



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT THE BLACKALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON FRIDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2016
COMMENCING AT 8.35 AM**

PRESENT:

Mayor: Cr AL Martin

MEMBERS:

Councillors: Cr PJ Heumiller, Cr BD Holdcroft, Cr GW Jarvis, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr PJ Pullos, Cr LP Russell

OFFICERS:

Mr Chris Blanch, Chief Executive Officer, Mrs Andrea Saunders Minute Taker

CONDOLENCES:

A minute silence was observed to mark the passing of:

- Ralph Andrew Russell

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

"That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 17 August 2016 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same."

Minute No.01 /09A/16

Carried

COUNCILLOR PORTFOLIOS:

The Councillors discussed their Portfolio Reports.

- Tambo tennis court
- Blackall Streets centre median strips
- Bowls club
- Hospital
- BMA traineeships
- Bacaldine Shire excluded from "Barcoo Way"
- 14th Oct 3pm WDAG
- Baiting 31st October
- Woolscour
- 14 October art and photography show
- Flower show
- Garden show
- "Barcoo Way"

BUSINESS ARISING:

- Email policy
- Tenders for cartage of materials

REPORTS AND COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Unaudited Financial Statements 30 June 2016

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

"That Council receive the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2016."

Minute No.02/09A/16

Carried

Financial Statements for the month August 2016

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

"That Council receive the August 2016 Finance Report."

Minute No.03/09A/16

Carried

Fraud Control Policy and Plan

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That the Council adopts the Fraud Control Policy and Plan including Appendix A.”

Minute No.04/09A/16

Carried

Computer, Email and Internet Policy

MOTION: Moved: Cr GW Jarvis Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the Council adopts the amended Computer, Email and Internet Policy.”

Minute No.05/09A/16

Carried

Credit and Fuel Card Policy

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council adopts the revised Credit and Fuel Card policy.”

Minute No.06 /09A/16

Carried

Development Application – Reconfiguring a lot (3 into 19)

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That Council approves of the application, based on the recommendations and conditions outlined in the planning report.”

Minute No.07/09A/16

Carried

Microsoft Email Exchange Changeover

The Information Technology Officer has been in consultation with Telstra with a view to improve Council's email operation by securing of information through off-site storage, facilitating recovery in the event of a disaster, promoting budget savings, new software managed by Telstra with have an increased efficiency within Council aspects of Council's email operation.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council adopts the proposal prepared by the Information Technology Officer recommending that the Microsoft email be changed as per the tabled report.”

Minute No.08/09A/16

Carried

Council Facility Booking Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the facilities report be received.”

Minute No.09/09A/16

Carried

Arts and Cultural Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That the Arts and Cultural report be received.”

Minute No.10/09A/16

Carried

State Business Model Canvas

The Department of State Development has offered to facilitate a workshop with the goal of coordinating tourism strategies and desired outcomes.

MOTION: Moved Cr GW Jarvis Seconded Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Arts and Cultural officer organise a workshop focusing on local tourism with the Department of State Development.”

MOTION: Moved Cr BD Holdcroft Seconded Cr GW Jarvis

“That the workshop be held in the 2017-2018 year.”

Minute No.11/09A/16

Carried

2016 – 2017 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program

The Queensland Government has committed \$62.3 million under the NDRP to support the 2016-2017 Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program to provide financial report for Local Governments with limited capacity to self-fund an identified priority project.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Heumiller Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That Council endorse the development of three applications to Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program for a Viewing Platform at the Blackall Saleyards, pathway to the hospital and a Flood Study for Blackall and Tambo.”

Minute No.12/09A/16

Carried

ADJOURNMENT:

At 9.54am the meeting adjourned for morning tea and were joined by Barry and Jenny Muir. The Mayor presented a 23 years' service certificate to Mr Muir acknowledging his long service as a Councillor and Mayor to Blackall and Blackall-Tambo Councils.

Ms Frances Harlow D.O.N. made a presentation on health issues and the proposed new hospital in Blackall.

RESUMPTION:

The meeting resumed at 11.05am.

Regional Arts Development Program – Round 1 (2016-2017)

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That Council receive the minutes of the meeting of the Regional Arts Development Fund Committee and endorse the Committee recommendations to fund applications totalling \$9,510.00.”

Minute No.13/09A/16

Carried

Community Development Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Community Development report be received.”

Minute No.14/09A/16

Carried

Tambo Multipurpose Centre Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That the Tambo Multipurpose Centre report be received for consideration.”

