



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT THE BLACKALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2019
COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM**

PRESENT:

Councillors; Cr AL Martin (Mayor), Cr LP Russell (Deputy Mayor), Cr BP Johnstone, Cr GW Jarvis, Cr PJ Pullos, Cr JH Scobie, Cr PJ Heumiller.

OFFICERS:

Mr Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Shalveen Dayal, Manager of Finance, Mrs Andrea Saunders, Executive Assistant, Xenobia Martin, Trainee.

CONDOLENCES:

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of:

- Brian Dern
- Kim Avery
- Vince Stephens
- Ronald Goodman
- Oriel Richardson
- Zena Adams

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Scobie for item 5.6 – “I declare that I have a conflict of interest in Barcoo Retirement Village – Gifting of Carpark (as defined in the Local Government Act 2009) as I am an employee of the Barcoo Retirement Village. I have determined that this conflict of interest is of significance that it could lead me to make a decision on the matter. I will be dealing with this conflict of interest by leaving while this matter is debated and voted on.”

Cr Johnstone for item 4.1.4 – “I declare that I have a conflict of interest in Water Allocation – Application to Increase Allocation (as defined in the Local Government Act 2009) as I am related to the applicant. I have determined that this conflict of interest is of significance that it could lead me to make a decision on the matter. I will be dealing with this conflict of interest by leaving while this matter is debated and voted on.”

Cr Johnstone for item 5.6 - “I declare that I have a conflict of interest in Barcoo Retirement Village – Gifting of Carpark (as defined in the Local Government Act 2009) as I am a member of the Barcoo Retirement Village Incorporate. I have determined that this conflict of interest is of significance that it could lead me to make a decision on the matter. I will be dealing with this conflict of interest by leaving while this matter is debated and voted on.”

Cr Martin for item 5.7 - “I declare that I have a conflict of interest in Dress the Central West (as defined in the Local Government Act 2009) as I am the chairperson of Red Ridge. I have determined that this conflict of interest is of significance that it could lead me to make a decision on the matter. I will be dealing with this conflict of interest by leaving while this matter is debated and voted on.”

1.1. Confirmation of General Meeting Minutes:

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

“That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 18 September 2019 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.”

Minute No. 01/10A/19

Carried 7/0

REPORTS AND COMMITTEE MINUTES:

4.1.1 Financial Statements for the Month of September 2019

The Finance Report for September 2019 is presented to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr JH Scobie Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That Council receive the September 2019 Finance Report.”

Minute No. 02/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.2 Annual Report

The Annual Report has been provided to Council.

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

“That Council adopt the Annual Report for 2018/2019.”

Minute No. 03/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.3 Retirement of Policies

- 1. Sponsorship Policy (Admin 30)**
- 2. Grants to Community Organisations Policy (Stat 12)**
- 3. In-Kind Support Policy (Stat 26)**

The Sponsorship Policy, Grants to Community Organisations Policy and In-Kind Support Policy have been superseded by the Assistance Under \$10,000 Policy and Assistance Over \$10,000 Policy.

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

“That Council retire the following policies:

- 1. Sponsorship Policy (Admin 30 dated 10 March 2015)**
- 2. Grants to Community Organisations Policy (Stat 12 dated 9 September 2014)**
- 3 In-Kind Support Policy (Stat 26 dated 16 June 2015).”**

Minute No. 04/10A/19

Carried 7/0

At this point Cr Johnstone left the meeting.

4.1.4 Water Allocation – Application to Increase Allocation

The landholders of rate assessment 10842-01000-000 would like to increase their water allocation to 12 units annually.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That Council permit the landholders of 11401 Blackall-Isisford Road, Blackall, Rate Assessment 10842-01000-000 to increase their annual water allocation purchase by another 6 units per year giving them a total of 12 units annually.”

Minute No. 05/10A/19

Carried 6/0

At this point Cr Johnstone returned to the meeting.

4.1.5 Discount of Rate Payment Received After Due Date Being 18 September 2019 – Rate Assessment 11904-10000-000

Council has received a request from a ratepayer asking that the discount on the rates notice be allowed when the payment was made outside the discount period.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That Council decline the request to have the amount of \$578.44 on Rate Assessment 11094-10000-000 written off.

