



MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING 17 March 2020

Venue

Council Chambers
506 Kang Kang Road
Aurukun Qld 4892



ORDINARY MEETING

MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL OFFICE 506 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN ON TUESDAY 17 MARCH 2020

Present

Councillors	Cr. Dereck Walpo (Mayor) Cr. Edgar Kerindun (Deputy Mayor) Cr. Doris Poonkamelya Cr. Ada Woolla Cr Vera Koomeeta
Leave of Absence	Nil
Officers	Bernie McCarthy – Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Alan Neilan – Director Community Services (DCOM) Andrew Brown – Acting Director Corporate Services (DCOR) Amanda Ray – Executive Assistant and Minute Secretary (EA)
Via videoconference	Marina Schaefer - Finance Manager (FM) Gus Yates – Director Technical Services (DTS)

Guests

Paula McGuire, Principal, Koolkan Aurukun State School
Josh Morris-Langton, School Attendance Co-ordinator, Koolkan Aurukun State School

In Gallery
Rachel Robertson, Youth Empowered Towards Independence (YETI)

1. Opening

Mayor opened the meeting with a Prayer at 9.40am

2. Declaration of Material Personal Interests (MPI)

Nil

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI)

Nil

4. Condolences

Waal Waal Maurice Kepple and Waal Waal Barry Port

Lockhart River Plane Crash victims: Wayne Ganter, Mark Rawlings, Wayne Brischke, Stuart Wavell and Henry Roebig

Council observed a minute's silence for the families in mourning.

5. Leave of Absence for Approval

Nil

6. Previous Minutes

Resolution 20.6559

That Council receives and adopts the Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 18 February 2020 as a true and correct record.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

7. Procedural Matters

Nil

8. Presentation of Petitions

Nil

9. Consideration of Notified Motions

Nil

10. Reception and Consideration of Committee and/or Delegates Reports

Nil

11. Mayor's Report

11.1 Meetings and Community Events

Future

25 April 2020

Anzac Day Ceremony (will be cancelled)

16 May 2020

Onchan Min Festival (will be postponed)

(Actions on above events will be required in view of the current COVID 19 crisis)

NOTED

11.2 Aurukun Clean Up Day

We had a very successful Aurukun Clean Up Day on 1 March 2020 with over 20 bags of rubbish collected in the morning.

It was wonderful seeing the community come together to help.

Special thanks to our volunteers and everyone else for participating on the day.

NOTED

11.3 Correspondence

11.3.1 Letter received from Hon Kate Jones, MP, Minister for Innovation and Tourism Industry Development and Minister for Cross River Rail on 21 February 2020.

Announcing Premier Palaszczuk's 2020 Year of Indigenous Tourism.

NOTED

11.3.2 Email received from Joey Proctor, Department of Defence on 9 March 2020.

Our intent is for me to conduct drill training in order to support Anzac Day Activities in Aurukun prior to the due date.

The plan is to conduct training in community on 20/23 April 2020.

Joey Proctor will be in Aurukun and the training will cover all drill requirements for Anzac Day.

We will need to touch base prior to establish roles and functions. Catafalque Party x 6.

NOTED

11.4 Retiring Councillors

Last Council Meeting before the elections, and I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge our retiring Councillors.

The major changes and projects achieved in recent years is a testament to each Councillor's commitment and willingness to work together for the good of Aurukun Community.

Thank you to our retiring Councillors for your service and I wish you all the best for the future.

NOTED

11.5 Management and Staff – Thank You

To Management and Staff of ASC I wish to extend a big thank you for your dedication and assistance.

It is widely acknowledged that Council has been through some testing periods however by working together and having a collaborative approach we have worked through many difficult issues.

Your efforts and dedication to Aurukun and Council is deeply appreciated.

NOTED

11.6 Elections 2020

Voting to be held at Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre on 28 March 2020 between 8.00am to 6.00pm. All Aurukun residents on Electoral Roll are encouraged to vote.

Early voting will be held on 26 and 27 March 2020 from 10.00am to 2.00pm at Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre.

Aurukun residents temporarily living elsewhere can apply for a postal vote before 7.00pm on 16 March 2020.

