



MINUTES
of
ORDINARY MEETING

Thursday 19th May 2022

10.00 am

Council Offices, Doomadgee

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Item 1 - Declaration of Opening

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 10.31 am due to the malfunction of computers in the Council Board Room.

Item 2 - Condolences

A Minutes silence was held for departed Community Members.

Item 3 - Record of Attendance and Leave of Absence

Elected Members

Mayor Jason Ned
Cr. Antoinette Diamond
Cr. Elijah Douglas – late attendance
Cr. Myron Johnny
Cr. Athol Walden

Staff

Troy Fraser – Chief Executive Officer
Marilou McKay – Acting Director Corporate Service (for presentation of her report)
Troy Fraser – for verbal presentation of Director of Engineering Services Report
Craig Oxlade – Director Economic & Community Development (for presentation of his report)
Pam Danaher – PA to CEO/Minute Taker

Apologies

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.

There were discussions about conflict of interest re allocation of houses. The process that is involved with Housing and Council takes away the conflict as it is driven by Housing. Do not get involved in any conversations with people about the allocating of Housing – need to send them to Housing.

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 21st APRIL 2022

Cr. Elijah Douglas arrived at the Meeting at 10.43 am.

Resolution No 1 – 05/22 That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 21st April, 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Cr. Myron Johnny
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 21st APRIL 2022

John Hughes has resigned from his position as Director of Corporate Services. Marilou McKay in the Cairns Office has been offered the position as Acting Director. Will be getting Marilou to regularly attend the Doomadgee Office and the same as June Perra who will attend Doomadgee to help train Kimberly in her new position. Need to provide support to the girls so that they can carry out their roles. Hayley will be doing the QBuild information. A really hard slog to get everyone here all the time each day to carry out their roles.

Maria Mick will be coming back next week in a part time role at the Reception area.

Kimberly has been given a traineeship and one of the girls from the Youth Hub have also been provided a traineeship.

It was stated that when people put in applications for work at Council (when there are no positions being advertised) there is no feedback provided from Council. Will check with HR and make sure that something is put in place.

An apprenticeship is now available and is being advertised for a plumber.

Left the Business Arising part of the Meeting to go to the presentation from COEX Container representatives in a TEAMS Meeting

Item 7 - Visitors and Presentations

7.1 PETRINA VILLAFLOR and ALBERTUS ENGELBRECHT - COEX CONTAINER EXCHANGE -- VIA TEAMS MEETING

Petrina introduced herself and her boss Albertus. She stated that in her previous job she had met the Councillors, Troy, Craig and Pam.

She attended Council Meeting today via TEAMS Meeting to see if a jump over to the container refund scheme could eventually be put together.

It has to work for Council, work for the Community and be Fit for Purpose. Need to have refunds that will last, identify a local operator, or a Council entity. Need to have a contained refund point, infrastructure. Could an old building not being used suffice, a shipping container, it has to be compliant, WHS Safety and meet all other requirements.

Bringing into Doomadgee could involve the young, the old and people with disabilities. Waves for Change – a school program could be organised with the kids. Could be set up on an outstation, organise people to go out and do collections.

Albertus advised that COEX would be arranging the funding, shed for the counting table, products where they can be secured, a computer for lodging the details.

If Council was to be the Container Refund Point you can either give money back to the customer (cash transactions) or scheme idea, when the money is deposited onto a card within 24 hours. This means you do not need cash at your depot. For example if you drove to Nicholson to do a pick up you could pay cash then.

Bags are provided for the deposit of the collection items, which need to be counted on site to make sure that there are no extras added that are not in the collections. Legislation requires that all items are counted. The customer is paid 10c where at present the owner or collector – will be paid 16.7 cents. At present there is a profit of 6.36 cents.

In another example the PBC Ranges run the containers collection and the money that is earned from that venture goes back to the Rangers and they take families out to "On Country" programs for holidays and other programs.

Advised that the Store at Doomadgee sells approximately 2300 – 2500 cans of soft drinks a week. Maybe could source from the potential mine that will be opening not far from Doomadgee, could collect from the Roadhouse and the Bakery. A trailer could be provided. Also sort out any events that may be happening in Doomadgee and carry out collections at those events.

*Pam Danaher left the Meeting at 11.28 am.
Mayor Jason Ned left the Meeting at 11.29 am.*

Popper containers, coffee milk drinks, water bottles, coconut water are collectables. Milk bottles are not.

*Pam Danaher returned to the Meeting at 11.30 am.
Mayor Jason Ned returned to the Meeting at 11.30 am.*

COEX Containers wants to address the issue of litter which gets thrown to the ground. They want to come into the Community and do on ground work with Community members.

DECD will talk to principal at the School, Jenny regarding COEX collections.

Petrina is very excited about what the COEX Container Exchange can bring to the Community of Doomadgee.

