

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL,
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN
ON TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2014**

PRESENT:

Councillors	Cr Dereck Walpo Cr Angus Kerindun Cr Edgar Kerindun Cr Ada Woola (entered at 9.40 am)
Officers	Bernie McCarthy - Chief Executive Officer Ron Fenner, Director of Corporate and Community Services Robert Love, Director of Technical Services Felicia Yeow, Chief Accountant Linda Sivyver, Minute Secretary
Guests:	Terry Bartholomeusz, Government Co-ordination Officer Snr Sgt Brett Jenkins, Queensland Police Service Bruce Martin, Gerald Tamwoy and Sandy Halpin of Regional Development Corporation Scott Goodson, Brad Welsh and Gareth Anderson of Rio Tinto Alcan Weipa Lomas Amini and Tamra Bridges of Cape York Family Centre

1. OPENING

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.07 am and asked Robert Love to offer a word of prayer.

2. CONDOLENCES

Condolences were extended to the Yunkaporta/Ngakyunkwokka family in their recent loss.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apology received from Cr Koomeeta due to illness.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

14.5440 RESOLVED THAT Council receives and adopts the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 17 February 2014 and the Minutes of the Special Meeting of 4 March 2014 and confirms them as a true and correct record.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of 17 February 2014

14.5408 Justice Group – Council has not received any reply regarding the Annual General Meeting of the Community Justice Group or the letter of concern forwarded to the Attorney General.

14.5421 Whole of Community Change Program

Council has not received any response to its resolution that it does not wish to proceed with this program.

14.5428 Security

This will be dealt with in the Director of Corporate and Community Services Report.

Aurukun Day – to be dealt with in General Business.

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

19.6 **Bauxite Project Announcement**

- 14.5441 RESOLVED THAT** Council writes to Deputy Premier advising that Council is disappointed that he did not personally make the announcement in respect of a mining lease not being allocated to Aurukun and Council considers that it should be provided with substantial financial compensation to fund community projects for the future development of Aurukun.
MOVED: Cr A Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

5.2 Special Minutes of 4 March 2014
Nil.

6. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS
Nil.

7. CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFIED MOTIONS
Nil.

8. RECEPTION OF NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT MEETING
Nil.

9. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE OF MOTION
Nil.

10. DELEGATIONS
As referred to during course of Meeting.

11. RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND/OR DELEGATES REPORTS
Nil.

12. MAYOR'S REPORT

- 14.5442 RESOLVED THAT** the Mayor's Report be received.
MOVED: Cr A Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

13. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

13.1 Leasing of Premises
Noted.

13.2. Old Tavern/Community Centre
Noted.

13.3. BAUXITE PROJECT OFFICE (BPO)

- 14.5443 RESOLVED THAT** Council conducts a competition for the renaming of the BPO Complex with suitable prize to be provided.
MOVED: Cr E Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr A Kerindun
CARRIED

13.4 Rainfall Figures
Noted.

13.5 Government Champion Visit
The Government Champion, David Edwards, will be visiting Aurukun from 2 to 4 April 2014.

- 14.5444 RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the itinerary and draft submission to the Director General.
MOVED: Cr E Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr Woolla

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

CARRIED

13.6 **Expression of Interest – Centre for Appropriate Technology**
Noted.

13.7 **Annual Leave**

14.5445 **RESOLVED THAT** Council approves leave for the Chief Executive Officer from 3 July to 17 August 2014 and appoints Mr Ron Fenner as acting Chief Executive Officer for the period of leave.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

13.8 **ASC Organisation Structure Review**

13.9 **Dev Lengjel**

14.5446 **RESOLVED THAT** Council goes into Committee.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr Woolla

14.5447 **RESOLVED THAT** Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun

14.5448 **RESOLVED THAT:**

1. Council adopts the organisation structure and organisation function chart as submitted.
2. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to immediately commence the recruitment for a Director of Community Services
3. The current role of Director of Corporate and Community Services be retitled as Director of Corporate Services and that Mr Ron Fenner continue in that role at the same level of remuneration as currently applies
4. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to fill the newly created position of Human Resources Officer

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

14.5449 **RESOLVED THAT** Council notes the complaint and reassures Mr Dev Lengjel that no breach of confidentiality occurred from Council and advise Mr Lengjel that safety of staff is an ongoing concern of Council.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

Cr Woolla departed the meeting at 11.05 am.

Council adjourned for morning tea at 11.05 am and resumed at 11.15 am

13.10 **Tropical Amusements**

14.5450 **RESOLVED THAT** Council grants permission for the Tropical Amusement group to enter Aurukun subject to the payment of the commercial entry permit set out in Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges and provision of a copy of their public liability cover.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun

13.11 **Residency Permit**

14.5451 **RESOLVED THAT** Council does not grant residency to Lenard Sebasio.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun

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

13.12 **Minister for Local Government, Community Recover and Resilience**

Noted.

13.13 **Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning**

Noted.

13.14 **Alcohol Management Plan**

14.5452 RESOLVED THAT Council continues to not seek a review of the Alcohol Management Plan in respect of the Aurukun Shire due to the continuing unrest and antisocial behaviour of the community.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

13.15 **AIATSI**

14.5453 RESOLVED THAT Council grants permission for the four films to be broadcast nationwide and that Council requests a copy of these in DVD format.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun

CARRIED

13.16 **Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning**

Noted.

13.17 **Forthcoming Meetings**

Noted.

13.18 **Meetings – Cairns**

Noted.

14.5454 RESOLVED THAT Council receives and adopts the Chief Executive Officer's Report.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

14. FINANCE REPORT

14.5455 RESOLVED THAT Council approves the recommended bad debts be written off for 2013/2014 totalling \$2,603.88 and \$790 for meter box damage at Uniting Church.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

14.5456 RESOLVED THAT Council adopts and receives the Finance Report.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.40 pm and resumed at 1.25 pm

Snr Sgt Brett Jenkins entered the Meeting at 1.25 pm.