NOTED

Resolution 20.6560

That Council receives and adopts the Mayor's Report.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

12. Chief Executive Officer's Report

12.1 Action from Previous Council Meetings

Resolution 20.6557

That Council

- (1) notes the letter from Michael Thinee, Air Charter Specialists regarding air services in Cape communities
- (2) further discusses this letter at the March Council Meeting.

CEO Update

Item deferred until Late Items.

NOTED

12.2 Future Meetings / Events

Future

28 March 2020	Council Election
April 2020 (TBC)	Aurukun Supermarket Advisory Committee Meeting
10/14 April 2020	Easter Break
20 April 2020	Post-Election Council Meeting
20 April 2020	ASC Councillor Induction
21 April 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting
25 April 2020	Anzac Day Service (cancelled)
4 May 2020	Labour Day Holiday
16 May 2020	Onchan Min Festival (postponed)
12 May 2020	LDMG Meeting/Training
19 May 2020 (TBC)	Ordinary Council Meeting

1 June 2020
16 June 2020 (TBC)

Aurukun Photo Competition entries open
Ordinary Council Meeting

NOTED

12.3 Councillor and Officer's Register of Interest

Nil

NOTED

12.4 Rainfall for the Wet Season

February 2020 rainfall was 473mm with the wettest days being 22/23
February 2020 recording 235mm of rain.

NOTED

12.7 Tenancy Management Update Report, Department of Housing and Public Works

12.7.1 Social Housing Properties

Nil report

NOTED

12.8 Facebook Report for February 2020

For the month of February 2020 there were 25 posts and 23 notices and 3,751 followers.

The most popular post was a cute picture of Brian Kawangka playing with a keyboard. This reached 2,335 people with 245 engagements.

A post seeking interest in becoming an Aurukun Shire Councillor was almost as popular reaching 2,316 people with 174 engagements.

NOTED

12.9 Correspondence

12.9.1 Email received from Sonia Minniecon, General Manager, Cape York Employment on 10 March 2020.

NOTED

12.9.2 Information/application form received for Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program received 10 March 2020.

This year's program will be held from 27 June/2 July 2020 in Brisbane.

The Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (QIYLP) is regarded by participants as one of the most impactful leadership programs for

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders between 18 to 25 years of age in Queensland.

All travel, meals and accommodation will be provided for participants over the six-day residential program.

For more information refer to tabled application form.

Resolution 20.6562

That Council supports the following young persons being nominated to attend the Queensland Indigenous Youth Leadership Program.

Nominees:

Shauna Gibley, Jari Walpo, Kemuel Tamwoy, Waynard Yunkaporta and Anisley Kerindun

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

12.10 Retiring Council

I wish to thank the Mayor and Councillors for their efforts during the past four years term.

There certainly have been many challenges. However there have been many positive achievements.

Let's hope that positivity and harmony return to the Aurukun community and the negative incidents reduce.

NOTED

Resolution 20.6563

That Council receives and adopts the Chief Executive Officer's Report.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Ada Woolla

10.12am Marina Schaefer, Finance Manager joined the meeting via videoconference in Cairns

13. Finance Manager's Report

13.1 Cash and Investments

NOTED

13.2 Liabilities

NOTED

13.3 Operating Revenue and Expenses as of 29 February 2020

NOTED

13.4 Tropical Statements Workshop

NOTED

13.5 Related Parties Disclosure 2019/20

Elected members to complete Related Parties Disclosures for 2019/20.
Forms will be provided prior to March 2020 meeting.

