



# MINUTES

of the

General Meeting of the Council

held in the

Council Chambers, 118 Victoria Street, St George

on

Thursday 18th May 2017

Commencing at 9:00am

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### **ATTENDANCE**

Cr RW Marsh (Mayor), Crs FM Gaske (Deputy Mayor), RG Fuhrmeister, SC O'Toole, RI Paul, SS Scriven and ID Todd

Mr Matthew Magin (Chief Executive Officer), Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Corporate & Financial Services), Mr Jamie Gorry (Director Community & Environmental Services), Mr Ross Drabble (Director Infrastructure Services) and Mrs KM Elliott (Executive Assistant).

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### **COUNCIL PRAYER**

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9:00am and led the Council in the Opening Prayer.

LOA1

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

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### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Cr Scriven moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 20 April, 2017 be confirmed.

CARRIED

BAM1

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Cr O'Toole advised that she had a real conflict of interest and not a perceived conflict of interest as she is on the Executive Committee of the St George Chamber of Commerce, as detailed on the bottom of Page 8 of the Minutes of 20 April 2017.

Cr Todd inquired as to why an application in relation to a water supply connection, believed to be outside the water supply area, lodged prior to the April meeting, was not tabled at this meeting.

Page 12 The Mayor advised council that the St George Levee Bank committee had met on 17 May 2017 and requested a change to council's resolution of 20 April 2017 relating to a conflict of interest of Cr Todd and the St George Levee Bank. The change requested was to remove the word allegation and replace with 'clarification'. Council agreed it would not amend the minutes of its meeting and requested that the CEO write to the Chair of the St George Levee Bank Committee to advise them. It was noted that the St George Levee Bank Committee minutes of 17 May would be tabled at council's meeting on 15 June 2017.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Nil

### **DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

### **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

Councillors delivered their verbal reports on activities within their portfolios during the preceding month.

A brief update on the discussions at the St George Levee Bank Advisory Committee meeting held last evening 17 May 2017 was provided to council.

It was noted that the Annual Road Run could not be scheduled prior to the Budget Meeting and will be proposed in August.

## **MEETING BUSINESS BY CORPORATE FUNCTION (CEO) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

### **(FCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

#### **FCS2 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FOR MONTH ENDED 30 APRIL 2017**

Financial Management Report for month ending 30 April 2017

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That the monthly Financial Management Report for the period ending 30 April 2017, as tabled, be received and noted.

Cr Gaske left the meeting at 9:59am.

Cr Gaske returned to the meeting at 10:01am.

CARRIED

#### **FCS3 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT - QUARTER 3 - 2017/18**

Quarterly Performance Report Quarter 3 – 2017/18

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That in accordance with Section 174(3) of the Local Government Regulations 2012 council adopt the Quarterly Performance Report for Quarter 3 of 2016/17.

CARRIED

#### **FCS4 ST GEORGE CEMETERY - CHINESE MEMORIAL PROJECT**

St George Cemetery – Chinese Memorial Project

Cr Todd moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That council provide a letter of support to Graham Perrett MP, Federal Member for Moreton for the Chinese Memorial Project at the St George Cemetery.

CARRIED

## **(IFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

Nil

Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Finance & Corporate Services) departed meeting at 10:12am.

Mr Jamie Gorry (Director Community & Environmental Services) entered the Meeting at 10:14am.

Mrs Michelle Clarke re-entered the Meeting at 10:15am.

## **(CES) COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

## **CHANGE ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council change the order of proceedings to allow the council to discuss Item number CES6.

CARRIED

CES6

## **DIRRANBANDI P & C ASSOCIATION - COMMUNITY DONATION AND SPONSORSHIP REQUEST**

Council has received a request from the Dirranbandi P & C Association to assist with the costs to host the RFDS Car Rally.

Cr Gaske moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council approve the Dirranbandi P & C Association request for financial assistance to provide entertainment at the RFDS Car Rally on 03 June up to \$880.

