

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL, HELD
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN ON
TUESDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER 2015**

PRESENT:	Councillors	Cr Dereck Walpo (Mayor) Cr Ada Woolla Cr Edgar Kerindun
	Officers	Bernie McCarthy - Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Ron Fenner - Director Corporate Services (DCOR) Vivien Bull - Director Community Services (DCOM) Ray Strohfeltd - Acting Director Technical Services (A/DTS) Tomas Ortiz – Acting Chief Accountant (CA) via teleconference Teresa Button - Minute Secretary (EA)
	Guests	Trish Butler, Chief Executive Officer, CYSF Kevin White, Manager BEC and Projects, CYSF Jack Wilkie-Jans, Deputy Chair, CYSF Josh Stafford, DON, Aurukun Primary Healthcare Centre, via teleconference
	Observer	

1. OPENING

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.40am with a word of prayer.

2. CONDOLENCES

Nil.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolution 15.4912

That Council grants a leave of absence to Councillor Vera Koomeeta.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution 15.4913

That Council receives and adopts the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 18 and 19 August 2015 and Special Council Meeting of 28 August 2015 and confirms them as a true and correct record.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes Ordinary Meeting of 18-19 August 2015

9.5.6 John Adams and Presbytery Minister – will be visiting Aurukun in two weeks' time to look at the lots.

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10.4 Boundary Limits – Letter has gone to the Minister of Local Government and raised at the Aurukun Roundtable. Discuss issues further with Government Champion Officer, Michael Schaumburg. Copy of letter with map also sent to Cook Shire to give opportunity for discussion.

14.1 Building Construction and Maintenance – Continuing to lobby State and Federal Governments. Need to keep the momentum going to enable survey and development of more housing, government and business enterprise sites.

Res 15.4900 JCU/AMP Survey – Meeting with Stakeholders being held on 7 October 2015 at Aurukun. Would like Alan Clough and Michelle Fitts will make the presentation to stakeholders.

**General
Business**

Shipping Container out of Town – ADTS has determined that the container is owned by painting contractors (Molloy). A firebreak has been put around it and a notice has been put on the container.

ASC Cairns Office/Adjoining Property – Possibility of buying the building property that ASC currently leases and the adjoining building/property. A valuation will be done in two weeks, then ASC will make a formal offer.

Minutes Special Meeting of 28 August 2015

6. Sale of Barge and Tilt Trailer – Advertised in the Cairns Post and Western Cape Bulletin. Tender closes on 4 October 2015.

10. Mechanical Workshop, Old TAFE Property – A MOU is being prepared with RFDS who have taken over from Menshed Australia.

6. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil.

7. CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFIED MOTIONS

Nil.

8. RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND/OR DELEGATES REPORTS

As recorded during the meeting.

9. MAYOR'S REPORT

9.1 School Leavers Engagement Program

Noted.

9.2 New Government Champion

Noted.

9.3 Men's Shed

Noted.

9.4 Civil Road Crew

Noted.

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedingsMayor

9.16 Mayors' Meetings

Noted.

Resolution 15.4915

That Council receives and adopts the Mayors Report.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

10.1 Leasing of Premises

Noted.

10.2 Business Development Report

Noted.

10.3 Possible Boundary Alignment with Cook Shire

Resolution 15.4916

That Council forwards to the Cook Shire Council a copy of the recent boundaries realignment request to the Minister for infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, Jackie Trad, MP.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

10.4 Aurukun Round Table

Noted.

10.5 Larger Meeting Venue

Resolution 15.4917

That Council;

- i. approves this proposed alteration within the Aurukun Training Centre,
- ii. seeks the permission from the funding provider, DPMC, for the alteration and other improvements proposed,
- iii. requests DPMC to approve funding from the reported \$140,000 remaining balance,
- iv. advises CYE of this request.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

10.6 Proposed Tenancy Allocation - Lot 139 Pikkuw Street

Resolution 15.4918

That Council defers the decision on this request from Department of Housing and Public Works tenancy allocation for Lot 139 Pikkuw Street, until a teleconference is held between Council and DHPW.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

10.7 Correspondence

10.7.1 Tim Jones, Kang Kang Café.

Re: Lease Shop G2, housing request and main lease issues.

