

CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE RICHMOND SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, RICHMOND ON
TUESDAY 17 APRIL 2018

PRESENT

Present when the Mayor Cr Wharton declared the meeting open at 8:11am were:

COUNCILLORS:

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

STAFF:

Chief Executive Officer – Peter Bennett, Manager of Finance and Administration – Debbie Glyde, Director of Works – Michael Wanrooy and Minutes Secretary – Judy Norton.

PRAYER

Cr Wharton read the prayer.

APOLOGIES

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 20180417.1

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the Minutes of the General Meeting of the Richmond Shire Council held in the Boardroom, Richmond on Tuesday 20 March 2018 be adopted as tabled.

ACTION ITEMS AND RESOLUTIONS

Council requested that the Certification of the Saleyard facility is prioritised as a matter of urgency.

Cr Kennedy will arrange for the collection of old tractors from Wyangarie and Gracedale in the near future.

The Mayor, CEO and Councillors will travel to Longreach, Barcaldine and Blackall to inspect the aged care facilities in those centres to gather information toward the establishment of similar in Richmond.

Cr Wharton suggested that a grader was required on the Maxwellton Coleraine road.

Quotes are to be obtained for the replacement of the bladder in the damaged tank at Bundock.

Council confirmed that the Gazebo to be ordered is the wedding style with a blue roof and that eight new bins are to be purchased for the CBD.

Cr Kuhl suggested that purchase orders to contractors should stipulate that work must be completed within 30 days or the order will become null and void.

Cr Kuhl questioned if the concreting and lattice work had been completed at the Moonrock Café.

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Cr Kennedy enquired if Council had taken delivery of the cemetery seat.

Cr Wharton reminded the DOW of the footpath paving at the Childcare Centre.

The DOW stated that the car park at the Racecourse had been re-sheeted and enquired if a top up with gravel was required.

Cr Pattel reminded Council of the 'Get Playing Places and Spaces' funding available and suggested that a submission is prepared to upgrade the oval including the change rooms and score board.

Cr Wharton discussed the upcoming Masters AFL Games being held in Richmond and suggested that Richmond field a team.

Cr Pattel advised that the surface of the toddlers' pool was still damaging the children's feet. The DOW advised that the pool will be drained and the surface buffed during the winter months when the pool is closed.

MATTERS ARISING

ITEM 1.0 MATTERS ARISING

Nil

WORKS AND SERVICES

WORKS COORDINATORS REPORT

ITEM 2.0 WORKS COORDINATORS PROGRESS REPORT

Nil Report

WATER AND SEWERAGE OFFICER REPORT

ITEM 3.0 WATER AND SEWERAGE OFFICER PROGRESS REPORT

Noted

WORKSHOP FOREMAN REPORT

ITEM 4.0 WORKSHOP REPORT

Noted

AERODROME REPORTING OFFICER REPORT

ITEM 5.0 AERODROME REPORTING OFFICER REPORT

Nil Report

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DIRECTOR OF WORKS REPORT

ITEM 6.0 DIRECTOR OF WORKS REPORT

Noted

Council discussed the general tidying up of the town leading into Anzac Day and the Fossil Festival and suggested that the main street be swept and the approaches to town made presentable.

A road run was scheduled for Monday 23 April, 2018 commencing with the Southside of the Shire.

Meeting adjournment

RESOLUTION 20180417.2

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that the meeting adjourn for Councillors and Staff to attend the Funeral of the late Arthur Barns at 9:25am.

Meeting resumption

RESOLUTION 20180417.3

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Fox and carried that the meeting resume at 11:43am.

Attendance

Cr Wharton, Cr Kuhl, Cr Bawden, Cr Fox, Cr Pattel, Cr Kennedy, Peter Bennett, Debbie Glyde, Michael Wanrooy and Judy Norton.

RURAL LAND OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 7.0 RURAL LANDS OFFICERS REPORT

Noted

Cr Bawden commented on the condition of the Trucking Paddock/Malvern Park fence and suggested the need for replacement.

Warren Hussey has advised that there had been no sign of Parthenium regrowth since the rain.

Cr Bawden advised that some of the landowners on the southern side of the Shire had questioned if Council would consider providing additional baiting throughout the year as some properties were not participating in the baiting program and the dogs were not being controlled. Council agreed to allocate funds in the next budget to provide extra baiting throughout the year but only to landowners who participated in the scheduled aerial baiting program.

Cr Kuhl advised that the Biosecurity Plan was back on track.

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SALEYARD CONTRACTORS REPORT

ITEM 8.0 SALEYARD CONTRACTORS REPORT

Noted

Cr Bawden questioned if the sand could be spread at the Saleyard toilet block and grass seed planted and maintained. The tree also needs trimming.

AGISTMENT ON TOWN COMMONS REPORT

ITEM 9.0 AGISTMENT ON TOWN COMMONS REPORT

Noted

LOCAL LAWS OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 10.0 LOCAL LAWS OFFICERS REPORT

Nil Report

TOWN SERVICES REPORT

ITEM 11.0 TOWN SERVICES REPORT

Noted

SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE REPORT

ITEM 12.0 SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE REPORT

Noted

BUILDING AND TOWN PLANNING REPORT

ITEM 13.0 BUILDING AND TOWN PLANNING REPORT

Noted

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION REPORT

ITEM 14.0 FINANCE REPORT

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Debbie advised that she had not been successful in appointing an independent member to sit on the internal audit committee and suggested that since it was no longer a legislative requirement that the committee could be dissolved and a new financial review committee be formed.

RESOLUTION 20180417.4

It was moved Cr Bawden, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the Internal Audit Committee be dissolved.

RESOLUTION 20180417.5

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that a new Financial Review Committee is formed with Cr Kuhl as the Chair and Cr Fox as a committee member.

