

# MINUTES of ORDINARY MEETING

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2020



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## Item 1 - Declaration of Opening

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 10.13 am

#### Item 2 - Condolences

For departed Community members: Mr B Booth. Ms A Aplin, Mrs G Kennedy and Ms S George.

## 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

Steve Linnane - by teleconference to present Corporate Services Report

Richard McKeown - Acting Director Engineering

Marilou McKay – Finance Manager (call in if required)

Cheryl Portch - Community Development Co-ordinator (not present)

Joanne Linnane - Community Services Mananer to present Community Development Co-ordinators Report

Pam Danaher - PA to CEO/Minute Taker

Edwina Marks – Acting Director of Corporate Services – not in attendance

This item was taken out of order due to the availability of Department of Housing representatives.

#### Item 7 - Visitors and Presentations

Department of Housing Representatives, Katy Teaukura and Kathryn Matthews from Mt Isa who were in Doomadgee on their fortnightly visit and attended the meeting at Council's request.

Matters discussed included:

- Vacancies and timely tenancy;
- Response times for repairs and maintenance;
- · Retaining/continuity of tenancy for future family generations; and
- Alternative to the "Blue Phone".

It was also agreed that the monthly Tenancy Action Group meetings should coincide with Katy and Kathryn's Community visits, so that they can participate and contribute to the discussions.

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Mandy Welfare, Program Manager and colleague Fiona Jackway from Youth Empowered towards Independence (YETI) introduced themselves to Council and explained the service they provide in Cairns region in relation to Volatile Substance Use (VSU or sniffing or chroming).

They explained that they were a non-government organisation based in Cairns focusing on persons in the 10-25 age group involved with VSU. They run a drop in space between 9.00 am and 1.00 pm, they arrange drug and alcohol treatment, talk on substance taking, couch surfing, sit with the kids and work out their problems and link them with an appropriate health service. YETI is also subsided by National Indigenous Australians Agency (NAAI) Mt Isa.

Mandy advised that they would like to offer assistance in Doomadgee and hopefully be able to help with the incidence of substance abuse and its impact on the Community. Accordingly, the main purpose of the visit was to seek Council's permission to talk to all the service providers in Doomadgee and provide training on the handling and sales of volatile substances.

The service would include regular visits to Doomadgee up to four times a year to provide support and education going forward.

Cr. Elijah Douglas left the meeting at 10.44 am. Cr. Elijah Douglas returned to the meeting at 10.49 am.

## 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 175E of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of conflict of interest were raised.

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

Councillors reviewed their Registers of Interest and Related Parties Disclosures.

#### Item 5 – Confirmation of Minutes

# 5.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

**Resolution No 1 – 10/20** That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Cr. Myron Johnny left the meeting at 11.36 am.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Antoinette Diamond

Carried

Cr. Myron Johnny returned to the meeting at 11.42 am.



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# Item 6 – Business Arising from Minutes Previous Meeting

6.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020

Nil

## **Item 7 - Visitors and Presentations**

Dealt with earlier on in Meeting – see above.

# Item 8 - Reports



#### 8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

8.1.1 DOOMADGEE ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AID (SGFA) and INDIGENOUS ECONOMIC DEVELOPEMTN GRANT (IEDG)

For Council's information.

8.1.2 2019-20 QUEENSLAND RESILIENCE AND RISK REDUCTION FUND (QRRRF)

For Council's information.

8.1.3 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCIP)

For Council's information.

8.1.4 SUBDIVISION PLAN APPROVAL AT NEW SUBDIVISION ROAD, DOOMADGEE

Resolution No 2 - 10/20 That Council approve:

- (a) Lodgement and registration of Plan of Subdivision SP311931 with Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (DNRME), facilitated by the Program Office within DATSIP;
- (b) Consent to the surrender of the Doomadgee DOGIT by way of Section 55 of the *Land Act 1994* for the purpose of opening the area as road at stations 8-9-10-11-12-8;
- (c) Consent to all associated land administration actions necessary to facilitate registration of the Plan; and
- (d) Confirm the requisite Development Approvals have been obtained for the lodgement and registration of SP311931.

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

Resolution No 3 - 10/20 That Council receive and take note of the Chief Executive Officers report for October 2020.

Moved: Seconded:

Mayor Jason Ned Cr. Athol Walden

Carried



# 8.2 ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT PREPARED BY EDWINA MARKS AND REPORTED ON BY STEVE LINNANE

# 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 2020-21 financial year as at the end of September 2020.

**Resolution No 4 - 10/20** That the Financial Statements attached to the Acting Director Corporate Services report for October 2020 be received and noted.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

#### 8.2.2 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW OF OPERATIONAL PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

Resolution No 5 - 10/20 That Council accepts the First Quarter Review of the 2020.21 Operational Plan presented in the Corporate Services Report for October 2020.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

#### 8.2.3 ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020

Resolution No 6 - 10/20 That Council accept the Draft Report presented in the Corporate Services Report for October 2020 for Council's information and comment prior to the expected publication after endorsement of the Audited Statements by the Queensland Audit Office and Council's Audit Committee.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Myron Johnny

Carried

#### 8.2.4 POST OFFICE PROGRESS REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR 2020

For Council's information.

#### 8.2.5 COUNCILLOR REIMBURSEMENT POLICY AMENDMENT

**Resolution No 7 - 10/20** That Council adopt the amended Councillor Expenses Reimbursement Policy No 9 as presented in the Corporate Services Report for October 2020.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Athol Walden

Carried

#### 8.2.6 AUDIT 2020

For Council's information.

