

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL,
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN
ON TUESDAY, 18 AUGUST, 2015 and WEDNESDAY, 19 AUGUST, 2015**

PRESENT:	Councillors	Cr Dereck Walpo (Mayor) Cr Angus Kerindun Cr Edgar Kerindun
	Officers	Bernie McCarthy - Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Ron Fenner - Director Corporate Services (DCOR) – via VC Vivien Bull - Director Community Services (DCOM) Ray Strohfeltd - Acting Director Technical Services (A/DTS) Tomas Ortiz – Acting Chief Accountant (CA) – via VC Laura Strohfeltd - Minute Secretary
	Guests	Brad Welsh, Alex Nicolini, Gerard Miller, Ryan Sketan (Rio Tinto)
	Observer	Damian Blunden (DPMC)

1. OPENING

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.45 am with a word of prayer.

2. CONDOLENCES

Nil

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolution: 15.4867

That Council grants leave of absence for Cr Ada Woolla and Cr Vera Koomeeta

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolution: 15.4868

That Council receives and adopts the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 21 July 2015 and Special Budget Meeting of 23 July 2015 and confirms them as a true and correct record.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes Ordinary Meeting of 21 July 2015

9.4 Magistrates Court, Aurukun

No response as yet.

9.5.6 John Adams, Presbytery Minister, Administration and Resources, Calvary Presbytery, Uniting Church.

No response as yet.

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10.4.1 John Bottoms, Bottoms English Lawyers Pty. Ltd.

62 applications for Redress Scheme.

10.9 Parking Helicopter, Aurukun Airport.

Nil response. Invoice to be sent out for 1 July to 31 August.

14.7 Community Centre.

Two Expressions of interest in the past for use of the Three Rivers Community Centre.

Resolution: 15.4869

That Council invites expressions of interest for future use of the Three Rivers Community Centre after the Gymnasium is relocated to the PCYC hub in the Sports Centre.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

Housing – Triangle area opposite the Recreation Hall

Refer to DTS report.

6. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil

7. CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFIED MOTIONS

Resolution : 15.4870

That Council rescinds previous resolution 15.4627 and it be replaced with:

That Council approves the following policy in respect of Time Off in Lieu (TOIL).

“Subject to mutual agreement between the employer and employee, the employee is required to work overtime outside the spread of ordinary working hours for the day or week, may be paid at applicable overtime rate or accrue the time worked at time in lieu (TOIL) basis, and where agreement is not reached overtime provisions shall apply”.

MOVED: Cr Dereck Walpo

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

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

As recorded during the meeting.

9. MAYOR’S REPORT

9.1 Temporary Accommodation – Visiting Ministers of Religion

Resolution: 15.4871

That Council supports the provision of 66 Wel Street as a short term solution for visiting ministers of religion, subject to the maintenance of that house being continued by DHPW.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

9.2 Aurukun Round Table

Resolution: 15.4872

That Council fully supports the conduct of this Aurukun Round Table and requires management to undertake all of the necessary arrangements.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

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9.3 Correspondence

9.3.1 Clare O'Connor, Director General, Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Resolution: 15.4873

That Council submits to DATSIP an update of the recent JCU survey results on the Alcohol Management Plan.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr Angus Kerindun
CARRIED

9.3.2 Clare O'Connor, Director General, Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Resolution: 15.4874

That Council welcomes Mr Michael Schaumburg (DG, Department of State Development) as the new Aurukun Government Champion, and thanks Mr David Edwards for his services as outgoing Aurukun Government Champion.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr Angus Kerindun
CARRIED

9.3.3 Major Mike Smith, OC Bravo Company, 51 Far Nth Qld Regiment (Email)

Resolution: 15.4875

That Council advises Major M. Smith, OC Bravo Company, 51 FNQ Regiment, that ASC looks forward to his company making a positive contribution to the community's development programme and Management submit recommendations on possible contributions to the September Council meeting.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr Angus Kerindun
CARRIED

9.3.4 Dr Mark Wenitong, Apunipima Cape York Health Council

Resolution: 15.4876

That Council agrees that Apunipima Male Health Program make a presentation on the potential threat of ICE at September Council Meeting.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr Angus Kerindun
CARRIED

9.3.5 Dr Anthony Lynham MP, Minister for State Development and Minister for Natural Resources and Mines

Re: Announcement of first \$100 million of Building Regions funding available one year earlier, that is, 2015 – 2016 financial year.