Deferred until further in meeting.

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- 10.7.2 Sandy Whyte, General Manager, APN.**
Re: Possible Tourism activities at Wathaniin facility.
Noted.
- 10.7.3 Stephen Johnston, A/Director-General, Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning.**
Re: Approved Funding for 2015-16.
Noted.
- 10.7.4 Hon. Jan McLucas, Shadow Minister for Mental Health, Shadow Minister for Housing and Homelessness and Senator for Queensland.**
Re: Freezing of indexation of Financial Assistance Grants (FAGs).
Noted.
- 10.7.5 Trish Butler, CEO, CYSF.**
Re: Issues for CYSF board Meeting 5 August 2015.
Noted.
- 10.7.6 Stephen Johnston, A/Director-General, Department of Infrastructure, local Government and Planning.**
Re: Release of the Auditor-General's *Fraud Management in Local Government* Report tabled in Parliament on 2 June 2015.
Noted.
- 10.7.7 Di Farmer, MP, Chair, Finance and Administration Committee.**
Re: Inquiry into the Report on the Strategic Review of the Functions of the Integrity Commissioner.
Noted.
- 10.7.8 Tony Goode, Workforce Strategy Executive, LGAQ.**
Re: The Courier Mail Article on 31 August: Ice Crisis Linked to Grog Ban.
Noted.
- 10.7.9 Jackie Trad, MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade.**
Re: 2015-16 RACQ Get Ready Queensland program funding.
Noted.
- 10.7.10 Damian Blunden, A/Senior Adviser, Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.**
Re: List of Programmes and Activities included in the Indigenous Advancement Strategy.
Noted.
- 10.8 Forthcoming Meetings/Events**
Noted.
- 10.9 Meetings – Cairns**
Noted.

Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 11.18am and resumed at 11.43am.

Resolution 15.4919

That Council goes into Committee.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

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Discussions transpired on the following issues in respect to A and T Jones:

- Shop G2 Lease EOI.
- Accommodation request.
- CPI increase for existing leases.

Resolution 15.4920

That Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

10.10 Ex Balkanu shop premises – Shop, Aurukun Business Precinct

Resolution 15.4921

That Council grants A and T Jones an interim lease of six months for the shop G2 at the Aurukun Business Precinct at the agreed rent and this lease be advertised in March 2016 again for a longer lease from 1 April 2016 onwards.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

Resolution 15.4922

That Council advises A and T Jones that;

- 1) accommodation top unit, 416B Pikkuw Street, Aurukun is not available for lease as ASC requires it for staff purposes;
- 2) a land lease proposal is available pursuant to the ASC fees and charges subject to them providing any accommodation buildings being provided for installation at their cost; and
- 3) one bunkhouse unit may be available for their use at the ASC Mackenzie Camp Unit in approximately three months, subject to ASC fees and charges.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

Resolution 15.4923

That Council advises A and T Jones that CPI increase is to remain as per their lease of ASC properties and may only be reviewed after first three years lease expires on 17 July 2016 and they have an option of a further three years until 17 July 2019.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

10.11 Vacancy for Position of One Councillor

Resolution 15.4925

That Council goes into Committee.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

Discussions transpired on the following issue:

- Vacancy for Position of Councillor

Resolution 15.4926

That Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

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Resolution 15.4924

That Council defers this matter until General Business.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

10.12 Late Items

10.12.1 Possible Aurukun Logistics Hub – Rio Tinto Aluminium

Resolution 15.4927

That Council;

1. agrees to RTA having survey of draft proposal undertaken at their cost,
2. agrees to fully investigate this draft proposal of RTA,
3. advises RTA that this first draft lease should include ASC's initial comments on proposal,
4. advises RTA of the required planning process, and
5. refers this draft proposal to Preston and Law Solicitors for their initial comments.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

10.12.2 Aurukun Roundtable

Noted.

