

# MINUTES of ORDINARY MEETING

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020
9.00 am
Conference Room,
I Marlin Parade, Cairns, QLD

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# Item 1 - Declaration of Opening

The Acting Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.07 am.

## Item 2 - Condolences

A Minutes Silence was held for:

Ms. Adele Sandy, Mr Gordon Doomadgee, Mr Tony Arthur and Mr Darcy Walden

# Item 3 - Record of Attendance and Leave of Absence

#### **Elected Members**

Acting Mayor Myron Johnny

Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Cr. Elijah Douglas

Cr. Athol Walden

#### Staff

Garry Jeffries - Chief Executive Officer

Steve Linnane - Acting Director of Corporate Services

Edwina Marks - new Acting Director of Corporate Services - Guest

Richard McKeown - new Acting Director Engineering - Guest

Pam Danaher - PA to CEO/Minute Taker

#### Apologies

Mayor Jason Ned - Council agreed that Mayor Jason Ned be granted a leave of absence for 30th July 2020.

Joanne Linnane - Acting Community Services Manager

# Item 4 - Obligations of Councillors

## 4.1 MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

Pursuant to Section 175C of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of material personal interests were made during this Meeting.

# 4.2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST / PERCEIVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Section 175D of the Local Government Act 2009, Cr. Antoinette Diamond informed the meeting of a perceived conflict of interest in respect of Item 11.02.3 of the Agenda.

# 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 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2020

**Resolution No 1 – 7/20** That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden 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 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2020

Council requested a review of the Council Bus Hire policy in particular conditions relating to Community Hire of the bus for Sorry Business attendance.

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#### 8.1A CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

# 8.1.1A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND (LGAQ) ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Resolution No 2 - 7/20 That Council authorise all Councillors to attend the LGAQ Annual Conference to be held at the Gold Coast between Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2020, returning to Doomadgee on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2020 with final names and numbers to be given by the end of August 2020 so that attendance fees may be paid covering early bird registration.

Moved

Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny

Carried

9.45 am Jim Evans, Regional Manager, Northern Region, Local Government Division and Kristy Nau, Senior Advisor, Local Government Division arrived at the Meeting to provide updates to the Councillors and also some Councillor Training.

#### 8.1.2A HOLIDAYS FOR DOOMADGEE

Resolution No 3 - 7/20 That Council advise the Office of Industrial Relations that the following days be nominated as Show/Bank Holidays for the Doomadgee Local Government Area for 2021:

Date

Event/Day

Show/Bank Holiday

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2021

Mabo Day

Bank Holiday

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021 Doomadgee Day

Bank Holiday

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

#### 8.1.3A COVID WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q)

For Council's information.

#### 8.1.4A LGAQ ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION

Resolution No 4 - 7/20 That Council authorise the payment of the whole of the Membership Fees in the attached Tax Invoice in an amount of \$48,376.50.

Acting Mayor Myron Johnny left the meeting at 10.00 am.

Cr. Athol Walden was elected to Chair the meeting.

Moved:

Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Carried

# 8.1.5A GROWING TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE (GTI) FUND

For Council's information.

# 8.1.6A GIDGEE HEALING - NEW FACILITIES MANAGER - CHANGE IN STRUCTURE

For Council's information.

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Acting Mayor Myron Johnny returned to the meeting at 10.17 am and resumed as Chair of the meeting

Resolution No 5 - 7/20 That Council receive and take note of the Chief Executive Officers report for July 2020.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden
Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas
Carried

Pam Danaher left the meeting at 10.21 am. Pam Danaher returned to the meeting at 10.31 am.

10.22 am Steve Linnane Acting Director of Corporate Services completed a presentation on the Budget which concluded at 10.33 am.

Council Meeting broke for morning tea at 10.35 am.

Council Meeting resumed at 10.57 am.

# Item 7 - Visitors and Presentations

7.1. Yolonde Entsch, Empowering Women, Empowering Community.

Yolonde Entsch presented to the Council Meeting at 10.57 am. She spoke on the Pottery Studio which is next to My Pathways at Doomadgee. She also produced Goannas which had been made and painted at the Studio, placed in cellophane bags together with the name of the artist and details of where they were from. Ms Entsch would like to install Goanna Waves at the Airport, Council Chambers and the Youth Hub together with any other place that would be interested in displaying them.

Save the Children kids painted a large area of cloth of "Doomadgee Dogs" which has been framed and Ms Entsch would like to request Cr. Elijah Douglas to become custodian of the dog painting.

If the Tourism Hub on the Savannah Way goes ahead Ms Entsch would like to put in pottery for sale. Would also like to see culture effects as well.