Minute No.15/09A/16

Carried

60s and Better Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That the 60s and Better report be received for consideration.”

Minute No16./09A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Cr Russell left the meeting at 11.07am.

Tambo Child Care Centre Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin

Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the Tambo Child Care Centre report be received.”

Minute No.17/09A/16

Carried

Shockwave Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone

Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the Shockwave report be received.”

Minute No.18/09A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Cr Russell returned to the meeting at 11.09am.

Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone

Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Blackall Visitor Information Centre and Ram Park report be received.”

Minute No.19/09A/16

Carried

Tambo Library and Toursim Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That the Library and Tourism report be received.”

Minute No.20/09A/16

Carried

Blackall Library Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Blackall Library report be received.”

Minute No.21/09A/16

Carried

Ranger Coordinator’s Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell

Seconded: Cr GW Jarvis

“That the Ranger Coordinator’s report be received for consideration.”

Minute No.22/09A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Director of Works and Services entered the meeting at 11.15am.

Mayor Martin left the meeting at 11.15am and returned to the meeting at 11.16am.

Cr Heumiller left the meeting at 11.22am and returned to the meeting at 11.23am.

Cr Holdcroft left the meeting at 11.32am and returned to the meeting at 11.34am.

The Director of Works and Services’ Report for August 2016 was presented

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin

Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Director of Works’ and Services Report be received.”

Minute No.23/09A/16

Carried

Business items discussed from the Director of Works and Services’ Report include:

- ramp,
- road to sawmill,
- lighting in main street at Blackall,
- Repeater towers (satellite phones, repair of towers).
- Windeyer Bridge

ATTENDANCE:

Director of Works and Services left the meeting at 11.40am.

Environmental Health Officer Report August 2016

MOTION: Moved: Cr LP Russell Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

“That the Environmental Health report be received.”

Minute No.24/09A/16

Carried

Blackall Aerodrome Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr AL Martin Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Blackall Aerodrome report be received.”

Minute No.25/09A/16

Carried

Health and Safety Report

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That the Health and Safety report be received.”

Minute No.26/09A/16

Carried

Council Assistance

The Blackall State School requested that the hire fee be waived for the hire of tables, chairs and two jumping castles for their Fun Fiesta on 4 November 2016.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone

“That the Council agree that the hire fee for tables, chairs and two jumping castles be waived.”

Minute No.27/09A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Chief Executive Officer left the meeting at 11.42am and returned to the meeting at 11.44am.

Carried

The Meeting was resumed at 1.20pm.

QCWA Kathleen Parr Hostel Gate

MOTION: Moved: Cr GW Jarvis

Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller

“That Council agree to working jointly with the Tambo QCWA in a project to erect the Kathleen Parr hostel sign at the park with an information sign.”

Minute No.34/09A/16

Carried

ATTENDANCE:

Cr Pullos left the meeting at 1.22pm and returned at 1.24pm.

Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal

MOTION: Moved: Cr GW Jarvis

Seconded: Cr BD Holdcroft

“That the report be received.”

Minute No.35/09A/16

Carried

Tambo Garden Group Community Event

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

“That Council agree to waive the hire fees on the following items to assist the Tambo Garden Group with their community event on 1 November 2016:-

- a) Hire fees for the Tambo Racecourse Complex waived.
- b) Hire fees for the Tambo jumping castle waived.
- c) Hire of the small bus in Tambo waived.
- d) Hire of the large bus in Blackall waived, provided they provide a driver.
- e) Hire of plastic chairs and tables waived.
- f) Hire of microphone and cord system waived.

And all encompassing refundable bond of \$500.00 to be paid.”

Minute No.36/09A/16

CEO to action

Carried

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ATTENDANCE:

Cr Martin left the meeting at 1.25pm and returned to the meeting at 1.26pm.

Cr Johnstone left the meeting at 2.05pm and returned at 2.06pm.

Western Sports Ground - Tambo

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr PJ Heumiller**

"That funding be allocated in the budget to secure the reserve adjoining the polocrosse / rodeo grounds in Tambo."

Minute No.37/09A/16

Carried

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Blackall Pony Club

The Blackall Pony Club wish to relocate to the polocrosse grounds.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

"When the transfers have been resolved that the Council will have no objection to the Pony Club using the Polocrosse Grounds and retain use of the Pony Club paddock."

Minute No.38/09A/16

Carried

Staff Training Survey

"For Council information."

Minute No.39/09A/16

CLOSURE:

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 2.19pm.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 12 October 2016.

Signed:.....