CARRIED

Ms Tayla Kruger (Tourism Development Officer) entered meeting at 10:16am.

CES7

## **APPLICATION FOR LOW-COSTING CAMPING IN DIRRANBANDI**

From the Tourism Development Officer reporting on the ongoing correspondence that we have received, requesting Low-cost camping within Dirranbandi.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That:

1. Council accepts this report;
2. Council provides a response to all correspondence to date requesting the low-costing camping;
3. Council determine timeframes and proceed to develop the Balonne Shire Council Recreational Vehicle (RV) and Freedom Camping Strategy and Policy in consultation with the community and subject to the adoption of the Budget;
4. Council continue to maintain the existing camping grounds on the outskirts of Dirranbandi.
5. Council correspond with the Dirranbandi Caravan Park to discuss their future intentions for the park.

CARRIED

CES1

## **ADOPTION OF BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL'S TOURISM POLICY**

From the Tourism Development Officer presenting the Tourism Policy for Council's consideration.

Cr Gaske moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Council adopts the revised Balonne Shire Council Tourism Policy, to take affect from 18 May 2017 and to be updated as required.

CARRIED

CES2

## **ADOPTION OF BALONNE SHIRE TOURISM STRATEGY FOR 2017-2020**

From the Tourism Development Officer presenting the "Balonne Shire Tourism Strategy for 2017-2020", for consideration.

Cr Gaske moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Council adopts the Balonne Shire Tourism Strategy 2017-2020, to take affect from 18 May 2017 and to update as required.

CARRIED

CES3

### **REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION (RTO) DECISION REPORT**

From the Tourism Development Officer reporting on the from Southern Queensland Country Tourism held on Thursday, 13 April 2017 and Outback Queensland Tourism Association held on Thursday 27 April 2017. For the purpose of active marketing Council is required to make a decision for updating and branding responsibilities.

HELD OVER

Cr Fuhrmeister was asked to declare a real Conflict of Interest in this matter (as defined in Section 173 of the *Local Government Act 2009*), due to the fact she is a Director on SQCT and departed the Meeting at 10:40am.

Cr Todd suggested that this item of correspondence be held over until legal advice had been received on Cr Fuhrmeister's interest in this matter.

Cr Fuhrmeister re-entered the meeting at 10.41am.

### **CHANGE ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council change the order of proceedings to allow the council to discuss CES11 , the time being 10:44am.

CARRIED

CES11

### **"LURED TO THE RIVER" TOURIST PROJECT IN ST GEORGE**

From the Tourism Development Officer reporting on the presentation by Mr. James Golder to Council at the General Meeting held in February 2017, regarding the "Lured to the River" tourism concept.

Cr Todd moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That:

1. Council accepts this report;
2. Council considers this as a future tourist attraction project;

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10:54am and resumed at 11:17am with Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Finance & Corporate Services), Mr Jamie Gorry (Director Community & Environmental Services) and Ms Tayla Kruger (Tourism Development Officer), in attendance.

Mrs Clarke advised the Meeting of legal advice on the conflict of interest - item CES3 received from King & Co during the morning tea break. Mrs Clarke advised that Councillors under S174(9) of the Local Government Act 2009 are exempt from having a conflict of interest if they have been nominated by council to be its representative on a board - *A councillor who is nominated by a local government to be a member of a board of a corporation or other association does not have a personal interest merely because of the nomination or*

*subsequent appointment as the member.* The onus is on a Councillor to declare an interest and decide how to deal with any perceived or real conflict of interest. Cr Fuhrmeister remained in the Meeting.

CES3 **REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION (RTO) DECISION REPORT**

From the Tourism Development Officer reporting on the two (2) presentations from Southern Queensland Country Tourism held on Thursday, 13 April 2017 and Outback Queensland Tourism Association held on Thursday, 27 April 2017. For the purpose of active marketing Council is required to make a decision for updating and branding responsibilities.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council engage Southern Queensland Country Tourism (SQCT) as its Regional Tourism Organisation for the next three (3) years and engage in marketing opportunities, as they arise, with Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA).

