



General Meeting of Council

MINUTES

Meeting held in the Central Highlands Regional Council Chambers, Emerald Office

Monday 18 May 2009

Commenced at 9.00am

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL

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MINUTES – GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT 9.00AM MONDAY 18 MAY 2009 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE

PRESENT

Councillors

Cr P. Maguire (Mayor).

Crs P. Bell AM, D. Brimblecombe, P. Bulger, K. Hayes, G. Nixon, R. Rolfe & P. Schwarz.

Officers

CEO B. Ottone, DCEO G. Frangos, GM G&CS P. Brumley, GM Civil Ops B. Turner, GM Corp Services A. Brown, GM Comm Serv C. Dziewicki, AEM Springsure A. Shaw, AEM Capella – K. Downey, A/AEM Blackwater – B. Duke, Manager Development Services L. Lankowski.

OPENING PRAYER

Captain Peter Bennett (Emerald Salvation Army) delivered the opening prayer.

APOLOGY/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr P. Haylock.

Resolution:

Cr Brimblecombe moved and Cr Hayes seconded 'That an Apology be accepted from, and Leave of Absence be granted to, Cr P. Haylock, for today's meeting.'

Carried

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

General Council Meeting : 5 May 2009

Resolution:

Cr Schwarz moved and Cr Nixon seconded 'That the minutes of the above meeting, as printed and circulated to members, be adopted.'

Carried

Business Arising out of Minutes

Nil.

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST, GIFTS & BENEFITS

Nil.

ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING SEGMENT

Delegated Application

Resolution:

Cr Rolfe moved and Cr Brimblecombe seconded 'That the following Delegated Application (1) be received:

IPA Planning Scheme for the Shire of Bauhinia

TP059/08S – Redrock Quarry Pty Ltd – Kullanda, Comet – MCU & ERA – Extractive Industry.'

Carried

Attendance

MDS L. Lankowski left the meeting at 9.15am. Cr Paul Bell entered the meeting at 9.20am.

COMMERCIAL SERVICES' SEGMENT

Cr Bulger congratulated Council's Saleyards' Superintendent on the high standard of workplace health and safety which he maintains at the Emerald Saleyards.

Acceptance of the General Manager – Commercial Services' Report

Resolution:

Cr Bell moved and Cr Hayes seconded 'That the General Manager – Commercial Services' Report be received.'

Carried

ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING SEGMENT, Contd.

Attendance

MSP A. Aylward entered the meeting at 9.55am.

Priority Infrastructure Plans for Bauhinia Planning Scheme, Duinga Planning Scheme and Peak Downs Planning Scheme

Resolution:

Cr Hayes moved and Cr Nixon seconded 'That Council seeks confirmation from the Department of Infrastructure and Planning that the Bauhinia, Duinga and Peak Downs Planning Scheme areas are suitable to be administered by interim Priority Infrastructure Plan Regulated Infrastructure Charges Schemes until such time as these Planning Schemes are replaced by a Consolidated Planning Scheme.'

Carried

Resolution:

Cr Nixon moved and Cr Brimblecombe seconded 'That Council seeks a report on the Development Contributions applicable to the various Council areas including the equivalent persons (EP).'

Carried

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10.20am and resumed at 10.35am.

LATE AGENDA ITEM

Communities of Interest

Resolution:

Cr Hayes moved and Cr Nixon seconded 'That Council notes the comments of the report as supplied by Alexis Aylward and Johan Du Toit regarding the Communities of Interest.'

Carried

Acceptance of the General Manager – Environment & Planning's Report

Resolution:

Cr Nixon moved and Cr Rolfe seconded 'That the General Manager – Environment & Planning's Report be received.'

Carried

GOVERNANCE & COMMUNITY SERVICES' SEGMENT

Gemfields Community Emergency Support Trailer

Resolution:

Cr Bulger moved and Cr Brimblecombe seconded 'That Council grants \$3,000 to the Anakie Hall Society for the purpose of the purchase of a trailer.'

Carried

CHRC RADF Program

Resolution:

Cr Hayes moved and Cr Bell seconded 'That the CHRC Regional RADF Committee funds the following Out of Round RADF Program applications:

1. **Central Highlands Regional Council** – (\$1,200) to be used towards the costs of presenting an arts and culture forum to coincide with the proposed Emerald Public Art Works exhibition using opportunity as a regional cultural mapping exercise which in turn will inform future Council plans and policy regarding Cultural Development in our region.
2. **Central Highlands Regional Council** – (\$2,014) to be used to document and then showcase the developmental process of the Streetscape Art Design Competition to the finished Public Art Works which are to feature in Emerald CBD Revitalisation Project Stage One.'

Carried

Rubyvale Flats Park Request

Resolution:

Cr Bulger moved and Cr Brimblecombe seconded 'That the Rubyvale Flats be taken on as a Council-maintained park; and appropriate land tenure arrangements be carried out.'

Carried

Council Boardroom Furniture

Resolution:

Cr Bulger moved and Cr Hayes seconded 'That Council arranges for the construction and installation of one map table, one visitor table and one staff table from Roy Schack Fine Furniture without seeking quotes as, in accordance with Section 486 (3)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993, the person engaged is qualified and experienced to provide services which are of a specialised nature that, considering the urgent nature of the alterations, it would be disadvantageous to invite quotations.'

Carried

All Abilities Park, Blackwater

Resolution:

Cr Nixon moved and Cr Rolfe seconded 'That Council approaches the community for Expressions of Interest to remove the buildings from the All Abilities Park, Blackwater, at no cost to Council; with the area to be left in a tidy condition after removal.'

Carried

Acceptance of the General Manager – Governance & Community Services' Report

Resolution:

Cr Rolfe moved and Cr Brimblecombe seconded 'That the General Manager – Governance & Community Services' Report be received.'

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Nixon:

Request from resident that the very untidy state of the Bauhinia Dump be rectified. CEO Ottone to contact Jason Akers to follow up on this.

Cr Brimblecombe:

Informed members that the Grain Roads Meeting has already been held in Brisbane even though the Transport Department had previously advised that this meeting was to be held at the end of this month. *The CEO followed this matter up to discover the meeting has been held, with further meetings to be held. Cr Brimblecombe has been advised.*

Cr Hayes:

Queried of the CEO whether an email has been received from Bureau of Meteorology enclosing a media release relating to the gap study. CEO Ottone advised that approval has been provided to A. Bullock for funding of \$310,000 – 50% State, 50% Federal.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting at 12.15pm.

CONFIRMED:

MAYOR

DATE