

## **MINUTES**

Special Meeting
13 May 2024

# MINUTES OF NORTH BURNETT REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT THE GAYNDAH BOARDROOM ON MONDAY, 13 MAY 2024 AT 8:00 AM

#### 1 WELCOME/HOUSEKEEPING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8.10am and welcomed all attendees.

#### 2 ATTENDEES

COUNCILLORS: Cr Leslie Hotz (Mayor)

Cr Melinda Jones (Deputy Mayor / Division 1)

Cr Trina Vaughan (Division 2)
Cr Susan Payne (Division 3)
Cr Renee McGilvery (Division 4)
Cr Michael Dingle (Division 5)
Cr Moira Thompson (Division 6)

OFFICERS: Anna Scott (General Manager Works)\*

Kim Mahoney (General Manager Corporate & Community)\*
Kat Bright (Senior Executive Assistant to the CEO & Mayor)

Michael Cartwright (Governance, Policy and Risk Advisor)<sup>A</sup>

#### 3 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

#### 4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

On behalf of Council, the Mayor extended an Acknowledgement of Country.

#### 5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

<sup>^</sup> attended the meeting via Microsoft Teams \* attended part of the meeting only

#### 6 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

#### OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*:

#### 6.1 Confidential Legal Matter

This matter is considered to be confidential under 254J - 254J(3)(e) 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 legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

#### 6.2 Procurement Exception - Provision of Quarried Gravel Materials

This matter is considered to be confidential under 254J - 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.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/86**

Moved: Cr Michael Dingle Seconded: Cr Renee McGilvery

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<u>In Favour:</u> Crs Leslie Hotz, Melinda Jones, Trina Vaughan, Susan Payne, Renee McGilvery,

Michael Dingle and Moira Thompson

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

#### THE MEETING MOVED INTO A CLOSED SESSION AT 8.12AM.

**NOTE:** During the confidential closed session, Councillors discussed the confidential reports listed above.

At 8.27am, Anna Scott (General Manager Works) and Kim Mahoney (General Manager Corporate & Community) joined the meeting.

At 8.38am, Anna Scott (General Manager Works) and Kim Mahoney (General Manager Corporate & Community) left the meeting.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/87**

Moved: Cr Michael Dingle Seconded: Cr Trina Vaughan

That Council moves out of Closed Session into Open Session.

In Favour: Crs Leslie Hotz, Melinda Jones, Trina Vaughan, Susan Payne, Renee McGilvery,

Michael Dingle and Moira Thompson

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

#### THE MEETING MOVED BACK INTO AN OPEN SESSION AT 8.39AM.

#### 6.1 CONFIDENTIAL LEGAL MATTER

#### OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Accepts the resignation of Margot Stork, CEO of the North Burnett Regional Council, citing personal reasons, and notes that said resignation is effective immediately; and
- 2. Pursuant to section 195(a) of the Local Government Act 2009, appoints [name] as Acting CEO of the North Burnett Regional Council effective immediately, until such time as the recruitment process for the permanent appointment of the position is finalised.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/88**

Moved: Cr Trina Vaughan Seconded: Cr Michael Dingle

That Council:

- 1. Accepts the resignation of Margot Stork, CEO of the North Burnett Regional Council, citing personal reasons, and notes that said resignation is effective immediately;
- 2. Pursuant to section 195(a) of the Local Government Act 2009, appoints Anna Scott as Acting CEO of the North Burnett Regional Council effective immediately, until such time as the recruitment process for the permanent appointment of the position is finalise; and
- 3. That the Mayor will table a list of proposed candidates for Councils consideration prior to an appointment being made for the position of Interim CEO.

In Favour: Crs Leslie Hotz, Melinda Jones, Trina Vaughan, Susan Payne, Renee McGilvery,

Michael Dingle and Moira Thompson

Against: Nil

CARRIED 7/0

#### 6.2 PROCUREMENT EXCEPTION - PROVISION OF QUARRIED GRAVEL MATERIALS

#### OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolves, in accordance with Section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, Council is satisfied there is only one (1) supplier who is reasonably available at this time to provide quarried gravel materials to the Gayndah/Mt Perry Road Project, with the upper limit of the exception being \$500,000.

#### **RESOLUTION 2024/89**

Moved: Cr Renee McGilvery Seconded: Cr Michael Dingle

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<u>In Favour:</u> Crs Leslie Hotz, Melinda Jones, Trina Vaughan, Susan Payne, Renee McGilvery,

Michael Dingle and Moira Thompson

Against: Nil

**CARRIED 7/0** 

### GM ACTION 11 GRAVEL TRANSPORTATION DISTANCE FOR GAYNDAH/MT PERRY ROAD PROJECT

The Mayor inquired about how far the gravel would need to be transported for the Gayndah/Mt Perry Road Project. Anna Scott (General Manager of Works), responded to the Mayor, noting that the question would be taken on notice.

#### 7 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 8.42am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the General Meeting held on 29 May 2024.

**CHAIRPERSON**