CARRIED

CES9 **MUNGINDI SHOW SOCIETY INC - COMMUNITY DONATION AND SPONSORSHIP REQUEST**

Council has received a request from the Mungindi Show Society Inc. to sponsor the Mungindi Show 2017.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council approve the Mungindi Show Society request for financial assistance for the 2017 Mungindi Show of \$2 000.

CARRIED

Ms Tayla Kruger (Tourism Development Officer) retired from the Meeting at 11:26am.

Ms Fiona Macleod (Planning & Development Office) entered the Meeting at 11:27am.

Mrs Michelle Clarke retired temporarily from the meeting at 12:31pm and returned at 12:34pm

CES8 **REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUND 2016/17 ROUND 2 COMMUNITY GRANTS**

The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) is a state and local government partnership that supports local artist and arts and cultural activities in Queensland Communities. 2016/17 Balonne Shire RADF Community grants program, round two closed 24 April 2017. Council received three applications for funding. These applications have been assessed by the RADF Reference Panel and have been determined to comply with the appropriate assessment criteria as detailed through the Balonne Shire RADF Program.

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That:

1. Council approves the Committee's recommendation to hold a Third Round in the June /July Period.
2. That Council ratify and approve the RADF applications from Dirranbandi Arts Council Inc., Dirranbandi RTC and St George State School

APPLICANT	PROJECT	AMOUNT APPROVED
Dirranbandi Arts Council Inc	Dirran Upholsters - staples stuffs & sews	\$ 870
Dirranbandi RTC	Coil Basketry Workshop	\$1,230

St George State School	Art comes alive in the community garden	\$1,520
<b>TOTAL Round 2</b>		<b>\$3,620</b>

CARRIED

CES4

**RL 90 - APPLICATION FOR RECONFIGURATION OF A LOT - 1 TO 3 LOT SUBDIVISION - 'OUTLANDS FARM' 425 WAGOO ROAD, ST GEORGE AFFECTING LAND DESCRIBED AS LOT 10 ON SP144469**

Council has received a development application from the owner for Reconfiguration of a Lot specifically a 1 to 3 lot subdivision located at 'Outlands Farm' 425 Wagoo Road, St George described as Lot 10 on SP144469.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Scriven seconded that:

1. Council receives this report.
2. Council approves the development application for RL 90 - Application for Reconfiguration of a Lot - 1 to 3 Lot Subdivision – “Outlands Farm”, 425 Wagoo Road, St George affecting land described as Lot 10 on SP144469 subject to the permit conditions listed below;

**DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CONDITIONS**

1. Compliance with the facts and circumstances set out in the application and all Council By-laws being adhered to and generally in accordance with the approved plan (except where varied by conditions of approval).
2. All outstanding rates and charges shall be paid prior to the submission to Council of the Plan of Survey.
3. Comply with all conditions of this approval prior to submitting the Plan of Subdivision to Council for endorsement unless otherwise agreed in writing by Council.
4. Maintain the approved development being Reconfiguring a Lot – 1 to 3 Lot Subdivision in accordance with the approved plan:

Plan/Document Number	Plan/Document Name	Date
2169/PROP/01 Prepared by Anywhere Surveys Pty Ltd.	PLAN OF PROPOSED RECONFIGURATION OF LOT 10 ON SP144469	07/04/2017

**Engineering**

5. *Prior to the signing of the Survey Plan of Subdivision*, a copy of the SunWater water allocation to the owner must be submitted to Council.
6. Where deemed necessary by Council, the relocation of services within the subject land shall be undertaken by the developer at no cost to Council.

**Access**

7. Access points to newly created Lot 8 and 9 off Wagoo Road are constructed in accordance with the standards identified in *Schedule 2: “Standards for Roads, Car Parking, Access and Manoeuvring Areas”* in the Balonne Shire Council Planning Scheme.