NOTED

Resolution 20.6564

That Council receives and adopts the Finance Manager's Report.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

10.36am Rachel Robinson and Marina Schaefer, Finance Manager left the meeting

10.36am meeting adjourned for morning tea

11.03am meeting resumed

14. Acting Director Corporate Services Report

14.1 Actions from Previous Council Meeting

Nil

NOTED

14.2 Human Resources Manager's Report

14.2.1 Vacancies

Local Recruitment

Koolkan Early Childcare Centre

- Assistant Manager – Re-Advertised closing 6 March 2020
- Group Leader – Re-Advertised closing 14 March 2020

Koolkan Playgroup

- Assistant – Re-Advertised closing 14 March 2020

Chivaree Centre

- Assistant Cook – to be re-advertised with closing date 14 March 2020
- Bus Driver / Groundsperson – Interviews scheduled for 2/3 March 2020

Community Police

- CPO – Re-advertised closing date 14 March 2020

Community Services

- Splash Park Supervisor – ongoing. Four applications received to date
- Groundsperson – Closed with interviews to be scheduled

Waste Management and Town Maintenance

- Waste Collection Driver – Closed with Interviews to be scheduled
- Town Maintenance Plant Operator – Closed with Interviews to be scheduled
- Parks and Gardens Labourer – Interviews scheduled on 3 March 2020

Building Services

- Trade Assistant – Closed with interviews to be scheduled

Airport

- Airport Assistant – Closed with interviews to be scheduled

NOTED

14.3 Workplace Health and Safety

14.3.1 Workplace Health & Safety Advisor Report

- Mango Safety Management System training in progress
- Gathering employee information to review and load into Mango
- Toolbox on mobile phone use and work expectations conducted at Chivaree Centre on 13 February 2020
- First WH&S Committee meeting scheduled for 10 March 2020
- 25 improvement notices entered into Mango
- Checklists / Audits being prepared for each area to be sent out shortly
- Practical firefighting techniques videoed for Laurie O'Donoghue (WHS Consultant).

NOTED

14.3 Administration Manager's Report

NOTED

14.4 Arts Centre Manager's Report

14.4.1 Artists Sales and Purchases – Financial Report as of 31 January 2020

NOTED

14.4.2 Funding

The Arts Centre, in collaboration with ASC and Indigenous Knowledge Centre, have applied for an additional \$27,000 from the Indigenous Regional Arts Development Fund (IRDAF) to support senior Artists and Elders in

conducting a series of cultural and art-related learning activities with Aurukun Youth on Country (July/October 2020).

NOTED

14.5 Information Technology Report

NOTED

14.6. Council Stores

The Stocktake was completed at the end of November 2020. A computer report detailing the Transfer Off and Transfer On of the store's inventory listing has now been developed.

To further update there were items to the value of \$55,308.66 which require transfer to provision in Income statement as they were used at jobs but not immediately charged and \$35,462.62 that has been returned and inserted into store from leftover materials on jobs. The net impact being a transfer of \$19,846.04.

Resolution 20.6565

That Council approves the write off of \$55,308.66 and the write on of \$35,462.62 for a net impact of \$19,846.04 from the store inventory.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

Resolution 20.6566

That Council receives and adopts the Acting Director Corporate Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Ada Woolla

15. Director Community Services Report

15.1 Actions from previous Council Meeting

Nil

15.2 Funerals

NOTED

15.3 Events

NOTED

15.4 Community Police, Safety and CCTV

15.4.1 Street Lights

Ergon has confirmed the cost of repair to be \$99,341. Council contribution to these works will be \$77,073. Other streetlights on Council poles will be repaired by the ASC Electrical team. These are lights located mainly on new subdivisions on metal poles.

NOTED

15.5 Koolkan Early Childcare Centre (Koolkan ECC)

15.5.1 Department of Education Visits

15.5.2 Staffing (Completion of accredited training)

Penny Skerman from Creche and Kindergarten will be visiting from 6 to 13 March 2020 and working with Anna Kerindun, Antoinette Yunkaporta and Bridgette Yunkaporta.

15.5.3 Enrolment Report

Total Enrolment:	15
Babies Room:	1
Kindy Room:	2
Toddler Room:	12

Average Daily Attendance 7

15.5.4 Incident Reports

WorkPlace Health and Safety Advisor raised the issue of staff not wearing appropriate footwear. All staff have been reminded that closed in footwear must always be worn while working on Council property. Lockers are available if employees wish to leave their footwear at the Centre.

15.5.5 Community Engagement

Lauren Sande from Inclusion Support visited on 2 March 2020. Lauren is applying for a grant to support onsite training opportunities for the staff at Koolkan ECC. This has not been confirmed.