Resolution 15.4928

That Council receives and adopts the Chief Executive Officers' Report.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

11. FINANCE REPORT

11.1 Financial Statements and Debtors Report for the Period Ended 31 August 2015

Noted.

11.2 Cash & Investments

Noted.

11.3 Income

Noted.

11.4 Expenditure

Noted.

11.5 Debtors

Resolution 15.4929

That Council requests that Marina Schaefer, the new Chief Accountant attends the next Council Meeting in Aurukun on Monday 12 October 2015 and Council thanks Tom Ortiz for his excellent performance as Acting Chief Accountant over the past four months.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

Resolution 15.4930

That Council receives and adopts the Finance Report.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned for Lunch at 1.04pm and resumed at 1.47pm.

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Josh Stafford, DON, Aurukun Primary Healthcare Centre, joined the meeting via teleconference from ASC Cairns Office at 1.48pm

Points of discussion:

- 1590 patients serviced in recent recording period which makes it the busiest clinic in the Cape.
- New buildings due for completion before Christmas and opening early 2016.
- Community consultation process to commence with Ian Pressley, CEO, Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service, attending Aurukun every two weeks to oversee transition and consultation process for the new building.
- Old HACC Building Site – State Government has approved \$5m in principle for the building a new clinic comprising of six accommodation units and six consulting rooms.
- Staffing – Three permanent nurses, advertising for another two positions with a total of eight nursing staff in Aurukun.
- Josh thanked Council for their support and would like to provide information to Council on a more regular occurrence.
- CEO advised that it was positive to see service providers taking a proactive approach to the shortage of accommodation in Aurukun as well as expansion of the clinic which has ASC's full support.
- CEO advised upcoming stakeholder and council meetings that Josh was welcome to attend.

Josh Stafford departed the meeting at 2.02pm

12. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

12.1 Grants Officer

No Report - Noted.

12.2 Human Resources Manager's Report

Noted.

12.3 Administration Manager's Report

Noted.

12.4 Art Centre Manager's Report

No Report – Noted.

12.5 IT Records Manager's Report

Noted.

12.6 Leasing

Resolution 15.4931

That Council amends the ASC General Fees and Charges to include the following new housing rentals - \$180.00 per week for an unfurnished single unit dwelling \$195.00 per week for a furnished single unit dwelling.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

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12.7 **ASC Internal Audit Committee Charter**

Resolution 15.4932

That Council adopts the Draft Internal Audit Committee Charter as presented.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

Resolution 15.4933

That Council receives and adopts the Director Corporate Services Report.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

Trish Butler, CEO, Cape York Sustainable Futures (CYSF), and others entered the meeting at 2.37pm.

Points of discussion:

- Providing Economic Development for the Cape York Region and to assist Council on any issues.
- Lack of progress on the PDR and how it might impact future development of Cape York.
- Explained the Claim#1 Native Title and what areas it impacts.
- Voice for tourism – local tourism organisation for Cape York.
- Business Enterprise Centre – Fee for service.
- Some of the projects they have been involved in recently, being; \$333K for Reef Rescue Project and \$200K for State Development Project which involved printing of tourism brochures, tourism assets and tourist drives.
- Tourism Action Plan – Regional wide plan to develop enterprise in the Cape.
- Trish then asked Council what are some of the areas for future development (tourism assets);
 - Wet and Dry landing – coxswain's tickets
 - Use of Contractors Camp for tourism
 - IKC/Information Centre
 - Art Centre
 - Wuungkam Lodge and Kooth Pach Guesthouse
 - Access Road (33km) /PDR – Resealing and boundary realignment.
 - Fuel
 - Business Precinct
 - Supermarket
- Need to work together for the future of the Cape.
- Assist people into going into business - Mining/Hire car business
- Transfer skills to people to give them the opportunity to advance themselves and community.
- New Prime Minister – Policies/Portfolios may change.
- Business ideas – looking for projects.
- ASC Issues;
 - Telecommunications; proactive in seeking funding – CYSF will assist as this will impact any future development.
 - No permit system in place for visitors to country.
 - Sly Grogging and the potential for drugs in the Community.
 - CCTV; Security/Crime.
 - Community Police – ASC pays 100% and have no funding for this.
 - Industrial allotment.
 - Road Management Agreement with mining.
 - Has a Media Officer; who does Facebook, ASC Website, media releases.

