



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2020
COMMENCING AT 10 AM**

Attendance:

Councillors: Councillor Eric (Rick) Britton
Councillor Rebecka (Beck) Britton
Councillor Sam Beauchamp
Councillor Brook McGlinchey
Councillor Jack Neilson

Officers: Ms Lynn Moore (Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs Nicole Tonkies (Executive Assistant)

Opening:

The Mayor opened the meeting at 8.47 am.

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional carers of the land on which Council meets, the 'Pitta Pitta' people, and paid Council's respects to the elders past and present.

The Mayor also acknowledged past and present service personnel.

It has been noted that the Mayor has reminded all Councillors in regards to registration of interests.

2020/2.1 MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 2020 ORDINARY MEETING

<u>Moved:</u> Councillor Beck Britton	<u>Seconded:</u> Councillor McGlinchey
That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 20 th January 2020 be accepted.	
<u>Carried</u>	

**2020/2.2 PROCESSING OF COUNCILLOR DECLARATION OF INTERESTS –
FEBRUARY 2020 ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

<u>Moved:</u> Councillor McGlinchey	<u>Seconded:</u> Councillor Rick Britton
Council acknowledged receipt of the following Councillor Declaration of Interests relevant to reports in the February 2020 Ordinary Meeting of Council and resolved to handle the declaration as follows:	

2020/2.6 ACTION LIST

PURPOSE:

To inform Council on the actions taken on the Action List report.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton Seconded: Councillor Beck Britton

That the updated Action List report be received for information.

Carried

2020/2.7 COMMUNITY SERVICES JANUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with an update of the activities associated with Councils' community development activities.

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp

That the Community Services January 2020 Report is received for information.

Carried

2020/2.8 MIN MIN ENCOUNTER JANUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To report on the day to day operations of the Min Min Encounter and to promote tourism in the Shire and surrounding region.

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That the Min Min Encounter January 2020 Report be received for information.

Carried

2020/2.9 BOULIA SPORTS AND AQUATIC CENTRE JANUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the centre.

Moved: Councillor Neilson Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton

That Council receive the Boulia Sports and Aquatic Centre January 2020 Report for information.

Carried

2020/2.10 LIBRARY JANUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To update Council on the visitations and activities in the Library.

Moved: Councillor Neilson Seconded: Councillor Beck Britton

That Council receive the Library January 2020 report for information.

Carried

2020/2.11 'TEQ CONVERSATIONS WITH INDUSTRY' – MEETING BRIEF

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with a brief on the 'TEQ Conversations with Industry' meeting attended in Winton.

Moved: Councillor Neilson

Seconded: Councillor McGlinchey

That the 'TEQ Conversations with Industry' – Meeting Brief be received for information.

Carried

Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 9.58 am.

Meeting resumed at 10.36 am.

Mr Harin Karra, Mr Jimmy Newman and Mr Daniel Kirk entered the meeting at 10.36 am.

2020/2.12 ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT – NEWS BRIEF FOR JANUARY 2020

PURPOSE:

To inform Council on the progress of various items through an information update.

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp

Seconded: Councillor McGlinchey

That the Engineering Services Report – News brief for January 2020 be noted.

Carried

2020/2.13 GRANTS WORK STATUS SUMMARY

PURPOSE:

To advise Council of the progress of projects being completed with the assistance of either funding provided by Council, State or Federal Grants.

Moved: Councillor Neilson

Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton

That the Grants Work Status Summary on the progress of the funded projects be received for information.

Carried

2020/2.14 DROUGHT COMMUNITIES PROGRAMME – EXTENSION: PROJECT LIST

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with details of the projects to be undertaken with funding from the Drought Communities Programme – Extension.

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton

Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That the Drought Communities Programme – Extension: Project List report is received for information and that the programme funding of \$1,000,000 be allocated to the following projects:

Community Hall - Painting exterior of the hall
Burke Street Hall (RSL) - Painting exterior of the Burke Street Hall
Urandangi Accommodation - Refurbishment of kitchen, roof and stairs
Carpark fence at Rodeo Grounds - Fence the carpark area with top rail fencing with cable wire. Scope to include signage and reflectors

2020/2.18 POLICY REVIEW - 147. BOULIA SPORTS AND AQUATIC CENTRE MEMBERSHIP

PURPOSE:

Regular review of Council policies ensure that Council maintains an up to date guide for staff to refer to in the day to day management of Council. This report deals with minor changes to an existing report which does not have any material effect on the intent of the documents.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton **Seconded:** Councillor McGlinchey

1. That the policy as presented be adopted.

POLICY	NO.	OFFICER	TYPE
Boulia Sports and Aquatic Centre Membership	147	WHSA	Administration

Changes to policy	Page No	Paragraph
Definition of member redefined to those over 18	2	Definitions
Responsibilities updated to define areas of access for minors and confining Gym access to those over 18	2	Responsibilities
Removal of previously attached forms	N/A	Appendices

2. That a copy of the changes to the policy be forwarded to the Councillors electronically via email and the Councillor Hub.