Debbie reported that the commencement of the new finance program IT Vision has been pushed back to October due to some problems in the reporting modules.

Cr Bawden commented on the information gleaned from the recent EMU program whereby Council can take action against employees who denigrate their employers on social media.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

ITEM 15.0 CEO REPORT

Noted

Council decided to discuss the tabled report regarding the sale of the Middleton Street blocks of land at the next meeting.

Cr Kuhl gave an overview of the topics discussed at the Vegetation Management Hearing which she had attended in Cloncurry.

Meeting adjournment

RESOLUTION 20180417.6

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the meeting adjourn for lunch at 12:58pm.

Meeting resumption

RESOLUTION 20180417.7

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Fox and carried that the meeting resume at 1:57pm.

Attendance

Cr Wharton, Cr Kuhl, Cr Bawden, Cr Fox, Cr Kennedy, Cr Pattel, Peter Bennett, Debbie Glyde, Michael Wanrooy, and Judy Norton.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA BOARD MEMBERS REPORT

ITEM 16.0 RDA REPORT

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Cr Kuhl provided an overview on the recent RDA Meeting held in Ingham and advised that all committee member tenures cease on 30 June 2018 and current and new members must apply with applications closing 23 April 2018.

RESOLUTION 20180417.8

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that Council nominate Cr Kuhl as the representative for Richmond Shire Council on the RDA Board for a second tenure commencing 01 July 2018.

CORRESPONDENCE AND TABLED ITEMS

ITEM 17.0 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Noted

POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND LOCAL LAWS

ITEM 18.0 MONTHLY REPORT

Nil Report

MANAGER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES REPORT

ITEM 19.0 MANAGER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES REPORT

Noted

Community Drought Support

Attendance

Cr Fox and Cr Pattel declared an interest and left the room at 2:07pm.

RESOLUTION 20180417.9

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that Council allocate Community Drought Support funds of \$1,000.00 for the Digger's Family Fun Day and \$2,000.00 for the Ladies Day Races to the Richmond Turf Club.

Attendance

Cr Fox re-entered the room at 2:12pm.

RESOLUTION 20180417.10

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Fox and carried that Council allocate Community Drought Support funds of \$5,000.00 for the Annual Interclub Swimming Carnival to the Richmond Swim Club.

RESOLUTION 20180417.11

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that Council allocate Community Drought Support funds of \$3,500.00 for the Come and Try Clinics and Round Robin Games to the Richmond Junior Rugby League.

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Attendance

Cr Pattel re-entered the room at 2:20pm.

RESOLUTION 20180417.12

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that Council allocate Community Drought Support funds of \$2,000.00 for the Annual Golf Open to the Richmond Golf Club.

Community Small Grants Program

RESOLUTION 20180417.13

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council allocate a Community Small Grant of \$1,200.00 to the Richmond Dirt Bike Club to subsidise the cost of Ambulance hire.

Anzac Day

The Councillors all committed to assisting with the tasks required for the Anzac Day ceremony. In the absence of Angela, Cr Pattel offered to determine if the school children would be reading the Ode.

RICHMOND AGED CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

ITEM 20.0 RICHMOND AGED CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

Noted

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

ITEM 21.0 OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

Noted

RESOLUTION 20180417.14

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council adopt the amended 'After School Policy' as presented.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

ITEM 22.0 LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Nil report – recurring computer problems.

POOL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM 23.0 POOL MANAGER'S REPORT

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Noted

TOURISM AND MARKETING REPORT

ITEM 24.0 TOURISM AND MARKETING OFFICER'S REPORT

Noted

LAKEVIEW CARAVAN PARK MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM 25.0 MANAGER'S REPORT

Noted

Council agreed to include the purchase of a new zero turn mower in the next budget.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 26.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Bawden advised that Carpentaria Shire have offered to provide fingerlings (ranging in sizes from 15-30cm) to various restocking groups free of charge, on the proviso that members are able to provide assistance in capturing and distributing.

Cr Bawden raised the concern of the lack of maintenance of the Butchers Paddock by the previous owner of the Richmond Butchery and suggested that Council clear the prickly acacia and invoice the previous lessee. Council in unison agreed that a bond of \$1,000.00 should be charged for the three year term of the lease for future owners of the Butchery.

Cr Kuhl enquired when the container purchased for the Red Cross would be erected at the back of the building at 48 Goldring Street.

Discussion followed regarding the lease between Richmond Shire Council and the Australian Red Cross Richmond Branch which expires 01 October 2018.

RESOLUTION 20180417.15

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that the lease between Richmond Shire Council and the Australian Red Cross Richmond Branch be renewed for a ten year period commencing 01 October 2018 with the rental charge being payment of the annual rates as levied by the Richmond Shire Council.

Cr Pattel advised that the NQ Sports Foundation was experiencing difficulty sourcing sponsorship for the annual Sport Encouragement Bursaries of \$650.00 and an embroidered jacket for at least thirty recipients.

Attendance

Cr Pattel left the room at 3:23pm.

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Cr Wharton enquired on the progress of the lease agreement with the 'Me and My Mum Group' for the use of the old library residence. Peter advised that the aged care equipment was still stored in that space as the new shed had not been erected.

Attendance

Cr Pattel re-entered the room at 3:25pm.

Information Reports

RESOLUTION 20180417.16

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

Meeting closure

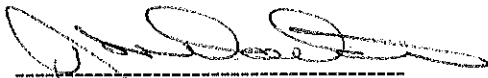
RESOLUTION 20180417.17

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the meeting close at 3:26pm.

Next Ordinary Meeting

15 May, 2018

I hereby confirm that this is a true and correct record of the minutes of the Richmond Shire Council Ordinary Meeting Tuesday 17 April, 2018.



Mayor