Noted

9.3.6 Leanne Enoch MP, Minister for Housing and Public Works and Minister for Science and Innovation

Re: Increasing supply of new housing.

Noted.

9.4 Graffiti

Resolution: 15.4877

That Council requests a "Stop Graffiti Campaign" to be conducted by ASC Management and damaged areas be repainted by Technical Services Department.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr Angus Kerindun
CARRIED

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9.5 Mayor's Meetings

Resolution: 15.4878

That Council receives and adopts the Mayor's Report.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am and resumed at 10.50 am.

Rio Tinto presenters entered the meeting at 10.45 am.

Rio Tinto Presentation included the following issues:

Recognition of First Nation People.

Safety – good record this year.

New name. No longer Rio Tinto Alcan - now the aluminum product group of Rio Tinto.

Awards for their workers.

Welcome to Country ceremonies at Argyle operations camp.

Construction camp / operations village.

Facilities for recreations and social gathering.

Council feedback from last briefing.

Engage students before distracted.

Community commute.

Need to work with Traditional Owners re location and management of camp site.

Recognise the importance of local content in procurement and employment.

Weighting on local content in contracts.

Communication of local opportunities, via website.

Contractor briefings. Major contractors with minor contracts below them.

Local businesses to support major contractors.

Education for local businesses to support their capacity.

Resolution: 15.4879

That Council supports, in principle, the construction of Boyd Accommodation Village subject to Rio Tinto having consulted with and having agreement with Traditional Owners of the land.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

Rio Tinto left the meeting at 12.00 pm

Resolution: 15.4880

That Standing Orders be adjourned.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

11. FINANCE REPORT

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

Noted

11.2 Cash & Investments

Noted

11.3 Income

Noted

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11.4 Expenditure

Noted

11.5 Debtors

Resolution: 15.4881

That Council approves the write off debts for \$90,844.30

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

Resolution: 15.4882

That Council notes the financial statements for the period ended 31st July, 2015.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

12. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

12.1 Grants Officer Activity Report

Noted

12.2 Human Resources Manager Report

Noted

12.3 Administration Manager Report

Noted

12.4 Arts Centre Manager

Noted

12.5 IT Records Report

Noted

12.6 Leasing

Noted

12.7 Council internal Audit Committee Meeting September

Noted

12.8 State Government Remote Cape York Airfare Scheme

Noted

Resolution: 15.4883

That Council receives and adopts the Director Corporate Services report.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

Resolution 15.4884

That Standing Orders be resumed.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

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10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

10.1 Leasing of Premises

Noted.

10.2 Business Development Report

Noted.

10.3 ASC Annual / Isolation leave travel allowance

Resolution: 15.4885

That Council continues to pay annual leave and isolation leave airfares for the externally recruited staff as per current arrangement.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

10.4 Possible boundary alignment with Cook Shire

Resolution: 15.4886

That Council lobbies Hon. Jackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade on undertaking an investigation of possible boundary alignments with Cook Shire Council.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

Resolution: 15.4887

That Council seeks a review of any previous MOU with Cook Shire Council for maintenance of the section of the Access road from Peninsular Development Road turnoff to the Aurukun Shire boundary.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

10.5 Aurukun Round Table

Resolution: 15.4888

That Council nominates the Aurukun Round Table issues to be discussed, 25 or more persons who should be invited to the Aurukun Roundtable and the preferred venue as the Aurukun Training Centre.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

10.6 Opening of Aged Care Chivaree centre and Aurukun Women's Building

Noted

10.7 Correspondence

10.7.1 Hon. Curtis Pitt MP, Treasurer, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations, Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Resolution: 15.4889

That Council applies to The Hon. C. Pitt, Minister for Employment & Industrial Relations to appoint the following holidays in pursuance of Section 4 of the Holidays Act 1983.

