



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 16TH MARCH 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 10.06 am.

Mr Harin Karra and Mr Gordon Stumbris entered the meeting at 10.06 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.

2020/3.1 MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 2020 ORDINARY MEETING

<u>Moved:</u> Councillor Neilson	<u>Seconded:</u> Councillor McGlinchey
That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 17 th February 2020 be accepted.	
<u>Carried</u>	

**2020/3.2 PROCESSING OF COUNCILLOR DECLARATION OF INTERESTS –
MARCH 2020 ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

<u>Moved:</u> Councillor Neilson	<u>Seconded:</u> Councillor McGlinchey
It is acknowledged that there are no Councillor Declaration of Interests relevant to reports in the March 2020 Ordinary Meeting of Council to be noted.	
<u>Carried</u>	

2020/3.3 ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT – NEWS BRIEF FOR FEBRUARY 2020

PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp Seconded: Councillor Neilson

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

Carried

2020/3.4 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

Item DWO2 - Boulia Works Program 2018/21 was presented to Council for information only.

2020/3.5 NDRRA FLOOD DAMAGE WORKS DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Flood Damage Program.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton Seconded: Councillor Neilson

That the NDRRA Flood Damage Works Department February 2020 report be received for information.

Carried

2020/3.6 FOREMAN, ROAD MAINTENANCE AND UTILITY SERVICES FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Town Department.

Moved: Councillor McGlinchey Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp

That Council receive the Foreman, Road Maintenance and Utility Services February 2020 report for information.

Carried

2020/3.7 FOREMAN ROADS MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To inform Council of the current utilisation and activities of the Works Department in line with the Boulia works program.

Moved: Councillor Neilson **Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton**

That Council receive the Foreman Roads Maintenance and Construction February 2020 Report for information.

Carried

2020/3.8 RURAL LANDS PROTECTION OFFICER FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To advise Council of current activities relating to weed management, pest control, animal management and stock routes.

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

That the Rural Lands Protection Officer's February 2020 Report be received for information.

Carried

2020/3.9 BOULIA WORK CAMP FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

To advise of the activities of the Boulia Work Camp from 26th February to 7th March.

Moved: Councillor Neilson **Seconded: Councillor Beauchamp**

That the Boulia Work Camp February 2020 report is received for information.

Carried

Mr Karra and Mr Stumbris left the meeting at 11.13 am.

2020/3.10 CEO BRIEFING FOR FEBRUARY 2020

PURPOSE:

To summarise activities from the CEO office and progress future options for the shire.

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

That the February 2020 CEO report is received for information.

Carried

2020/3.11 ACTION LIST

PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Councillor Neilson **Seconded: Councillor McGlinchey**

That the updated Action List report be received for information.

Carried

Mrs Krystal Neilson, Ms Lorraine Stevens and students of Boulia State School entered the Council meeting at 11.30 am. The students have been learning about local government and disaster management and discussed with Council flood event management in the Boulia Shire.

The teachers and students of Boulia State School left the meeting at 11.54 am.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 11.55 am.

The meeting resumed at 12.24 pm.

Ms Karen Savage from Boulia Primary Health Care Centre entered the meeting at 12.24 pm.

Ms Savage left the meeting at 12.49 pm.

Councillor Beck Britton joined the meeting at 12.50 pm.

2020/3.12 SWIMMING POOL LEASE FOR INFORMATION

PURPOSE:

To provide background for Council to consider the future management of the Boulia Sports and Aquatic Centre. A proposed draft contract has been prepared to be reviewed and discussed if the centre is to be leased in the future.

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton

That Council receive the Swimming Pool Lease for Information report and associated proposed draft contract for review, discussion and information.

Carried

2020/3.13 COMMUNITY SERVICES FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Councillor Beck Britton Seconded: Councillor Neilson

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

Carried

2020/3.14 MIN MIN ENCOUNTER FEBRUARY 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 Neilson Seconded: Councillor Rick Britton

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

Carried

2020/3.15 BOULIA SPORTS AND AQUATIC CENTRE FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Councillor Beauchamp Seconded: Councillor Neilson

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

Carried

2020/3.16 LIBRARY FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

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

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton **Seconded:** Councillor Beck Britton

That Council receive the Library February 2020 report for information.

Carried

2020/3.17 WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY FEBRUARY 2020 INFORMATION REPORT

PURPOSE:

To inform Council of progressions and or issues of concern regarding Workplace Health and Safety.

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

That Council receive the Work Health and Safety February 2020 Report for information.

Carried

2020/3.18 MANAGER CORPORATE & FINANCIAL SERVICES FEBRUARY 2020 REPORT

PURPOSE:

Financial Summary as at 29th February 2020.

Moved: Councillor Rick Britton **Seconded:** Councillor Neilson

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

Carried

Meeting Closure

The Mayor closed the meeting at 2.03 pm.

Confirmed:

Minutes confirmed 20th April 2020

Resolution No. 2020/4.1

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