ADBT store in Cairns have been asking for more goods to sell in their shop.

Ms Entsch also handed over a letter to Council seeking agreement to various items which will be presented to the Council Meeting in August.

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7.2. Marnie Wettenhall, Regional Manager, National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA), and Tess Keane, Senior Advisor for NIAA attended the Council Meeting and advised that their organisation has money available for Doomadgee which may be able to be used for a Wellbeing Centre.

She talked on petrol sniffing, about youth and disengaged youth. Minister Ken Wyatt is very concerned about the young children and the long term effects that petrol sniffing can have. Need to change the supply of the type of petrol in Community. Ms Wettenhall advises that she has proof that ethanol fuel does not affect the later model cars or smaller motors. She can provide people with the expertise to attend Community meetings so that they can receive all the relevant information. Tom Atu carried out a workshop on Mornington Island and maybe he could share his findings with Council. Need to put activities in place for the kids so that they are too tired to raid fuel at night times.

The NIAA officers expressed a desire to have a regular presence at Council Meetings to be able to improve stakeholder communication and to build on today's contact.

Chief Executive Officer Garry Jeffries advised that Council usually have one or two people attend each Council Meeting from Community Groups and NIAA would be added to that list.

Cr. Elijah Douglas left the meeting at 11.31 am.

Ms Wettenhall advised that she wants to work with all stakeholders in Doomadgee to improve service delivery across the Community. Now that COVID restriction are easing getting the Community Stakeholder meetings back on track will facilitate this.

There was some discussion about Council's plans for the On Country Project and the need to engage youth in skills training and connection to culture. If funding and commitment can be sourced to sustain this project, it could provide training and mentoring to develop skills in the youth and potentially identify future leaders of the Community

Cr. Elijah Douglas returned to the meeting at 10.35 am.

Cr. Douglas advised that the sniffing was in the age group below the Youth Hub eligible age. Additionally, through his experience with organizing many community events, Cr Douglas is confident that all the youth want to be involved in the activities and improve their skill set.

Ms Wettenhall will prepare a report for the Chief Executive Officer to present to the next Council Meeting on 20th August.

# Lunch Break - 11.52 am

A luncheon break was called at 11.52 am.

Council Meeting resumed at 1.21 pm.

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#### 8.1B CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S BUDGET REPORT

#### 8.1.1B 2020/2021 OPERATIONAL PLAN

#### Resolution No 6 - 7/20 That Council:

- adopt the Operational Plan 2020-2021 (Attachment A) to the Chief Executive Officers Budget Report for July 2020; and
- authorise the Chief Executive Officer to make minor amendments to the (b) Operational Plan 2020-2021 if required prior to publication.

Moved:

Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny

Carried

#### 8.1.2B **ADOPTION OF 2020/2021 ANNUAL BUDGET**

#### Resolution No 7 - 7/20 Adoption of Budget

That Council:

Pursuant to s104 (5)(a)(iv) of the Local Government Act 2009 and s168, s169, s170, s171, S172 and s193 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council's Budget for the 2020/2021 financial year, incorporating:

The statements of financial position:

ii. The statements of cash flow:

iii. The statements of income and expenditure:

The statements of changes in equity; iv.

The long-term financial forecast; ٧.

vi. The revenue statement;

The revenue policy (adopted by Council resolution on 22 June 2020); vii.

viii. The relevant measures of financial sustainability; and

ix. The total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget,

attached to the Chief Executive Officer's Budget Report, as tabled in the July 2020 Council Report be adopted.

Seconded:

Moved: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny Cr. Athol Walden

Carried

Resolution No 8 - 7/20 Water Utility Charges

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy water utility charges, for the supply of water services by the Council, as follows:

The single Unit Water Service Charge for 2020/2021 is \$1771.32

For premises connected to the Doomadgee Water Scheme, a charge for each classification being in accordance with Table 1.

#### **Table 1: Water Charging Schedule**

No	Category	Number of Units	Annual Water Service Charge
1	Annual Water Utility Unit Charge	. 1	\$1771.32

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2	\$1771.32 \$3542.64
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3	\$5313.96
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3	\$5313.96
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3	\$5313.96
4	\$7085.28
15	\$26569.80
14	\$24798.48
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18	Womens Crisis Centre	3	\$5313.96
19	Industrial Property	3	\$5313.96

(b) The above levied water utility charges be applied as further detailed in the 2020-2021 Revenue Statement attached to the Chief Executive Officer's Budget Report in the July 2020 Council Report.

Moved:

Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny

Carried

# Resolution No 9 - 7/20 Cleansing Utility Charges

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy cleansing utility charges, for the supply of waste management services by the Council, as follows:

For improved properties, a charge for each classification being in accordance with Table 2.