Lauren is affiliated with Early Years Learning.

NOTED

15.5.6 Meeting Standards relating to Child Safety

Department of Education, Skills and Employment fund the Community Child Care Fund. Considering the recent incident in Cairns, a declaration of compliance has been sought in relation to the following:

- Current transport policies and procedures
- Transport policies and procedures are reviewed on a regular basis
- All staff employed are trained to understand and implement these policies and procedures

- Checks are in place to ensure these policies and procedures are adhered to and include fail safe mechanisms.

The current Transportation Policy pages 280 to 285 Koolkan ECC Policies and Procedures Manual has now been reviewed a new standalone policy is tabled.

Resolution 20.6567

That Council approves the new Koolkan Early Childhood Centre Bus Transportation Policy A024.

MOVED: Cr Ada Woolla

SECONDED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

15.6 Chivaree Community Aged Care Centre

15.6.1 Aged Care and Disability Program – General

Home Care Package Clients:	16
Level 2:	5
Level 3:	1
Level 4:	10

15.6.2 Good News

In relation to the current situation with COVID 19 we have placed throughout the Centre and in the delivery vehicles, hand sanitizer for use of staff and clients.

Staff have been provided Information and Guidelines for providing Meals on Wheels and working with COVID 19. This Information has been provided by Meals on Wheels.

15.6.3 Displaced Clients – Liaison with other Service Providers

Currently Chivaree Centre has 17 displaced clients.

15.6.4 Assistance – Client Yards

Total Number of eligible clients: 32

Number of yards cleaned in February 2020: 5

NOTED

15.7 Animal Control

15.7.1 Feral Animals

There were six dogs observed out at the dump facility, three of these dogs were dingo hybrids, the other three appeared to be abandoned dogs. Traps were placed out at the dump facility however no dogs were trapped.

On 19 February 2020, one male tan dog with no registration tag or collar was euthanised.

15.7.2 Visiting Veterinary Program

The next expected visit is 27/30 April 2020.

15.7.3 Community Awareness

Notices continue to be placed on notice boards and Facebook regarding dog impoundments and animal cruelty.

15.7.4 Pound

During the month of February, 22 dogs were taken to the pound, eight dogs were rehomed in Brisbane and the remaining were unsuitable for rehoming or euthanised due to poor health.

15.7.5 Domestic Animals

The dog food donated from animal shelters in Cairns has now been distributed throughout the community to residents who took in abandoned dogs.

15.7.6 Workplace Health and Safety

One incident occurred on Kang Kang Road, in Council's car park, involving aggressive, abusive language and attempt of force towards Animal Control/Local Laws Officer. The incident was reported to the Workplace Health and Safety Advisor.

15.7.7 Status of Displaced Household Dogs

With the numbers beginning at 70 displaced dogs - 18 have been successfully re-homed, 34 have not been suitable for re-homing due to aggression, several families who did not have dogs have taken on a dog to keep. These dogs now need to be registered with their new owners.

NOTED

15.8 Indigenous Knowledge Centre and Community Broadcasting

15.8.1 Flexible Learning Program

The Flexi Ed program at the IKC has been getting good attendance numbers with an average attendance of over nine students per day. The highest attendance day was fourteen and the lowest just three. More than half the days in February 2020 saw ten or more students.

Unfortunately, the last week of February 2020 was closed for four days due to medical procedures in Cairns for the teacher and no substitute teacher being available.

15.8.2 IKC Borrowing and Membership Program

Book borrowing remains low but digital access is high. Browsing and viewing are still the most popular activities at the IKC.

15.8.3 Special Priority Project

The project is still attracting good community interest with many locals participating in the work and giving advice around content.

15.8.4 Keeping Culture Program

The Keeping Culture program is poised to kick off for public viewing and input in March 2020.

15.8.5 Community Engagement

226 community visits were recorded in February 2020, averaging over 16 visits per day, with highest visits recorded in one day being 28 and lowest being 11. Community promotion events are planned for the coming months.

15.8.6 Good News Stories

Good Flexi and Community attendance numbers despite community disruption has seen the IKC being a contact point for Police, Child Safety and a place of assistance for Centrelink clients during the CYE's and O Hub's closures.

