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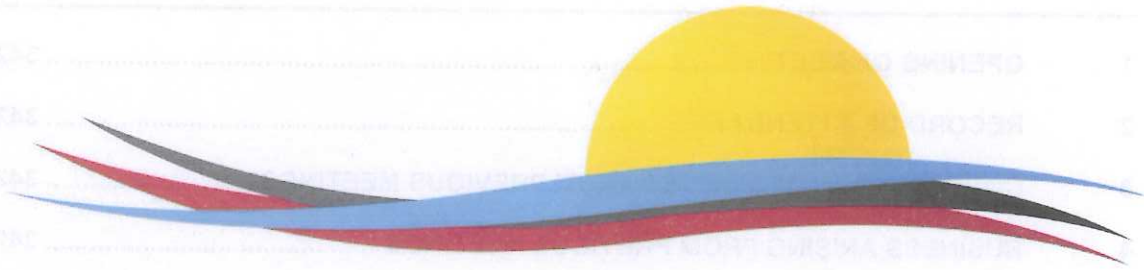
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**ORDINARY MEETING
MINUTES**

16 APRIL 2014

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1 OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor welcomed members and declared the meeting open at 9.00am.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

Councillors

Mayor: Cr FC Pascoe

Members: Cr AJ Gurney; Cr MD Johnson; Cr JC Zahner; Cr JD Beard;
Cr ATJ Gallagher; Cr BS Schneekloth

Staff

Chief Executive Officer Mr Bob Owen

Director of Engineering Mr John Teague

Director Corporate Services Mr Oliver Pring

Executive Assistant Ms Angeline Pascoe

CONDOLENCES

A minute's silence was held for the passing of the following community members:

Mr Garry McNamara

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Confirmation of Minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held 19 March 2014 as previously circulated to councillors.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gurney

Seconded Cr Johnson

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 19 March 2014 be confirmed.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/001

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Cr Beard – Queried the flood trucks and the Normanton tip.

Cr Johnson – Queried the Year 7 transition at Karumba.

Cr Gallagher – Queried PCYC issues.

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5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

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6 REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING - ROADS

6.1 WORKS REPORT

Executive Summary:

Budget areas for ongoing maintenance and construction works are performing generally within their specified variance range.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Zahner

Seconded Cr Gallagher

That Council accepts the report as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/002

6.2 TENDER 14/0362 PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR NDRRA

Executive Summary:

Register of Preferred Suppliers for the provision of consultancy services in delivering Council NDRRA program for current works including 2014.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Gurney

That Council:

- 1. Accept both Erscon Consulting Engineers and PDR Engineers onto the register of Preferred Suppliers for the Provision of Consultancy Services in delivering Council's NDRRA program.***
- 2. Award Erscon Consulting Engineers the current consulting work for the existing and 2014 NDRAA programs.***

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/003

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Zahner

That Council hold a Special General Meeting on Thursday 24 April at 4pm for the purpose of deciding Plant Hire tenders and that Council approve Oliver Pring as the Acting Chief Executive Officer during this period while the Chief Executive Officer is on approved leave.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/004

6.3 NDRRA REPORT

Executive Summary:

Overview of current Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) works is provided in this report for the information of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Beard

Seconded Cr Johnson

That Council accepts the report as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/005

RECESS: 10.15am – 10.38am The Mayor called a recess for morning tea.

10.38am – 10.50am Rosa Burns and Garry Huggon from MMG spoke with respect to future training opportunities.

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6.4 ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING REPORT

Executive Summary:

Construction works are progressing on the various projects, with Palmer Street boat ramp complete save a number of toe planks, and the Karumba Seawall complete north of the boat ramp.

The Normanton boat ramp, Gilbert Street boat ramp, Karumba Depot piles and Barra Farm pontoon projects have not progressed since the previous report. Alternate delivery methods are currently being reviewed.

Community consultation is required for Gilbert Street boat ramp design, car park layout and pontoons prior to finalising design.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gurney

Seconded Cr Zahner

That Council accepts the report as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/006

6.5 PALMER STREET "GIVE WAY" SIGN AT KARUMBA POINT BOAT RAMP CARPARK.

Executive Summary:

A "Give Way" sign has been installed in Palmer Street near the boat ramp car park and concerns have been raised regarding its location; however the sign is in accordance with the Road Rules Regulations (whereas the original proposed location was unlawful) and improves the safety at the intersection.

RECOMMENDATION:

For Council information only.