8. Vehicle crossovers to newly created Lot's 8 and 9 must not be higher than the existing table drain at the invert. A Minimum pavement depth of 300 mm is required between the property boundary and the road carriageway.
9. The developer shall be responsible for construction and maintenance of the vehicle crossovers from the road carriageway to the property boundary and for obtaining any approvals that may be required, and for complying with the applicable designs and standards.
10. that the applicants provide proof that they have access to electricity to the blocks, and further that they provide proof that they have access to a water allocation prior to the signing of the subdivision plan.

**NOTES:**

- Nothing in this permit hereby issued approves the clearing of native vegetation.
- This permit does not constitute any authority to carry out any building work, operational work or a different use to what is currently established unless all relevant permits are obtained.
- All newly created Lots 8, 9 and 10 are affected in their entirety by the Flood Hazard Overlay. Any future development on these lots will be subject to the Flood Hazard Overlay Code and depending on the use will have mandatory minimum finished floor level requirements that new structures must be constructed to;

**AMENDMENT**

Cr Paul moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That the development application be held over pending further investigation and report back to council.

The amendment on being put was CARRIED.

CES5

**MCU 154 APPLICATION FOR MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE - INTENSIVE ANIMAL INDUSTRY (CATTLE FEEDLOT 4,999 SCU) AND ERA 2-1(B) INTENSIVE ANIMAL FEEDLOTING (KEEPING 1,000-10,000 SCU) - "WARRIE" 3730 CHELMER ROAD, ST GEORGE DESCRIBED AS LOT 4 BLM761**

Council has received a development application from Justin Carl & Sharon Helen Schultz for Material Change of Use Application MCU 154 Application for Material Change Of Use - Intensive Animal Industry (Cattle Feedlot 4,999 SCU) and ERA 2-1(b) Intensive Animal Feedlotting (Keeping 1,000-10,000 SCU) - "Warrie" 3730 Chelmer Road, St George described as Lot 4 BLM761

Cr Scriven moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That:

1. Council receives this report.
2. Council approves the development application for MCU 154 Application for Material Change Of Use - Intensive Animal Industry (Cattle Feedlot 4,999 SCU) and ERA 2-1(b) Intensive Animal Feedlotting (Keeping 1,000-10,000 SCU) - "Warrie" 3730 Chelmer Road, St George described as Lot 4 BLM761 subject to the permit conditions listed below;



## DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CONDITIONS

### Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

1. The development must be carried out generally in accordance with the Balonne Shire Council stamped/approved plan(s) and supporting documentation referenced in the table below which forms part of this approval, unless otherwise specified by any condition of this approval.

Plan/Document number	Plan/Document name	Date
B 01	Stage 1 Overall Site Plan	12/11/2016
B 02	Stage 2 Overall Site Plan	12/11/2016
B 03	Site Plan Details	12/11/2016

### Approved Development

2. The approved development is for a Material Change of Use to establish an Intensive Animal Industry (Cattle Feedlot 4,999 SCU) and ERA 2-1(b) Intensive Animal Feedlotting (Keeping 1,000-10,000 SCU) on land described as Lot 4 on BLM761 situated at "Warrie" 3730 Chelmer Road, St George.
3. The maximum number of SCU kept at the Cattle Feedlot must not exceed 4,999 at any time.
4. All conditions of the approval shall be complied with before the change occurs (prior to the commencement of the use) and while the use continues, unless otherwise noted within the conditions.
5. All costs associated with compliance with these conditions shall be the responsibility of the developer unless otherwise noted.

### Avoiding Nuisance

6. No nuisance is to be caused to adjoining properties and occupiers by the way of noise, smoke, dust, rubbish, contaminant, stormwater discharge or siltation at any time, including non-working hours.
7. The site shall be maintained in a clean and orderly state at all times to Council's satisfaction.
8. The applicant must ensure compliance with all environmental conditions outlined under the Environmental Authority for the environmentally relevant activity.

### Waste Management

9. All waste generated from construction of the premises must be effectively controlled onsite before disposal. All waste must be disposed of in accordance with the *Environmental Protection (Waste Management) Regulation 2000*.