**Table 2: Cleansing Charging Schedule** 

No.	Category	Charge
1	Residential Dwelling	\$1161.54
2	Additional Separate Residential Occupancy Per Property	\$1161.54 per additional occupancy
3	Residential Duplex	\$2323.08
4	Commercial and Other Non-Residential Properties	\$3985.47

This fee structure provides for a 240 litre Wheelie Bin service to apply on all improved properties for refuse removal and disposal and levied on each separate occupancy, whether occupied or vacant. If a property has more than one 240 litre wheelie bin, charges will be made for additional collection from domestic or commercial properties.

(b) The above levied cleansing utility charges be applied as further detailed in the 2020-2021 Revenue Statement attached to the Chief Executive Officer's Budget Report in the July 2020 Council Report.

Moved: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Carried

#### Resolution No 10 - 7/20 Sewerage Utility Charges

That Council:

(a) Pursuant to section 94 of the Local Government Act 2009 and section 116 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council make and levy sewerage utility charges, for the supply of sewerage services by the Council, as follows:

For premises connected to the Doomadgee Sewerage Scheme, a charge for each classification being in accordance with Table 3.

The single Unit Sewerage Service Charge for 2020/2021 is \$1328.49.

Table 3: Sewerage Charging Schedule

No	Category	Number of Units	Annual Sewerage Service Charge
1	Annual Sewerage Utility Unit Charge	1	\$1328.49
2	Residential Dwelling House	1	\$1328.49
3	Residential Duplex Dwelling	2	\$2655.96
4	Additional Residential Dwellings per Property	1 Unit per Additional Dwelling	\$1328.49 per Additional Dwelling
	Commercial and other Non-Residential	9	
5	Properties	2	\$2655.96

(b) The above levied sewerage utility charges be applied as further detailed in the 2020-2021 Revenue Statement attached to the Chief Executive Officers Budget Report in the July 2020 Council Report.

Moved: Cr. Antoinette Diamond Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Cr. Elijah Douglas Carried

Resolution No 11 - 7/20 Interest

That Council pursuant to section 133 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, compound interest on daily rests at the rate of seven percent (7%) per annum is to be charged on all overdue rates or charges for a day on or after 1 July 2020.

Moved: Cr. Elijah Doulgas Seconded: Cr. Athol Walden

Carried

Resolution No 12 - 7/20 Levy and Payment

That Council:

- (a) Pursuant to section 107 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council's utility charges be levied for the year 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021 - in August/ September 2020.
- (b) Pursuant to section 118 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that Council's utility charges, be paid within 60 days of the date of the issue of the utility charge notice.

Moved: Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

Resolution No 13 - 7/20 Statement of Estimated Financial Position

That Council pursuant to section 205 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the statement of the financial operations and financial position of the Council in respect of the previous financial year ("the Statement of Estimated Financial Position") attached to the Chief Executive Officer's Budget Report in the July 2020 Council Report be received and its contents noted.

Moved: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny Seconded: Cr. Athol Walden

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## 8.1.3BSCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES 2020-2021

Resolution No 14 - 7/20 That Council adopt the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2020-2021 (Attachment C) as attached in the Chief Executive Officer's Budget Report in the July 2020 Council Meeting Report.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

Resolution No 15 - 7/20 That Council receive and take note of the Chief Executive Officer's Budget Report for July 2020.

Moved: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond Carried

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#### 8.2 ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PROVIDED BY FINANCE MANAGER - MARILOU 8.2.1 MCKAY

Resolution No 16 - 7/20 That the Financial Statements attached to the report for the July 2020 Council Meeting Report be received and noted.

> Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

#### 8.2.2 FACILITY ACCESS AGREEMENT - QUEENSLAND POLICE-CITIZENS YOUTH WELFARE ASSOCIATION

Resolution No 17 - 7/20 That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to enter into a Facility Access Agreement with the Queensland Police-Citizens Youth Welfare Association to manage the PCYC Hall and sports complex for the period until 30 June 2021.

> Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas Carried

#### ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE - DOOMADGEE ABORIGINAL SHIRE 8.2.3 COUNCIL

Resolution No 18 - 7/20 That Council adopt the Organisational Structure as attached to the report for the July 2020 Council Meeting.

> Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Carried

#### 8.2.4 2020/2021 INSURANCE RENEWAL

Acting Mayor Myron Johnny left the meeting at 2.43 pm. Cr. Athol Walden was elected to Chair the meeting

Resolution No 19 - 7/20 That Council note the increase in the Industrial Special Risks Insurance Policy and the CEO be authorised to enter into arrangements to reduce the cost of insurances.

