

CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF THE RICHMOND SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE BOARD ROOM, RICHMOND ON
TUESDAY 17 JULY 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, Manager of Communities - Angela Henry, Director of Works – Michael Wanrooy and Minutes Secretary – Judy Norton.

PRAYER

Cr Kuhl read the prayer.

Cr Wharton led a minutes' silence for the late David Carter, former Councillor and Deputy Mayor, who passed away on Monday 16 July, 2018.

APOLOGIES

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 20180717.1

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 26 June 2018 be adopted as tabled.

ACTION ITEMS AND RESOLUTIONS

Cr Wharton questioned when the container purchased for the Red Cross shop would be set in place. His recommendation was that it be situated beside and at the same height as the building with a deck for access.

The Councillors congratulated the staff for their efforts in the preparation and the ultimate success of the Auction held on Saturday 7 July 2018.

Cr Kuhl enquired if the Expression of Interest had been circulated for the position of Dump Manager. Cr Pattel reported that rubbish had been dumped beside the pit on the weekend. The DOW advised that the dump is being pushed in every second day.

Cr Pattel enquired if the repairs at the Pool had commenced. The DOW advised that some work had been completed with the remainder scheduled for next week.

Cr Kuhl enquired if the Pool Manager contract would be reviewed before advertising the vacancy.



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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

Cr Wharton raised the matter of residents using excess water on vacant lots and horse paddocks. The opinion of Council was that this practice is contributing to the excessive water consumption showing in the water supply report. Council reviewed the current Water Restriction Policy and the following resolution transpired:-

RESOLUTION 20180717.2

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that according to Section 41 of the Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008, no sprinklers or fixed irrigation systems can be used for watering areas used for the maintaining of livestock.

Cr Wharton also voiced his concern over the current watering of the Lake wall. The run off from the sprinklers through the sand filter is eroding the back of the wall and he suggested turning off the sprinklers to the whole wall.

WORKSHOP FOREMAN REPORT

ITEM 4.0 WORKSHOP REPORT

Noted

AERODROME REPORTING OFFICER REPORT

ITEM 5.0 AERODROME REPORTING OFFICER REPORT

Nil Report

DIRECTOR OF WORKS REPORT

ITEM 6.0 DIRECTOR OF WORKS REPORT

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Council commented on the new amenities at the lake jetty and decided to leave the existing toilet in situ. Cr Bawden discussed the location for the fish cleaning table and Council agreed to lay a slab at another site close to a water connection.

Cr Wharton advised that he will be attending a meeting in Julia Creek on Thursday to source funding toward further sealing of the Winton Road.

Change in Order of Business to discuss the CEOs Report

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

ITEM 15.0 CEO REPORT

Noted

The CEO reported on the recent meeting with company representatives for mining Vanadium in the Richmond Shire. Plans are in place to establish a pilot plant on the outskirts of Richmond. Cr Kennedy suggested the scheduling of a meeting with the stakeholders.

Item 15.1 Confidential session

RESOLUTION 20170717.3

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council enter closed session according to section 275 (1) (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to discuss the Confidential Report.

Attendance

Peter Bennett, Debbie Glyde, Angela Henry, Michael Wanrooy, and Judy Norton left the room at 10:00am.

RESOLUTION 20170717.4

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Fox and carried that council exit closed session according to section 275 (1) (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to discuss the Confidential Report.

Attendance

Peter Bennett, Debbie Glyde, Angela Henry, Michael Wanrooy, and Judy Norton re-entered the room at 10:30am.

Meeting adjournment

RESOLUTION 20180717.5

It was moved Cr Pattel, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the meeting adjourn for morning tea at 10:39am.

Meeting resumption

RESOLUTION 20180717.6

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Fox and carried that the meeting resume at 11:07am.

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Attendance

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

Item 15.1 Community Housing Duplex

RESOLUTION 20170717.7

It was moved Cr.Fox, seconded Cr Kuhl and carried that Council enter into a divestment proposal whereby Qld Health acquire the Community Housing Duplex on Gallagher's Drive and the Department of Housing and Richmond Shire Council both benefit by way of receipt and waiver of their respective contingent liabilities. The name "Ann Fickling Villas" will not stay with the buildings.

Item 15.2 Council Cultural Change Proposal

Council recommended that another quote be sourced for four to six sessions of the Cultural Change Program specifically designed for supervisors and senior management.

Item 15.3 Council Breach of Fossicking Act 1994

Cr Wharton advised that he will respond to the correspondence regarding the alleged breach of the Fossicking Act 1994.

Cr Wharton suggested that line marking and signage for parallel parking at the Butcher Shop and Ammonite Inn would provide safer parking options.

The CEO requested a meeting on 31 July 2018 at 8:00am to adopt the Budget.

Order of business resumed.

