

LOCKHART RIVER ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

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Minutes of Council Meeting Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lockhart River Shire Council held at the Lockhart Office of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council

Date: Monday 28th of October, 2019

Venue: The offices of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire
Council 14 Maathuy St.

Audit Exit Interview with QAO, Council, and contract Auditors

MINUTES

PRESENT: Cr Wayne Butcher (Mayor)
Cr Norman Bally (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Karen Koko

Cr Darren Macumboy absent with work commitments and Cr Dorothy Hobson had carer duties with her elderly mother.

Mayor Butcher opened the meeting at 1:30pm and discussed the closing reports for both Council and the Aerodrome Company prior to dialing into the tele-conference with the Queensland Audit Office and their Contracted Auditor, Crowe Howath.

The tele-link proceeded with both reports discussed in full, and in chronological order. Discussion was led by Crowe Howath audit lead partner, Graham Coonan. Whilst there were a couple of matters identified where Council could perform better, in summary, the Audit findings continued Council's reputation for accountability and transparency and a recommendation will be made to the Queensland Audit Office that the accounts of Council will be accepted without modification. This is the 8th consecutive year Council has achieved this standard of excellence. Financial sustainability ratios remain strong and above industry average. For the first time, Council's asset base rose above \$100 million in value.

The Closing Report for the Lockhart River Aerodrome Company was also sound with a recommendation the accounts also be accepted by the QAO without modification.

Graham Coonan, of Crowe Howath, recommended the closing reports on both the Council and Aerodrome Company to Council along with the accompanying briefing papers.

The Mayor acknowledged the findings and recognized the professional work of the Executive team and particularly the Corporate Services Directorate. Commitment, good leadership and teamwork has proved its worth again.

Issue: Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council Annual Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2018 -2019 were tabled and discussed in concert with the audit findings.

Resolution 1: That the Annual Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2018 – 2019 for the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council be adopted as tabled.

Moved:	Cr K. Koko	Seconded:	Cr W. Butcher
	All in favour	Motion passed	

Issue: Lockhart River Aerodrome Company Annual Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2018 – 2019 were tabled and discussed in concert with the audit findings.

Resolution 2: That the Annual Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2018 – 2019 for the Lockhart River Aerodrome Company be adopted as tabled.

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

There being no further matters to discuss the Mayor closed the meeting at 4:30pm