



General Meeting of Council

MINUTES

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

Tuesday 14 June 2016

Commenced at 2.00pm

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2016

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MINUTES – GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT 2.00PM TUESDAY 14 JUNE 2016 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE

PRESENT

Councillors

Councillor (Crs) K. Hayes (Mayor), G. Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor)
Councillors (Crs) P. Bell AM, M. Daniels, D. Lacey, A. McIndoe, G. Nixon

Officers

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason, General Manager Communities B. Duke, General Manager Corporate Services J. Bradshaw, General Manager Infrastructure and Utilities G. Joubert, General Manager Commercial Services M. Webster, Executive Manager Governance M. Uren, Coordinator Communications A. Ferris, Minute Secretary M. Wills

Attendance

Cr Nixon attended the meeting at 2.01pm

APOLOGIES

Crs C. Brimblecombe and C. Rolfe

Resolution:

Cr McIndoe moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That an apology be granted for Cr Brimblecombe and Cr Rolfe for today’s meeting.”

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Carried (6-0)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

Standing Committee Meeting and General Council Meeting Date Changes – August 2016

Resolution:

Cr Lacey moved and seconded by Cr Nixon “That Central Highlands Regional Council approve the following changes to the scheduled meeting dates:

1. Finance and Infrastructure Standing Committee Meeting and General Council Meeting from 9 August 2016 to 15 August 2016 at 9.00am and 2.00pm respectively;
2. Leadership and Governance Standing Committee Meeting from 9.00am 10 August to 3.00pm 10 August 2016; and
3. Communities Standing Committee Meeting and General Council Meeting from 23 August 2016 to 30 August 2016 at 9.00am and 2.00pm respectively.”

2016 / 06 / 14 / 002

Carried (6-0)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

General Council Meeting: 24 May 2016

Resolution:

Cr Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr Lacey “That the minutes of the previous General Meeting held on 24 May 2016 be confirmed.”

2016 / 06 / 14 / 003

Carried (6-0)

Business Arising Out Of Minutes

Cr Daniels advised that the dates recorded in her conflict of interest are incorrect and that it should be 2014 and not 2012.

Outstanding Meeting Actions

Nil

Conflict of Interest, Personal Gifts and Benefits

Nil

Attendance

Manager Planning and Environment P. Jeston and Senior Town Planner J. Webster attended the meeting at 2.13pm

Cr Bell attended the meeting at 2.15pm

COMMUNITIES' SECTION

Planning Health Check - Progress Report

Executive summary:

This report provides an update on the performance of the Development Assessment unit following the results of the Planning Health Check which was undertaken by the former Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning in 2013.

Considered by Council.

Development and Planning Statistics and Update

Executive summary:

The Development and Planning team undertakes a number of roles and responsibilities and currently assesses about 20 development applications and addresses about 50 enquiries every month, while leading the development of process upgrades and legislatively required amendments to the Planning Scheme.

A summary of relevant statistics for the Development and Planning Team is attached.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Manager Planning and Environment P. Jeston and Senior Town Planner J. Webster left the meeting at 2.30pm

Manager Asset Management M. Gatt attended the meeting at 2.30pm

CORPORATE SERVICES' SECTION

The Regional Development Australia Fitzroy and Central West (RDAFCW) 'Regional Roadmap'

Executive summary:

The Regional Development Australia Fitzroy and Central West (RDAFCW) 'Regional Roadmap' provides a snapshot of the region and offers a description of the economic and social diversity of Fitzroy and the Central West regions individually.

The RDAFCW 2013-2016 Regional Roadmap is reaching the end of its lifespan, and planning for the 2017 to 2020 document is currently underway. Council have been engaged in the development of the 2017-2020 Regional Roadmap by being requested to provide details of proposed priority projects for consideration into this regional planning document.

This report provides a shortlist of proposed priority projects that have been developed based on Council's current major projects in planning for the 2017-2020 timeline, for consideration and discussion as to further amendment prior to submission to the Regional Roadmap.

Resolution:

Cr Lacey moved and seconded by Cr Nixon "That Central Highlands Regional Council defer this report to the next General Meeting pending the supply of additional information."

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Carried (7-0)

Attendance

Manager Asset Management M. Gatt left the meeting at 2.47pm

Coordinator Governance and Safety L. Fry and Safety Advisor S. Schofield attended the meeting at 2.47pm

GOVERNANCE SECTION

Safety Update

Executive summary:

Central Highlands Regional Council operates under a safety management system called Safeplan. It is a requirement under that system for data to be collected, analysed and reported to identify deficiencies and improvement opportunities. Data is collated from Council's internal system and also from Local Government Workcare and presented to Council, Overarching Health and Safety Meeting and to the Work Health and Safety Committee.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Coordinator Governance and Safety L. Fry and Safety Advisor S. Schofield left the meeting at 3.13pm

General Manager Communities B. Duke left the meeting at 3.13pm

Central Highlands (QLD) Housing Company Ltd - Strategic Action Plan 2015-2018

Executive summary:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with information on the Strategic Action Plan developed for the Central Highlands (Qld) Housing Company Limited. The Strategic Action Plan establishes provision of a local response to affordable housing options for the Central Highlands region.

Provision of this report aligns with Operational Plan 2015-2016 requirement 3.3.1.

Considered by Council.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Local Government Association of Queensland - Civic Leaders Summit - 13 to 15 July 2016

Executive summary:

The Local Government Association of Queensland Civic Leaders Summit *The Winning Team* is being held at Benowa, Gold Coast from 13 to 15 July 2016.

Resolution:

Cr Nixon moved and seconded by Cr Bell "That Central Highlands Regional Council authorise the Mayor, Deputy Mayor Cr Godwin-Smith and the Chief Executive Officer to attend the Local Government Association of Queensland Civic Leaders Summit which is being held in Benowa from 13 – 15 July 2016 as its representatives. Further, that Council defer its Leadership and Governance Standing Committee Meeting to 27 July 2016 commencing at 9.00am."

2016 / 06 / 14 / 005

Carried (7-0)

GENERAL BUSINESS

(Verbal matters raised by Councillors either as a question, acknowledgement and or additional follow-up by officers)

Cr Nixon raised the issues with the shared racing stalls and the need to have the manufacturer refurbish / repair as necessary as well as meet with representatives of the different race clubs so that they can learn the safe handling and manoeuvring practices for the barrier stalls. Further, that a servicing regime be established and that benefiting councils / race clubs be encouraged to pay a hire fee to offset future maintenance.

Work Outreach Camp Meeting held in Springsure on 13 June 2016. Cr Nixon suggested for Council to consider the establishment of a Work Outreach Camp in Capella to assist with some of the community projects.

Expression of Interest – Establishment of Workcamp in Capella

Resolution:

Cr Nixon moved and seconded by Cr Daniels "That Central Highlands Regional Council register its interest for the establishment of a Work Camp (WORC - Work Outreach Camp) at Capella with the Queensland Department of Justice and Attorney-General. Further, that Council consult with the Capella community regarding this initiative."

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Carried (7-0)

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting at 3.44pm

CONFIRMED

MAYOR

DATE