

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL,
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN ON
FRIDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2015**

PRESENT: Councillors Cr Dereck Walpo (Mayor)
Cr Vera Koomeeta
Cr Ada Woolla
Cr Edgar Kerindun
Cr Doris Poonkamelya

Officers Bernie McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Vivien Bull, Director Community Services (DCOM)
Graham Osborne, A/Director Technical Services (ADTS)
Teresa Button, Minute Secretary (EA)

Via Video Conference Ron Fenner, Director Corporate Services (DCORP)
Graham Poon, Business Development Grants Officer (BDGO)

1. Opening

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 12.05pm with a word of prayer.

2. Condolences

A minute's silence was observed for the recent passing in the community.

3. Leave of Absence

Nil.

4. Possible Property Purchase

Resolution 15.4975

That Council goes into Committee.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr V Koomeeta

CARRIED

Pursuant to the Local Government Regulation 2015; Council closed the meeting to the public to discuss "In Committee" certain matters:

- c) the local government budget;
- e) contracts proposed to be made by it; and
- 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.

Discussions transpired on this particular issue of the purchase of an office property at 200 McLeod Street, Cairns North.

Resolution 15.4976

That Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr D Poonkamelya

CARRIED

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Resolution 15.4977

That Council proceeds to purchase a property at 200 McLeod St, Cairns North for use primarily as the Council's Cairns administration office with any excess leased out to tenants. A price will be negotiated that is approved by Council and will be subject to:

1. independent valuation acceptable to Council;
2. fittings/partitioning/lighting suitable for office accommodation for 12 staff which includes six offices, six open plan, and including boardroom, small meeting room, kitchen/staff dining area, records storage area, toilets at rear with cleaner's storage area;
3. provision of a suitable level of natural light to specified areas using windows or skylights;
4. provision of a separate set of toilets suitable for a McLeod Street front tenancy of approximately 100m2 with toilets located close-by; and
5. provision of cover to the parking area for 12 vehicles.

If the above conditions are met or to an acceptable level of inclusions, Council will convene within five days to make a final decision.

MOVED: Cr V Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

5. **Wandering Cattle**

Director Community Services provided a verbal update on possible arrangements to remove wandering cattle from Aurukun Township.

Noted.

6. **CCTV Contract**

Resolution 15.4978

That Council approves:

1. the final CCTV tender document as provided by Erscon Consulting Engineers, subject to stakeholder approve;
2. advertises the tender on Saturday, 5 December 2015;
3. closes the tender on Wednesday, 6 January 2016; and
4. undertakes a review of all tenders and provides a recommendation to Special Council Meeting to be held in late January 2016.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr D Poonkamelya

CARRIED

7. **Sewerage Upgrade and required Funding**

Resolution 15.4979

That Council agrees to the option of the Construction of a new upgraded pump station adjacent to the Three Rivers Community Centre (ex Tavern) for an estimated cost of \$250,000.00 to accommodate the required future development.

MOVED: Cr A Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

8. **2014/15 Annual Report Adoption**

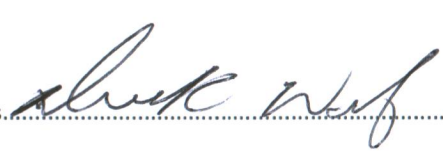
Resolution 15.4980

That Council adopts the Annual Report including Financial Statements for 2014/2015 and advises Department of Infrastructure Local Government and Planning (DILGP) that this report will be posted on the ASC website from 1 December 2015.

MOVED: Cr V Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

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9. **Social Impact Statement – Rio Tinto – CEO, Attachment**

Resolution 15.4981

That Council supports in principle the updated South of Embley Social Impact Management Plan (SIMP) as provided by Rio Tinto Aluminium, Weipa, and would like the opportunity to be further briefed to discuss the draft plan with Rio Tinto Aluminium, Weipa.

MOVED: Cr D Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr V Koomeeta

CARRIED

10. **Department of Housing and Public Works (DHPW) Proposed Allocations**

a. **Proposed Tenancy Allocation – Lot 64 Po-AI Street, Aurukun**

Resolution 15.4982

That Council approves the decision on this request from Department of Housing and Public Works (DHPW) tenancy allocation for Lot 64 Pol-AI Street, Aurukun for proposed tenant Valerina Findlay.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr D Poonkamelya

CARRIED

b. **Proposed Tenancy Allocation – Lot 58 Kach Street, Aurukun**

Resolution 15.4983

That Council approves the decision on this request from Department of Housing and Public Works (DHPW) tenancy allocation for Lot 58 Kach Street, Aurukun for proposed tenant Eddie Pootchemunka.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr D Poonkamelya

CARRIED

New House Constructions, Aurukun

Resolution 15.4984

That Council:

1. supports BAS to proceed with the construction of an additional house on vacant Lots 22 and 104, Aurukun;
2. agrees to the two additional houses being constructed on three allotments on Ian Peinkinna Estate subject to larger lots being provided;
3. advises BAS that this third house cannot be demolished on Lot 77 Pikkuw Street for cultural reasons; and
4. agrees that for any future housing subdivisions, the allotment size is to be the same size as in Bowenda Drive and Kleidon Drive.

MOVED: D Poonkamelya

SECONDED: Cr A Woolla

CARRIED

11. **Social Media – Recent Community Incident**

CEO advised that all staff should refrain from making inappropriate comments in respect of community incidents on social media.

Noted.

12. **Response from Benny Mahony. Re: Facebook Post**

Resolution 15.4985

That Council notes the response from Benny Mahony, Aurukun resident, in respect to Councils' invitation for him to attend a Special Meeting to express his concerns following his recent comments on Facebook in respect of Mayor, Dereck Walpo.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr D Poonkamelya

CARRIED

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13. **LDMG Meeting – New date: Wednesday 9 December 2015 commencing 10am**
Noted.
14. **Safety Audit**
Acting Director Technical Services advised the details of forthcoming safety audit.
Noted.

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 1.40pm.

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.......... Mayor