

Goondiwindi Regional Council Ordinary Meeting

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Meeting held at the Goondiwindi Regional Council Customer Service Office
82 Marshall Street, Goondiwindi Queensland 4390

Wednesday, 27 October 2010

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Present: Mayor Cr GS (Graeme) Scheu
Cr WP (Rick) Kearney
Cr RJ (Rob) Reardon
Cr RJ (Rick) McDougall
Cr PJ (Phil) Percival
Cr DG (David) McMahon
Cr PM (Mac) Kneipp

Attendance: Mr Peter Stewart (Chief Executive Officer)
Mr Carl Manton (Deputy Chief Executive Officer)
Mr Mohammed Saleem (Director of Building & Environmental Health)
Mr Dave Burges (Director of Engineering & Planning)
Mr Jason Quinnell (Director of Finance & Corporate)
Mr Bradley Pyle (Finance Manager)
Mr Peter McCashney (Manager of Environmental Health)
Mr Geoff Briesse (Manager of Works)
Mrs Teresa Pfingst (Minutes Secretary)

Apologies Nil

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor, Cr GS Scheu, declared the meeting open at 9:30am.

Pastor Bert Richards of the Presbyterian Church, Goondiwindi, delivered the Opening Prayer.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. CONDOLENCES / CONGRATULATIONS

3.1.1. Condolences

The Mayor noted the passing of Mr Ron Raymond, a member of the Goondiwindi Community and a former employee of Council, who passed away recently. The Mayor extended his sympathies to Mr Raymond's family.

3.1.2. Congratulations

The Mayor conveyed his congratulations to the Staff and Students of Goondiwindi State High School on their successful Awards Evening, on 26 October 2010. The school captains and award recipients were commended on their performance and achievements throughout the school year.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLUTION OM-0241

Moved: Cr RJ Reardon

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Wednesday, 22 September 2010, be confirmed.

Carried.

RESOLUTION OM-0242

Moved: Cr RJ McDougall

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Wednesday, 6 October 2010, be confirmed.

Carried.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil.

6. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

7. REPORTS – DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE

Council's Finance Manager, Mr Bradley Pyle, presented the Finance Report, for the Period Ending 30 September 2010, to Council.

7.1. FC-030/10 – Finance Report, PE 30 September 2010

RESOLUTION OM-0243

Moved: Cr PM Kneipp

Seconded: Cr PJ Percival

That the Finance Report, number FC-030/10, for the period ending 30 September 2010 be received.

Carried.

7.2. FC-031/10 – Sale of Land for Arrears of Rates

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 26 May 2010, Council resolved, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to offer for sale by auction parcels of land, where the rates had remained in arrears for three years or more.

Details of the land subject to the resolution of 26 May 2010 are provided in this report which has been provided for Councils information and consideration.

RESOLUTION OM-0244

Moved: Cr RJ Reardon

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That Council:-

- 1. Sets a reserve price on the parcel of land to be sold at auction for arrear of rates, described and listed in the table below, and that the reserve price be the highest of either all overdue rates levied on the land or the unimproved value of the land; and*
- 2. That Friday, 26 November 2010 be set aside to hold the auction of land for arrears of rates, at the Inglewood Civic Centre commencing at 10:00 am; and*
- 3. That Mr Geoff Lyons, licensed Auctioneer, is appointed to conduct the auction.*

Rate Assessment	Owner	Total Outstanding	Real Property Description	Property Address	Area
30464-00000-000	Robert Frits MacVile	\$1,629.03	L109 S5181 Parish Silverspur	Stanthorpe-Texas Road, Silverspur	1,126 m ²

Carried.