RURAL LAND OFFICERS REPORT

ITEM 7.0 RURAL LANDS OFFICERS REPORT

Noted

Cr Bawden reported on the condition of the grid on the Town Common-Boree section of the 20 Mile road which is currently sitting on sleepers and the stays and posts display signs of decay. Council suggested that the landowner replace the grid under the Grid Subsidy Program.

Councillors Bawden and Kennedy will inspect the trucking paddocks with the Rural Lands Officer.

SALEYARD CONTRACTORS REPORT

ITEM 8.0 SALEYARD CONTRACTORS REPORT

Nil Report

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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

Noted

TOWN SERVICES REPORT

ITEM 11.0 TOWN SERVICES REPORT

Noted

Attendance

Cr Wharton left the room at 11:45am.

Cr Kuhl took the Chair.

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

Noted

Debbie advised that IT Vison representatives will be visiting Council in August to start implementing the new accounting program.

Attendance

Cr Wharton re-entered the room at 12:11pm.


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REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA BOARD MEMBERS REPORT

ITEM 16.0 RDA REPORT

Noted

CORRESPONDENCE AND TABLED ITEMS

ITEM 17.0 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Nil Report

POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND LOCAL LAWS

ITEM 18.0 MONTHLY REPORT

Council reviewed the following policies

RESOLUTION 20180717.8

It was moved Cr Bawden, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council adopt the revised Asset Disposal Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20180717.9

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that Council adopt the revised Corporate Credit Card Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20180717.10

It was moved Cr Pattel, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that Council adopt the revised Procurement Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20180717.11

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that Council adopt the Public Interest Disclosure Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20180717.12

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

RESOLUTION 20180717.13

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that Council adopt the Investment Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20180717.14

It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Pattel and carried that Council adopt the Grants to Community Organisations Policy as presented.

RESOLUTION 20180717.15

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that Council adopt the Debt Policy as presented.

Cr Kuhl vacated the Chair.

MANAGER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES REPORT

ITEM 19.0 MANAGER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES REPORT

Noted

Council noted that the new child care package had not been well implemented by the Dept of Human Services resulting in some concern from users regarding the prices and Centrelink assessed allocations. Staff are working to provide clients with fee estimations. Stats will continue to be monitored.

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

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

ITEM 22.0 LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Noted

POOL MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM 23.0 POOL MANAGER'S REPORT

Nil Report

TOURISM AND MARKETING REPORT

ITEM 24.0 TOURISM AND MARKETING OFFICER'S REPORT

Noted

Cr Wharton advised that the Mitez funding received to promote the Drive North West program had been expended. Due to the success achieved by the program he intends to raise the matter at the next NWQROC Meeting in the hope that each Shire will contribute funds to extend the program.

Meeting adjournment

RESOLUTION 20180717.19

It was moved Cr Kuhl, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the meeting adjourn for lunch at 1:06pm.

Meeting resumption

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RESOLUTION 20180717.20 It was moved Cr Fox, seconded Cr Kennedy and carried that the meeting resume at 1:57pm.

Attendance

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

Cr Kuhl took the Chair.

LAKEVIEW CARAVAN PARK MANAGER'S REPORT

ITEM 25.0 MANAGER'S REPORT

Noted

Council agreed with the need for more clotheslines at the new amenity block at the van park and approved the purchase of same.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM 26.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Bawden advised of a request from the Carter family to cut a panel from the Racecourse fence to allow the hearse access for a circuit before moving to the cemetery for the burial of the late David Carter. Cr Bawden will attend to the replacement of the panel.

Cr Kennedy stressed the importance of the grid repairs that he mentioned at the June meeting of Council.


Cr Fox reported on the unsafe grid at the Feedlot and questioned when work would be scheduled for the narrow section of road at Hazelwood. The DOW advised that the work was catalogued for November this year.

Cr Pattel questioned the liability of Council if complaints received about damaged grids are not actioned in a timely manner.

Cr Kuhl enquired if the Corporate Plan would be adopted with the Budget, and if her previous request for more welcome signage at every approach to Richmond could be included.

Council discussed the low access points to the heavy industry lots at the rear of the Industrial Estate. The DOW advised that gravel will be laid to lift the crossings to the height of the head walls. This work will be done as and when needed.

Peter advised that the Townsville District Disaster Management Group will be hosting three days of meetings in Richmond on the 25th & 26th July. Council have arranged to host a Meet and Greet at Kronosaurus Korner on Wednesday night and dinner at the office outdoor area on Thursday night.



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Information Reports

RESOLUTION 20180717.21

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

Meeting closure

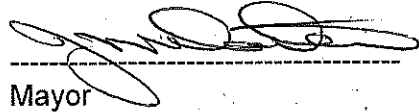
RESOLUTION 20180717.22

It was moved Cr Kennedy, seconded Cr Bawden and carried that the meeting close at 2:16pm.

Next Ordinary Meeting

28 August, 2018

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



Mayor

Deputy Mayor