

CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE RICHMOND SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, RICHMOND ON
TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2020

PRESENT

Present when the Mayor Cr Wharton declared the meeting open at 8:03am
were:

COUNCILLORS:

CR Wharton, Cr Kuhl, Cr Bawden, Cr Fox, Cr Kennedy, Cr Pattel

STAFF:

Chief Executive Officer – Peter Bennett, Manager of Finance – Colin Duffy, Director of
Works – Bart Servaas, Manager of Community Services and Development – Angela Henry
and Minutes Secretary – Tiana Grant.

PRAYER

Cr Kennedy read the prayer.

APOLOGIES

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 20200218.1

*It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Fox and carried that the Minutes of the General Meeting
of the Richmond Shire Council held in the Boardroom, Richmond on Tuesday 14 January
2020 be adopted as tabled.*

ACTION ITEMS AND RESOLUTIONS

MATTERS ARISING

ITEM 1.0 MATTERS ARISING

Cr Wharton and Cr Fox declared an interest for Item 17.3 in the confidential agenda.

Cr Bawden asked if the dog trapping notice went out to the community.

Cr Kuhl responded that a questionnaire was sent in the mail to all landholders.

Cr Kuhl requested if the upwards facing daisies at the waterpark could be realigned to save
a huge expense. All Councillors agreed.

DIRECTOR OF WORKS REPORT

ITEM 2.0 DIRECTOR OF WORKS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Cr Wharton asked Director of Works (DOW) Bart Servaas why staff are still using the old
stockpile. It was advised that they start using the new stockpile immediately as this will
minimise the dust issues currently at the depot and surrounding area.

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Cr Bawden asked when the Boree Road would be gravelled.

Cr Wharton asked if all our TIDS claims were received. DOW Bart Servaas responded that we had received all claims.

DOW Bart Servaas advised Council that the Cooks Creek on Maxwellton-Kynuna Road was in preparation for betterment work as the current condition is unsafe.

It was asked for the footpath on the corner of Goldring and Larsen Streets at Moselle Meats be completed before the start of the tourist season.

DOW Bart Servaas advised that the electrical upgrade to the Caravan Park is complete.

TECHNICAL OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 3.0 TECHNICAL OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

DOW Bart Servaas advised Council that the pipe for Charlie Wehlow Oval has been ordered and should arrive this week sometime.

Cr Bawden asked if the pipe would be attached to a tank at Charlie Wehlow Oval.

Cr Wharton advised that a tank and pressure pump in the Oval grounds was a necessity for the town's water pressure.

After discussion it was agreed that council would purchase a water tank and pump for the Charlie Wehlow Oval. Size of tank and pump to be determined by DOW/Plumbers.

WATER AND SEWERAGE OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 4.0 WATER AND SEWERAGE OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Cr Wharton asked if the stormwater drainage problem near the Tennis Courts in Crawford Street has been addressed. DOW Bart Servaas advised that the drainage pipes have been investigated and the following changes will be made to alleviate the problem. The stormwater inlets will be increased and the hydraulics of the pipes will be improved to drain the water faster.

Cr Wharton asked when the new bore works were starting. Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Peter Bennett advised Council that the successful tenderer would arrive in March/April.

WORKSHOP FOREMAN REPORT

ITEM 5.0 WORKSHOP OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

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Cr Wharton asked DOW Bart Servaas when the Stabilizer would be fixed. DOW Bart Servaas advised Council that a full report needs to be conducted on the machine to send to a mechanic in Townsville who can fix it.

It was agreed that the purchase of a new stabilizer would be added to next budget.

AERODROME REPORTING OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 6.0 AERODROME REPORTING OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

RURAL LAND OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 7.0 RURAL LANDS OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Cr Bawden advised Council that the Rural Lands Officer was concerned that the 20 Mile is overstocked at 700 head and requested it be taken back to 500 head at a time.