7.3. FC-032/10 – Correspondence, October 2010

This report provides a summary of correspondence items that have been received for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION OM-0245

Moved: Cr PM Kneipp

Seconded: Cr RJ McDougall

That Council advise the following correspondents, that Council does not permit the 15% discount for the rating period 01 July 2010 to 31 December 2010, on the rate assessments listed:-

<i>Correspondent Name</i>	<i>Assessment Number</i>
Carter DJ & MC	20343-60000-041
Irwin S	10954-00000-000
Muggleton A	31048-17000-000
PrimeAg Australia Ltd	20952-00000-000
Glasson A & P	11056-10000-000
Potter RG	30576-00000-000, 30609-00000-000, 30611-00000-000, 30808-00000-000

Carried.

7.4. FC-033/10 – Risk Management Policy

The recent legislative amendments have seen a greater emphasis placed upon Councils strategic performance and long term planning instruments. A key objective of this long term planning emphasis is to determine a Council's sustainability or the extent to which Councils can continue to maintain physical and financial capital over the long term. To accurately determine this position, it is essential that Councils have some regard to the risks that may impact upon them over the longer term.

RESOLUTION OM-0246

Moved: Cr PJ Percival

Seconded: Cr RJ McDougall

That Council adopts the Risk Management Policy, as attached.

Carried.

* Reference – Minutes Attachment 1

7.5. General Business – Department of Finance & Corporate

Nil.

8. REPORTS – DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Council's Manager of Environmental Health, Mr Peter McCashney, presented the following reports to Council.

8.1. BEH-021/10 – Environmental Health Activities

This report provides a summary of the Environmental Health Activities for the month of September 2010.

RESOLUTION OM-0247

Moved: Cr WP Kearney

Seconded: Cr DJ McMahon

That the Environmental Health Officer's Report, number BEH021-10, for the month of September 2010, be received and noted.

Carried.

8.2. General Business – Department of Building and Environmental Health

8.2.1. Goondiwindi Rubbish Dump - Contract

The Director advised Council that there has been a delay to the commencement of the contract for the Goondiwindi Rubbish Dump therefore an extension of the contract will be required to reflect this change.

8.2.2. Goondiwindi Rubbish Dump - Drainage

The Director provided Council with a status update on the drainage issues at the Goondiwindi Rubbish Dump.

9. REPORTS – DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND PLANNING

Council's Director of Engineering and Planning, Mr Dave Burges, presented the following reports to Council.

PLANNING – RECONFIGURING A LOT (ROL)

Nil

PLANNING – MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE (MCU)

9.1. EP-070/10 - Issue of Enforcement Notice

At the Technical Services, Planning, Building & Environmental Health Standing Committee Meeting held 8 July 2009, it was resolved to issue a Show Cause Notice under the provisions of s3.2.9 of the *Integrated Planning Act 1997* to the owners of Lots 1 and 2 on SP102869.

The purpose of the Show Cause Notice was to invite the applicant/owner to show cause why an Enforcement Notice should not be given to cease operations until such time as all of the conditions of the development approval have been satisfied.

After discussions with the property owners, they responded to the Show Cause Notice on 11 November 2009, advising that they were attending to the matter.

Further discussions, correspondence and on-site meetings have failed in assisting and persuading the owners to comply with the approval. Therefore the development is found to be unlawful as it is still being carried out in breach of development conditions.

RESOLUTION OM-0248

Moved: Cr RJ McDougall

Seconded: Cr RJ Reardon

That Council issues an Enforcement Notice to the owners of Lots 1 and 2 on SP102869 requiring them to cease operations on the property until such time as all conditions of the development approval have been satisfied.

Carried.

PLANNING – OTHER

Nil

ENGINEERING – WATER & SEWERAGE

9.2. EP-071/10 – Fluoridation of Goondiwindi and Inglewood Town Water Supply

The Queensland State Government legislated in 2008 to proceed with the fluoridation of town water supplies. To date, approximately 80% of the population of Queensland is receiving fluoridated water.

This report has been prepared to allow Council to authorise expenditure associated with the fluoridation of town water supplies prior to receiving full subsidy from the Queensland State Government.

