



Minutes of Council Meeting

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council
Held at the offices of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council

Date: Tuesday 13th December 2016
Venue: The Chambers of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council

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Attendance:

Cr Wayne Butcher – Mayor
Cr Norman Bally
Cr Dorothy Hobson
Cr Paul Piva

Apology:

Cr Marshall Symonds not in attendance and no advice provided to any Councillor or the CEO.

RESOLUTION 1

That the absence of Cr Marshall Symonds be noted

Moved: Cr Norman Bally
All in favour: Motion passed

Seconded: Cr Paul Piva

Meeting opened:

Meeting declared open by the Mayor at 9:25 am

Call for declaration of conflict of interest:

The Mayor advised all Councillors to be aware of potential conflict of interest and the guidelines for reporting on these matters. No new conflicts were declared.

Issue:

Minutes of the meeting of the 30th November 2016. The minutes were read and discussed.

RESOLUTION 2

That the minutes of the meeting of the 30th November 2016, be adopted as true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Cr Paul Piva
All in favour: Motion passed

Seconded: Cr Dorothy Hobson

Issue:

General Business

- 1.1 Land Visitors – Program Office – Township ILUA
- 1.2 Christmas celebrations and youth/kids School holiday program
- 1.3 Community workers meeting
- 1.4 QRA and other civil works update
- 1.5 Operational Plan progress
- 1.6 Audit – Matters Arising
- 1.7 Annual Report 15/16

- 1.8 Finance Report November
- 1.9 Licensed premises update
- 1.10 New housing – Nyimuchin Village update - Reggie
- 1.11 Sub-division remedial works update
- 1.12 CRF Works - 2017 approach to program delivery.
- 1.13 Council shutdown and essential services delivery
- 1.14 Mangkuma LT meeting – dates/agenda etc.

Issue:

Traditional hunting and tourism impact

RESOLUTION 3

That Council sponsors a community summit to discuss uniform approach to tradition hunting and managing the impact of tourism on the environment. Men’s Group to lead the process.

Moved: Cr Norman Bally

Seconded: Cr Paul Piva

All in favour: Motion passed

Visitor:

Lisa Castenelli – Program Office DATSIP, Townsville ILUA. Lisa provided Council with an update on progress and the need to commence the formal part of the process in early 2017. She tabled mapping of the proposed area and committed to open communication with Council on the matter. Mayor Butcher requested the township be exempt from the process. Lisa committed to developing a draft scope for the project. The Mayor thanked Lisa for her presentation.

Issue:

Finance Report November 2016. The LRASC Finance Report for the month of November 2016 was tabled with explanatory discussion as was the Finance Report for the Aerodrome Company for the month of October. Corporate Services Director advised the Aero Co finances would be synchronized with Council’s in the New Year.

RESOLUTION 4

That the Finance Report for the period November 2016, be accepted as tabled and the Finance Report for the Lockhart River Aerodrome Company for the month of October 2016, be accepted as tabled.

Moved: Cr Wayne Butcher

Seconded: Cr Paul Piva

All in favour: Motion passed

Issue:

LRASC Operational Plan quarterly review.

The 2016/2017 Operational Plan Review Progress Report was tabled and discussed.

Issue:

Audit 2015/2016 – Matters Arising

The Matters Arising section of the Audit Report (those areas that need Council focus) for both Council and the Aerodrome Company were discussed in detail. Although noting that the Audit was again an “Unmodified Opinion”, the area of risk management was highlighted as a weakness. Council recommended a Risk Management Working Group be formed to address these matters comprising the Mayor, CEO, and Corporate Services Director with input from Internal Audit as required. This group should organize to meet in the New Year.

Issue:

Public auction of Old Utes surplus to requirements

RESOLUTION 5

That Council disposes of three old utes that are past their economical use and surplus to requirements. That these vehicles be auctioned by public tender on an “*as is where is*” basis.

Moved: Cr Dorothy Hobson

Seconded: Cr Paul Piva

All in favour: Motion passed

Issue:

Annual report.

The draft Annual Report was tabled for discussion and duly considered.

RESOLUTION 6

That the Annual Report of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council be adopted as tabled.

Moved: Cr Norman Bally

Seconded: Cr Paul Piva

All in favour: Motion passed

Councillors Report:

Councillors provided a verbal report on their portfolio activities.

The Mayor noted it had been a very big year for Councillors and Council management team with record program delivery. He wanted his personal thanks to all recorded and conveyed to the broader workforce. He wished everyone a well-deserved break over Christmas in preparation for new goals in the New Year.

Next Meeting:

The next council meeting will take place in Lockhart River Office on the 25th January 2017.

Meeting Closed:

There been no further business, the meeting was closed by the Mayor at 4:15 pm