

LOCKHART RIVER ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

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Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council Office, 14 Maathuy St Lockhart River.

Date: Thursday 28th January, 2021.

MINUTES

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

Apologies: Deputy Mayor Cr Dorothy Hobson (sick mother)

Mayor Butcher opened the meeting at 10:00 am

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

Mayor Butcher emphasized the need to be constantly reviewing declarations to make sure everything is included and recorded in the relevant registers including related parties.

Issue: Minutes of the meeting of 28th of October 2020

Minutes for the meeting of the 28th of October 2020 were tabled and discussed in detail.

Resolution 1: That the minutes for the meetings of the 28th of October 2020 be adopted as tabled.

Moved: Cr. W. Butcher **Seconded:** Cr. K. Koko
All in favor motion passed

Issue: Minutes for the meeting of the 3rd of December 2020 were tabled and discussed in detail.

Resolution 2: That the minutes for the meetings of the 3rd of December 2020 be adopted as tabled.

Moved: Cr. W. Butcher **Seconded:** Cr. K. Koko
All in favor motion passed

Issue: Apologies for the meeting Cr Dorothy Hobson

Resolution 3: That the apology tendered by Cr Hobson be accepted.

Moved: Cr K. Koko

All in favour

Seconded:

Motion passed

Cr. A. Bowie

Issue: Foundation Day celebrations

The Foundation Day celebrations will closely follow those adopted for the Australia Day event. Beach based, BBQ with associated events. Traditional dancing will be encouraged and other activities are also planned. Council will support the event through the ComDev budget. Christine Howes (Waanta) and Black Star to attend events.

Issue: Social Club progress

Council is keen to get the Social Club up and running as soon as practically possible. Committee has been formed; Membership drive completed (nearly 200 membership forms received to date); Training for Security, Responsible Service of Alcohol, and Food Handling has been organized. Work continues slowly on the premises.

Issue: Cultural Precinct progress

Council discussed its on-going concern around the lack of progress to secure the land required to roll out the Cultural Precinct project. The project must be in place by 30th June 2021 so time is of the essence.

Issue: Public Safety matters – Quad Bikes and Horses

Councillors discussed the on-going safety issues being caused by kids driving quad bikes in a reckless fashion. It was also noted some horses were being ridden both harshly and dangerously. New laws regarding quad bike passengers are coming in soon and the OIC Lockhart Police will be requested to be strident in their application for the safety of all.

Issue: Memorial recognition for the victims of the March 11th 2020 plane crash on Quintell Beach.

Council discussed a memorial or recognition ceremony to observe the first anniversary of the 2020 fatal plane crash on Quintell Beach on March 11th. Mayor Butcher asked the CEO to approach the Housing Department on a joint approach to memorial activities should it be the wish of the families of the deceased.

Issue: Finance Report for December 2020

Council discussed the December Finance Report in detail with Corporate Services Director, Stanley Mugwiria, dialing in to lead the process.

Resolution 4: That the Finance Reports for December 2020 is accepted as tabled.

Moved Cr N. Bally Seconded: Cr K. Koko
All in favour Motion passed

Issue: Sports Field Redevelopment and Social Club project update

Social Club: Need names for the overall complex and also internal and external features. Recognition of our Elders who helped build the place would be in keeping with the Club's 'whole of community' ownership. Names for Bar, Kitchen, stage areas etc with plaques/signage for same.

Sports Field: Need lighting plan from Back and More and final confirmation that the old light poles are fit for re-use. Council can then start to work with PJ Electrical on the extraction of the poles and preparation for both civil works and re-location of the poles.

Issue: Old shed at airport needs demolition. Council gang to do it reserving timber for outstation use. Note the old donga next to the Women's Shelter also needs demo and will be done with the same recycling ethos.

Issue: Basic card

Discussion continued on the merits of requesting the introduction of the Basic Card. A watching brief on how their introduction has gone in other jurisdictions will be maintained. It remains an option on the table.

Issue: Original material – Chase/Thompson collection

The significant anthropological work of Dr Chase and Dr Thompson was discussed. Dr Chase insisted, prior to his passing, that all his Lockhart material be returned to Lockhart River rather than a mainstream institution. His archives was reviewed by him and the CEO in October with a pallet of material boxed up and shipped to Lockhart. A climate controlled storage place is required with the most economical option being an air-conditioned shipping container. Funds remain from the cultural heritage project that funded the creation of the room at the library.