RESOLUTION OM-0249

Moved: Cr WP Kearney

Seconded: Cr RJ Reardon

That Council authorises expenditure of \$120,000.00 by way of a budget amendment during this financial year for the legislated implementation of fluoridation.

Carried.

ENGINEERING – ASSETS

9.3. EP072/10 – Request for Tender 10/16 – Supply and Delivery of One (1) Articulated Motor Grader 12FT

A Request for Tender (RFT10/16) was forwarded to interested parties, advertised in the Goondiwindi Argus, Macintyre Gazette and Council's website, inviting submissions for the supply and delivery of one (1) articulated motor grader.

Eight (8) tenders were received, details of which are provided in Attachment B of this report, for Council's consideration. An estimated auction price is also included for comparison for trade unit 1002.

RESOLUTION OM-0250

Moved: Cr RJ Reardon

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That Council accepts the conforming tender from Hastings Deering for the supply and delivery of a Caterpillar 12M Grader for the total purchase price of \$371,800 inclusive of GST.

That trade unit 1002 be sent to auction with a reserve price of \$100,000.

Carried.

9.4. EP073/10 – Request for Tender 10/17 – Supply and Delivery of One (1) Backhoe Loader

A Request for Tender (RFT10/17) was forwarded to interested parties, advertised in the Goondiwindi Argus, Macintyre Gazette and Council's website, inviting submissions for the supply and delivery of One (1) Backhoe Loader.

Nine (9) tenders were received, details of which are provided in Attachment B of this report, for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION OM-0251

Moved: Cr WP Kearney

Seconded: Cr DJ McMahon

That Council accepts the conforming tender from Hastings Deering for the supply and delivery of a 432E Caterpillar Backhoe for the total purchase price of \$167,200 inclusive of GST.

That trade unit 1207 be sent to auction with a reserve price of \$44,000.

Carried.

9.5. EP074/10 – Request for Tender 10/18 – Supply and Delivery of One (1) 10M3 Tipping Truck

Request for Tender (RFT10/18) was forwarded to interested parties, advertised in the Goondiwindi Argus, Macintyre Gazette and Council's website, inviting submissions for the supply and delivery of one (1) Tipping Truck.

Twelve (12) tenders were received, details of which are provided in Attachment B of this report, for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION OM-0252

Moved: Cr RJ Reardon

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That Council accepts the conforming tender from Kenway & Clark for the supply and delivery of an Isuzu FVY1400 Long/2010 for the total purchase price of \$201,998 inclusive of GST.

That trade unit 3013 be sent to auction with a reserve price of \$55,000.

Carried.

ENGINEERING – WORKS

9.6. EP075/10 – Request for Tender 10/46 – Contract for Overlay and Seal – Retreat and Goodar Roads

This contract is for the overlay and seal of a section of both Goodar and Retreat Roads.

A Request for Tender (RFT10/46) was advertised in The Argus & MacIntyre Gazette, and letters mailed to interested parties inviting tenders. Tenders closed at 12:00 Noon, Friday 15 October 2010.

One (1) tender was received details of which are provided in Attachment A of this report, for Council's consideration. Despite only 1 tender being received, the offer represents reasonable value for money and is comparable with typical unit rates.

RESOLUTION OM-0253

Moved: Cr RJ Reardon

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That Council accepts the conforming tender from L Bulmer & Co for the overlay and seal of a section of both Goodar & Retreat Roads.

Carried.

ENGINEERING – OTHER

9.7. EP076/10 – Request to Fill Sandalwood Park Pond

This report has been presented to allow Council to consider a request to divert water and fill the Sandalwood Park pond during periods of high river levels.

RESOLUTION OM-0254

Moved: Cr DJ McMahon

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That Council advises the applicant that it cannot agree to the request to fill the Sandalwood Park pond with water or artificially maintain the water level.

Carried.