10. All waste generated on-site must be managed in accordance with the waste management hierarchy as detailed in the *Waste Reduction & Recycling Act 2011*.

#### **Environmental - Stormwater – Drainage**

11. There is to be no increase in any silt loads or contaminants in any overland flow from the property during the development process and after development has been completed.
12. The holder of the permit shall ensure that the use is to be conducted in a manner that the Cattle Feedlot activities do not cause contamination of groundwater or stormwater runoff.
13. The holder of the permit shall ensure that all persons engaged in the conduct of the activity are trained in the practices and procedures necessary to prevent environmental harm as a consequence of carrying out the activity and in the event of any emergency.
14. During construction, soil erosion and sediment is managed in accordance with *Schedule 7: "Standards for Construction Activity" of the Balonne Shire Planning Scheme*.

#### **Onsite Manoeuvring**

15. Vehicle access, manoeuvring and parking shall be maintained in accordance with *Schedule 2: "Standards for Roads, Car Parking, Access and Manoeuvring Areas" of the Balonne Shire Planning Scheme*.
16. Ensure access to car parking spaces, vehicle loading and manoeuvring areas and driveways remain unobstructed and available for their intended purpose during hours of operation.
17. Ensure loading and unloading operations are conducted wholly within the site and vehicles enter and exit the site in a forward direction.

#### Further Advice:

Please note that the DTMR (through DILGP) as a concurrence agency have provided conditions for the development within the concurrence agency response dated 27 April 2017. The applicant is required to ensure compliance with these conditions prior to the commencement of the use. However DTMR are responsible for overseeing the compliance with these conditions. A copy of the concurrence agency response is provided as **Attachment 2**.

Please also note that DAF have issued an Environmental Authority through the proposed ERA. This document includes conditions which require compliance. Again it is DAF's responsibility to ensure compliance with these conditions.

Under the requirements of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 (SPA), Balonne Shire Council are required to include the concurrence agency response received from DILGP received as part of the DA process which includes the abovementioned advice.

The requirement to enforce compliance with the aforementioned outstanding conditions falls to the

Department of Transport and Main Roads and Council have no further responsibility in this matter however it is important that this matter be noted.

- *Use of Local Roads – Council's strong preference is that heavy vehicle movements along local roads (specifically Chelmer Road) be limited, and directed where possible, to the shortest route to the Moonie Highway to minimise local road impacts.*
- *Water Supply – Council advises the current water allocation for the feedlot is not sufficient to complete Stage 2. Acquiring water could be an issue for commencement of Stage 2 and Council does not hold jurisdiction to allocate water. Prior to commencing Stage 2 of the development it is recommended that consultation with both Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) and Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) occur regarding specific water requirements for the activity and securing the additional required water.*

.CARRIED

CES10

### **ST GEORGE STATE HIGH SCHOOL - COMMUNITY DONATION AND SPONSORSHIP REQUEST**

Council has received a request from the St George State High School to assist with the travel costs for the Under 15's Girls Touch Football Team to attend the South West Swans Secondary All Schools Tournament.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council approve the St George State High School request for financial assistance to enable the Under 15's Girls Touch Football team to attend the South West Swans Secondary All schools tournament being held in Toowoomba on the 13 August 2017 of \$1 500.

CARRIED

The Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:51pm and resumed at 1:30pm with Mrs Michelle Clarke, Mr Ross Drabble (Director Infrastructure Services) and Mr Jamie Gorry (Director Community & Environmental Services) in attendance.

### **CLOSED MEETING**

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council go into its Meeting as a Closed Meeting to discuss confidential items, the time being 1:31pm.

CARRIED

Ms Fiona Maclean (Planning & Development Officer) entered the Meeting at 1:53pm

Mrs Karen Searle (Manager Financial Services) and Ms Kerry Phillips who is assisting Council with budgeting, entered the Meeting at 2:05pm.

Ms Kerry Phillips and Mrs Karen Searle retired from the Meeting at 2:50pm.

