

LOCKHART RIVER ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

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Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council at the Lockhart River Council Chambers.

Date: 20th August 2024

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Cr Wayne Butcher
Deputy Mayor Cr Alister Bowie
Cr Dorothy Hobson
Cr Krystal Dean
Cr Steven Bally

Visitors: Jamie Love, Emma Schu, Chloe Manai

Discussions held on Festival preparations and interim budget as below:

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| ❖ Dance Teams from Bamaga and Pormpuraaw | \$20 000 |
| ❖ Accommodation Green Hoose | \$11000 |
| ❖ Iron Range Cabins | \$5000 |
| ❖ Artistic Director Josiah Omeenyo | \$3000 |
| ❖ Sound Technician | \$17000 |
| ❖ Big Pups | \$2000 |
| ❖ Stage reconstruction | \$3000 |
| ❖ Fireworks | \$15000 |
| ❖ Videographer | \$15000 |
| ❖ Christine Howes | \$5000 |
| ❖ Food General | \$10000 |
| ❖ Food Dancers | \$15000 |
| ❖ Bus Hire | \$20000 |
| ❖ Toilets (portaloo) | \$10000 |
| ❖ Marquees | \$10000 |
| ❖ Plumbing | \$5000 |
| ❖ Social Club | \$15000 |
| Running total | \$18100 |

The Draft budget will be discussed at the next Festival Committee meeting. Council thanked Jamie, Emma, and Chloe for their work.

Opening and Venue: Deputy Mayor Bowie opened the meeting at 10:20am.

Conflict of Interest: No new conflicts were reported at this point however Councilors were encouraged to review their circumstances and make amendments to their disclosures as necessary.

Issue: This meeting has been called by Deputy Mayor Cr Alister Bowie. Mayor Butcher attended to both keep Council up to date on developments with him and to offer guidance to Acting

Mayor Bowie. Council considered the situation in detail. Mayor Butcher will continue to attend meetings and provide Council with his views and the benefit of his experience.

Resolution 1: That Cr Alister Bowie continue to act as Mayor until 17th of September when the situation with Mayor Butcher becomes clear.

Moved: Cr D. Hobson

Seconded: Cr K. Dean

All in favour

Motion passed

Issue: Minutes of the meeting of 17th of July were tabled and discussed.

Resolution 2: That the minutes of the meeting of the 17th of July 2024 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Moved: Cr S. Bally

Seconded: Cr A. Bowie

All in favour

Motion passed

Issue: Art Centre problems

Cr Dorothy Hobson briefed Council on matters of concern from the Art Centre where she is also a Director.

Annual Financial Statements have not been produced since 2021 and current liabilities are unknown. The viability of the organization is current under question. Arts Queensland will need to be formally informed by Council of the situation seeking their support for a forensic audit and recruitment of a new coordinator.

Issue: Financial Reports for July 2024

The Finance Reports for July 2024 were tabled and discussed with interpretative analysis from Stanley Mugwiria.

Resolution 3: That the Finance Reports for July 2024 be accepted as tabled.

Moved: Cr A. Bowie

Seconded: Cr D. Hobson

All in favour

Motion passed

Issue: Civil Works update

Old Site road program of works has been experiencing slippage on the delivery time line meaning the program of works needs to be revised with plant being bought in from other programs to ensure delivery. CEO will work with the Civil team and our local contractor community to ensure delivery of the programs from Wachee to Nundah and Nundah to Old Site.

There being no further matters to discuss the Deputy Mayor closed the meeting at 3:30pm.