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- Black Star Radio; commencing community announcements, to make a connection with the local people. Topics include harmony, parenting, health, education, etc.

- Old Tavern – ASC needs to come up with a purpose for this.
- Need more funding for development of land for housing.
- Open to joint ventures.
- CEO advised that CYSF were welcome to future meetings and look forward to their ongoing support.

Trish Butler and others departed the meeting at 3.38pm

13. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

13.1 Recruiting Update

Noted.

13.2 Funerals

Noted.

13.3 Events

Noted.

13.4 Miscellaneous

Noted.

13.5 GSS Security Guard

Noted.

13.6 Koolkan Childcare Report

Noted.

13.7 Community Home Help Program Report

Noted.

13.8 Environmental Health and Animal Control

Noted.

Resolution 15.4934

That Council receives and adopts the Director Community Services Report.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

14. REPORT – TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

14.1 Building Construction and Maintenance

a. Community Housing Maintenance and Upgrades

Noted.

b. Community Housing Project

Noted.

c. 66 Wel Street Training House

Noted.

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d. Council Building and Staff Housing Upgrades and Maintenance

Noted.

14.2 Civil Construction and Maintenance

a. Roads

Resolution 15.4935

That Council grants a permit under the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator scheme to John Haber for Permit Number 11597 v2 for use on Aurukun Council roads, subject to weather conditions and excludes periods where roads have been closed as advised by road signage; typically wet season road closure likely to extend from December to June.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

b. Parks and Gardens

Noted.

c. Waste

Noted.

14.3 Water and Sewerage

Noted.

14.4 Workshop

Noted.

14.5 Airport Operations

Noted.

14.6 Stores

Noted.

14.7 Human Resource Matters

Noted.

14.8 Late Items

14.8.1 New Home Set Backs

Noted.

Resolution 15.4936

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

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

General Business

MAYOR

Mayor will be absent from the Shire from 21 September to 4 October 2015

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CEO

Grant's Commission Visit – 23 September 2015

CEO advised to disadvantage cost factors to be discussed;

- Community Police
- Security
- Infrastructure and vehicle damage
- Roads expenditure
- Building costs
- Recruitment and retention
- Staff housing
- Excessive airfare costs
- High wages
- Telecommunications

2016 Council Elections

Intending candidate's information sessions to be conducted by DILG in October and November 2015.

Church Minister

Number of nights required per month for accommodation, cheaper proposition that church pays accommodation at Wuungkam Lodge or in Mackenzie Road Camp bunkhouse.

Aurukun Residents – Visiting Traditional Land

Tony Kerindun has requested that a notice be circulated regarding the people visiting his Traditional Land without permission. Contact NAKAC or identified Traditional Owner.

October Meeting – Change of Date, 9am Monday 12 October 2015.

Resolution 15.4937

That Council holds its next Ordinary Meeting on Monday, 12 October 2015, commencing at 9am and this change of date be advertised accordingly.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

NAKAC Liaison Meeting

Invitation be extended to NAKAC to hold a liaison meeting to discuss current issues.

Councillor Vacancy

A Special Meeting is to be held at 9.00am on Friday 18 September 2015 for the purpose of selecting a new Councillor. A further Special Meeting is to be held on Thursday, 8 October 2015 at 9.00am for the declaration of new Councillor and other business.

Acting Director Technical Services

Resolution 15.4938

That Council thanks Ray Strohfeldt for his services over the past three months as Acting Director of Technical Services and his positive and valuable contribution during this period.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 4.32pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedingsMayor