



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT THE TAMBO COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY 12 OCTOBER 2016
COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Cr AL Martin

MEMBERS:

Councillors: Cr PJ Heumiller, Cr BD Holdcroft, Cr GW Jarvis, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr PJ Pullos, Cr LP Russell

OFFICERS:

Mr Chris Blanch, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services, Mrs Andrea Saunders, Minute Taker

CONDOLENCES:

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone

Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 30 September 2016 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same with the following changes

- Declarations of Interest – Cr Pullos declared she had a perceived conflict of interest in this matter 06/08A/16 (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to being a past secretary and treasurer of the Tambo Camp Draft and Rodeo Assn Inc.
- Minute No. 21/09A/16 Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone.
- Minute No. 28/09A/16 Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr LP Russell.”

Minute No.01/10A/16

Carried

- Meetings regarding tourism – Matt Bron – Qld rebranding, Northern Australia initiative.
- Meeting with agents – Dave Carter.
- Heartland Festival – Art exhibition Friday night.
- Painting by Cox.
- Opening of Julie Hutchings exhibition at the Grassland Art Gallery.
- Teddy Bears picnic.
- Judging of Tambo gardens – announcement of winners at morning tea.
- Attendance of BBTG meeting – local buy strategy.
- Barcoo tourism route.

BUSINESS ARISING:

REPORTS AND COMMITTEE MINUTES:

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

Minute No.02/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

Minute No.03/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

Minute No.04/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

Minute No.05/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

Minute No.06/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr GW Jarvis **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

Minute No.07/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr GW Jarvis **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

Minute No.08/10A/16 **Carried**

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

Minute No.09/10A/16 **Carried**

Tambo Child Care Centre Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That the Tambo Child Care Centre report be received.”

Minute No.10/10A/16 **Carried**

Shockwave Report September 2016

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Shockwave September 2016 report be received.”

Minute No.11/10A/16 **Carried**

Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park report be received.”

Minute No.12/10A/16 **Carried**

Tambo Library and Tourism Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That the Library and Tourism report be received.”

Minute No.13/10A/16 **Carried**

Blackall Library Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Blackall Library report be received.”

Minute No.14/10A/16 **Carried**

ATTENDANCE:

Andrea Saunders left the meeting at 9.30 and returned to the meeting at 9.32am.

Cr Holdcroft left the meeting at 10.08am returned at 10.10am.

The Director of Works and Services' Report for September 2016 was presented

MOTION: Moved: Cr BD Holdcroft

Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

"That the Director of Works and Services Report be received."

Minute No.19/10A/16

Carried

Business items discussed from the Director of Works and Services' Report include:

- Road maintenance
- Communication towers
- Windeyer Bridge – Main Roads

ATTENDANCE:

The Director of Works and Services left the meeting at 10.16am.

Kids Holiday Program

Following cancellation of a kid's holiday program in Quilpie the event was moved to Blackall under supervision of the Uniting Church.

To assist with the program they have asked Council to waive the hire fees at the Memorial Hall for the event. As the event falls before the next Council meeting I have agreed to waive the fees on Council's behalf.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

"That the Chief Executive Officers actions be endorsed."

Minute No.20/10A/16

Carried

Blackall Art Show

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone

Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

"That the Chief Executive Officers actions in agreeing to sponsorship of the art show and waiving of hire fees for the Cultural Centre be endorsed."

Minute No.21/10A/16

Carried

Blackall Golf Club

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell

Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council:

1. Confirm its sponsorship of \$5000.00 for the 2017 Queensland Sand Green Championships to be held in Blackall in July 2017.
2. Council agree to provide a backhoe and truck for one day to construct a tyre based flood wall at the golf club dam under supervision of Council’s EHO.
3. Council agree to fund up to 50% of the materials to a maximum of \$950.00 for new toilet amenities provided these facilities can be accessed by the public.
4. Council refer issues with choked waterways on Council controlled reserves to Council’s rangers to deal with as time and funding become available.
5. Council note the importance that surplus treated water from the sewerage works plays in the amenity and maintenance of the golf club grounds and this be taken into account when considering requests for access to this water from other parties.”

Minute No.22/10A/16

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

At 10.23am the meeting adjourned for morning tea. The Councillors attended the presentation of awards for the Tambo Garden Competition.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 11.14am.

Red Ridge

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That Council release the \$50,000.00 grant funding to Red Ridge and they be required to submit a report on their activities and acquittal of funds prior to 31 July 2017.”

Minute No.23/10A/16

Carried

Re-use of Treated Water – Blackall Treatment Plant

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That excess water from the Blackall Treatment Plant be retained for use by the Blackall Golf Club.”

Minute No.24/10A/16

Carried

Tambo Tourism and Business Association

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That the Chief Executive Officers actions in waiving hire fees for the annual Tambo Teddy Bears Picnic be endorsed.”

Minute No.25/10A/16

Carried

Tambo District Cricket Club

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“1. That the CEO’s actions in waiving bus hire fees for the Tambo and District Cricket Club on Saturday 8 October 2016 be endorsed.

2. That Council agree to waive hire fees for the remaining six away games for the season provided the bus is returned clean and tidy and refuelled after each trip.

3. A \$400.00 refundable bond be lodged with Council.”

Minute No.26/10A/16

Carried

Hay Baling – Council Controlled Land

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Director of Works and Services be authorised to further investigate the issue and if favourable to Council operations call tenders for the right to harvest grass on Council reserves.”

Minute No. 27/10A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

The Director of Finance and Corporate Services left the meeting at 11.26am.

Appointment of Acting Chief Executive Officer

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That during any absence of the Chief Executive Officer the Director of Finance and Corporate Services be appointed as Acting Chief Executive Officer under Section 195 (b) of the Local Government Act 2009.”

Minute No.28/10A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

The CEO left the meeting at 11.28am and returned at 11.28am.

The Director of Finance and Corporate Services returned to the meeting at 11.28am.

LATE CORRESPONDENCE

Sale of Council House and Land

Council has arranged an auction of surplus material for Saturday 5 November 2016 at 10.30am in the Blackall Depot.

Included in the sale is the house and property at 26 Arthur Street Tambo. An independent valuation is being obtained so that a reserve price can be provided to the auctioneers who will be GDL Real Estate Blackall.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That approval be given to auction the house and land at 26 Arthur Street Tambo on Saturday 5 November 2016.”

Minute No.29/10A/16

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 11.29am for Council facility inspections.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 12.15pm.

ATTENDANCE:

The Environmental Health Officer entered the meeting at 12.15pm.

Licencing of Tambo Refuse Facility for Asbestos Dumping

MOTION Moved Cr AL Martin Seconded Cr LP Russell

“That Council make an application to obtain a licence for the Tambo Refuse Facility to accept asbestos for disposal.”

Minute No.30/10A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

The Environmental Health Officer left the meeting at 12.33pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 12.33pm for luncheon.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 1.15pm.

Sale of Council House and Land

Council has arranged an auction of surplus material for Saturday 5 November 2016 at 10.30am in the Blackall Depot.

Included in the sale is the house and property at 48 Arthur Street Tambo. An independent valuation is being obtained so that a reserve price can be provided to the auctioneers who will be GDL Real Estate Blackall.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That approval be given to auction the house and land at 48 Arthur Street Tambo on Saturday 5 November 2016.”

Minute No.31/10A/16

Carried

CLOSURE:

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor Cr AL Martin declared the Meeting closed at 1.19pm.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 16 November 2016.

Signed:.....Mayor