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6.6 FLOOD MITIGATION AND RESILIENCE FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Executive Summary:

The Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience ("DLGCRR") is calling for applications for flood mitigation and resilience projects. A draft list is presented to Council for its consideration and prioritisation. Applications must be lodged by 12 May 2014, so time is critical to ensure detailed applications are prepared in time.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gurney

Seconded Cr Beard

That Council apply for the following projects in priority order under the Department of Local Government, Community Recovery and Resilience's 2014 flood mitigation and resilience funding program:

1. ***Raise Norman River bridge at Glenore and Wagon Wheel (approximate costs \$18,000,000);***
2. ***Raise Flinders River bridge at Walkers Bend (approximate costs \$35,000,000). This project is one of regional significance and is supported by GSD;***
3. ***Raise 4 Mile and 9 Mile (approximate costs \$12,000,000);***
4. ***Raise five floodways on the road between Walkers Creek and Karumba (approximate costs \$16,000,000; comprising of Jenny Lynd \$7,000,000;***
5. ***Next floodway on Normanton side of Jenny Lynd \$3,000,000 and three next floodways \$2,000,000 each);***
6. ***Raise road between the Burns Philp building and the Norman River bridge (approximate costs \$10,000,000);***
7. ***Raise bridge and approaches at Walkers Creek, including Dead Man's (approximate costs \$24,000,000);***
8. ***Raise causeways over Little Bynoe, Bynoe and Flinders River (as previously applied for in QRA betterment and Royalties for the Regions) (approximate costs: \$8,400,000).***

CARRIED

Resolution No.0414/007

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GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Gurney	Raised the issue of a path or bike way in the area from Allen Howie Way to Riverview Drive. <i>This matter is to be referred to Council's Advisory Committee.</i>
Director of Engineering	Telescope for the Corduroy
Cr Zahner	Informed of gravel build up at the corner of Thompson and Philp Streets.
Cr Johnson	Queried the overgrown block on Old Croydon Road. Requested further information on the 12/2 roster.
Cr Gallagher	Requested that a Policy be developed in relation to provision and standard of infrastructure such as crossovers for driveways.
Cr Beard	Commented on the works associated with the Karumba Seawall restoration.

LUNCH: 12.16pm - 1.30pm The Mayor adjourned the meeting for lunch.
Upon resumption all members were present.

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7 REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING - SERVICES

7.1 BUILDING AND PLANNING REPORT

The report is to advise Council of relevant Planning and Building Activities within the Shire for the month of March 2014.

Planning Applications Received

Nil.

Planning Applications Approved

Nil.

Building Applications Received

IDAS No	Address	Type	Value
I/0784	15 Greenaway St, Normanton	New Dwelling	\$281,635

Building Permits Issued

IDAS No	Address	Type	Value
I/0784	15 Greenaway St, Normanton	New Dwelling	\$281,635
I/0776	54 Green St, Normanton	New Dwelling	\$100,000
I/0782	53 Karumba Developmental Rd, Karumba	Shed / Garage Extension	\$15,000

Applications pending waiting on further information (Applicants advised)

IDAS No	Address	Type	Date Received
I/0765	2 Riverview Dr, Karumba	Visitors Quarters	17/09/2013
I/0775	9 Travers St, Normanton	New Dwelling	02/01/2014

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Beard

Seconded Cr Johnson

That Council note and accept the content of the report as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/008

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7.2 WATER STATUS REPORT

Executive Summary:

During March 2014, 52.3 ML of water was pumped from Glenore Weir. Bore water pumped was a total of 0 ML. Total water received at the water treatment plant on 31 March 2014 was 52.3 ML. This was more than last month.

Glenore Weir level on 28 February 2014 was 5.08 AHD, the level of the weir on 31 March 2014 was 2.11 AHD.

Consumption for Normanton was 1.85 kL/day per connection and consumption for Karumba was 1.61 kL /day per connection.

A total of 10 tests were conducted on water samples from the reticulation system for E-Coli during the month of March 2014. No E-coli was detected.

Phase I water restrictions are now in place with a public notice issued.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gurney

Seconded Cr Zahner

That Council receives and notes the Water Status report as presented for the period ending 31 March 2014.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/009

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8 REPORTS FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

8.1 OFFERS FOR PURCHASE OF LAND AT NORMAN ST, NORMANTON

Executive Summary:

Council recently sold land in Council's subdivision adjoining Norman and Greenaway Streets, Normanton.

Two lots on Norman Street were not sold. In addition, a third adjoining lot was previously passed in at auction.

Council has received offers on the three lots from Ms Jennifer Fox.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Beard

Seconded Cr Schneekloth

That Council accept the offer from Jennifer Fox for the purchase of Lots 48,49 and 50 Norman Street, Normanton for the amount of \$15,000.00 per lot and that the contracts of sale include building covenants requiring a building approval within 12 months of the date of the contract and the construction of an approved dwelling within two years, with the lots reverting to Council's ownership upon any breach of the covenants.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/010

8.2 HIRE OF SHIRE HALL

Executive Summary:

Council generally discussed at its March 2014 meeting whether the Normanton Shire Hall should be hired out for private parties. As a result of the discussions, a direction was given by the Mayor to the Chief Executive Officer not to hire the hall.

Council has since received a number of emails from a member of the public.

Council may or may not wish to affirm its previous discussion and direction.

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Zahner

Seconded Cr Johnson

That Council continue to hire the Normanton Shire Hall for private functions with an increased refundable bond of \$1,500.00 with the bond to be reviewed annually and the hire fees and charges to be reviewed as part of the 2014/15 budget process.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/011

This item to lie on the table.