- Friday 16 July 2016 for a holiday for the shire of Aurukun for the purpose of the Cains Annual Show.
- Thursday 4 August 2016 for a holiday for the Shire of Aurukun for the purpose of Aurukun Day, and

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- Council circulates this information to Aurukun community stakeholders so that they can make arrangements to observe these holidays.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

10.7.2 Jenna Millward, Office of the Board Chair, Torres & Cape Hospital and Health Service, Queensland Government (Email)

Noted

10.7.3 Anthony West, Acting Senior Director, Funding and Contract management Unit, Department of Health

Noted

10.7.4 Jackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade.

Noted

10.7.5 Marcus Jarmyn, Acting Client Service Manager, Remote Housing Service Centre. Resolution: 15.4890

That Council advises the DHPW, Remote Housing Service Centre (1) Mr Charles Strang may be placed on the wait list and (2) advises DHPW there are more worthy applicants who should be provided with community housing.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

10.8 Forthcoming Meetings/Events

Noted

10.9 Meetings – Cairns, Weipa. Napranum

Noted

10.10 Telecommunications

Resolution: 15.4891

That Council agrees to work in partnership with Telstra and other stakeholders to seek the long term improvement of telecommunications within Aurukun Shire and the Cape York region and continues to undertake an extensive lobbying campaign with governments and other relevant stakeholders to ensure that fair and reasonable financial contributions are forthcoming from all benefitting parties.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

Resolution: 15.4892

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

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

13. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

13.1 Recruiting update

Noted

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13.2 Funerals

Noted

13.3 Events

Noted

13.4 Miscellaneous

Resolution: 15.4893

That Council support the lobbying of WCCCA to increase funeral grants to recover all costs.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

13.5 GSS Security Guard

Noted

13.6 Patrol Schedule and Locations

Noted

13.7 Significant Incidents Recorded

Resolution: 15.4894

That Council supports the suggestion of the Tax Return Agent to invite the ATO for a presentation closer to the end of this financial year.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

13.8 Damage incurred

Noted

13.9 Koolkan Childcare Report

Staff and Training

Noted

Reports and Funding Update

Noted

Partnerships with Community

Noted

Utilisation

Noted

Locational Playground

Noted

13.10 Community Home Help Program Report

Meetings

Noted

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Staff Management

Noted

Activities

Noted

13.11 Environmental Health and Animal Control

Staffing

Resolution: 15.4895

That Council agrees for the Director of Community Services to propose to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Public Health Program the combining of the EHO and Animal Control roles.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

Activities in absence of designated staff person

Noted

Resolution: 15.4896

That Council receives and adopts the Director Community Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Angus Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

14. REPORT – TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

14.1 Building Construction and Maintenance

Resolution: 15.4897

That Council lobbies State and Federal Governments for funding to survey and develop future housing and business enterprise sites in Aurukun township area and raise at the forthcoming Aurukun Round Table.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

14.2 Civil Construction and Maintenance

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

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Resolution: 15.4898

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

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Angus Kerindun

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 2.00pm and reconvened at 9.15 am Wednesday 19 August 2015.

- PRESENT:**
- Councillors** Cr Dereck Walpo (Mayor)
Cr Edgar Kerindun
Cr Vera Koomeeta
 - Officers** Bernie McCarthy - Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Vivien Bull - Director Community Services (DCOM)
Ray Strohfeltd - Acting Director Technical Services (A/DTS)
Laura Strohfeltd - Minute Secretary
 - Guests** Michelle Fitts, Alan Clough
(James Cook University Officers)
Sue Rayment-McHugh, Dimity Smith (Via teleconference)
(Griffith University Officers)

11. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Resolution: 15.4899

That Council grants leave of absence for Cr Ada Woolla

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

James Cook University researchers joined the meeting at 9.15 am

James Cook University presentation – Included the following points on Alcohol Management Plan Survey

