

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL, HELD  
AT THE MERCURE HARBOURSIDE RESORT, THE ESPLANADE, CAIRNS ON  
TUESDAY, 21 MAY 2013**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>Councillors</b>	Cr Dereck Walpo Cr Angus Kerindun Cr Vera Koomeeta Cr Ada Woolla Cr Edgar Kerindun
	<b>Officers</b>	Bernie McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer Ron Fenner – Acting Director of Corporate and Community Services
	<b>Guests</b>	Mr J Bottoms, Ms B Gill, Ms J Ronlund, Mr J Dillon, Mr A Penrith, Mr M St Amand

**1. OPENING**

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 8.30 am and asked Councillors to take one minute's silence in respect of the death of two (2) community members in the past week.

The Mayor then opened with a word of prayer and then asked the Chief Executive Officer to proceed with the agenda.

**2. CONDOLENCES**

Nil.

**3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil.

**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council receives the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 16 April 2013 and confirms them as a true and correct record.

**MOVED: Cr Koomeeta**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council receives the Minutes of the Special Meeting of 14 May 2013 and confirms them as a true and correct record.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Nil.

**6. RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND/OR DELEGATES REPORTS**

Nil.

**7. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**8.5 Appointments with Mayor and Senior Staff**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council agreed that all agencies wishing to see senior staff and the Mayor must make an appointment with the CEO's Personal Assistant.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Koomeeta**

**CARRIED**

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

**8.6 Back Office Receptionist**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council advertises for a person to fill the position of receptionist/administration officer in the back office.

**MOVED: Cr Woolla**

**SECONDED: Cr Koomeeta**

**CARRIED**

**8.7 Council Office Entrance**

**RESOLVED THAT** the Acting Director of Technical Services investigate the possibility of an alternative permanent entry to the Council Administration other than the back door.

**MOVED: Cr E Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Koomeeta**

**CARRIED**

**8.9 Presentation to Neil Peinkinna**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council make a presentation to Neil Peinkinna at the next Council Meeting congratulating him on the completion of his plumbing apprenticeship.

**MOVED: Cr Woolla**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

**8.10 Appointment of Chief Executive Officer**

**The Chief Executive Officer departed the Meeting.**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council notes that Mr Bernie McCarthy has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of Aurukun Shire Council effective from 8 May 2013 and endorses this appointment.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**The Chief Executive Officer returned to the Meeting.**

**8.11 Uniform Policy**

Council discussed a Uniform Policy and this matter was referred to the Chief Executive Officer and the Director of Corporate and Community Services to investigate further and report back to Council. The Uniform Catalogue is to be provided over the next few weeks to Councillors to select additional uniforms.

**8.12 Bin Hooks**

**RESOLVED THAT** this matter be referred to the Acting Director of Technical Services to investigate and report back to Council.

**MOVED: Cr E Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**8.13 RFDS Wellbeing Centre**

This matter was discussed and Council agreed that the Mayor should meet with Peter Nott of RFDS Wellbeing Centre to discuss the proposal of a rehabilitation centre and report back to Council.

**8.14 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday – Akay Koo’oila**

**RESOLVED THAT** a community morning tea function be held in the Town Square for the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Aurukun’s eldest resident, Mrs Akay Koo’oila on 1 July 2013 and that this be supervised by HACC.

**MOVED: Cr Koomeeta**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

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

**8.15 Archie Roach Concert**

**RESOLVED THAT** Aurukun Shire Council offer \$1,000 towards a concert in Aurukun.

**MOVED: Cr E Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

**8.16 Anthony Blake Pty Ltd**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council offer to Anthony Blake Pty Ltd the opportunity to do community tax returns and that office space is to be paid for at the scheduled fee.

**MOVED: Cr Koomeeta**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**RESOLVED THAT** the Mayor's Report be received.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

**9.2 Legal Matters**

John Bottoms, BE Law – providing list of current legal matters as per attachment. Some of these issues were discussed when Mr Bottoms later attended the meeting.

**9.3 Capital Contribution/Lease Rio Tinto – Aurukun Business Precinct**

A further meeting was held on Friday 10 May 2013. An update of progress was provided.

**9.4 Joint Councils Meeting at Napranum**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council notes this report, supports the new Cape Indigenous Mayors Alliance and seeks funding for the Whole of Community Program to be conducted in Aurukun community.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

**9.5 Housing Construction/Training Pilot Program**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council endorses

(1) The Mayor's action in writing to the Minister for Housing and Public Works seeking assistance in the preparation of a tender/EOI calling for appropriate companies to provide for a housing employment/training pilot program in Aurukun community, and

(2) Calling tenders/EOI for Pilot Program in the near future.

**MOVED: Cr E Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**9.6 Corporate Plan**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council defers the new Corporate Plan process until October 2013.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

**9.7 Draft Community Plan**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council approves Brett de Chastel, Consultant, providing a brief commentary report on the draft 20 year Community Plan for Aurukun Shire and Community.

