



SHIRE OF MURWEH

MORVEN - CHARLEVILLE - AUGATHELLA

Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

Thursday, 21 September 2023

9:00AM



Murweh Shire, Charleville Neighbourhood Centre, HOPE & Qld Health working together to put on the RU OK? breakfast

**MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE
ON THURSDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 9:00AM**

PRESENT: Cr S Radnedge (Mayor), Cr R Eckel, Cr P Alexander Cr M McKellar, Cr P Taylor

IN ATTENDANCE: R Ranson (Director Community & Health Services), J Nicholson (Director Economic Development & Tourism), C Alexander (Contract Accountant), R Ranjit (Director Engineering Services), K Crosby (A/Director Corporate & Regulatory Services), A Evans (Tourism Manager), B Scott (CEO)

1 OPENING PRAYER – Fr Peter Doohan delivered the prayer for the guidance of council.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

Nil

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 209/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 17 August 2023 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 210/23

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held 24 August 2023 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

4 MAYORAL MINUTE

5.1 MAYORAL MINUTE

RESOLUTION 211/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council engage the Department of Sport and Recreation to;

1. Develop a Sport and Recreation Plan for Murweh Shire Council communities in consultation with the community and sporting groups; and

2. Develop a master plan for the future placement of sporting and ablution facilities at the Charleville Show Grounds and Racecourse precinct on the completion of a Sport and Recreation Plan for Murweh Shire Council

CARRIED

5.2 2024 QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA DAY PROGRAM

RESOLUTION 212/23
 Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council registers an expression of interest in hosting a Great Australian Bites (GAB) Event in Charleville for Australia Day 2024 and establish a committee if funding becomes available. Consideration be given in future budgets to increase the amount for Australia Day celebrations.

CARRIED

5 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

6 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION

7.1 CORRESPONDENCE FOR COUNCILLOR INFORMATION

Noted:
 Additional correspondence from Department of Housing regarding intent to construct housing, Re: Housing development at 62 Partridge Street and 2 Racecourse Drive.
 The Australian Warning Systems correspondence will be forwarded to the LDMG.

7 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Mr Bruce Scott OAM noted a conflict in one of the upcoming matters (15.2) as a nephew is a signatory on the correspondence and he will leave the meeting for discussion.

8 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

Nil

9 CORPORATE & REGULATORY

10.1 PURCHASE OF LAND - 53 NORTH ROAD MORVEN

RESOLUTION 213/23
 Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council review the price offered to Queensland Government Accommodation Office, Public Works Division for the purchase of land located at 53 North Road Morven, as the Department has

not accepted Council’s offer of \$10,000.00, it is \$8,000.00 below the independent valuation of \$18,000.00.

CARRIED

10.2 REQUEST USE OF OLD ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR HANGAR AT THE CHARLEVILLE AIRPORT

RESOLUTION 214/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council approve the use of the old hangar for the forthcoming 80 year Celebration of the Royal Flying Doctor operations at Charleville.

CARRIED

10.3 DUPLEX COMPLEX 53 EDWARD STREET CHARLEVILLE

RESOLUTION 215/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar
 Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council

1. Consider the reallocation of grant funds from Stage one of the Works for Queensland Funding (W4Q21-24) totalling One hundred and seventy five thousand dollars for Council employee housing; and
2. Obtain approval for the reallocation of funding from Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government Planning.

CARRIED

10.4 MORVEN RECREATIONAL GROUNDS

RESOLUTION 216/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar
 Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council formally respond to Ms Kylee Tindale-Smith, Augathella and Morven Progress Association regarding matters raised, .

Council will:

1. Review the implementation of an voluntary envelope system which has a tear-off section for users of the facility. This will provide proof of payment for all to view; and
2. To provide consistency across all Shire managed caravan parks that in consultation with Morven and Augathella Progress Associations increase the fee for unpowered sites to \$10 and powered caravan sites (where provide) from \$10 to \$20 per site commencing 1 April 2024;

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for a morning tea break at 10:29 AM.

The meeting resumed normal proceedings at 10:57 AM.

10.5 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 217/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council notes the Human Resources Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.6 POLICY REVIEW HR017 RELOCATION ASSISTANCE
<p>RESOLUTION 218/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That Council approves Policy HR017 Relocation Assistance with the following changes;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$5,000.00, increase the amount to \$7,500.00 • change '3 quotes' to '3 quotes where possible' • change 'ceases employment voluntarily' to 'cease employment voluntarily/terminated'. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.7 WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 219/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council receives the report from the Workplace Health & Safety Section.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.8 MURWEH SHIRE CHRISTMAS CLOSE DOWN
<p>Noted</p>

