

# MINUTES of ORDINARY MEETING

Thursday 21st January 2021

Council Offices, Doomadgee

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## Item 1 - Declaration of Opening

At 10:15am the January 2021 Council Meeting was adjourned for an hour due to lack of a quorum by the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Garry Jeffries

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 11.12 am

#### Item 2 - Condolences

A Minutes silence was held for departed Community Members: Mr Cameron Douglas Jnr and Mr Raymond Doolan.

#### Item 3 - Record of Attendance and Leave of Absence

#### **Elected Members**

Mayor Jason Ned

Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Cr. Elijah Douglas

Cr. Myron Johnny

Cr. Athol Walden

#### Staff

Garry Jeffries - Chief Executive Officer

Troy Fraser - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Colin Duffy - Director of Corporate Services (to present his report)

Robert Bottger - Director Engineering (to present his report)

Marilou McKay – Finance Manager (call in if required)

Craig Oxlade - Director Economic & Community Development (to present his report)

Pam Danaher - PA to CEO/Minute Taker

#### **Apologies**

Nil

# Item 4 - Obligations of Councillors

#### 4.1 PRESCRIBED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 2 Section 150EG, Chapter 5B, Part 2 Section 150EH and Chapter 5B, Part 2 Section 150EI -

no declarations of prescribed conflicts of interest were raised.

#### 4.2 DECLARABLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 3 Section 150EN -

no declarations of declarable conflicts of interest were made during this Meeting.

# 4.3 COUNCILLORS TO REVIEW EXISTING REGISTER OF INTERESTS AND RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE

Councillors reviewed their Registers of Interest and Related Parties Disclosures.

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#### Item 5 - Confirmation of Minutes

# 5.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020

Cr. Myron Johnny arrived at the meeting at 11.15 am. Cr. Antoinette Diamond left the meeting at 11.29 am.

**Resolution No 1 – 1/21** That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Cr. Antoinette Diamond returned to the meeting at 11.33 am.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned
Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas
Carried

# Item 6 – Business Arising from Minutes Previous Meeting

6.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2020
Nil.

#### Item 7 - Visitors and Presentations

Presentation by Nida Asgar was delay until after the Chief Executive Officers Report due to Nida being in Hospital Meetings.

Item 8 - Reports



#### 8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

#### 8.1.1 ON COUNTRY PROJECT

For Council's information.

#### 8.1.2 REGIONAL WASTE FACILITY

For Council's information.

#### 8.1.3 RESIDENTIAL LAND SUBDIVISIONS

For Council's information.

# 8.1.4 DEFRAMING THE RELATIONSHIP WITH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & SCIENCE (DES)

Resolution No 2 - 1/21 That Council endorse the new partnership approach, initiated by the Department of Environment and Science, to improve the relationship it has with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Councils. Particularly in relation to regulating environmentally relevant activities.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Myron Johnny Carried

Pam Danaher left the meeting at 12.18 pm. Pam Danaher returned to the meeting at 12.20 pm.

#### 8.1.5 BUILDING BETTER REGIONS FUNDING

For Council's information.

**Resolution No 3 - 1/21** That Council receive and take note of the Chief Executive Officers report for January 2021.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Myron Johnny Carried



#### 7.1 NIDA ASGAR, DIRECTOR OF NURSING, DOOMADGEE HOSPITAL

This presentation was out of Order as Nida was held up with Meetings at the Hospital. Presentation commenced at 12.43 pm.

Nida Asgar arrived at the Meeting at 12.43 pm. She advised that the COVID machine was working at the Hospital now and the turn around for results of the testing were less than an hour. The hospital staffing is at full capacity. Four staff from the hospital at a time are doing the training for the COVID testing. Contractors are employed to follow up on any COVID traces.

Trump's vaccine is going to the big cities in Australia mainly for health care and aged workers. Nida suggested that if the needle for the vaccine is available everyone should try and get it even though it is not compulsory.

Concerns were expressed to Nida that there should be a list of people in Doomadgee with health issues/heart conditions supplied to the Police so that when they are called out they know who are not well people. Nida advised that this could not happen without the consent of the vulnerable person. The Police should attend each call out with caution anyway.

New staff for Doomadgee Hospital have a 1 day training session by North West District in Mt Isa. There is no actual cultural training involved. She advised that her staff would be happy to attend Council's Cultural Training. There are all permanent staff at the Hospital at the moment and no agency staff.

There are two permanent renal patients at Doomadgee. The Renal Ward was meant to start. The machine from Sydney was late arriving and should be here hopefully by March. The locals are refusing to leave Doomadgee for treatment. When machine arrives the nurses will be able to carry out the whole dialysis treatment.

Nida was asked about the gated community accommodation and she advised that 14 out of 22 units were being used and there were units for fly in doctors and other staff assisting the community.

The Chief Executive Officer thanked Nida for her attendance at Council meeting.



# <u>Lunch Break</u> - 1.05 pm

A luncheon break was called at 1.05 pm.

Cr. Myron Johnny left the meeting during the luncheon break at approximately 1.36 pm and did not return to the meeting.

Council Meeting resumed at 1.36 pm.



