

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD AT THE BLACKALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 16th AUGUST 2023 AT 8.30AM

PRESENT:

Councillors: Cr AL Martin (Mayor), Cr LP Russell (Deputy Mayor), Cr JH Scobie, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr PJ Pullos, Cr GK Schluter, Cr DA Hardie

OFFICERS:

Mr Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance, Corporate and Community Services, Mr Ajay Agwan, Director of Works and Services, Piper Hansen, Minute Taker.

CONDOLENCES:

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

- Colin Michael Ross
- Keith John Dendle
- Brady William Charles Prow
- Angus John Bradley

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Russell for item 5.2 – I, Councillor Russel, inform the meeting that I have declarable conflict of interest in item 5.2 – Planning and Development Report. The nature of interest is as follows:

• I am an executive member of the Barcoo Retirement Village Incorporated. As a result of my conflict, I will leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

1.1 Confirmation of General Meeting Minutes

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

That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 19 July 2023 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.

Minute No.01/08A/23 Carried 7/0

4.1.1. Financial Report for the Month of July 2023

In accordance with s204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a monthly financial report is required to be presented to Council. The financial report for July 2023 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2023-2024.

MOTION: Moved: Cr GK Schluter Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council receive the Financial Report for July 2023.

Minute No. 02/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.1.2. <u>DFCCS Operations Report – July 2023</u>

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for July 2023 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, community development program, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, and Tambo Multipurpose.

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

That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for July 2023.

Minute No. 03/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.1.3. <u>Blackall Cultural Association – Request for Sponsorship</u>

The Blackall Cultural Association is requesting sponsorship for its annual art exhibition to be held at the same time as the Better in Blackall Festival.

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

That Council decline the request by the Blackall Cultural Association to provide sponsorship towards the annual art exhibition as the request was received after the 2023-2024 budget was adopted.

Minute No. 04/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.1. Director of Works and Services' Operations Report - July 2023

The Director of Works and Services report for July 2023 is presented to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr GK Schluter Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council receive the Director of Works and Services' Operation Report for July 2023.

Minute No. 05/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.2. Work Health and Safety Report

The Work Health and Safety Report is provided to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

That Council receive the Work Health and Safety Report for July 2023.

Minute No. 06/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.3 Purchase of Motor Vehicle – Ute

Quotations were requested from 3 Automotive dealers for the purchase of a dual cab ute to replace 1 (one) ageing vehicle in Council's fleet.

MOTION: Moved: Cr GK Schluter Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council accept the quotation from Black Truck Sales to supply one (1) new Isuzu Dmax ute for \$60,432.03 (ex GST). This vehicle is preferred as it will provide uniformity of plant, uniformity of parts and proven backup service and warranty.

Minute No. 07/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.3 Purchase of Motor Vehicle - Nissan X-Trail

Quotations were requested from 4 Automotive dealers for the purchase of a small wagon to replace 1 (one) ageing vehicle in Council's fleet.

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

That Council accept the quotation from South West Ford to supply one (1) new Nissan X-Trail STL for \$47,428.18 (ex GST). This vehicle is preferred as it will provide uniformity of plant, uniformity of parts and proven backup service and warranty.

Minute No. 08/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.4 Purchase of Factory Tipper

Quotations were requested from 3 truck dealers for the purchase of one (1) dual cab tipper truck to upgrade smaller vehicles in the Council fleet.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council accept the quotation from Central Isuzu Rockhampton to supply one (1) new Isuzu NQR 87/80-190 dual cab tipper truck for \$130,355.51 (ex GST). This truck is preferred as they will provide uniformity of plant, fit for purpose, value for money and proven backup service. Local Buy (NPN 04-13) contract will supply.

Minute No. 09/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.5 Purchase of Zero Turn Mowers

Quotations were requested from 5 mower dealers for the purchase of two (2) zero turn mowers to upgrade ageing plant in the Council fleet.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr GK Schluter

That Council accept the quotation from Nowa Power Products to supply two (2) new Walker MT27i-H Hi-Dump zero turn mowers for \$90,232.60 (ex GST). These mowers are preferred as it will provide fit for purpose plant, value for money, resale and proven backup service. Local Buy (LB282) contract will apply.

Minute No. 10/08A/23

Carried 7/0

4.2.6 Purchase of Skid Steer Loaders

Quotations were requested from 4 machinery dealers for the purchase of two (2) skid steer loaders and slasher attachment.

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

That Council accept the quotation from Hastings Deering to supply two (2) new Caterpillar skid steer loaders and slasher attachment for \$154,065.05 and \$104,500.00 (ex GST) respectively. These machines are preferred as it will provide uniformity of plant, uniformity of parts and proven backup service and warranty. Local Buy (NPN 2.15) contract will apply.

Minute No. 11/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.1 Blackall Saleyards Monthly Report

The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for July is provided to Council.

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

That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for July 2023.

Minute No. 12/08A/23

Carried 7/0

At this point, 9.07am Cr Russell left the meeting.

5.2 Planning and Development Report

The Planning and Development report provides a summary of building applications and planning and development activity in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council receive the Planning and Development Report for July 2023.

Minute No. 13/08A/23

Carried 6/0

At this point, 9.08am Cr Russell returned to meeting.