9.8. General Business – Department of Engineering and Planning Services

9.8.1. Flood Damage Claims 2010 - Update

The Director provided the following status updates regarding Council's Flood Damage Claims for the 2010 Flood Events:-

- i.) *March / April 2010 Flood Event* – the flood damage claim has been lodged with the Department of Infrastructure and Planning (DIP). The claim has been reviewed by the relevant departments and a ministerial brief has since been prepared for funding approval.
- ii.) *September / October 2010 Flood Event* – council staff are in the process of preparing the flood damage claim for lodgment with the Department of Infrastructure and Planning (DIP).

10. REPORTS - DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Council's Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Mr Carl Manton, presented the following reports to Council.

10.1. DCE-048/10 – Representative for Toowoomba and Golden West Regional Tourist Association Ltd

Correspondence has been received from the Toowoomba and Golden West Regional Tourist Association Ltd seeking nominations for a Council representative on the board for the new financial year.

RESOLUTION OM-0255

Moved: Cr Kearney

Seconded: Cr Kneipp

That Council nominates Cr David McMahon as council representative to the board of the Toowoomba and Golden West Regional Tourist Association Ltd.

Carried.

10.1.1. Toowoomba and Golden West Regional Tourist Association Ltd - Update

Councillor David McMahon provided a brief update to Council on current issues relevant to the Toowoomba and Golden West Regional Tourist Association Ltd (TGWT):-

- i.) A review is currently underway on the potential merge of regional tourism organisations to one tourism body covering a region including the Southern Downs, Goondiwindi, Stanthorpe areas and potentially up to the Kingaroy area.
- ii.) The Southern Downs Regional Tourist Association is progressing with the merger of the South Burnett Tourist Association and the TGWT
- iii.) A Memorandum of Agreement between TGWT and surrounding councils regarding future funding, etc, is underway.
- iv.) The Annual General Meeting of the TGWT is scheduled for 18 November 2010.

Councillor McMahon suggested Council extend and invitation to the General Manager of the TGWT, to attend the next Portfolio Meeting to provide a more comprehensive update to Councillors and Staff.

10.2. DCE-049/10 – Christmas Lights Competition 2010

Since 2008, Goondiwindi Regional Council has conducted a Christmas Lights Competition to promote the spirit of Christmas throughout the region. This report is provided for Council's consideration.

RESOLUTION OM-0256

Moved: Cr PJ Percival

Seconded: Cr RJ McDougall

That Council conducts a Christmas Lights Competition for the towns and townships throughout the Council area, and present hampers as prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the town of Goondiwindi, 1st and 2nd in the towns of Inglewood and Texas, 1st in the township of Yelarbon and 1st for the combined townships of Talwood, Toobeah and Bungunya; and

That Councillors, together with a Council officer where practicable, undertake the judging of lights on the evening of Monday, 20 December 2010.

Carried.

10.3. DCE-050/10 – Traveling Irrigators

Council has been approached by the Goondiwindi Polocrosse Club with regards to acquiring two (2) travelling irrigators and hoses that were previously used to water the fields at Riddles Oval.

RESOLUTION OM-0257

Moved: Cr RJ Reardon

Seconded: Cr PJ Percival

That Council calls for Expressions of Interest from community groups and not for profit organisations wishing to acquire the travelling irrigators, hoses and electric hose reel winder by placing advertisements in the Goondiwindi Argus and MacIntyre Gazette, with such Expression of Interest to include the amount that the organisation / group will pay Council if its Expression of Interest is successful.

Carried.

10.4. DCE-051/10 – Coolmunda Dam Operations Christmas 2010

Council has provided additional facilities at Coolmunda Dam during the Christmas and Easter holiday periods and has been charging a daily fee whilst the facilities are in place. The Christmas holiday period is once again approaching and with the changed dam levels the activity during this period will be significantly increased.

Consideration is needed on what level of support for the area Council wishes to provide and the management arrangements during this period.