#### 8.2 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

# 8.2.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PROVIDED BY FINANCE MANAGER – MARILOU MCKAY

This monthly report illustrates the financial performance and position of Doomadgee Shire Council compared to its adopted Budget for the 2020-2021 financial year as at the end of 31st December 2020.

Resolution No 4 - 1/21 That the Financial Statements attached to the report of the Director of Corporate Services for January 2021 be received and noted.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

# 8.2.2 ELECTED MEMBERS QUERIES TO THE QUEENSLAND AUDIT OFFICE (QAO)

For Council's information.

#### 8.2.3 DISASTER MANAGEMENT PLAN

**Resolution No 5 - 1/21** That Council adopt the Doomadgee Local Disaster Management Plan attached to the Director of Corporate Services Report for January 2021.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Athol Walden Carried

**Resolution No 6 - 1/21** That Council receive and take note of the Director of Corporate Services Report for January 2021.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas Carried



#### 8.3 DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT

#### 8.3.1 WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) 2019-2021

Progress Meeting with Builder – Tim Wilson Stores Shed
New Workshop
Airport Carpark / Terminal Building Drainage
Solar Street Lights
"On Country" Camp

For Council's information.

## 8.3.2 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCIP)

Water Treatment Plant
Sewerage Pumping Stations
New Regional Waste Facility
Riverside Tipping Area Clean Up and Remediation
Little Century Clean Up

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.3 REMOTE AIRSTRIP UPGRADE PROGRAM (ICCIP)

New Runway LED Lighting Weather Station

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.4 6 x COMMUNITY HOUSES (DPW)

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.5 3 x NEW STAFF HOUSES (LGGSP)

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.6 DEPARTMENT INNOVATION AND TOURISM INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.7 QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (QRA)

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.8 NEW SUBDIVISION

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.9 WORKS CREWS

General Crew
Town Beautification Crew
Road Crew
Airport Crew
Water & Sewerage Crew



Mechanical Workshop Rubbish Crew

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.10 PROGRAM OF WORKS

For Council's information.

#### 8.3.11 CHRISTMAS PERIOD COUNCIL VEHICLE ACCIDENT

For Council's information.

Cr. Antoinette Diamond left the meeting at 2.39 pm. Cr. Antoinette Diamond returned to the meeting at 2.41 pm.

Resolution No 7 - 1/21 That Council receive and take note of the Director of Engineering Report for January 2021.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Athol Walden Carried



#### 8.4 DIRECTOR ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

#### 8.4.1 MEETINGS AND TRAINING ATTENDED

For Council's information.

8.4.2 COVID 19

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.3 GRANTS AND FUNDING INFORMATION

Troy Fraser left the meeting at 3.13 pm. Troy Fraser left the meeting at 3.15 pm.

Pam Danaher left the meeting at 3.16 pm to carry out duties at the Airport.

For Council's information.

8.4.4 YOUTH HUB

For Council's information.

8.4.5 RADIO

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.6 ENVIRONMENT

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.7 CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.8 OTHER

For Council's information.

Resolution No 8 - 1/21 That Council receive and take note of the Director Economic & Community Development Report for January 2021.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond Carried



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# Item 9 - Correspondence

**9.1** Letter from Senator Susan McDonald, Senator for Queensland advising of Mobile Black Spot Program Funding – Round 5A Open. (Attached)

For Council's information.

**9.2** Letter from Leeanne Enoch MP, Minister for Communities and Housing, Minister for Digital Economy, Minister for the Arts, thank Council for their work during the COVID 19 pandemic and advising that Care Army volunteers are available to assist when help is needed and providing telephone numbers. (Attached)

For Council's information.

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## Item 10 - General Business

#### 10.1 LEASE OF 6 HOUSES IN DOOMADGEE

The road has two names on different plans and documents:

- 1. New Subdivision Road; and
- 2. New Estate Road.

The Queensland Government Database has it listed as New Estate Road. All information needs to be changed and keep the road as "New Estate Road."

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# ITEM 11 - LATE ITEMS

Nil.

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## Item 12 - Confidential Session

Resolution No 9 – 1/21 That the Council close the meeting at 3.46 pm under section 254J Local Government Regulations 2012:

- 12.1.1 Confidential Not for Public Release Staffing Matters 3(b)
- 12.1.2 Confidential Not for Public Release Staffing Matters 3(b).

Moved: Cr. Elijah Douglas Seconded: Mayor Jason Ned Carried





- 12.1 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TROY FRASER CONFIDENTIAL REPORT
  - 12.1.1 STAFF MATTERS

Nil.

- 12.1.2 CONTRACT PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- 12.2 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT
  Nil.
- 12.3 DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT
  Nil.
- 12.4 DIRECTOR ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

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**Resolution No 10 – 1/21** That the meeting be re-opened to the public at 3.58 pm.

Moved: Cr. Elijah Douglas Seconded: Mayor Jason Ned

Carried

# Item 13 - Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be Thursday 18th February 2021.

# ITEM 14 - Meeting Closed

Meeting closed at 4.00 pm.

Jason Ned Mayor

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