10.9 CHANGE OF COUNCIL MEETING DATES
<p>RESOLUTION 220/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council due to conflicting dates of the LGAQ Conference and Christmas close down dates that the Council Meeting for October be rescheduled from Thursday 19th to Friday 20th October 2023 and the December meeting moved from Thursday 21st to Thursday 14th December 2023."</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.10 TOWN PLANNING SERVICES
<p>RESOLUTION 221/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That Council delegates authority to the interim Chief Executive Officer to go to public market for the services of a qualified Town Planner as required by Murweh Shire Council.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.11 FINANCIAL DELEGATION POLICY REVIEW
<p>RESOLUTION 222/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That Council approve the Financial Delegation Register update as tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.12 THREE YEAR INTERNAL AUDIT PLAN 2024-2026
<p>RESOLUTION 223/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That Council notes the three-year Strategic Internal Audit Plan 2024-26 as tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.13 FINANCE REPORT MONTH ENDING AUGUST 2023
<p>RESOLUTION 224/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council receive the Finance Report for the month ending 31 August 2023.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

11.1 TOURSIM AND EVENTS REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 225/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Alexander</p> <p>That Council notes the Tourism and Events Report</p> <p style="text-align: right;">.CARRIED</p>

11.2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 226/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr P Taylor</p> <p>That Council notes the Economic Development Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

11 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES

12.1 AUGUST MONTHLY LIBRARY REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 227/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council notes the report from the library.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

12.2 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 228/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That the report from Community and Health Services be received and noted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

12.3 PROPOSAL BY TOM OLIVER PRODUCTIONS FOR ACQUISITION OF Q150 SHED IN AUGATHELLA.
<p>RESOLUTION 229/23</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr M McKellar</p> <p>That Council accepts the offer from Tom Oliver Productions (Wynnum Fringe Festival) as tabled, under Section 236 (1) (b) (ii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012; providing necessary community organisation status is achieved;</p> <p>236 Exceptions for valuable non-current asset contracts</p> <p><i>(1) Subject to subsections (2) to (4), a local government may dispose of a valuable non-current asset other than by tender or auction if -</i></p> <p><i>(b) the valuable non-current asset is disposed of to-</i></p> <p><i>(ii) a community organisation;</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

12.4 REQUEST FOR HIRE OF RACECOURSE**RESOLUTION 230/23**

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council allow an exemption for bottled beer to be served at this event as requested, providing any breakages are cleaned up appropriately by inspection.

CARRIED**12.5 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND - MEDIA AUDIT AND RESEARCH PROJECT****RESOLUTION 231/23**

Moved: Cr M McKellar

Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council agrees to partner with the University of South Queensland in conducting the media audit and research project

CARRIED**12 ENGINEERING SERVICES****13.1 ENGINEERING REPORT****RESOLUTION 232/23**

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council receives and notes the Engineering Report. **CARRIED**

13 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**RESOLUTION 233/23**

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J of the Local Government Regulation 2012:

15.4 Draft Financial Statements 2022-2023

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J (c) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with the local government's budget.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 234/23

Moved: Cr P Taylor
 Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

CARRIED

15.4 DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2022-2023

RESOLUTION 235/23

Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr M McKellar

- Council’s draft Annual Financial Statements for 2022/23 (including general purpose financial statements and current year financial sustainability statement) be endorsed for presenting to the Auditor-General for auditing pursuant to *section 212* of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.
- Council’s draft Long Term Financial Sustainability Statement for 2022/23 be given to the Auditor-General for information

.CARRIED

RESOLUTION 236/23

Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J of the Local Government Regulation 2012:

15.1 Quotation RFQ3. 22-23 Augathella Truck Wash Upgrade

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J (g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with contracts proposed to be made by it.

15.2 Application to lease land at the Charleville Airport

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J – (g) of the Local Government regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with contracts proposed to be made by it.

15.3 Infrastructure Agreement - Max Jones

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J – (g) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 237/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council moves out of closed Council into open Council.

CARRIED

15.1 QUOTATION RFQ3. 22-23 AUGATHELLA TRUCK WASH UPGRADE

That the matter lay on the table until budget allocation is confirmed.

Mr Bruce Scott advised of a declarable in relation to item 15.2 due to a potential conflict of interest.

15.2 APPLICATION TO LEASE LAND AT THE CHARLEVILLE AIRPORT

RESOLUTION 238/23

Moved: Cr M McKellar
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

1. That Council approve in principle for the Charleville Aero Club to lease land at the airport to house aircraft subject to

- a) The Aero Club Registering the lease document with the Titles Registry; and
- b) Undertaking any Planning and or Building approval for the proposed shed; and
- c) That the Chief Executive Officer be delegated to negotiate a lease with the applicant

.CARRIED

15.3 INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT - MAX JONES

RESOLUTION 239/23

Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council advises the applicant that it is prepared to enter into an Infrastructure Agreement for car parking in lieu of on-site parking, provided the agreement is drafted at the applicants expense and that the applicant pays \$2000.00 plus goods and services tax (GST) for each car park required under the planning scheme.

CARRIED

14 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 12:55.