### **OPEN MEETING**

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council go into its Meeting as an open meeting, the time being 3:03pm.

CARRIED

# CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

## (CCEO) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### (CFCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

#### CCFS3 SALE OF LAND 24-28 HORACE STREET DIRRANBANDI

A request to purchase 24-28 Horace Street Dirranbandi has been received.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That council accept the offer to sell 24-28 Horace Street Dirranbandi for \$4,000.

CARRIED

### (CIFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

#### CIFS10 TENDER BSC 1617 - T37 BITUMEN SPRAYING AND SPREADING OF AGGREGATE ON BOLLON-DIRRANBANDI ROAD

That Council accept a submission for tender BSC16/17-T37 - Bitumen Spraying and Spreading of Aggregate on Bollon-Dirranbandi Rd.

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council notes the tender submission from SRS Pty Ltd for Tender BSC16/17-T37 for bitumen sealing the following chainages:

1. Bollon-Dirranbandi Road Chainage 22.1km – 27.1km for \$147,513.06,
2. Bollon-Dirranbandi Road Chainage 2.5km – 5.0km for \$55,035.32;

and approve award of Tender BSC16/17-T37 to SRS Pty Ltd.

CARRIED

#### CIFS11 BSC16/17-Q08 - SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF TWO NEW 75HP TRACTORS.

That Council does not accept any quotations for the supply of two new tractors and approves the disposal of the two existing tractors.

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council

1. Approve not proceeding with any submission for quotation BSC16/17-Q08 – Supply and Delivery of Two New 75hp Tractors because it is proposed the grass slashing work will be undertaken by contractors;
2. Approve disposal of the existing John Deere 4320 tractor C-39931 and Case MX270 tractor C-75003 at auction and;
3. Approve the disposal of the grid roller.

CARRIED

CIFS12

**ST GEORGE EFFECTIVE EFFLUENT RE-USE PROJECT - LATERAL IRRIGATOR SELECTION**

A report on the selection of the lateral irrigator for the St George Effective Effluent Re-use Project was presented to the Council Meeting on 20 April 2017, where it was resolved that the matter be deferred pending further information. This report includes further information on product warranties as well as an amended proposal from Broadacre Irrigation to address concerns raised by Alan Neale.

Council has approved funding available through the Department of State Development's Building Our Regions program for the St George Effective Effluent Re-Use Project. The estimated total project cost is \$489,038, with the Department contributing \$467,038, and Council the remaining balance of \$22,000. A key component of the project is the selection of the lateral irrigator. 3 proposals have been received and evaluated in consultation with Allan and Kerrie Neale who are to manage the irrigation area.

This report summarises the 3 proposals and recommends the preferred supplier.

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

1. That Council receives this report; and
2. Approve the quotation from Broadacre Irrigation for \$209,847 (GST inclusive) for the supply of a lateral irrigator and associated pump and pipework

CARRIED

## **(CCES) COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

FCS5

**MAY 2017 BUDGET REVIEW**

2016/2017 May 2017 Budget Review.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That in accordance with Section 170 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council amend the 2016/2017 budget as tabled.

CARRIED

CCES4

**INTERPRETATION OF BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL PLANNING SCHEME (2006) MAP P2 ST GEORGE - RURAL ZONE (RURAL RESIDENTIAL PRECINCT) AND RURAL ZONE CODE**

Council has received a number of enquiries regarding the requirement for planning approval for agricultural activity uses within the Rural Zone – Rural Residential Precinct.

Cr Todd moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That:

1. Council continue to interpret the scheme following on from previous planning approvals issued and planning advice given, being that the exemption for "agriculture and grazing" uses only applies to the Rural Zone – Rural Precinct, and;
2. The resolved interpretation is to be considered in the drafting of the new Balonne Shire Council Planning Scheme and if found to be appropriate, carried forward.