#### 8.2.7 REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES

Resolution No 8 - 10/20That Council adopt the following Policies as attached to the Acting Director Corporate Services report for October 2020:

 $\label{eq:pamDanaher} \mbox{ Pam Danaher left the meeting at 1.30 pm.} \\ \mbox{ Pam Danaher returned to the meeting at 1.32 am.} \\$ 

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- Councillor Code of Conduct Policy;
- Council Meeting Procedures Policy;
- Standing Orders Policy; and
- Investigation Policy.

Moved: Seconded:

Cr. Athol Walden Cr. Elijah Douglas

Carried

**Resolution No 9 - 10/20** That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director of Corporate Services Report for October 2020.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Athol Walden

Carried



#### 8.3 ACTING DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT

- 8.3.1 WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) 2019-2021
- 8.3.2 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCIP)

Water Treatment Plant Sewerage Pumping Stations New Regional Waste Facility

- 8.3.3 REMOTE AIRSTRIP UPGRADE PROGRAM (ICCIP)
- 8.3.4 6 x COMMUNITY HOUSES (DPW)
- 8.3.5 3 x NEW STAFF HOUSES (LGGSP)
- 8.3.6 NEW SUBDIVISION
- 8.3.7 WORKS CREWS

General Crew Town Beautification Crew Road Crew Airport Crew Water & Sewerage Crew Mechanical Workshop Rubbish Crew

Resolution No 10-10/20 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director of Engineering Report for October 2020.

Moved: Seconded: Mayor Jason Ned Cr. Athol Walden

Carried



# 8.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CO-ORDINATORS REPORT PRESENTED BY JOANNE LINNANE IN CHERYL PORTCH'S ABSENCE

#### 8.4.1 MEETINGS AND TRAINING ATTENDED

Cr. Myron Johnny left the meeting at 2.07 pm.

For Council's information.

8.4.2 COVID 19

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.3 GRANTS AND FUNDING INFORMATION

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.4 YOUTH HUB

Cr. Myron Johnny returned to the meeting at 2.12 pm.

For Council's information.

8.4.5 RADIO

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.6 ENVIRONMENT

For Council's information.

#### 8.4.7 OTHER

For Council's information.

Resolution No 11-10/20 That Council receive and take note of the Community Development Co-ordinators Report for October 2020.

Moved:

Cr. Myron Johnny

Seconded:

Cr. Elijah Douglas Carried



# <u>Lunch Break</u> - 12 noon

A luncheon break was called at 12 noon.

Council Meeting resumed at 12.30 pm.

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## Item 9 - Correspondence

**9.1** Letter from the Elders and Community Members of Doomadgee re Sniffing.

Arrange a meeting at Council Chambers Wednesday prior to the next Council Meeting with the Community Advisory Board and Community Elders. Also invite to the next Service Providers. Meeting.

9.2 Letter from Department of Communities, Disabilities Services and Seniors regarding Local Action Plan.

Joanne Linnane to follow up and provide Council with more information.

**9.3** Letter from the LGAQ re Mutual Access Agreement.

CEO, Garry Jeffries to follow up with LGAQ.

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#### Item 10 - General Business

- Yolonde Entsch will be in Community on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 and would like to have a meeting with the Councillors.
- Senior Archaeologist, Dan Mitchell from Puliyapang re Geoschience Australian GNSS Ground Station/Satelitte Project is looking for local people to be able to carry out investigations on their behalf. Due to COVID arriving they have not been able to travel to Doomadgee and carry out their own investigations. There will be no ground disturbances and are seeking information as to the best places for the location of the GNSS ground stations. The location can be extended up to 25 kms out of Doomadgee.

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#### Item 12 - Confidential Session

**Resolution No 12-10/20** That the Council close the meeting at 3.07 pm under section 275 Local Government Regulations 2012 (1)(a)(d)(e)(f)(h) to consider various items.

Moved: Seconded:

Mayor Jason Ned Cr. Athol Walden

Carried

- 12.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S CONFIDENTIAL REPORT
  - 12.1.1 EXECUTIVE STAFF RECRUITEMENT
  - 12.1.2 WAAYNI #2 NATIVE CLAIM

Pam Danaher left the meeting at 3.30 pm. Pam Danaher returned to the meeting at 3.32 pm.

- 12.1.3 ADVICE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE INDEPENDENT ASSESSOR (OIA)
- 12.1.4 INTERIM DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
- 12.2 ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

  12.2.1 LEASE AND LICENCE MANAGEMENT RENEWAL OF TELSTRA LEASES

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Resolution No 13-10/20 That the meeting be re-opened to the public at 3.47 pm.

Moved: Seconded: Cr. Myron Johnny Mayor Jason Ned

Carried

Resolution No 14-10/20 That Council endorse the provision of employment consultancy services by Lingre Nominees Pty Ltd as reported in the Chief Executive Officers Confidential Report for October 2020 re Interim Director of Economic and Community Development and that, because of the specialised or confidential nature of the services that are sought, it would be impractical or disadvantageous for Council, to invite quotes or tenders.

Moved:

Mayor Jason Ned

Seconded:

Cr. Athol Walden

Carried

Resolution No 15-10/20 That Council

(a) Endorse the Leases and Licences for Lot 107, Lot 73 and Lot 600, SP 270333.

(b) Consent to further terms for 10 years for Lot 107, Lot 73 and Lot 600 SP 270333; as referred to in the Acting Director of Corporate Services Confidential Report for renewal of Telstra Leases for October 2020.

Moved:

Cr. Elijah Douglas

Seconded:

Mayor Jason Ned

Carried

# Item 13 - Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be Thursday 19th November 2020.

# ITEM 14 - Meeting Closed

Meeting closed at 3.48 pm.

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