5.3 <u>Local Government Association of Queensland 2023-2024 Membership</u> <u>Renewal</u>

The Local Government Association of Queensland provides support and advocacy for 77 Queensland local governments.

MOTION: Moved: Cr GK Schluter Seconded: Cr LP Russell

That Council receive the letter from the Local Government Association of Queensland and note the membership for 2023-2024 is \$69,917.00.

Minute No. 14/08A/23 Carried 7/0

5.4 Heart of Australia

The Heart of Australia is a mobile medical program that delivers specialist services to regional and remote communities in Queensland.

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

That Council support the Heart of Australia's visits to Blackall by providing assistance with accommodation expenses for up to six visits per year.

Minute No. 15/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.5 Outback Futures

Outback Futures provide a mental health and wellbeing service to the community.

MOTION: Moved: Cr GK Schluter Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council support Outback Futures by providing financial assistance towards their accommodation expenses during their visits to the Blackall-Tambo region.

Minute No. 16/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.6 2024 Quadrennial Local Government Election

The Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, Minister Assisting the Premier of Olympic and Paralympic Games Infrastructure, Steven Miles MP has written to Council regarding the 2024 quadrennial local government election.

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

That Council:

- 1. Receive the letter dated 1 August 2023 from the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, Minister Assisting the Premier of Olympic and Paralympic Games Infrastructure, Steven Miles MP; and
- 2. Note that a full postal ballot has been approved for Blackall-Tambo region for the 2024 quadrennial local government election.

Minute No. 17/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.7 <u>Development Application – DA 43-2022-2023 – 5810 Scrubby Creek</u> Road, Scrubby Creek

The Applicant, Scrubby Creek Sport Club Inc, seeks a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for Outdoor Sport and Recreation over land at 5810 Scrubby Creek Road, Scrubby Creek formally described as Lot 1 on GW56.

Scrubby Creek Sports Club intends to build a new facility with a completely lockable, level concrete floor, all new electrical wiring and mains power board, all new plumbing within the phone service area which incorporates the bar, kitchen and office under one roof.

The new facility will be contained in a 240m2 building and is associated with the existing Outdoor sport and recreation use of the land.

Under the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020 (the Planning Scheme), the subject site is in the Rural Zone. The defined use that has been applied for, being Outdoor Sport and Recreation, is subject to Code Assessment in the Rural Zone.

Based on an assessment of the proposal in accordance with the Code Assessment process articulated in the Planning Act 2016, this decision report recommends approval of the development application, subject to the conditions stated herein.

MOTION: Moved: Cr JH Scobie Seconded: Cr GK Schluter

That Council approves the application for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Outdoor Sport and Recreation over land at 5810 Scrubby Creek Road, Scrubby Creek formally described as Lot 1 on GW56, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

- 1.1 The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.
- 1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.
- 1.3 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.
- 1.4 The cost of all works associated with the construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.
- 1.5 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for

- the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.
- 1.6 Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.

2.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this permit:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision Number	Date
Floor Plan	-	-	20/10/2022
Front and Back Elevation	-	-	20/10/2022
Left and Right Elevation	-	-	20/10/2022
Perspectives	-	-	27/03/2022

2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval must prevail.

3.0 STORMWATER WORKS

3.1 Undertake the development such that all stormwater, except for rainwater captured on-site in rainwater tanks, is to be drained from the site to a lawful point of discharge and carried without causing annoyance or nuisance to any person or property. All works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the *Queensland Urban Drainage Manual*.

4.0 AMENITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- 4.1 Undertake the approved development so there is no environmental nuisance or detrimental effect on any surrounding land uses and activities by reason of the emission of noise, vibration, odour, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam soot, ash, wastewater, waste products, oil or otherwise
- 4.2 Any proposed outdoor lighting must comply with AS4282 1997 "Control of the Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting".

5.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

5.1 Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development

or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

6.0 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- 6.1 All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors' vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.
- 6.2 Construction activity and noise must be limited to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.

ADVISORY NOTES

- A. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, and potentially for operational work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.
- B. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.
- C. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and subordinate legislation prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.
- D. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").

Minute No. 18/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.8 <u>Asbestos Management Procedure</u>

Asbestos Management Plans have been obtained for all Council owned buildings. The procedure provides guidelines on how the plans are to be used.

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council adopt the Asbestos Management Procedure.

Minute No. 19/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.9 Western Queensland Alliance of Councils – 2023 Review of Local Government Council Categorisation, Submission to the Consultation Paper

The Local Government Regulation Remuneration Commission is conducting a review on categories of Council's for mayor and councillor remuneration. The Western Queensland Alliance of Council has provided a submission to the consultation paper.

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

That Council receive the Western Queensland Alliance of Council's submission to the consultation paper for the 2023 review of local government council categorisation.

Minute No. 20/08A/23

Carried 7/0

5.10 Work Health and Safety Strategic Plan 2023-2026 and Work Health and Safety Policy – Policy Statement

Council is currently undertaking a review of its Work Health and Safety system.

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

That Council:

- 1. Adopt the Work Health and Safety Strategic Plan 2023-2026; and
- 2. Work Health and Safety Policy Policy Statement

Minute No. 21/08A/23

Carried 7/0

CLOSURE:

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 9.22am.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 20 September 2023.

Signed	Mavo