Returned to Business Arising part of the Meeting after the TEAMS Meeting with COEX Container representatives.

Follow up about Rodeo at the Ngooderi JV Meeting on 31st May.

A Team will be coming to Doomadgee to interview people and the Community to give feedback on the operations of the FRC. If anyone wants to pass anything on to them about the FRC this is the time to do it.

ASK Training for Councillors updates will be on in Burketown later in the year. Check at next meeting who will be attending.

Item 8 - Reports

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8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

8.1.1 OUTSIDE MEETINGS ATTENDED SINCE LAST COUNCIL MEETING

	DATE	WHERE	WHO WITH	REGARDING
1	27.4.22	Council Chambers	Youth Justice	Discussion regarding youth offending options
2	3.5.22	Council Chambers	Leading Roles Consultants	Director of Engineering recruitment
3	5.5.22	Office (TEAMS)	NWQ ROC	Meeting with ROC Members
4	9.5.22	Office (Teams)	DTN Company Australia	Airport weather System
5	10.5.22	Council Chambers	Ellie Mackie - Youth Justice & Councillor Walden	Youth on Track Model
6	13.5.22	Council Chambers	Tina Roughsey	NDIS
7	16.5.22	Council Chambers	Robert Willis, Doomadgee Church	Lease for church
8	16.5.22	Council Chambers	Dept of Housing	Housing inspections
9	16.5.22	Council Chambers	FRC Consultants	FRC review

1 & 5 Need to look at things outside the box. Developing long term programs – horsemanship – NSW has a program for working with dogs, could Doomadgee's be worked with horses. *Enquire as to how* people can help out without a Blue Card. Every caution with the kids needs to be followed by a consequence. Need to get some strong by-laws back into Doomadgee. Todd at the Police Station documents every call out they have for the kids causing trouble and disturbances, stealing etc. Need to get a copy of that information for next meeting with Ellie Mackie from Youth Justice. It is no good keeping the kids in jail for a year – will only make them worse, need to get something happening. Arrange to have a meeting with Councillors, CEO Troy and the Magistrates who attend Doomadgee to chat about the kids and what can happen.

Want to find out about what documentation is required when removing alcohol from people entering Doomadgee and how and when that alcohol is destroyed. Talk to a Magistrate or someone further up the chain than Doomadgee.

*Mayor Jason Ned left the Meeting at 12.10 pm.
Cr. Myron Johnny left the Meeting at 12.10 pm.*

It has been stated that if people are caught more than three times with alcohol that has been removed from them, their cars are smashed. There is a new inspector in Mt Isa who has taken over since Rhys Newton left so will get the Mayor to talk to him for clarification of matters.

*Mayor Jason Ned returned to the Meeting at 12.14 pm.
Cr. Myron Johnny returned to the Meeting at 12.14 pm.*

Local Thriving Communities is structured to have community representation on all issues, has the right to discuss youth policing matters, arrests, no doctors, health issues, health services – not just Council issues – need to be non conflicting with Council issues.

Lunch Break - 12.31 pm

A luncheon break was called at 12.31 pm.

Cr. Antoinette Diamond left the Meeting at 12.31 pm to travel to Mt Isa.

Council Meeting resumed at 1.25 pm.

- 4 DTN coming to Doomadgee at the end of the month to install the weather station at the airport.
- 6 Concern about NDIS in Doomadgee not assessing people properly and they are not getting the care that is required.

8.1.2 UPDATE ON RHEUMATIC HEART DISEASE

Resolution No 2 – 05/22 That Council approve the visit to Doomadgee by the Northern Coroner Magistrate on 18th July, 2022, and also request that Council meet with the Coroner prior to them going into the Community.

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

8.1.3 INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM APRIL 2022

For Council's information.

8.1.4 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / TOURISM

Cr. Myron Johnny left the Meeting at 1.51 pm.

For Council's information.

Cr. Myron Johnny returned to the Meeting at 1.54 pm.

8.1.5 DOOMADGEE ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL – LEASE TO DOOMADGEE INC – COMMUNITY CHURCH PREMISES IN READ STREET, DOOMADGEE

Resolution No 3 – 05/22 That Council agree in principal to the extension of the Lease of the premises now known as Lot 156 on Survey Plan 270333 for a further period of 30 years to 30th June 2058 subject to the CEO Troy obtaining legal advice re ramifications of any increases of the current Lease.

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

8.1.6 NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY (NGA) OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT – CANBERRA 19th - 22nd JUNE 2022

For Council's information and any Councillors to contact PA to advise of anyone interested in attending the NGA Meeting in Canberra by Friday 27th May 2022. If anyone attending CEO will arrange meetings with Ministers whilst in Canberra.

8.1.7 INDIGENOUS LAND AND SEA CORPORATION

Cr. Elijah Douglas left the Meeting at 2.05 pm.