15.8.7 Deadly Digital Media Project/Tech Savvy Seniors Project

Funding has been secured and the project is set to roll out in tandem with the Keeping Culture Project next month.

NOTED

15.9 Environmental Health

15.9.1 Container Program

Due to road conditions, the fortnightly schedule was postponed. There was a very successful visit on 3 March 2020. The contractor is returning to the fortnightly visit from 11 March 2020.

Information has been provided to Island and Cape to transition as the refund point.

NOTED

15.10 Grants Development and Lobbying

NOTED

15.11 Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centre

NOTED

15.12 Family Support Worker and Playgroup

15.12.1 Engagement with Parents

We have been visiting families and delivering activity packs with reading books to families who are currently disengaged from Playgroup.

15.12.2 Referrals to other Agencies

Two referrals were provided this reporting period. Family support meets on a regular basis with partners to discuss cross referrals.

15.12.3 Playgroup Attendance

Eight children attended playgroup on a regular basis for the month.

NOTED

15.13 Aak Muunchanak Splash Park

15.3.1 Operational Times

The facility remains open on Saturday and Sunday from 1.00pm to 5.00pm and supervised by Aurukun Shire Council employees.

The Koolkan Aurukun State School and PCYC are welcome to utilise the facility via the Facilities Hire Agreement.

NOTED

15.14 Evacuation Centres

In the event of residents requiring short term shelter, our nominated evacuation centres are the Chivaree and Wo'uw Ko'alam Community Centres. The availability of shower facilities at the Community Centre is currently being costed.

An information and operation plan for these centres is tabled and will be an attachment to the Local Disaster Management Plan.

Resolution 20.6568

That Council approves the '*Evacuation Centres Information and Operational Plan*' as tabled and includes this plan in the Aurukun Local Disaster Management Plan.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

Resolution 20.6569

That Council receives and adopts the Director Community Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

16. Director Technical Services Report

16.1 Actions from Previous Council Meeting

16.1.1 Resolution 19.6357 - Expressions of Interest for an appropriate Design for Aurukun waterfront development.

DTS Update

Aurukun Airport Terminal Project is currently being discussed as the current priority project to be completed utilising W4Q R3 and Council Funds

Tech Services will scope up and cost a small improvements project for delivery at the waterfront in the 2020 Calendar. Scope considerations are as follows:

- Refurbish / repair existing solar lighting
- Supply and install additional solar light(s) at the ramp head
- Install concrete floors under existing shade structures
- Supply and install appropriate park benches in existing shade structures.
 - Wheelchair accessible for a minimum of two
- Wood fired BBQ's (two to three).

16.1.2 Resolution 19.6494 – Sale of Vehicle and Plant Items by Tender

DTS Update

- (1) Letters have been sent to the successful and unsuccessful tenderers
 - a. To date four items have been paid for
 - b. Four items have been collected by the new owners
 - c. Five items are still to be paid for and collected by the successful tenderers.
 - (i) Invoices have been sent to the successful tenderers that have not yet paid
 - (ii) No additional payments have been made to date.
- (2) Letters have been sent to tenderers, offering them to submit a late tender by 28 February 2020
 - a. No late tenders were received for the remaining three vehicles.

16.1.3 Resolution 19.6521 – Community Housing Project

DTS Update

QBuild has recommended that this project be parked for the coming months until some certainty has returned regarding the housing / infrastructure needs in Aurukun.

In accordance with the action plan the funding is accessible through until 2023.

NOTED

16.2 Housing Maintenance

NOTED

16.3 Roads Construction and Maintenance

NOTED

16.4 Works

NOTED

16.5 Workshop/Depot

16.5.1 Works in progress

Full servicing and mechanical repairs have recommenced in the Aurukun workshop with, a heavy focus on repairing mowing equipment.