Carried

2020/2.19 POLICY REVIEW - 143. USE OF GYM FACILITIES (REPEALED)

PURPOSE:

To review and update Council's Policies in accordance with the adopted procedure to ensure that Policies made by Council are compliant with legislation and are reviewed in a timely manner.

Moved: Councillor McGlinchey **Seconded:** Councillor Beck Britton

That the policy Number 143 – Use of Gym Facilities be repealed and be replaced with Revised Policy 147 – Boulia Sports and Aquatic Centre Membership Version 2 (see separate Report).

Carried

Mr Newman and Mr Kirk left the meeting at 12.20 pm.

Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.20 pm.

Meeting resumed at 1.19 pm.

2020/2.20 CLOSED MEETING AT 1.19 PM

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton **Seconded:** Councillor Beauchamp

Closed Session - Local Government Regulation 275
(e) contracts proposed to be made by it;

Carried

2020/2.21 OUT OF CLOSED SESSION AT 1.35 PM

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp Seconded: Councillor Beck Britton

It was resolved Council move out of the closed meeting, and adopt the recommendations discussed in closed committee.

Carried

The following recommendations were resolved from the closed session: 2020/2.22, 2020/2.23.

2020/2.22 T2019/20-10 ASSESSMENT OF URANDANGI WATER TANK RELINING

PURPOSE:

To provide a summary and a recommendation for the award of T2019/20-10 Urandangi Water Tank Relining.

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That the tender from Satintouch T2019/20-10 Urandangi Tank Relining tender be rejected and alternative options investigated.

Carried

Councillor Beck Britton declared a Conflict of Interest in the Item DWO3 Application for Work Camp Assistance – Boulia State School, Boulia Camel Races, Boulia Golf Club, Boulia Rodeo Association due to holding an Executive Position with the community organisations applying for assistance. In accordance with the resolution made under 2020/2.2, Councillor Beck Britton was able to participate, discuss and vote upon the matter.

Councillor Neilson declared a Conflict of Interest in the Item DWO3 Application for Work Camp Assistance – Boulia State School, Boulia Camel Races, Boulia Golf Club, Boulia Rodeo Association due to being related to a school staff member and due to holding a captancy position with the Golf Club. In accordance with the resolution made under 2020/2.2, Councillor Neilson was able to participate, discuss and vote upon the matter.

2020/2.23 APPLICATION FOR WORK CAMP ASSISTANCE – BOULIA STATE SCHOOL, BOULIA CAMEL RACES, BOULIA GOLF CLUB, BOULIA RODEO ASSOCIATION

Two further late Work Camp Assistance applications from community citizens were also presented to the Councillors for consideration.

PURPOSE:

To advise Council of new applications received for Work Camp assistance and to request Council's decision on whether or not the applications are to be approved or denied.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton Seconded: Councillor McGlinchey

That Council acknowledge the assistance for Work Camp as follows:

Applicant	Approved/Denied
Boulia State School	Approved
Boulia Camel Races Inc	Approved

Bouliia Golf Club	Approved
Bouliia Rodeo Association	Approved
Applicant D	Approved
Applicant E	Denied

Carried

Mrs Kaylene Sloman entered the meeting at 1.37 pm.

2020/2.24 PONY CLUB PADDOCK FENCE

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with a report on the state of the Pony Club paddock fence and the cost of replacing it.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton Seconded: Councillor Beck Britton

That Council replace the old Pony Club paddock fence with a new fence not including a floodgate.

Carried

2020/2.25 2ND QUARTER OPERATIONAL PLAN REPORT SEP 2019 TO DEC 2019

PURPOSE:

To present the second quarter Operational Report for 2019-2020.

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton

- That Council receive the second quarter report for the 2019-2020 Operational Plan for information.
- That the report be displayed on the Council website.

Carried

Mr Karra left the meeting at 1.49 pm.

2020/2.26 MANAGER CORPORATE & FINANCIAL SERVICES JANUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

Financial Summary as at 31st January 2020.

Moved: Councillor McGlinchey Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton

That the Manager of Corporate & Financial Services January 2020 Report be received for information.

Carried

2020/2.27 BUDGET REVIEW DECEMBER 2019

PURPOSE:

Budget Review to 31st December 2019 based on trends to date.

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That the budget review as presented to Council be received and that the revised budget variations as shown be adopted.

Carried

Mrs Sloman left the meeting at 2.19 pm.

2020/2.28 HOUSE REFURBISHMENTS REPORT

PURPOSE:

To provide Council with an update on the refurbishments of two Council houses which will be budgeted as a capital cost and not part of the housing maintenance budget.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton Seconded: Councillor Beck Britton

- That the House Refurbishments Report be received for information.
- That \$125K be allocated in the Capital budget for improvements to houses which are required for staff housing into the future.

Carried

Councillor Beck Britton left the meeting at 2.30 pm.

General Business

Stock Route costs to Council – Councillor Rick Britton requested that information be collated regarding the costs to Council for maintaining the Stock Route so that this information can be presented to relevant stakeholders in future meetings.

Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 2.34 pm.

Confirmed:

Minutes confirmed 16th March 2020
Resolution No. 2020/3.1

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