Agistment records show that there are currently 404 head on the 20 Mile. The Rural Lands Officer has the discretion to set the stocking rate to match the season conditions.

Council discussed the split in the tank on the Maxwellton Common from the Rural Lands Officers report and agreed that it was not worth patching as it will continue to grow.

Cr Wharton advised that due to the short distance from the Maxwellton Bore, there may be sufficient pressure to bypass the tank and run water straight into the troughs.

Cr Kennedy asked where the shoulders were fixed on the Croydon road. DOW Bart Servaas advised they were fixed on the Bylong Road. Cr Kennedy noted that the shoulders needed grading north of the Cambridge Crossing.

WILD DOG CONTRACTORS REPORT

ITEM 8.0 WILD DOG CONTRACTORS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

SALEYARD CONTRACTORS REPORT

ITEM 9.0 SALEYARD CONTRACTORS PROGRESS REPORT

Cr Kennedy noted that the sand at the Saleyards has made a huge difference.

Cr Pattel asked if the sand from the old stockpile could be used at the Saleyards.

Council agreed that the DOW Bart Servaas organise more sand for the Saleyards Manager.

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Discussions were had regarding the request for more shade at the Saleyards. It was agreed that Council will plant more trees.

AGISTMENT ON TOWN COMMONS REPORT

ITEM 10.0 AGISTMENT ON TOWN COMMONS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

REFUSE TIP CONTRACTORS REPORT

ITEM 11.0 REFUSE TIP CONTRACTORS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

DOW Bart Servaas advised Council the Refuse Tip Manager has hired a junior to help with the workload and the tidying of the tip.

Cr Bawden asked if the cameras were working at the Refuse Tip yet. CEO Peter Bennett advised there was no power supply as yet.

Cr Wharton explained that the water is a matter of urgency and needs to be dealt with as soon as possible.

DOW Bart Servaas advised he has received a quote for the electrical work at the Refuse Tip.

LOCAL LAWS OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 12.0 LOCAL LAWS OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Council discussed the option to paint a dead tree blue for suicide prevention again and decided that painting a pole blue would be a better option.

TOWN SERVICES REPORT

ITEM 13.0 TOWN SERVICES PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

POOL MANAGERS REPORT

Item 14.0 POOL MANAGERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Cr Fox notified Council that the Pool Manager is charging the school in excess of \$800.00 to hire the pool for their swimming lessons. Previously the children only had to pay the entry fee only.

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Meeting Adjournment

RESOLUTION 20200218.2

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the meeting adjourn for a presentation from Cardno on the Agricultural Project.

During the morning tea break Council received a presentation from the new Richmond Community Nurse and the State Valuation Service – Lands Division from Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy for the 2020 valuation.

RESOLUTION 20200218.3

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that the meeting resume at 11:26am.

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT

ITEM 15.0 WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

BUILDING AND TOWN PLANNING REPORT

ITEM 16.0 BUILDING AND TOWN PLANNING PROGRESS REPORT

Item 16.1 held over until Item 21.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

ITEM 17.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Cr Wharton spoke about the NAIF & ROC meeting himself and CEO Peter Bennett attended last week.

Cr Kuhl spoke about the MITEZ meeting she attended last week.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION REPORT

ITEM 18.0 FINANCE PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

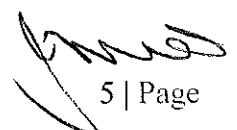
Change of order of business to consider late items

Item 2.2 Top Crossing

DOW Bart Servaas brought two designs for the upgrade of the Top Crossing on Villadale Road and advised Council that Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) will only pay for part of and not a full bridge.

Council agreed to hold conversation over to the March meeting.

Item 2.3 Cambridge Crossing


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Council discussed at length the Cambridge Crossing and considered information and costings from DOW Bart Servaas on the upgrade as well as information from a local Station Owner regarding a crossing in the Chillagoe region.