NOTED

16.5.2 Replacement Vehicles

Resolution 20.6570

That Council

- (1) resolves that the insurance settlements received \$24,246.36 and \$19,759.09 be combined with the residual plant replacement budget \$17,257.00 to purchase two replacement vehicles
- (2) requests that the Director Technical Services sources and purchases two replacement vehicles.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

16.6 Airport Operations

16.6.1 Airport overview

All maintenance activities have been carried out in accordance with the airport maintenance manual. The airport remains CASA compliant.

16.6.2 Regular Public Transport (RPT)

Scheduled RPT flights have arrived on time with no significant delays or disruptions only minor delays that added up to seven hours for February 2020.

Skytrans has advised that there will be a new weekly schedule effective from 1 April 2020 (refer attachment)

- Tuesday afternoon flight is being dropped
- All other flights remain the same.

16.6.3 Rural Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) Flights

There were no RFDS flights out of Aurukun in February 2020.

NOTED

16.7 Electrical/CCTV

16.7.1 Works completed – February 2020

- Automated the starting of the Airport generator in the event of a power outage
- Replaced output card and activator at Aak Muunchanak Splash Park
- Maintained sewage infrastructure operations during heavy weather events

- Testing -
 - Test and tag at various locations
 - Testing of Residual Current Devices (RCD's) at various locations

16.7.2 Works in Progress

16.7.3 CCTV

Faults are being corrected daily.

16.7.4 Electrical Contractors Licence

Council is moving towards obtaining an Electrical Contractors Licence. I finished the Qualified Businesspersons (QBP) course in Townsville on 25 February 2020.

Ruben Kooiman, Qantas Mackinlay and Michael Thompson will be going to Qualified Technical Persons (QTP) course in March/April 2020.

Once the QTP courses have been passed Council will be able to apply for an Electrical Contractors Licence.

NOTED

Resolution 20.6571

That Council receives and adopts the Director Technical Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Ada Woolla

11.55am Marina Schaefer, Finance Manager joined the meeting via videoconference in Cairns

17. Confidential Business

Resolution 20.6572

That in accordance with Local Government Regulation 2012, Chapter 8 Administration, Part 2 Local Government meetings and committees, Council closes the meeting to the public for the following reasons:

- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else or enable a person to gain financial advantage.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

Discussion was held on the following items:

- (1) 90-day Debtors Report
- (2) Customer Aged Balances

(3) Debtors Trial Balance

Resolution 20.6573

That Council comes out of closed committee and opens the meeting back up to the public.

MOVED: Cr Ada Woolla

SECONDED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

90-day Debtors Report

Resolution 20.6574

That Council receives the 90-day Debtors Report and undertakes the necessary follow up actions.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Ada Woolla

18. General Business

Aurukun Leadership Advisory Group (ALAG)

Discussion was held between Council and Officers on the following possibility:

- ALAG meets with ASC say quarterly to -
 - discuss matters that ALAG and ASC nominate
 - raise matters of common interest particularly in how they consider that Aurukun can improve as a more harmonious, safer and positive place
 - Terms of Reference be developed (sure something similar has been done elsewhere) e.g. Indigenous Reference Group
 - ASC has a Corporate Plan which can be referred to
- ASC to encourage at least two of its employees to participate as members of ALAG.
- ASC hopes to get two people from each Clan group (one younger/one elder) to help form ALAG and participate in community engagement.
- ASC asks interagency groups to support and promote ALAG. Group needs to be facilitated by community. ALAG members are voluntary positions, not paid.
- No other members e.g. Agencies

Resolution 20.6575

That Council considers inviting local persons to participate on an Aurukun Leadership Advisory Group and suggests this possibility to Aurukun Interagency for consideration.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

19. Late Items

19.1 Standing Orders for Council Meetings Policy

New policy to be adopted by Council for the requirement of 'Standing Orders for Council Meetings S017' policy (Policy tabled).

Resolution 20.6576

That Council adopts the 'ASC Standing Orders for Council Meeting Policy S017'.

MOVED: Cr Ada Woolla

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

19.2 Lockhart River Air Crash – 11 March 2020

Resolution 20.6577

That Council forwards a message of condolence to Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council and the Government Department, QBuild in respect of the tragic airplane crash in Lockhart River on 11 March 2020.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

19.3 Correspondence

Letter received from Martin Wright, Preston Law on 11 March 2020 regarding Native Title Determination application.

