

**Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Lockhart River  
Aboriginal Shire Council held at the Offices of the Lockhart  
River Aboriginal Shire Council on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2015.**

Attendance:           Cr Wayne Butcher – Mayor  
  
                          Cr Norman Bally – Deputy Mayor  
  
                          Cr Paul Piva  
  
                          Cr Veronica Piva  
  
                          David Clarke – CEO

Meeting declared open by the Mayor at 10:25am

Apologies:           Cr Rebecca Elu advised her apologies as she had to be the  
                          medical escort for a patient to Cairns.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest           Nil

**Resolution 1:**       That the apologies of Cr Rebecca Elu be accepted.

Moved:               Cr P. Piva                    Seconded:   Cr W. Butcher

All in favour        Motion passed

**Issue:**               **Staff Housing**

**Resolution 2:**       Staff accommodation is to be used for Council staff only and  
                          that the dwelling be kept in good condition and the yard well  
                          maintained. Short term visitors accepted.

Moved:           Cr W. Butcher                    Seconded:   Cr. P.Piva

All in favor        motion passed

**Issue: Purchase of two bedroom dongas**

The CEO briefed Council on the availability of good quality two bedroom dongas ex Brisbane and the need for staff accommodation.

**Resolution 3:** That Council proceeds with the purchase of three (3) two bedroom self-contained units ex-Brisbane for use as staff accommodation.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher                      Seconded: Cr P.Piva

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Issue: Housing matters – Vagrants staying at John Brown’s house**

**Resolution 4:** That Council enforces their ability to evict the vagrants, Phillip Jurd Snr and Phillip Jurd Jnr, currently residing the John Brown’s shed from the community.

Moved: Cr P. Piva                      Seconded: Cr W. Butcher

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Issue: Government Champion for Lockhart River**

**Resolution 5:** That Council resolves to accept Professor Paul Simhauser as interim Government Champion.

Moved: Cr N. Bally                      Seconded: Cr V. Piva

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Issue: Planning and survey network**

**Resolution 6:** That Council resolves to accept the boundary realignments as proposed and tabled by the program office correcting minor and inconsequential anomalies.

**Moved:** Cr W. Butcher      Seconded: Cr N. Bally

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Issue:**                      **Finance matters**

Council welcomed Stanley Mugweria who tabled a range of financial material including the Annual Financial Statements for discussion and consideration.

**Resolution 7:** That Council amend its capital budget by \$100 000.00 to accommodate the purchase of three (3) self-contained accommodation units.

Moved: Cr N. Bally              Seconded: Cr V. Piva

All in favour              Motion passed

**Resolution 8:** That the Finance Report for the month of August 2015 be accepted as tabled.

Moved: Cr P. Piva              Seconded: Cr W. Butcher

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Resolution 9:** That the Annual Financial Statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 for the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council be adopted as tabled.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher              Seconded: Cr N. Bally

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Resolution 10:** That the Annual Financial statements for the period ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 for the Lockhart River Aerodrome Company are noted as tabled.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher                      Seconded: Cr V. Piva

All in favor                      Motion passed

**Issue:**                      **Street signs**

Council noted that street signs for all streets have been ordered and will be in place in the near future.

**Issue:** Follow up on the commitment from the Minister for Housing, the Hon. Leanne Enoch MP, to appoint a local Housing Liaison Officer to assist with local housing matters. The CEO committed to contact her office to check on progress in the recruitment of this officer.

There being no further business the meeting was closed by Mayor Cr W. Butcher at 4:08pm.