Council agreed that the crossing needs to be maintained to a high standard, however budget and funding constraints limit an upgrade at this time. Investigations to fully seal the Maxwellton-Frontage Road to Hulbert's Bridge by way of funding or future budget allocations.

Cr Wharton reiterated that sealing the Richmond-Croydon Road is a priority for Council now.

Cr Bawden requested the Road from Hulberts Bridge through to Runnymede Station be gravelled.

Item 15.2 Batching Plant Proposal

RESOLUTION 20200218.4

It was moved Cr Fox, Seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that Council cease the operations of the batching plant, and rely on a contractor to provide concrete.

Meeting Adjournment

RESOLUTION 20200218.5

It was moved Cr Kuhl, Seconded Cr Fox and carried that the meeting adjourn for lunch at 12:20pm.

During the lunch break Council joined the Kronosaurus Korner Board meeting.

RESOLUTION 20200218.6

It was moved Cr Fox, Seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that the meeting resume at 3:18pm.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA BOARD MEMBERS REPORT
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ITEM 19.0 **REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA PROGRESS REPORT**

Noted.

Item 21.1 Apprenticeship Travel Allowance

Noted.

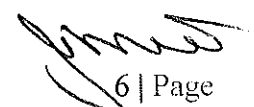
Change of order of business

CORRESPONDENCE AND TABLED ITEMS
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ITEM 20.0 **INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

Cr Kennedy declared an interest for item 20.1.

Item 20.1 Richmond Carnival Association Inc.


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It was agreed to inspect the report before Council consider re-use of the playground equipment from the Bobby Murray Park.

Item 20.2 Milford Planning

RESOLUTION 20200218.7

It was moved Cr Kennedy, Seconded Cr Bawden and carried that the Liquor Licence Application for 120-124 Goldring Street for Subsidiary On-premises Licence (Restaurant/Meals) be approved.

Item 20.3 Local Government Association of Queensland

Council agreed to discuss this issue at the Western Queensland Local Government Association Conference held in Richmond from 5-7 May 2020.

Attendance

Cr Kennedy declared an interest and left the room at 3:47pm.

Council discussed the Richmond Carnival Association Inc correspondence regarding the successful grant for a new canteen/bar.

It was agreed to advise the Campdraft committee that Council need to see and approve designs and plans before they proceed.

Attendance

Cr Kennedy re-entered the room at 3:50pm.

POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND LOCAL LAWS
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ITEM 21.0 POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND LOCAL LAWS REPORT

Noted

RESOLUTION 20200218.8

It was moved Cr Kuhl, Seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council adopt the Agistment Policy with changes.

Item 16.1 Milford Planning

RESOLUTION 20200218.9

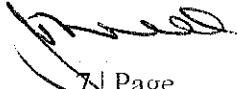
It was moved Cr Fox, Seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council approve the Material Change of Use for Motel Expansion at 72 Goldring Street.

MANAGER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES REPORT
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ITEM 22.0 MANAGER COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Manager of Community Services (MCS) Angela Henry requested clarification on the fence structure at Bobby Murray Park and advised Council it would cost more for a colorbond fence.


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RESOLUTION 20200218.10

It was moved Cr Kennedy, Seconded Cr Bawden and carried that Council approve the colorbond fence at Bobby Murray Park.

MCS Angela Henry discussed mental health services in Richmond and expressed that we need a higher level of help and a mental health nurse.

Cr Wharton requested MCS Angela Henry to organise a meeting with the Richmond Clinical Nurse, Cr Wharton, Cr Fox and MCS Angela Henry.

MCS Angela Henry advised Council there has been a lot of interest in the RADF Funding to Bid to Arts QLD for Arts Funding this year.

Discussions were had around the Flying Skin Doctor visiting Richmond again as there was great interest last time. Council unanimously agreed to fund this initiative through the Flexible Financial Hardship Funding.

Council requested the Flying Skin Doctor visit for three days.

MCS Angela Henry advised Council she was trying to work the Pit Stop in the same time.

