to the Dept. of Infrastructure and Regional Development to request the project be move to the 2017/18 Financial year.

That the CEO complete an application for State Government Building Better Regions funding round 3 to minimise impact on rate payers.

Resolution No.210/1617

CARRIED 5/0

42. Kynuna Park

Over the last financial year visits to the Kynuna has expressed the need for a park area that can be used by locals and visitors in Kynuna.

The opportunity to fitout a park has been presented to McKinlay Shire council and the Kynuna Community when the State Government announced the Work for Queensland program 2017 Calendar year.

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council note and receive this report and delegate the CEO to negotiate to purchase the land described as Lot 101/K3711 Kynuna.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council note and receive this report and delegate the CEO to negotiate to purchase the land described as Lot 101/K3711 Kynuna.

Resolution No.213/1617

CARRIED 5/0

44. McKinlay Shire Council Representation to Attend Local Government Road Show - Sydney

Council is presented with a request to attend the Local Government Innovation Roadshow, facilitated by LGAQ, being held in May 2017 (exact date TBC) in Sydney, NSW. The roadshow aims to initiate response from council leaders to improve service delivery, efficiency and productivity.

The conference will bring together Federal, State and local government, external stakeholders and media. The roadshow consists of two days of workshop sessions and meetings with NBN executives and NBN Discovery Centre representatives, where participants will immerse themselves in the challenges experienced in their local communities in relation to telecommunications.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council nominates Cr. Belinda Murphy to attend the Local Government Innovation Roadshow in Sydney, May 2017.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. J Fegan

That Council nominates Cr. Belinda Murphy to attend the Local Government Innovation Roadshow in Sydney, May 2017.

Resolution No.216/1617

CARRIED 5/0

45. Complaint Regarding Park & Gardens & McKinlay Emergency Report

We have received a number of complaints from all townships about the staff and quality of work delivered in the Julia Creek, Kynuna and McKinlay.

Discussion with the Directorate was held to look at ways to improve our staff performance in that area. The discussion is ongoing and the performance in those areas is currently monitored, and will remain under review until Council has achieved set outcomes under our obligation to address these issues.

The service level for next Christmas break will be well advertised and a lot of complaints were raised immediately after the Christmas break.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note and receive this report.

Moved Cr. N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council note and receive this report.

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Resolution No.217/1617

CARRIED 5/0

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr.N Walker

Seconded Cr. P Curr

That Council resolve that the meeting be closed to the public under section 275 1(g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Resolution No. 218/1617

CARRIED 5/0

Closure of meeting – 12:29pm

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr. J Fegan

Seconded Cr. S Royes

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public.

Resolution No. 219/1617

CARRIED 5/0

Re-opening of meeting – 12:33pm

46.WORK PLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY

47. Work Place Health and Safety Report

MSC has not had an LTI in the last reporting period and it has been more than 18 months since its last LTI, which is an enviable statistic.

One property damage incident occurred in late December (2016) between two vehicles, no injury to person occurred and vehicle damage is estimated to be under \$5k.

Several items in the WHS System have been reviewed and changed this includes the Hazard Inspection program and also the monthly reporting. Monthly reporting has been consolidated and shortened.

WHSR training has been tentatively set for the month of March however this can be changed to April depending on availability of staff to attend further details to come.

A Group Weapons license has been applied for and is currently being processed it should be received within the next 8 weeks. Andrew Boardman is the holder of the licence. Rose Krogh is undertaking training in the humane destruction of animals.

Emergency evacuation Drills have been conducted at both the Depot and Office.

In January risk assessments were completed on a large number of Council Plant.

Fire extinguishers were inspected and serviced in December (2016).

Due to TMR qualification changes MSC is currently unable to develop Traffic Management Plans. MSC has engaged A2O to provide this service at a competitive rate and priority for the next 12 months.

A report and plan into the management of first aid is currently being conducted, with an aim of providing risk appropriate coverage of first aid trained persons within MSC.

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Workers Compensation & Rehabilitation

Current Claims		
Name	Injury	Status
Nil		

Councillors were presented with the October Work Place Health and Safety Report.

NOTED: Cr. P Curr, Cr. N Walker, Cr S Royes, Cr J Fegan.

30. MEMBERS BUSINESS

Cr. J Fegan – Suggests that Council write officially to Mrs Felse to recognise her contribution to MPHS.
 Cr. J Fegan – Raised issue of street lighting remaining on during the day at a cost to Council.
 Cr. J Fegan- Raised issue of generator at independent living units at the Seniors Living Precinct.

Cr. S Royes – Assistance requested from the Historical Society for Council to implement a pathway at Duncan McIntyre Museum.

Cr. P Curr – Raised issue of pest weeds on roads around the shire.

Mayor B. Murphy – Raised Carbon Renewal Energy Project in Julia Creek.
 Mayor B. Murphy – Attended meeting in Mt Isa for Planning for Rural & Remote Education.
 Mayor B. Murphy – Update on Middle School payment.
 Mayor B. Murphy – Dirt n Dust Launch attended in Townsville (Cr. S Royes, Cr. J Fegan, Mayor B. Murphy)
 Mayor B. Murphy – LGAQ Policy Executive Meeting Update.
 Mayor B. Murphy – Cattle Yards project update.
 Mayor B. Murphy – North West ROC and NWRRG meeting attendance and dinner.
 Mayor B. Murphy – Suncorp Meeting Update.
 Mayor B. Murphy – Aero Medical Committee Meeting Update.
 Mayor B. Murphy – New Local Government Minister, Member for Furny Gully Mark Furner.

31. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair of the meeting, Cr. Belinda Murphy declared the meeting closed at 1:15pm.

 Cr Belinda Murphy
 Mayor