



MINUTES

Special Meeting

17 January 2022

**MINUTES OF NORTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
HELD AT THE GAYNDAH BOARDROOM VIA ZOOM (DUE TO COVID)
ON MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2022 AT 9.30AM**

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

OFFICERS: Susie Glasson (Acting Chief Executive Officer), Ray Burton PSM (Pending Interim Chief Executive Officer) and Kat Bright (Senior Executive Assistant to the CEO and Mayor)

1 WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING

The Acting Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.34am and welcomed all attendees.

2 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3 DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

I, Ray Burton PSM, inform this meeting that I have a conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 5.1 - Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer. The nature of my interest is as follows:

I have previously been employed through a consultancy arrangement (some 3 years ago) with Leading Roles and Peak Services (two of the recruitment agencies who have tendered).

Although I have declared my interest, I do not believe the interest is of current relevance. Therefore, I will choose to remain in the meeting.

I, Susie Glasson, inform this meeting that I have a conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 5.1 - Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer. The nature of my interest is as follows:

I may be a potential candidate for the CEO role.

As a result of my conflict of interest, I will leave the meeting room while the matter is considered and voted on.

I, Susan Payne, inform this meeting that I have a declared conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 5.1 - Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer. The nature of my interest is as follows:

I am a candidate in the upcoming Mayoral By-Election for the North Burnett Regional Council.

Although I have a declarable interest, I do not believe I have a conflict. Therefore, I will choose to remain in the meeting. However, I will respect the decision of the meeting on whether I can remain and participate in the decision.

Moved: Cr Giddins
Seconded: Cr Dingle

RESOLUTION 2022/01

That Cr Payne does not have a conflict of interest and will therefore remain in the room whilst Agenda Item 5.1 - Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer is debated and voted on.

In Favour: Acting Mayor Robert Radel, Cr Melinda Jones, Cr Leslie Hotz, Cr Dael Giddins and Cr Michael Dingle

Against: Nil

CARRIED 5/0

NOTE: Cr Hotz and Cr Jones are also candidates in the upcoming Mayoral By-Election for the North Burnett Regional Council. As a group, Councillors agreed that following the above mentioned resolution, candidates did not have a conflict of interest in Agenda Item 5.1 - Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer.

ATTENDANCE: Susie Glasson (Acting Chief Executive Officer) left the meeting at 9.43am having earlier declared a conflict of interest in relation to Agenda Item 5.1 - Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer.

5 OTHER BUSINESS DETERMINED BY RESOLUTION FOR AGENDA INCLUSION

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

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*:

5.1 Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3)(g) 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 negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

Moved: Cr Giddins

Seconded: Cr Payne

RESOLUTION 2022/02

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:

5.1 Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J(3)(g) 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 negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

In Favour: Acting Mayor Robert Radel, Cr Melinda Jones, Cr Leslie Hotz, Cr Susan Payne, Cr Dael Giddins and Cr Michael Dingle

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

THE MEETING MOVED INTO A CLOSED SESSION AT 9.44AM.

NOTE: During the confidential closed session, Councillors discussed the content in the confidential report titled Appointment of Recruitment Agency - Chief Executive Officer. Ray Burton PSM (Pending Interim Chief Executive Officer) noted that he had not been involved in the preparation of this report.

Moved: Cr Giddins
Seconded: Cr Dingle

RESOLUTION 2022/03

That Council moves out of Closed Session into Open Session.

In Favour: Acting Mayor Robert Radel, Cr Melinda Jones, Cr Susan Payne, Cr Leslie Hotz, Cr Dael Giddins and Cr Michael Dingle

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

THE MEETING MOVED BACK INTO AN OPEN SESSION AT 10.04AM.

5.1 APPOINTMENT OF RECRUITMENT AGENCY - CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION**

That Council appoint Leading Roles to undertake the recruitment of the North Burnett Regional Council Chief Executive Officer.

Moved: Cr Giddins
Seconded: Cr Payne

RESOLUTION 2022/04

That Council appoint Leading Roles to undertake the recruitment of the North Burnett Regional Council Chief Executive Officer.

In Favour: Acting Mayor Robert Radel, Cr Melinda Jones, Cr Susan Payne, Cr Leslie Hotz, Cr Dael Giddins and Cr Michael Dingle

Against: Nil

CARRIED 6/0

6 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 10.06AM.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the General Meeting held on 27 January 2022.



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CHAIRPERSON