**MOVED: Cr Koomeeta**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

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**9.9 Briefing Meeting**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council holds an initial Briefing Meeting on Friday 14 June 2013 between 9 am to 11 am.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun  
CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr Koomeeta**

**9.11 Business Development Study**

Refer Director of Corporate and Community Services Report.

**9.12 Sport and Recreation Study (Building Rural Communities Fund)**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council engages M&K Planning and Design to undertake a Sport and Recreation Precinct Master Plan at a cost of \$15,400.

**MOVED: Cr Koomeeta  
CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**LATE ITEMS**

**9.13 Accommodation – Adeline Chong**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the leasing of the downstairs unit at 601 Kang Kang Road (now known as the Old Guest House) to Adeline Chong for her hairdressing staff with the weekly rent being \$116 per week.

**MOVED: Cr Woolla  
CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**9.14 Annual Report – Council Photos**

The Chief Executive Officer requested that Councillors/Officers be available for group and individual photos. This request was agreed to by Council.

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

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun  
CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr Koomeeta**

**9. FINANCE REPORT**

Nil.

**10. REPORT - DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**10.1 Ranger Program**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the Department of Heritage and Environment funding being paid direct to APN for ranger services, subject to any proposed lease or deposit being paid for full lease, accommodation and transfer of vehicles equipment etc to APN.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun  
CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**11.1.5 Short Term Business Consultancy**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council accepts the Expression of Interest from Business Mapping Solutions to undertake a Business Development Officer consultancy role at a cost of \$99,530.45.

**MOVED: Cr E Kerindun  
CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr A Kerindun**

**10.2 Report Indigenous Knowledge Centre**

Noted.

**10.3 Koolkan Early Childhood Centre and Family Support Hub**

Noted.

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Please note that the following Reports were not received:

- HACC
- Arts Centre
- Healthy Communities

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

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**  
**CARRIED**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

## **11. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL SERVICES**

### **12.13 Concept Plan – Council Office Surrounds**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council adopts the Council Office Surrounds Concept Plan including central relocation of playground and installation of non-smoking areas.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

### **12.14 Disposal of Surplus Plant and Equipment**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council approves the disposal of all listed items of plant and equipment and advertise them for sale by public tender.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council adopts and receives the Acting Director of Technical Services Report.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr Woolla**

**CARRIED**

## **6 PRESENTATIONS**

**Mr John Bottoms entered the Meeting at 12 noon.**

### **6.1 John Bottoms, BE Law**

Mr Bottoms met with Council and discussed the following issues:

- Rio Tinto – lease of upper floor, Aurukun Business Precinct.
- Blue Lagoon – Cape York Wildlife Adventures – illegal usage of property.
- Local Laws – comments and draft to come from BE Law as a package.
- Tripartite Deed – Training Centre and associated accommodation.

**The Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.30 p and resumed at 1.30 pm.**

**Mr Bottoms departed the Meeting at 1.30 pm and Ms Belinda Gill from Department of Local Government entered the Meeting at 1.30 pm.**

### **6.2 Belinda Gill, Department of Local Government**

Ms Belinda Gill from the Department of Local Government met with Council and briefed Council on the following items:

- Presentation on Local Government Act Amendments and Local Government Regulations implantation
- Training (Governance) – Council advised that a full session is required in August 2013
- Other relevant Local Government governance issues.

**Ms Gill departed the Meeting at 2.30 pm.**

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**6.3 Anthony Penrith – RAATSIC**

Anthony Penrith presented to Council the possible services that RAATSIC can offer to the community and in particular Council.

**6.4 Mark St Amand – Black & More**

Mark St Amand brought Council up to date with finalisation of the Aurukun Business Precinct.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

**14. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS**

Nil.

**15. CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFIED MOTIONS**

Nil.

**16. RECEPTION OF NOTICES OF MOTION FOR NEXT MEETING**

Nil.

**17. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil.

**18. QUESTIONS FROM PUBLIC GALLERY**

Nil.

**19. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**19.1 Speed Signs – Aurukun Community**

**RESOLVED THAT** Council requests the Acting Director of Technical Services to investigate lower speed restrictions for the local community.

**MOVED: Cr A Kerindun**

**SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun**

**CARRIED**

**19.2 Mining Proponents Meeting**

Discussion was held on the scheduled meetings with the four (4) remaining proponents.

**19.3 Non-Smoking Areas**

Council agreed that non-smoking areas should be investigated in the commercial area of the township.

**19.4 Apunipima Health Think Tank**

The Mayor advised that he had attended a Think Tank Session in Cairns on 20 May.

**19.5 Alcohol, Drugs, Firearms**

Council discussed these issues and agreed that staff who commit offences with any of these issues should be dismissed.

**There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 3.10pm.**

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