Acting Mayor Myron Johnny returned to the meeting at 2.44 pm.

and resumed as Chair of the meeting.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

Resolution No 20-7/20 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director of Corporate Services Report for July 2020.

Moved: Acting Mayor Myron Johnny

Seconded:

Cr. Elijah Douglas

#### **ENGINEERING REPORT**

8.3.1 TRANSPORT INFRASTUCTURE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (TIDS)

Steve Linnane left the meeting at 2.48 pm.

Steve Linnane returned to the meeting at 2.49 pm.

- WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) 2019-2021 8.3.2
- 8.3.3 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCIP)
- 8.3.4 REMOTE AIRSTRIP UPGRADE PROGRAM (ICCIP)
- 8.3.5 6 x COMMUNITY HOUSES (DPW)
- 8.3.6 3 x NEW STAFF HOUSES (LGGSP)

Cr. Antoinette Diamond left the meeting at 3.13 pm.

8.3.7 **NEW SUBDIVISION** 

Cr. Antoinette Diamond returned to the meeting at 3.19 pm.

8.3.8 **WORKS CREWS** 

> Acting Mayor Myron Johnny requested to leave the meeting at 3.20 pm Cr Athol Walden was elected to Chair the meeting.

Resolution No 21 - 7/20 That Council receive and take note of the Engineering Report for July 2020.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

# 8.4 ACTING MANAGER COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

- 8.4.1 MEETINGS ATTENDED
- 8.4.2 COVID 19
- 8.4.3 GRANTS FUNDING AND INFORMATION
- 8.4.4 YOUTH HUB
- 8.4.5 RADIO
- 8.4.6 ENVIRONMENT

Resolution No 22 - 7/20 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Manager of Community Services Report for July 2020.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond

# Item 9 - Correspondence

9.1 Letter from Deb Frecklington MP, Leader of the Opposition and Shadow Minister for Trade on the LNP's plan to crack down on hoons who are terrorising our streets and putting lives of innocent Queenslanders at risk.

#### Presented for discussion by Council.

9.2 In response to the letter sent as per the resolution at the June meeting conveying Councils appreciation of Jacinta Marshall's efforts in her position as District Manager, Mt. Isa and Lower Gulf Community Corrections and wishing her the best in her future endeavours.

An email was received by Council dated 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 thanking Council for the kind gesture and words and advised that our paths would cross again in this space and that she hoped to continue sharing a strong working relationship with you all.

Jacinta is the Senior MH/SEWB Practice Lead at Gidgee Healing at Mt. Isa.

Provided for Council's information.

# Item 10 - General Business

## 10.1 PHARMACY IN DOOMADGEE

After discussions between the Councillors it was decided that the Chief Executive Officer, Garry Jeffries arrange for the Pharmacy at Normanton to send through a report detailing how the Pharmacy would operate and what size and style of premises would be required.

# Item 11 - Confidential Session

Resolution No 23 - 7/20 That the Council close the meeting at 3.40 pm under section 275 Local Government Regulations 2012 (1)(a)(d)(e)(f)(h).

Moved:

Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Resolution No 24 - 7/20 That the meeting be re-opened to the public at 4.26 pm.

Moved: Cr. Elijah Douglas Seconded: Cr. Athol Walden

Carried

Resolution No 25 - 7/20 That Council receive and note the Strategic 3 Year Internal Audit Plan 2019-2022.

Moved:

Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Cr Antoinette Diamond

Carried

Resolution No 26 - 7/20 That Council receive and note the Internal Audit Report - Implementation of New Accounting Standards – Year ended 30th June 2020.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas Carried

Resolution No 27-7/20 That Council receive Cr. Antoinette Diamond's declaration of a real or a perceived conflict of interest in Item 11.02.2 of the Acting Director Corporate Services Confidential Report as defined in Section 175D of the Local Government Act 2009. Councillors agree that she would be performing her responsibilities of serving the overall public interest of the whole of Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on the matter.

> Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

Resolution No 28-7/20 That Council receive and note the Internal Audit Report - Review of Joint Venture Arrangement.

> Moved: Cr. Athol Walden Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

Resolution No 29-7/20 That Council receive and note the Internal Audit Position Paper - Provision for Restoration of Landfill and note that the funds will be used for Council's accounting for landfills.

Moved: Cr. Athol Walden

Seconded: Elijah Douglas

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# Item 12 - Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be Thursday 20th August, 2020.

Steve Linnane thanked everyone for his time in Community and wished everyone all the best.

Chief Executive Officer, Garry Jeffries, thanked Steve Linnane and Joanne Linnane for a job well done.

# ITEM 13 - Meeting Closed

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Jason Ned Mayor

**Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council**