8.3 APPLICATION TO PURCHASE AREA CURRENTLY HELD AS PERMIT TO OCCUPY

Executive Summary:

Council have received a request from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) for its views on the following matters:

- Unallocated State Land (Green Area): the remaining area will be left with no dedicated access.
- State Land/Council PO13/7057 (Pink Area): Council will need to surrender this permit and have it reissues to show the new reduced area.
- Old Croydon Road (Purple Area): will be required to be permanently closed under s 99 of the Land Act 199, the application them will be sought if Council are agreeable to this purchase.

The applicant currently has buildings on the area subject of the application which is currently held as a Permit to Occupy. The Permit to Occupy covers part of the road reserve being Old Croydon Road and part of Lot 3 on AP5106. Council has interests in both of these parcels of land. The application seeks to purchase the area which is currently held as a Permit to Occupy.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Zahner

Seconded Cr Gallagher

That Council's in-principle position is that it does not object to the applicant purchasing the whole of Lot 1 on Plan B14473,

That Council looks to surrendering Council's permit to occupy (13/7057)

That Council reserves its position with respect to the proposed road closure and that Council delegates the power to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to provide a response to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines by 11 May 2014.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/012

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GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Gurney Compliments to staff at the Barra Hatchery.

Footy oval at Karumba – continue investigations.

Cr Beard Queensland Rail possible takeovers/sell offs.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Schneekloth

Seconded Cr Johnson

That Council write to the Minister for Transport and Main Roads expressing its concerns about the impact of possible privatisation of rail services and the effect on the Normanton to Croydon rail service.

CARRIED

Resolution No.1404/013

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST: 02:58pm Councillor Alan Gurney declared a material personal interest in the discussions regarding air services and left the meeting.

Cr Beard Lack of air service to Karumba

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Beard

Seconded Cr Zahner

That Council write to relevant government agencies lobbying for the return of regular passenger air services at Karumba.

CARRIED

Resolution No.0414/014

ATTENDANCE: 3:00pm Councillor Alan Gurney returned to the meeting.

Cr Johnson Request that Council look into the construction of a columbarium

Queried the official opening of the rehabilitation centre.

Cr Gallagher Relocation of side door access (main hall to toilets) as per the original designs are not correct. Exposes view into male toilets.

Location of the Shire Hall painting.

Informed that two lights at oval still not working.
This issue to be referred to the electrician.

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Cr Zahner

Queried the plan for the Karumba Cemetery.
The Chief Executive Officer informed that works are underway.

Waiving of food licences for low risk home business operations (selling food cooked onsite at the markets).

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Zahner

Seconded Cr Gallagher

That Council waive food licence fees for stall holders at markets but still requires stall holders to hold a licence (low risk home business operation).

CARRIED

Resolution No.0414/015

Cr Schneekloth

Sign at the cemetery

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9 REPORTS FROM DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - 31 MARCH 2014

Executive Summary:

The Monthly Financial Report has been prepared for the period ending 31 March 2014.
The following is a summary of major variances and points to note.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Zahner

Seconded Cr Beard

That the Finance Report for the period ending 31 March 2014, incorporating the following reports, be received

- *Income Statement*
- *Statement of Financial Position*
- *Statement of Cash Flow*
- *30 Day Cash Flow Estimate*
- *Accounts Summary*

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/016

9.2 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Executive Summary:

The report provides information to Council on recent and upcoming activities within the Human Resources Section of Council.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Beard

Seconded Cr Zahner

That Council accept the report as presented

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/017

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9.3 APRIL MONTHLY REPORT

Executive Summary:

The report provides information to Council on activities and programs within the Community and Cultural Services portfolio.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Gallagher

Seconded Cr Schneekloth

That Council note and accept the report as presented.

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/018

9.4 COMMUNITY DONATIONS AND SUPPORT (CDAS)

Executive Summary:

During the period since the March 2014 Ordinary Meeting of Council, the requests listed in this report have been received from community groups and organisations for consideration under Councils Community Donations and Support program.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Schneekloth

Seconded Cr Beard

That Council:

- 1. note and accept the requests as presented;**
- 2. approve the requests as required; and**
- 3. note the Community Donations and Support received for the period stated.**

CARRIED

Resolution No. 0414/019

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COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Zahner

Seconded Cr Gurney

That Council approve the request from Normanton Sprint Races for the track preparation for the events in April and September 2014.

CARRIED

Resolution No.0414/020

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Zahner

Request that the opening speech at the Close the Gap function be published in the Gulf Chronicle.

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10 GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Pascoe	Advised that Gulf Savannah Development has a new Chief Executive Officer.
Chief Executive Officer	Informed the new rollers are arriving soon. Documents from Ports North received. Requested that Council look into heating options for the Normanton Swimming Pool.

11 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair of the meeting, Cr Fred Pascoe, Mayor, declared the meeting closed at 4.48pm.

MINUTES CERTIFICATE

These Minutes are Confirmed

F. Pascoe

Councillor FC Pascoe
Mayor

16/04/2014

Date

