

Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville Thursday, 17 November 2022 9.00AM



MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE ON THURSDAY, 17 NOVEMBER 2022 AT 9.00AM

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

McKellar

IN ATTENDANCE: J Gorry (A/CEO), R Ranson (Director Community & Health Services), J

Nicholson (Director Economic Development & Tourism), C Alexander

(Contract Accountant), S Surapanini (Asset Engineer)

1 OPENING PRAYER

Fr Doohan delivered a prayer for the guidance of Council.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MOTION

Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 21 October 2022 be taken as read, confirmed, amended and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

Cr M McKellar leave of absence is for October Meeting Only. Cr Alexander is listed as Deputy Mayor – change to Cr Eckel Deputy Mayor

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

13.3 – there have been amendments lodged.

5 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

6 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

7 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION

Nil

8 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Cr Eckel and Cr Taylor acknowledged a prescribed conflict of interest for item 12.2, being on the Historical House Committee. Whilst acknowledging the conflict, Council do not believe a reasonable person could have a perception of bias because there is no monetary gain and it is a voluntary organisation, Therefore, Crs Taylor and Eckel remained in the meeting for the discussion but refrained from voting.

9 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

Cr Alexander advised he will need to make an update to his register.

10 CORPORATE & REGULATORY

10.1 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, LOCAL LAWS AND STOCK ROUTES

RESOLUTION 071/22

Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council accepts the Environmental Health, Local Laws and Stock Routes Report

CARRIED

10.2 HUMAN RESCOURCES REPORT

RESOLUTION 072/22

Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives the Human Resources Report

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for a morning tea break at 10:40 AM.

The meeting resumed normal proceedings at 11:05 AM.

10.3 HUMAN RESCOURCES POLICIES FOR REVIEW

RESOLUTION 073/22

Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council accepts and adopts the revised versions of the following Human Resources Policies:

- HR-017 Relocation Assistance Policy
- HR-019 Social Media Policy
- HR- 022 Recruitment & Selection Policy (with inclusion of a section relating to Police and other checks as required for the position and senior positions)
- HR-024 Employee Code of Conduct

 HR-033 Training & Development Policy (Including that trainees and apprentices are able to gain experience with other tradesmen if the need arises to fulfill the requirements of the industry)

CARRIED

10.4 WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY REPORT

RESOLUTION 074/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives the report from the Workplace Health & Safety Section

CARRIED

10.5 ANIMAL EXCLUSION FENCING REQUIRED AT MURWEH LANDFILLS

RESOLUTION 075/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council approves a budget provision of \$75,000 under LRCIP3 funding for the 'animal proof' fencing of its three licenced Landfills within Charleville, Morven and Augathella, as part of its General Biosecurity Obligation (GBO) as Registered Landfill Owners.

CARRIED

10.6 PERIODIC POLICY REVIEW AND AMENDMENT

RESOLUTION 076/22

Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council pursuant to Chapter 5 Parts 4, 5 and 6 of the Local Government Regulation (Qld) 2012, Council adopts the reviewed and amended Policies as scheduled hereunder, and further, the proposed Overdue Rates and Charges Recovery Process Policy amendment, as recommended be added as Item (6.5) to Councils existing Revenue Policy FIN-002 (with a change from \$500 to \$900 6.5.3)

Policy Name Policy No.

Revenue FIN-002

Advertising FIN-005

Community Grants FIN-012

Financial Delegation FIN-013

Related Party disclosure GOV-002

Public Interest Disclosure GOV-006

CARRIED

10.7 APPROVED INSPECTION PROGRAM

That the matter lay on the table until the December meeting.

10.8 FINANCIAL REPORT - OCTOBER 2022

RESOLUTION 077/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives the financial report ending October 2022

CARRIED

10.9 FIRST BUDGET REVIEW 2022-2023

RESOLUTION 078/22

Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Taylor

- That Council That Council adopt the First Budget Review 2022-23 as presented
- That Council adopt the revised Financial Statements 2022-23 and following two years
- That Council adopt the 10-year revised Financial Statements 2022-2032

CARRIED

10.10 ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022 SIGNED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2021-2022

RESOLUTION 079/22

Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council adopts the Annual Report 2021-22 including the signed Financial Statements 2021-

22.

CARRIED

11 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

11.1 CHARLEVILLE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE REPORT

RESOLUTION 080/22

Moved: Cr M McKellar Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council receives the October report from the Visitor Information Centre

CARRIED

11.2 WWII SECRET BASE & TOUR OCTOBER 2022

RESOLUTION 081/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council receive the report from the WWII Secret Base and Tour for October.

CARRIED

11.3 COSMOS CENTRE REPORT

RESOLUTION 082/22

Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives the October Report from the Cosmos Centre & Planetarium.

CARRIED

12 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES

12.1 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES REPORT

RESOLUTION 083/22

Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council receives the Community & Health Services Report

CARRIED

12.2 CHARLEVILLE & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY - DISCOUNT ON RATES

RESOLUTION 084/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council advise Charleville & District Historical Society that it already receives a community exemption from paying general rates, and there is no further discount that Council can offer at this time. The society is encouraged to apply for in-kind support under the next round of the Council assistance program.

.CARRIED

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES

13.1 ENGINEERING REPORT

RESOLUTION 085/22

Moved: Cr P Taylor Seconded: Cr M McKellar

That Council receives the Engineering Report

.CARRIED

14 CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 086/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr P Taylor

The matter regarding a "Partnership Approach" which Rex is proposing will increase Charleville passenger numbers to the local benefit of the Charleville community and will provide certainty of revenue for Council's airport, and consistency of cost for Rex. Rex claims this will in turn will create a favourable environment for passenger growth, and an ability to offer a targeted fare specifically for Murweh Shire residents.

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 275 of the Local Government Act 2012:

15.1 Mayoral Minute - REX Airlines Partnership Proposal

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 275 - c of the Local Government Act, 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

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

RESOLUTION 087/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr R Eckel

A motion was moved that Council resume standing orders.

CARRIED

15.1 MAYORAL MINUTE - REX AIRLINES PARTNERSHIP PROPOSAL

RESOLUTION 088/22

Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr P Taylor

That Council agrees in principle to the proposed Partnership Agreement outlined by Rex Airlines, and delegates authority to the Mayor and CEO to finalise negotiations.

CARRIED

MOTION

RESOLUTION 089/22

Moved: Cr S Radnedge Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council initiate the process to borrow funds for the construction and/or purchase of two

houses suitable for Executive Accommodation.

CARRIED

16 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 1:45PM.