- Background : a request came from Indigenous Leaders forum Conference, which supported JCU funding application.
- They have funding for three years and will return with results and reviews.
- Results indicated people felt that the incidents of serious violence in the community had diminished since AMP, but general violence was still the same.
- Sly grog was still a problem and people believed this would not change if alcohol was allowed back in the community as it was now a big business for some.
- People felt that the Police were doing their best, but sly grog was still coming in.
- Many people thought the reasons for alcohol abuse in the community was due to boredom, no jobs and addiction.
- Many believed sly grog is more of a problem in Aurukun than in other communities.
- People thought school attendance since AMP's introduction had improved. They believed this was due to people drinking any time of day, as opposed to mostly in the evening opening hours of the Tavern prior to AMP, which caused sleep deprivation for children.
- Recommendations were 1) to address sly grog as a 'Regional Issue' and Council work with other communities, and to 2) "Take the Community with you" when implementing any strategies from the research findings.

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Resolution: 15.4900

That Council holds a community stakeholders meeting in late September to fully discuss the JCU AMP survey and determine a strategy to release and explain all information that is included in this survey to the community.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

CARRIED

Griffith University presentation – Neighbourhood Survey

Pursuant to the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council closed the meeting to the public to discuss “In Committee” certain matters due to the following reason:

h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else.

Resolution: 15.4901

That Council goes into Committee.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

Discussions transpired via teleconference, on the following issue:

Griffith University researchers details of the proposed neighbourhood survey to be conducted within the Aurukun community.

Resolution: 15.4902

That Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

CARRIED

Resolution: 15.4903

That Council grants permission for the conduct of a neighbourhood community survey by Griffith University researchers within the Aurukun community during the month of September 2015 and again in early 2016.

MOVED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

CARRIED

Researchers thanked Council for permission to conduct the survey and for their input, saying they would add an additional survey question because of the feedback from Council.

General Business

Mayor

Meeting with Queensland Health Director General, Michael Walsh, Torres & Cape Hospital and Health Service, and other officials.

Discussions with the Director General regarding long term medical care needs and facilities for Aurukun.

Apunipima Health Clinic and accommodation unit.

Roles of Health Service Providers within the shared facility at Aurukun Clinic.

Current plans for improvements and extensions of the Aurukun Clinic.

Cr Vera Koomeeta

Shipping container

Someone maybe living in a shipping container just out of town.

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Directions/details given to DTS.

Tourism activities at Wathanin

CEO to enquire with APN about any possible activities.

Cr Edgar Kerindun

Old Church House

Concerns for old church house – dangerous, risk of collapse.

CEO advised that negotiations are currently under way with the church.

CEO

IT issues affecting banking service

Deferred from Director Corporate Services Report, item 12.3

Resolution: 15.4904

That Council requests the ASC Administration Manager to record the frequency and length of bank internet dropouts and this information be included in a submission to Telstra in an endeavour for a long term solution to be achieved for Aurukun's inadequate internet capacity.

MOVED: Cr Edgar Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Vera Koomeeta

CARRIED

ASC Cairns office / adjoining property

CEO, CA & BDGO have looked at various locations in Cairns.

Discussions have been held with owners of current office, re possible purchase.

Waiting on asking price from owners and on initial valuation.

Finance Department looking at implications for ASC.

Full report to Council when investigations complete.

Aurukun Office – Car park signs / markings

“Council Vehicles Only” sign and line markings will be installed at rear car park.

Wuungkam Lodge Restaurant name

CEO circulated the suggested names for indicators of preference and advised he has handed out options list to Councillors and staff.

Council also agreed on the names criterion :

- Local language, with user friendly pronunciation,
- No more than two words,
- Continued theme / aquatic animal in line with the Wuungkam Lodge concept.

Remaining Barge at Depot

2014 Council resolved to sell to APN, but they later rescinded the offer.

Now another person has requested to purchase

Council agrees that it is still available at \$1,100 on “as is, where is” condition.

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 12.15 pm on Wednesday 19 August 2015.

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