



MINUTES

General Meeting

24 February 2021

**MINUTES OF NORTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL
GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT THE EIDSVOLD BOARDROOM
ON WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 9.00AM**

COUNCILLORS: Mayor Cr Rachel Chambers, Deputy Mayor Cr Robert Radel, Cr Melinda Jones, Cr Leslie Hotz, Cr Susan Payne, Cr Dael Giddins, Cr Michael Dingle

OFFICERS: Rachel Cooper (Chief Executive Officer), Susie Glasson (GM Corporate and Community), Deborah Woolfenden (Observer), Kat Bright (Executive Assistant to the Office of the CEO and Mayor)

1 WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING/ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.00am and welcomed all attendees.

An acknowledgement of country was given.

2 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Randall Percy (General Manager Works).

3 DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS

Kristy Frahm, Chief Executive Officer of Burnett Inland Economic Development Organisation (BIEDO) attended the meeting to present the North Burnett Regional Council and BIEDO Partnership Quarterly Presentation to Council at 9.30am via Zoom.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 27 JANUARY 2021

RESOLUTION 2021/13

Moved: Cr Dael Giddins

Seconded: Cr Melinda Jones

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 27 January 2021 be confirmed subject to a correction of the spelling error for Cr Dael Giddins.

CARRIED 7/0

6 OFFICE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**6.1 STANDING ORDERS AND MODEL MEETING PROCEDURES****MOTION**

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Dael Giddins

That in accordance with Section 150G of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt by resolution Standing Orders and Model Meeting Procedures.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Leslie Hotz

That in accordance with Section 150G of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt by resolution Standing Orders and Model Meeting Procedures and combine the procedures into one (1) document.

RESOLUTION 2021/14

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Leslie Hotz

That the motion becomes part of the Resolution and the full resolution becomes:

That in accordance with Section 150G of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt by resolution Standing Orders and Model Meeting Procedures and combine the procedures into one (1) document.

CARRIED 6/1

6.2 STATUTORY POLICY 1117 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE**RESOLUTION 2021/15**

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Susan Payne

That in accordance with Section 28 of the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2010*, Council adopt by resolution Statutory Policy 1117 Public Interest Disclosure and the accompanying Procedure PRO-1117.

CARRIED 7/0

6.3 STATUTORY POLICY 1176 FRAUD AND CORRUPTION PREVENTION**RESOLUTION 2021/16**

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Michael Dingle

That in accordance with Section 48A of the *Crime and Corruption Act 2001*, Council adopt by resolution Statutory Policy 1176 Fraud and Corruption Prevention.

CARRIED 7/0

6.4 BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT PARTNERSHIP UPDATE - SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW**RESOLUTION 2021/17**

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Dael Giddins

That Council receives the Service Delivery Review report.

CARRIED 7/0

7 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY**7.1 WAIVER OF FEES FOR FUNERALS****RESOLUTION 2021/18**

Moved: Cr Dael Giddins

Seconded: Cr Susan Payne

That Council endorse the following position in regard to fees and charges around the hire of community facilities for funerals/wakes:

1. Free hire of public North Burnett Regional Council community facilities for funerals/wakes for a current or past resident of the North Burnett Local Government Area.
2. That this resolution be retrospective to March 2020, with fees refunded as necessary.

CARRIED 7/0

202102_01 ITEM 7.1 QON

Cr Leslie Hotz asked if this was a change to the policy that Council would be adopting.

202102_02 ITEM 7.1 QON

Cr Robert Radel asked why this was being backdated to March 2020 - Cr Rachel Chambers advised that this was the date that COVID-19 commenced and that funerals and wakes were to be held in line with social distancing requirements as per advice received from Queensland Health.

202102_03 ITEM 7.1 QON

Cr Melinda Jones asked if the policy would be updated and tabled for discussion - Rachel Cooper advised that an amendment to the policy would be issued to staff and would supersede the current policy until the Department of Health advises otherwise.

7.2 FINANCE REPORT TO 31 JANUARY 2021**RESOLUTION 2021/19**

Moved: Cr Susan Payne

Seconded: Cr Melinda Jones

That in accordance with s204 Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld), Council notes the Finance Report for the period ended 31 January 2021.

CARRIED 7/0

Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10.00am.

Meeting resumed at 10.33am.

8 WORKS

Nil

9 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Nil

10 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS**RESOLUTION 2021/20**

Moved: Cr Melinda Jones

Seconded: Cr Dael Giddins

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 275(1) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

10.1 Multi-Site Waste Transfer Station Development Budget Variance

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3)(a)-(i) - c of the Local Government Regulation, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with the local government's budget.

The meeting moved into a Closed session at 10.34am.

CARRIED 7/0

RESOLUTION 2021/21

Moved: Cr Dael Giddins

Seconded: Cr Robert Radel

That Council moves out of Closed Session into Open Session.

The meeting moved back into Open Session at 10.46am.

CARRIED 7/0

10.1 MULTI-SITE WASTE TRANSFER STATION DEVELOPMENT BUDGET VARIANCE**MOTION**

Moved: Cr Dael Giddins

Seconded: Cr Robert Radel

That Council approve a budget variance of \$210,000.00 for the NBRC Multi-Site Waste Transfer Station Development project.

AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Dael Giddins

Seconded: Cr Leslie Hotz

That the motion becomes part of the Resolution and the full resolution becomes:

That Council approve:

1. a budget variance of \$210,000.00 for the NBRC Multi-Site Waste Transfer Station Development project; and
2. that the Mayor and CEO are authorised to continue discussions with the Minister for Local Government regarding the overspend and the reasoning behind it with one of the reasons being the Council's geographic location.

RESOLUTION 2021/22

Moved: Cr Susan Payne

Seconded: Cr Michael Dingle

That the motion becomes part of the Resolution and the full resolution becomes:

That Council approve:

1. a budget variance of \$210,000.00 for the NBRC Multi-Site Waste Transfer Station Development project; and
2. that the Mayor and CEO are authorised to continue discussions with the Minister for Local Government regarding the overspend and the reasoning behind it with one of the reasons being the Council's geographic location.

CARRIED 7/0

11 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 10.50am.



CHAIRPERSON