

# 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 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018

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## MINUTES

**PRESENT:** Cr Wayne Butcher (Mayor)  
Cr Norman Bally (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr Dorothy Hobson  
Cr Darren Macumboy

Note this is the formal June meeting postponed due to a range of competing demands.

Cr Paul Piva not in attendance

Mayor Butcher opened the meeting at 9:30am

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

**Issue:** Council discussed the very serious matter of a potential breach of behavior by Cr Piva. To guide decision making Council sought advice from:

- The Department of Local Government's Allison George from the Complaints Unit was tele-linked on process to follow for disciplinary procedures in relation to Councillor conduct;
- Details of charges pending were obtained from the Officer in Charge, Lockhart River Police, Sgt Liam Duffy. Initial hearing date 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018;

In addition Cr Piva was tele-linked to discuss the current situation and options to resolve the matter.

**Resolution 1:** That Cr Piva be requested in writing to stand aside from all decision making pending resolution of matters currently under investigation.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher  
All in favour

Seconded: Cr N. Bally  
Motion passed

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**Issue: Minutes of the 23rd<sup>h</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2018**

Minutes for this meeting was tabled and discussed in detail.

**Resolution 2:** That the minutes for the meeting of the 23rd and 24<sup>th</sup> of May 2018 be adopted as tabled.

**Moved:** Cr. D. Hobson                      **Seconded:** Cr. N. Bally  
All in favor                                      motion passed

**Issue:** Budget amendment provision for old courthouse renovation to be reallocated to new tractor/slasher.

**Resolution 3:** That the sum of \$130 000.00 allocated to old courthouse renovation be transferred to the purchase of a new tractor/slasher.

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

**Issue: Workshop between Mangkuma Land Trust and Council to finalise co-operative agreement. CEO to follow up with MLT leadership and finalise a date for a workshop on the agreement.**

**Issue: Council Information Technology Policy**

Council does have a current IT Policy. The CEO tabled draft policy ADM 041 for discussion and consideration.

**Resolution 4:** That the draft Council IT Policy (ADM041) be adopted as tabled

**Moved:** Cr. D. Hobson                      **Seconded:** Cr W. Butcher  
All in favor                                      motion passed

**Issue: Finance Report April 2018**

The Finance Report for May 2018 was tabled and discussed in detail.

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**Resolution 5:** That the Finance Report for May 2018 be accepted as tabled.

**Moved:** Cr. D. Hobson  
All in favour

**Seconded:** Cr D. Macumboy  
motion carried

**Issue:** Write-off of rent which was charged to tradesmen when these costs should have been costed against the job they were engaged to complete.

**Resolution 5:** That rent of \$4245.00 incorrectly charged to Rod Kotzer and \$2841.00 incorrectly charged to Jess David be written-off.

Moved: Cr W. Butcher  
All in favour

Seconded: Cr D. Hobson  
Motion passed

**Issue:** Consideration of aged debtors for the Lockhart River Aerodrome Company

The Aerodrome Company directors reviewed Aerodrome Company matters including assessing the probability of recovering a number of very aged debts.

**Resolution 6:** That the debt of \$20,805.00 from the Kuuku Ya'u Corporation be written off due to its age and lack of supporting documentation and the debt of \$8450.95 from the "old" Skytrans be written as unrecoverable due to the liquidation of that entity two years ago.

Moved: Cr/Director W. Butcher  
All in favor

seconded: Cr/Director N. Bally  
motion passed

**Issue:** **Action items**

- ❖ Beach toilet renovations
- ❖ School bus shelters and signs
- ❖ Mowing signs to be ordered
- ❖ Re-open roads to Point, Claudie mouth, Quintell creek landing, Old Barge Landing
- ❖ Clean up Ngaarchi Kincha area
- ❖ School holiday activity plan needed

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