Minute No. 06/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.6 Discount of Rate Payment Received After Due Date Being 18 September 2019 – Rate Assessment 10804-10000-000

Council has received a request from a ratepayer asking that the discount on the rates notice be allowed when the payment was made outside the discount period.

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

“That Council decline the request to have the amount of \$2407.99 on Rate Assessment 10804-10000-000 written off.”

Minute No. 07/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.7 DFCCS Operations Report – September 2019

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for September 2019 is presented to Council.

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

“That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 08/10A/19

Carried 7/0

At this point the DWS entered the meeting.

4.1.8 Arts & Cultural Report – September 2019

The arts and cultural report is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

“That Council receive the Arts and Cultural Report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 09/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.9 Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park Report – September 2019

The Blackall Visitor Information and Ram Park report for September 2019 is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr JH Scobie** **Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis**

“That Council receives the Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 10/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.10 Community Development Report – September 2019

The Community Development Report is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

“That Council receive the Community Development Report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 11/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.1.11 Ranger Coordinator’s Report –September 2019

The Ranger Coordinator’s report is provided to Council.

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

“That Council receive the Ranger Coordinator’s report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 12/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.2 Blackall Saleyards Monthly Sales Report

The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for September 2019 is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BP Johnstone** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

“That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 13/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.3.1 The Director of Works and Services Operations Report

The Director of Works and Services report is presented to Council.

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

“That Council receives the Director of Works and Services Operations report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 14/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.3.2 Purchase of Tag Plant Trailer

Quotations were requested from 9 trailer dealers for the purchase of a tag plant trailer to replace Council’s aging, out of spec trailer.

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

“That Council accept the quotation from Belco Custom Trailers to supply a new Belco Tag Trailer for \$32,905.44 (ex GST). This trailer is preferred as it will provide uniformity of plant, value for money and proven backup service. Local Buy (NPN 1.15) contract will apply.”

Minute No. 15/10A/19

Carried 7/0

4.3.3 Purchase of Factory Tipper

Quotations were requested from 4 truck dealers for the purchase of a factory tipper to replace plant 5004 Hino Dutro tipper.

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

“That Council accept the quotation from Black Truck Sales Roma to supply a new Isuzu FRR107-210 factory tipper for \$86,650.00 (ex GST) and trade on 5004 for \$18,182.00 (ex GST). This machine is preferred as it will provide uniformity of plant, value for money and proven backup service. Local Buy (NPN 04-13) contract will apply.

Minute No. 16/10A/19

Carried 7/0

5.1 Planning and Development Report

The Planning and Development Report is presented to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr GW Jarvis

Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That Council received the planning and development report for September 2019.”

Minute No. 17/10A/19

Carried 7/0

5.2 2020 Council Meeting Dates

Under section 257 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 Council is required to meet at least once in each month and under section 277 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, publish a notice of the days and times when ordinary meetings will be held.

MOTION: Moved: Cr JH Scobie

Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council adopt the meeting dates for 2020 as follows:

15 January 2020	Tambo
19 February 2020	Blackall
18 March 2020	Tambo
15 April 2020	Blackall
20 May 2020	Tambo
17 June 2020	Blackall
15 July 2020	Tambo
19 August 2020	Blackall
16 September 2020	Tambo
14 October 2020	Blackall
18 November 2020	Tambo
16 December 2020	Blackall

and they be advertised as such.”

Minute No. 19/10A/19

Carried 7/0

5.3 Christmas Shutdown – Office and Depot

The Christmas shutdown period needs to be determined.

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

**“That the Christmas shutdown for 2019 are as follows:
Council offices will close from Monday 23 December 2019 and reopen
Thursday 2 January 2020.
Depots will close from Friday 13 December 2019 and reopen Monday 6
January 2020.”**

Minute No. 20/10A/19

Carried 7/0

5.4 Privacy Policy

The Privacy Policy, Stat 35 has been revised.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr JH Scobie** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

“That Council adopts the revised Privacy Policy, Statutory 35.”

