



**MINUTES FOR POST ELECTION MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN
ON MONDAY, 11 APRIL 2016 AT 9:00AM**

PRESENT	Councillors	Cr Dereck Walpo (Mayor) Cr Ada Woolla Cr Edgar Kerindun Cr Doris Poonkamelya Cr Vera Koomeeta
	Officers	Bernie McCarthy – Chief Executive Officer Ron Fenner – Director Corporate Services Vivien Bull – Director Community Services Perry Gould – Director Technical Services Marina Schaefer – Chief Accountant (via video conference) Fay Adam – (Temp EA) Minute Recorder
	Guests	<u>Cairns</u> Graham Poon Jeff Ryman Damir Lovrincevic Anne Boundy Sue Phillips <u>Aurukun</u> Rhonda Jolliffe Chris Delaney Dean Hegarty Herbert Yunkaporta Zuzana Orme Paul Phyland

1. OPENING:

The Chief Executive Officer declared the meeting open at 9:10 am.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil

3. BUSINESS

3.1 Declaration of Poll – 2016 Quadrennial Election

Bernie McCarthy, CEO, advised that Cr Dereck Walpo was elected to his position as Mayor unopposed and the following persons were elected as Councillors

Cr Ada Woolla

Cr Edgar Kerindun

Cr Doris Poonkamelya

Cr Vera Koomeeta

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

3.5 Register of Interest

Councillors were provided with a Register of Interests form for their prompt completion.

3.6 Councillor Remuneration

CEO advised Councillors that current remuneration rates will be paid to 30 June 2016 and increased rates of \$99,638 (Mayor), \$57,483 (Deputy Mayor) and \$49,819 (Councillors) apply from 1 July 2016.

3.7 Elected Member Legal Costs and Insurance Cover

Noted

3.8 Appointments of ASC Portfolios

Resolution 16.5100

That Council approves the following portfolio appointments:-

Cr Dereck Walpo to the Health portfolio.

Cr Vera Koomeeta to the Sports and Recreation portfolio.

Cr Dereck Walpo to the Business Development portfolio.

Cr Doris Poonkamelya to the Housing portfolio.

Cr Dereck Walpo to the Community Safety portfolio.

Cr Edgar Kerindun to the Transportation and Infrastructure portfolio.

Cr Dereck Walpo to the Environment portfolio.

Cr Vera Koomeeta to the Education Services portfolio

Cr Edgar Kerindun - Training and Employment portfolios.

Cr Ada Woolla to the Arts, Crafts and Culture portfolios.

Cr Doris Poonkamelya to the Community Services portfolio.

MOVED Cr Vera Koomeeta SECONDED Cr Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Resolution 16.5101

That Council approves Mayor Dereck Walpo to continue as ASC representation for the following organizations: -

- Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ)
- Cape Indigenous Mayors Alliance (CIMA)
- Island and Cape Retail Enterprises (ICRE)
- Cape York Sustainable Futures (CYSF)
- Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG)
- Youth Sexual Violence and Abuse Steering Committee (YSVA)

MOVED Cr Vera Koomeeta SECONDED Cr Ada Woolla
CARRIED

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.  Mayor

3.9 Appointment of ASC WCCCA Representative
Resolution 16.5102

That Council appoints Cr Vera Koomeeta as WCCCA representative on the Southern Sub-Regional Trust and that Cr Doris Poonkamelya be the substitute delegate for Cr Vera Koomeeta.

MOVED Cr Edgar Kerindun SECONDED Cr Ada Woolla
CARRIED

3.10 Elected Members Update (Cairns)
Resolution 16.5103

That Council attends the Local Government Association of Queensland Elected Member Update session in Cairns on 21 and 22 September 2016.

MOVED Cr Doris Poonkamelya SECONDED Cr Ada Woolla
CARRIED

3.11 Indigenous Leaders Forum
Resolution 16.5104

That Council agrees that the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to attend the Indigenous Leaders Forum in Cairns on 8 and 9 June 2016.

MOVED Cr Edgar Kerindun SECONDED Cr Vera Koomeeta
CARRIED

3.12 Civic Leaders Forum
Resolution 16.5105

That Council appoints Mayor Dereck Walpo and Bernie McCarthy CEO as ASC representatives to the LGAQ Civic Leaders Forum, on 13-15 July 2016 at Royal Pines, Gold Coast

MOVED Cr Ada Woolla SECONDED Cr Doris Poonkamelya
CARRIED

3.13 LGAQ Annual Conference
Resolution 16.5106

That Council appoints Mayor Dereck Walpo, Deputy Mayor Edgar Kerindun and CEO Bernie McCarthy as ASC representatives to the LGAQ Annual Conference, on 18-20 October 2016 at the Gold Coast Convention and Exhibition Centre

MOVED Cr Vera Koomeeta SECONDED Cr Ada Woolla
CARRIED

3.14 Review of 2016/2020 Goals
Noted

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

3.15 Confidential Business

Kawangka vs Electoral Commission of Queensland & Gledhill

Pursuant to the Local Government Regulations 2012 – Chapter 8 Administration - 275 Closed Meetings paragraph (f) starting or defending legal proceedings involving it, Council closed the meeting to the public and went into “Committee” to discuss this matter.

Resolution 16.5107

That Council goes into Committee.

MOVED Cr Vera Koomeeta SECONDED Cr Edgar Kerindun
CARRIED

Discussion ensued on the matter of Kawangka vs Electoral Commission of Queensland and Gledhill

Resolution 16.5108

That Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED Cr Edgar Kerindun SECONDED Cr Vera Koomeeta
CARRIED

Resolution 16.5109

That Aurukun Shire Council (ASC) endorses the engagement of King & Company Solicitors to represent Council’s interests in the Kawangka v ECQ case for the following reasons:

- i) the need for ongoing stability and solidarity of the newly elected Council
- ii) the need for Council members to be assisted with advice in this complicated legal matter
- iii) demonstration that there was a full awareness within the shire that there was a local government quadrennial election being held
- iv) avoidance of any additional costs if a further election was required
- v) avoidance of the possible delay in council making any major decision if a further election was required i.e. effectively council would have to enter another caretaker mode period
- vi) ASC had voluntarily published the occurrence of the election plus other associated events leading up to the election
- vii) ASC has been the democratically elected local government authority since 1978
- viii) ASC considers that it should continue to represent the interest of the Aurukun shire and community
- ix) ASC considers that any outside bodies should not be granted the opportunity to administer the local government affairs of the Aurukun shire and community

MOVED Cr Doris Poonkamelya SECONDED Cr Edgar Kerindun
CARRIED

Morning Tea break – 10:25AM – 11:00AM

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


3.16 Internal Induction of Council

This information session was conducted for the newly elected Council. Subjects covered were as follows:-

- Attendance of Meetings
- Remuneration
- Minutes and Agendas
- Code of Conduct
- Nil Instruction of Staff
- Responsibility and priority for Council duties and activities at all times
- Additional Duties – Community Support and Engagement
- Corporate Plan / Operation Plan
- Local Act, Regulations Other Legislation
- Local Laws
- Policies
- Request Forms for Work, Repairs and Other Services
- Information in Agendas
- ASC Uniforms
- Photographs of Council – Newsletters, Facebook and Annual Report
- Directors – advised what their departments do
- Financial Reporting and Budget
- Confidentiality

4. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 1:00PM

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