LOCKHART RIVER ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

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Minutes of Council Meeting Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council at the Council Chambers, 14 Maathuy St Lockhart River

Date:

Thursday 3rd May 2018

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Issue:

Cr Wayne Butcher (Mayor) Cr Norman Bally (Deputy Mayor) Cr Dorothy Hobson Cr Paul Piva Cr Darren Macumboy

Mayor Butcher opened the meeting at 9:40am

Note: The month of April was filled with unique obligations with the Lockhart dancers at the Commonwealth Games opening ceremony and associated cultural festival combining with four funerals pushing the April meeting into early May. Council acknowledged the unique set of circumstances which led to this meeting slippage and requested this notation,

Conflict of Interest: Mayor called for any conflicts of interest to be declared. No new declarations were made.

Issue: Minutes of the 28th March 2018

Minutes for this meeting was tabled and discussed in detail.

Resolution 1:	That the minutes for the meeting of the 28 th of March 2018 be adopted as tabled.		
Moved:	Cr. P. Piva	Seconded:	Cr. D. Macumboy
	All in favor	motion passed	

Abstudy references for kids funeral attendance.

Council is concerned they are being continually asked to support the carriage of boarding school children for funeral attendance outside the guidelines of Abstudy policy. Council holds the view that the Abstudy guidelines should be applied and the matter should not be referred to Council in the future.

Resolution 2:	That Council request Abstudy to apply their policy to future boarding school student movements to attend funerals in Lockhart River without the necessity for Council endorsement.				
	Moved: Cr P. PivaSeconded: Cr D. HobsonAll in favourMotion carried				
lssue:	Workshop between Mangkuma Land Trust and Council to finalize co-operativ agreement.				
Resolution 3:	That a meeting be held between the Mangkuma Land Trust and Council to bed down the details of the draft agreement. Council solicitor to dial in as required by the two parties.				
	Moved: Cr. D. Hobson Seconded: Cr W. Butcher All in favor motion passed				
Issue: Finance Report March 2018					
The Finance Report for March 2018 was tabled and discussed in detail.					
Resolution 4:	That the Finance Report for March 2018 be accepted as tabled.				

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	Moved:	Cr. W. Butcher	Seconded:	Cr D. Hobson			
	All in favour	motion carried					

Issue: Social Club renovations

Council is aware that the year is getting on and for the "Social Club" to be open in time for the next wet season work will need to commence soon. The budget constraints must also be taken into account which may require a staged approach.

Resolution 5:	That work commence on the old canteen renovations as soon as practical. That the first phase be delivered by ESW Constructions as the lowest conforming tenderer to the value of \$500 000.00 only.				
	Moved: Cr W. Butcher All in favor		seconded: motion passed	Cr P. Piva	

Issue: Cemetery requirements

Resolution 6: That a marquee, chairs, and a coffin lowering device be purchased to assist families during sorry business.

Moved: Cr D. Hobson Seconded: Cr D. Macumboy All in favour Motion passed

Issue: Interim Audit findings

The Interim Audit Report was tabled and discussed in detail and noted.

Issue: Lockhart presence at the Bamaga Cultural Festival 4th – 7th July.

Cr Hobson tabled an invitation to send a dance group and supporters to this festival from the organizers.

Issue: 5 year Operational Plan.

Council discussed the need to review the current plan and recalibrate the focus of Council's goals and objectives over the next 5 years. The CEO was instructed to work up some draft options for Council to consider at a pre-budget workshop.

Note: Budget preparation to be discussed at the June meeting

Issue: Public meeting date to be decided after the coming funerals.

There being no further matters to discuss the Mayor closed the meeting at 4:45pm