The Mayor welcomed Snr Sgt Jenkins to the meeting and asked him to introduce himself and speak about the Safer Streets role.

Snr Sgt Jenkins informed Council that he and his wife would be moving to Aurukun quite soon for a six (6) month period to run the "Safe Streets" Program.

Snr Sgt Brett Jenkins departed the Meeting at 1.55 pm.

Cr Woolla entered the meeting at 2 pm.

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

15. REPORT - DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

15.1.1 Recruiting Update – Information Only

Noted.

15.1.2 Security – Information Only

Instant Security representative is on site today to provide a quote for Council's security.

15.1.3 IKC – Information Only

Noted.

15.1.4 Child Care – Information Only

Noted.

15.1.5 Healthy Communities – Information Only

Noted.

15.1.6 Aurukun HACC – Information Only

Noted.

15.1.7 Art Centre – Information Only

Noted.

15.1.8 Grants/Business Development

Noted.

15.1.9 New Policies for Adoption by Council

14.5457 RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the following new policies:

- (a) New Complaints Policy
- (b) Social Media Policy
- (c) Internet Email and Computer Use Policy

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

14.5458 RESOLVED THAT the benefit of travel allowance is to apply to the Art Centre artists when approved for travel to legitimate Art Centre Workshops and Exhibitions.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Woolla

14.5459 RESOLVED THAT Council adopts and receives the Director of Corporate and Community Services Report.

MOVED: Cr Woolla

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

Bruce Martin, Gerald Tamwoy and Sandy Halpin from Regional Development Corporation entered the Meeting at 2.35 pm.

The Mayor welcomed Bruce Martin to the Meeting and asked him to address the Meeting.

Bruce Martin gave a presentation to Council on the purpose of the Regional Development Corporation and what the future can be like if Councils plan together with the Corporation.

Bruce Martin, Gerald Tamwoy and Sandy Halpin departed the Meeting at 3.25 pm.

Scott Goodson, Brad Welsh and Gareth Anderson from Rio Tinto Alcan entered the meeting at 3.20 pm.

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

The Mayor welcomed them to the Meeting and asked Gareth Anderson to address Council.

Gareth Anderson gave a presentation to Council of Rio Tinto Alcan and the current situation of mining in the area.

Scott Goodson, Brad Welsh and Gareth Anderson departed the meeting at 4.15 pm

Tamra Bridges and Lomas Amini entered the Meeting at 4.15 pm

The Mayor welcomed Lomas Amini and Tamra Bridges to the Meeting and asked them to address Council.

Lomas Amini informed Council about the Cape York Family Centre which is currently being built out of Cooktown and which will be a rehabilitation centre with a family focus. This is being run by Blue Care Indigenous Services– ten families can be accommodated for the program at one time. The families will be supported in community prior to going to the centre and after up to a two year period.

Tamra Bridges and Lomas Amini departed the Meeting at 4.30 pm.

16. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES

16.1 Building construction and Maintenance

(a) Community Housing Maintenance

Noted.

(b) Community Housing Tender

14.5460 RESOLVED THAT Council goes into Committee

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

14.5461 RESOLVED THAT Council comes out of Committee.

MOVED: Cr Woolla

SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun

CARRIED

14.5462 RESOLVED THAT Aurukun Shire Council seeks to enter a contract with Department of Public Works and Housing on the MiHaven offer to construct the five (5) houses for a sum of \$1,810,600 and once this contract is in place, Council would then enter into a back to back contract with MiHaven as the builder.

MOVED: Cr A Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr Woolla

CARRIED

(c) Council Building and Staff Housing Maintenance

Noted.

(d) Women's Art Centre

Noted.

16.2. Civil Construction and Maintenance

Noted.

16.3 Water and Sewerage

Noted.

16.4 Plant Maintenance

Noted.

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

- 16.5 **Animal Control and Environmental Health**
Noted.
- 16.6 **Airport Operations**
Noted.
- 16.7 **Workplace Health and Safety**
Noted.
- 16.8 **Disaster Management**
Noted.

14.5463 RESOLVED THAT Council adopts and receives the Director of Technical Services report.
MOVED: Cr A Kerindun **SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun
CARRIED

17. CORRESPONDENCE
Nil.

18. QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC GALLERY
Nil.

19. GENERAL BUSINESS

19.1 Aurukun Day – Terry Bartholomeusz

Plans were continuing on this and will be brought back to the next Ordinary Meeting.

19.2 Criminal Charge – I Schardiin

The Chief Executive Officer informed Council of an issue which had happened in respect of illegal IT access and which Council could bring criminal charges against this person.

19.3 Aurukun Business Precinct

The opening to be on 3 April 2014 and if no members of Parliament can undertake the opening, then we ask the Director General, DSDIP, David Edwards on his visit to do same.

19.4 M V Pikkuw – Aurukun Wetland Charter

Council has received a letter from their solicitor, Miller Harris Lawyers, revoking the earlier offer to purchase the Pikkuw and the CEO advises that he has referred this matter to Bottoms English for their advice and briefing.

19.5 Slygrogging and Drug Running - Mayor

Notice to be put in the Weipa Bulletin that the Aurukun Council will not allow people to come in and sell sly grog and drugs. The police will be advised of any offenders and they will be charged.

Council is tired of this community living in poverty while the offenders live in luxury.

19.6 Physical Threats to staff and lack of security

The Chief Executive Officer expressed concern with the current situation and advised Council that a joint teleconference will be held on 19 March to discuss this issue and how the situation can be improved.

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 5.35 pm.

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