CARRIED

CIFS14

**TENDER BSC16/17-T35 - DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS VEHICLES: LOT 1**

That Council accepts submissions for tender BSC16/17-T35.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council notes the tender submissions for BSC16/17-T35 – Disposal of Surplus Vehicles: Lot 1 as follows (GST incl), and approves the following recommendations for sale:

Toyota Aurion AT-X	\$ 5,860	Brent Kratzmann
Holden Commodore SV6	\$13,530	Chris Wilson
Ford Falcon Ute	\$ 6,180	Brent Kratzmann
Toyota Hilux 4x4 Ute	\$10,680	Brent Kratzmann
Holden Colorado 4x4 Ute	\$ 3,500	Halpin Motors

CARRIED

CIFS13

**TENDER EVALUATION - INSTALLATION OF RIVER SMART METERS IN ST GEORGE - BSC16/17 T29**

Council is installing river water meters in St George to determine individual household consumption. This data will then be used to inform an appropriate rating model for the service provided.

With the initial installation of a water meter requiring a licenced plumber, tenders were called for the installation of approximately 925 meters in St George. 6 tenders were received are presented in this report.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Todd seconded:

1. That Council receives this report, and:
2. Approves the engagement Lightn Plumbing, Toowoomba for an estimated total project price of \$95,800 (Ex GST) to install the river water meters in the township of St George (BSC16/17-T29).

CARRIED

CCE01

**ST GEORGE RSL BUILDING**

Following the recent sale of the former RSL Building to a Goondiwindi investor the selling agent, Henry Leonard approached the Chief Executive Officer about leasing options for the building and expressed his desire that council should take the building over and use as a community facility of some description e.g. art gallery, library etc.

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Paul seconded:

That Council decline the submission provided by Mr Leonard, to lease the former RSL Building on the corner of Alfred and Grey Streets, St George, based on the fact it is not the core business of council. Council thanked Mr Leonard for making the offer and will continue to encourage the uptake of economic opportunities for Balonne Shire.

CARRIED

CCES3

**CONTRACT ON THE ST GEORGE LANDFILL**

For discussion and recommendation of the contract by Proterra at the St George Landfill which is due to expire on 30 November, 2018 and the recommendations of the Balonne Shire Council Waste Advisory Group.

Cr Gaske moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council support the Waste Advisory proposal to extend the Proterra contract at the St George Landfill from 30 November 2017 until 30 November, 2018.

CARRIED

Mr Jamie Gorry retired from the Meeting at 3:03pm

## **INFORMATION REPORTS (ICEO) CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

### **(IFCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

#### **ICFS1 MONTHLY REPORT**

Director Finance & Corporate Services Monthly Report – April 2017

#### **ICFS2 MONTHLY REPORT**

WHS Monthly Report – April 2017

#### **ICFS3 FINANCE INFORMATION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2017**

Finance Information Report for the period ended 30 April 2017

### **NEW VALUATIONS IN SHIRE**

Cr O'Toole moved and Cr Gaske seconded:

That Council write to the relevant State and Federal Ministers raising concerns over the recent erratic nature of land valuations in the Shire and the negative impact on council's rate base on top of the continuing effect of the Murray Darling Basin water buy back scheme.

CARRIED

### **FORMULA USED GRANTS COMMISSION**

Cr Gaske moved and Cr O'Toole seconded:

That Council write to the relevant State Minister, with a copy to the Local Government Association Queensland, requesting a review of the current formula used to calculate the provision of funds from the Grants Commission for the Balonne Shire.

CARRIED

### **(IIFS) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

#### **IIFS1 MONTHLY REPORT FOR MAY 2017 MEETING**

From the Director of Infrastructure Services - reporting for the month of April.

Mr Ross Drabble gave an overview on the current Grey Street CBD upgrade project. It was resolved to hold another street walk within the next few days.

Mr Ross Drabble (Director Infrastructure Services) retired from the Meeting at 3:29pm

## **(ICES) COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

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There being no further business, the Meeting closed, the time being 3:30pm.

Confirmed at a General Meeting of the Council held on 15 June 2017.

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**MAYOR**