Minute No. 21/10A/19

Carried 7/0

5.5 Recordkeeping Policy and Record Management Procedure

The Queensland Government Chief Information Office, Records Governance Policy outlines the responsibilities of public authorities to effectively manage and maintain reliable records and information.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

“That Council adopts the Recordkeeping Policy and the revised Record Management Procedure.”

Minute No. 22/10A/19

Carried 7/0

At this point Cr Scobie and Cr Johnstone left the meeting.

5.6 Barcoo Retirement Village – Gifting of Public Carpark

Council has previously expressed an interest in gifting the public carpark to the Barcoo Retirement Village. This carpark is mainly used for parking at McLean Place.

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

“That Council transfer ownership of Lot 3 on RP886772 : Par Blackall situated on Coronation Drive to the Barcoo Retirement Village Incorporated as a gift

under section 236 (1) (b) (ii) of the Queensland Local Government Regulation 2012.”

Minute No. 23/10A/19

Carried 5/0

At this point Cr Scobie and Cr Johnstone returned to the meeting. Cr Martin left the meeting and Cr Russell assumed the chair.

5.7 Dress the Central West

Council has been asked to support the Red Ridge – Dress the Central West exhibition to attend the Brisbane exhibition in August 2020.

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

“That Council commits \$5,000 in the 2020/2021 budget to sponsor the 10 day performance by Dress the Central West at the Brisbane Exhibition in 2020.”

Minute No. 24/10A/19

Carried 6/0

At this point Cr Martin returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

5.8 Drug and Alcohol Policy and Procedure

The Drug and Alcohol Policy has been reviewed and a drug and alcohol procedure has been drafted.

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

“That Council adopts the Drug and Alcohol Policy and Drug and Alcohol Testing Procedure.”

Minute No. 25/10A/19

Carried 7/0

5.9 Register for Prequalified Suppliers

Council has tendered for a register of prequalified suppliers for wet and dry plant hire and trade services through Peak Services.

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

“That compliant tenderers be added to the Council’s prequalified supplier lists.”

Minute No. 26/10A/19

Carried 7/0

Adjournment:

At 9.53am the meeting was adjourned for morning tea.

Resumption:

At 10.36am the meeting was resumed.

Upon resumption of the meeting the deputation from the Blackall Historical Woolsour were in attendance:

Bob Wilson – President

Trethella Smith – Assistant Secretary and Treasurer

Barry Muir – Committee member and founding member.

At 11.29am Cr Martin left the meeting and returned at 11.30am.

5.10 Blackall Historical Woolsour – Request for Assistance

The Blackall Historical Woolsour have requested assistance from Council for \$10,683.30.

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That Council agrees to provide assistance, as per the request for assistance, to the Blackall Historical Woolsour for \$5,351.65 upon conclusion of establishing a Blackall-Tambo Regional Council and Blackall Historical Woolsour working group and the balance of \$5,351.65 be provided upon signing of a Memorandum of Understanding.”

Minute No. 27/10A/19

Carried 7/0

Cr Johnstone noted an apology for failing to declare a perceived conflict of interest as he is a non-active member of the Woolsour Association Inc for item 5.10.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Cr Johnstone for Blackall Historical Woolsour Working Group - Mayoral Minute - “I declare that I have a conflict of interest in the Blackall Historical Woolsour Working Group – Mayoral Minute (as defined in the Local Government Act 2009) as I am a non-active member of the Blackall Woolsour Association Inc. I have determined that this conflict of interest is of significance that it could lead me to make a decision on the matter. I will be dealing with this conflict of interest by leaving while this matter is debated and voted on.”

At this point Cr Johnstone left the meeting.

Blackall Historical Woolsour Working Group – Mayoral Minute

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

“That Council nominates Cr Johnstone, Cr Martin, Cr Scobie as members of the Blackall Historical Woollscour Working Group and the Chief Executive Officer as ex-officio member.”

Minute No. 28/10A/19

Carried 6/0

At this point Cr Johnstone returned to the meeting.

CLOSURE:

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor Cr Andrew Martin declared the Meeting closed at 12.04pm.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 20 November 2019.

Signed:.....Mayor