

**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 24th 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 30th 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 30th 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.