RESOLUTION OM-0258

Moved: Cr DJ McMahon

Seconded: Cr RJ Reardon

That Council supports the provision of suitable facilities at Coolmunda Dam for the Christmas period with the following fee structure:

- *\$10 per person per day; and*
- *\$30 per family per day (family maximum of 6 persons).*

Carried.

10.5. DCE-052/10 – Australia Day 2011

Since amalgamation two separate community events have been held to celebrate Australia Day. The 2010 Australia Day celebrations were held in Goondiwindi and Inglewood. Preparations are now underway for the 2011 events. The Inglewood / Texas celebrations will be held in Texas at the Historical Museum and be catered for by the Texas Historical Society. The Goondiwindi and District celebrations will be held at the Goondiwindi Town Park.

RESOLUTION OM-0259

Moved: Cr PJ Percival

Seconded: Cr RJ McDougall

That Council approves the following recommendations regarding the 2011 Australia Day celebrations:-

- i.) That as portfolio holders for the Directorate of Administration, Community and Economic Development, Councillors DG McMahon and PJ Percival be appointed as Council's representatives for the Goondiwindi Australia Day Selection Panel.*
- ii.) That Councillor RJ McDougall be appointed as Council's representative for the Inglewood and Texas District Selection Panel.*
- iii.) That Council's Department of Administration, Community Services and Economic Development continue to coordinate Australia Day celebrations.*

Carried.

10.6. DCE-053/10 – Annual Report

The *Local Government Act 2009* requires the adoption of the Annual Report of the Goondiwindi Regional Council for the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010.

RESOLUTION OM-0260

Moved: Cr WP Kearney

Seconded: Cr PJ Percival

That Council adopts the Goondiwindi Regional Council Annual Report for the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010, as attached.

Carried.

* Reference – Minutes Attachment 2

10.7. General Business – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Nil.

11. REPORTS - EXECUTIVE OFFICE

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Peter Stewart, presented the following reports to Council.

11.1. EX-025/10 – Community Planning – Budget Amendment Consideration

At the workshop held on Wednesday, 6 October 2010, Council supported the development of a long term community plan focusing on identifying key strategies for the growth of the Goondiwindi Regional Council area. Consideration must now be given to a budget amendment to reflect the timing of the key components of the plan development.

RESOLUTION OM-0261

Moved: Cr PJ Percival

Seconded: Cr WP Kearney

That Council approves a budget amendment to provide for an additional \$40,000 for community planning in the 2010-11 budget comprised as follows:-

- *Consultancy – currently \$20,000 to \$45,000*
- *Executive Office salaries – increased by \$15,000*

Carried.

11.2. General Business – Chief Executive Officer

Nil.

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:30pm.

Meeting Resumption: The meeting resumed at 1:40pm.

12. REPORTS - COUNCILLORS

12.1. CR-008/10 – MG Car Rally

Each year the MG Car movement conducts a National Rally alternating between States. Queensland's rotation for this event is Easter 2013.

RESOLUTION OM-0261

Moved: Cr WP Kearney

Seconded: Cr RJ Reardon

That Councillor David McMahon represents Goondiwindi's bid for the National MG Car Rally 2013 Event in Brisbane on 05 November 2010.

Carried.

13. RECEPTION OF NOTICE OF MOTION FOR NEXT MEETING

Nil.

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

15. CONFIRMATION OF DATES AND TIMES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

It was noted that the next two (2) Ordinary Meetings of Council will be held on the following dates:-

- a) Wednesday, 24 November 2010, commencing at 9:30am at the Goondiwindi Customer Service Centre Boardroom, 82 Marshall Street Goondiwindi;
- b) Wednesday 15 December 2010, commencing at 9:30am at the Goondiwindi Customer Service Centre Boardroom, 82 Marshall Street Goondiwindi.

16. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 1.50pm.

Confirmed: _____

Date: _____