Purpose of letter was to advise outcome of court hearing for Michael Ross & Ors on behalf of Cape York United Number 1 Claim Group (documents tabled).

NOTED

19.4 Wik Kath Min Values Sub Committee

Emma Burchill, Manager of Remote Services Delivery Aurukun, Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnership has invited community and stakeholders to attend Wik Kath Min Values Sub Committee meeting to discuss and campaign the Wik Kath Min Values across the community.

Recommendation 20.6578

That Council agrees

- (1) with the proposal to hold Wik Kath Min Values Sub Committee meeting to discuss and promote Wik Kath Min Values across the community
- (2) to nominate Councillor/s to participate on this committee.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Ada Woolla

19.5 Local Government Elections 2020

Received email on 14 March 2020 from Wade Lewis, Assistant Electoral Commissioner, Electoral Commission of Queensland advising that the upcoming elections are still going ahead.

NOTED

19.6 COVID 19 Virus

Aurukun Shire Council has discussed Travel Restriction with the Aurukun Local Disaster Management Group and the Aurukun health services to protect Aurukun community residents from the rapidly developing situation.

Aurukun Shire Council now advises that:

- Non-Essential Travel (Road and Air) to Aurukun is imposed immediately
- Exceptions to this restriction are Police, Council, Teachers, Health Services and essential Government / other services
- Outwards travellers must be aware of the risk of not being permitted back into community depending on advice from Queensland Health as amended from time to time.

Additionally, the following people SHOULD NOT TRAVEL to Aurukun:

- Any person who has been diagnosed with or suspected to be infected with COVID 19
- Any person who is feeling unwell or has had close contact with someone who is unwell, in the last 14 days
- Any person who has travelled overseas or returned from, in the last 14 days.

Travel to Weipa is not restricted, at this stage.

Resolution 20.6579

That Council immediately imposes 'Non-Essential Travel to Aurukun Shire/Community' Restriction due to the COVID 19 Pandemic.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

12.15pm Paula McGuire, Principal, Koolkan Aurukun State School and Josh Morris-Langton, Co-ordinator entered the meeting.

19.7 Action from Previous Council Meeting – CEO Report

Resolution 20.6557

That Council

- (1) notes the letter from Michael Thinee, Air Charter Specialists regarding air services in Cape communities
- (2) further discusses this letter at the March Council Meeting.

Resolution 20.6561

That Council advises Michael Thinee, Air Charter Specialists as follows:

- (1) Council supports the current RPT tendering system for Regional Centres
- (2) Council supports any airline that is awarded the contract for providing RPT services to the Aurukun Community.

MOVED: Cr Doris Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

PRESENTATION

12.41pm Paula McGuire, Principal, Koolkan Aurukun State School and Josh Morris-Langton gave a summary of the school's priority areas and focus for 2020.

The school's priority areas for 2020:

- Quality Teaching and Learning
- Attendance and Engagement
- A Culture that promotes Learning

New approach focusing on early reading and writing, aimed at accelerating learning in these areas for P-2 students.

Year 7 students doing full Australian Curriculum to develop knowledge and skills required for mainstream further education.

School is conducting home visits and checking on non-attendance students.

They have a strong of staff and co-ordinators checking on students who are not in school and conducting home visits.

Josh Morris-Langton, Co-ordinator conducts home visits when students are not in attendance. He advised that engaging parents is essential to part of the approach.

An attendance student board has been placed in the administration area. When a student is in school their photo is placed on the board. Josh said that the students love checking the board daily to see their photo. This is proving to be a positive encouragement for children.

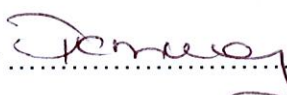
This new approach is proving to be successful with an improvement in attendance this year – highest attendance in a week was 62.4%.

Paula did mention that they have a small number of male high school students that are displaying aggressive behaviour towards staff. This situation is being monitored by the school and police.

20. Closure

The meeting closed at 1.06pm

Signed as a true and correct record

Mayor Keri Tamwoy  Dated 21 / 04 / 2020