RESOLUTION 20200218.11

It was moved Cr Bawden, Seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that Council fully fund the Flying Skin Doctor through the Flexible Financial Hardship funds fund and allow the use of the Old Council Administration Building.

Cr Wharton asked MCS Angela Henry if Council had considered the infrastructure around the Caravan Park for the painting of the water tower.

MCS Angela Henry responded that she has notified the Caravan Park Managers to move any assets or vehicles and inform the visitors when they arrive.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

ITEM 23.0 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

MCS Angela Henry advised Council that the Community Development Officer was successful in funding to turn the tennis courts into multipurpose courts.

It was discussed that that website needs improvements. MCS Angela Henry notified Council that staff were in training for the Richmond Shire Council website this week.

RICHMOND AGED CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

ITEM 24.0 RICHMOND AGED CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

MCS Angela Henry notified Council that the Richmond Aged Care Centre had been successful in funding from NDIS for a disability support worker.

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OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

ITEM 25.0 OSHC CO-ORDINATOR'S PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

Council agreed for the OSHC Co-ordinator to think of other ideas as Council do not usually keep dead trees. A sculpture of painting might be an alternative.

RESOLUTION 20200218.12

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council adopt the reviewed Educational Program Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20200218.13

It was moved Cr Pattel, seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council adopt the reviewed Acceptance and Refusal Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20200218.14

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council adopt the reviewed Arrival and Departure Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20200218.15

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Fox and carried that Council adopt the reviewed Emergency Evacuation Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20200218.16

It was moved Cr Pattel, seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council adopt the reviewed Lockdown Policy as presented.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

ITEM 26.0 LIBRARIAN'S PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

TOURISM AND MARKETING REPORT

ITEM 27.0 TOURISM AND MARKETING OFFICER'S PROGRESS REPORT

Nil Report

LAKEVIEW CARAVAN PARK MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM 28.0 MANAGER'S REPORT

Nil Report

Attendance

Cr Wharton and Cr Fox declared an interest and left the room at 4:47pm.

RESOLUTION 20200218.17

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It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council enter closed session according to Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 275 (1) (c) (e) to consider the sale of A200 and A206.

RESOLUTION 20200218.18

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council exit closed session according to Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 275 (1) (c) (e).

Attendance

Cr Wharton and Cr Fox re-entered the room at 5:00pm.

RESOLUTION 20200218.19

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council follow due process to acquire A200 and A206 for overdue rates under section 149 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 29.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Kuhl notified Council that the solar lights around the lake have not been fixed.

Cr Kennedy advised Council that the grids from town to the Cambridge Crossing need fixing as they are a risk.

Councillors have received positive feedback from the community town meeting and that the community would like to see more in the future.

Attendance

MCS Angela Henry left the meeting at 5:08pm.

Cr Fox advised Council she had received a call from a community member asking when the township will be taken off Level 2 water restrictions.

Cr Wharton responded that these restrictions will stay in place until the new bore has been completed and connected.

Cr Bawden asked if Council had received a response from the Valuers in regards to the Richmond Saleyards. CEO Peter Bennett advised that no response has yet been given.

Cr Kuhl advised that Richmond Shire Council has been included in a two year Feral Pig Control through an integrated aerial baiting program in conjunction with the McKinlay and Cloncurry Shire Councils and SGNRM.

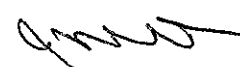
RESOLUTION 20200218.20

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the information reports be received and noted.

Meeting closure

RESOLUTION 20200218.21

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that the meeting close at 5:11pm.

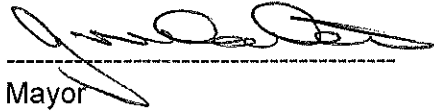

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Next Ordinary Meeting

17 March 2020

I hereby confirm that this is a true and correct record of the minutes of the Richmond Shire Council Ordinary Meeting Tuesday 18 February 2020.



Mayor