

# LOCKHART RIVER ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

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# MINUTES

**Thursday 21st February 2019**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

Location: Council Chambers, 14 Maathuy St, Lockhart River, QLD 4892

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**PRESENT:** Cr Wayne Butcher (Mayor)  
Cr Norman Bally (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr Darren Macumboy (via phone from Mossman)  
Cr Dorothy Omeenyo

**APOLOGIES:** Cr Karen Koko *Sick and provided medical certificate (in hospital)*

**OPEN:** Mayor Butcher opened the meeting at 9:10 am

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** No new conflicts to report

**ISSUE:** **Apology Cr Karen Koko**

Mayor Butcher advised Cr Karen Koko sought leave due to illness.

**Resolution 1:** That the apology of Cr Karen Koko be accepted.

<b>Moved:</b>	Cr D. Hobson All in favour	<b>Seconded:</b>	Cr N. Bally Motion carried
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**ISSUE:** **Minutes of the meeting of the 30<sup>th</sup> of January 2018.**

The minutes of the above meetings were tabled and discussed.

**Resolution 2:** That the minutes of the meeting of the 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 be adopted as tabled.

<b>Moved:</b>	Cr. W. Butcher All in favour	<b>Seconded:</b>	Cr N. Bally Motion carried
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**ISSUE:** **Visitor – Judith form Orange Sky**

Judith discussed operational matters and long term funding model options. She advised Ben, from their media team, would be back to gather more footage soon and that Mark Sowerby will be in Lockhart 6-8<sup>th</sup> March.

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**ISSUE: Public Meetings**

The demand for public meetings was acknowledged by all Councillors. Events beyond the control of Council have hampered past efforts to hold a meeting. The Mayor said he wants to commit to hold quarterly meetings beginning in March. All councilors to check their calendars and advise a common date.

**ISSUE: Finance Report January 2019**

The Finance Report for January 2019 was tabled and discussed.

**Resolution 3:** That the Finance Report for January 2019 be accepted as tabled.

**Moved:** Cr D. Hobson                      **Seconded:** Cr W. Butcher  
All in favour                                      Motion passed

**ISSUE: Katter lease activity ALHA**

DATSIP advised the intended transfer of the following houses to the entitlement holders:-

- Horace Rocky and Margery Accoom be transferred to Margery Accoom (vacant block)
- Wilfred and Vera Claudie to be transferred to David Claudie
- Gregory Omeenyo to be transferred to Gabriella Oswald (vacant block)

**Resolution 4:** That council does not object to these transfer proceeding.

**Moved:** Cr W. Butcher                      **Seconded:** Cr N. Bally  
All in favour                                      Motion passed

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**VISITOR: Education Queensland**

Transition Support Services provided a status report for the senior kids. The challenge remains getting all the kids into high school noting a very high return rate last year.

As at 21<sup>st</sup> February: Boarding School **(33)** High School kids in Lockhart River **(69)**

Council was concerned the level of Boarding School failure / rejection is unsustainable and actively contribute to youth dysfunction. Mayor and Council committed to continue to work with the Lockhart school addressing the matter. P&C meetings to be held quarterly.

*Councillor Darren Macumboy had to leave his tele-link into the meeting and sought leave from Mayor to do so. Leave was granted to Cr Macumboy at 2:35 pm*

**ISSUE: Road works program**

CEO tabled draft program of works for the coming dry season developed on the basis of no more significant events this season. There appear to be opportunities for Council participation as well as our local subcontracting community delivering QRA and other works. There remains a capacity for future collaboration between Cook and Lockhart Shires which will bring economy to relevant tasks.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** Mayor butcher distributed his comprehensive report for discussion and spoke about it with his fellow Councilors.

There being no further matters to discuss the Mayor closed the meeting at 3:00 pm