Resolution No 4 – 05/22 That Council nominated all Councillors to attend the public engagement session to be held at Burketown in July.

Moved: Cr. Myron Johnny
Seconded: Cr. Athol Walden
Carried

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Resolution No 5 – 05/22 That Council receive and take note of the Chief Executive Officers report for May 2022.

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

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Went out of Order straight into Director of Economic and Community Development Report as he was already in the meeting room

8.4 DIRECTOR ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

8.4.1 MEETINGS AND TRAINING ATTENDED

Hairdressers that are travelling to Doomadgee from Cairns are talking of setting up a donga so it is ready to be used at any time. DECD will check out the building at the back of the Council Chambers to see if it is suitable.

Sexual Health will be supplying free condoms which hopefully will put a stop to infections.

Next Thursday there is a Youth Strategy Meeting at 1.30 pm. Cr. Douglas would you please attend the meeting, and see if they can attend a Council Meeting and report on the Strategy.

Save the Children have a new program for Youth Strategy – maybe they will be delivering and being accountable.

For Council's information.

Cr. Elijah Douglas returned to the Meeting at 2.12 pm.

8.4.2 GRANTS AND FUNDING INFORMATION

For Council's information

8.4.3 YOUTH ENGAGEMENT HUB AND SPORT AND RECREATION

Mufassa – good things were happening with the music and there was great interest from the Community. DECD Craig will chase other funds to try and get him back to Community. Maybe some money could be available through Arts Queensland.

Get stands for rubbish bins at the Oval which may stop the horses from tipping the bins over.

Problem with the dust at the Oval while playing sport on the weekends, maybe whilst the water truck is running around spraying the water the participants could pick up some of the rubbish.

Big sprinkler pumps have arrived and need to be set up. Waiting on a pressure head unit.

DECD Craig trying to organise with the Principal at the School – Jenny to make sure that the Pool is able to be up and running for the holidays at the end of the year. A new Agreement will be entered into.

Pam Danaher left the Meeting at 2.48 pm.

For Council's information.

8.4.4 RADIO

For Council's information.

8.4.5 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT, ENVIRONMENT AND BIO SECURITY

A very successful vets visit.

Pam Danaher returned to the Meeting at 2.52 pm.

Shane appears to be filling in wherever required.

Shane and Zac make a good team together.

For Council's information.

8.4.6 CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Looking at how Council is going to fill this position.

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For Council's information.

8.4.7 OTHER

Mayor Jason Ned advised that Aboriginal Development Benefits Trust (ADBT) want to set up washing machines and dryers for families and maybe somewhere they can have something to eat while washing. Would like an area where they can set it all up.

ADBT will pay for the electricity. Have not received a letter from ADBT yet.

The Councillors agreed that if a letter comes through from ADBT they all give the go ahead with the plan and will leave it up to CEO Troy to organise.

DECD – Craig attended the Indigenous Economic Development Forum in Cairns. Wayne Butcher, the Mayor from Lockhart River did a presentation on what they had achieved at Council. A lot of the things that they have achieved are very similar to what Doomadgee would like to carry out. Craig caught up with Wayne later and asked if Doomadgee could look at their model.

Doomadgee and Mornington Island could never get the help that is available to Communities in the Cape. Council need to set up builders and fencing people so that Council can source work that is available.

Cr. Myron Johnny left the Meeting at 3.24 pm.

QBuild were put in Doomadgee to carry out work and also to train locals to carry out the work required. This has not happened – they have brought in Contractors to do the work and no locals.

Cr. Myron Johnny returned to the Meeting at 3.27 pm.

Resolution No 6 – 05/22 That Council receive and take note of the report by the Director Economic & Community Development Report for May 2022.

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

8.2 ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

8.2.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Resolution No 7 – 05/22 That the Financial Statements attached to the Acting Director Corporate Services Report for May 2022 be received and noted.

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

8.2.2 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)

Resolution No 8 – 05/22 That Council approve the exemption for tendering IT Services and appoint Data Central Pty Ltd as per Local Government Regulation 2012 part 235 Sections (a) and (b) as Council's IT Contractor for a term of three years commencing on 1st July, 2022 at an annual cost of \$103,020.00 and a further extension of two years as per the Service Level Agreement to be signed by both parties.

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

Resolution No 9 – 05/22 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director of Corporate Services Report for May 2022.

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

8.3 DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT (verbal report presented by the CEO in the absence of a Director of Engineering)

8.3.1 COVID WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) 2021-2024

Department of Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs (\$1,430,000)

For Council's Information.

8.3.2 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCIP)

Department of Local Government Racing and Multicultural Affairs

For Council's Information.

8.3.3 REMOTE AIRSTRIP UPGRADE PROGRAM (RAUP)

Department Industry Science Energy and Resources

For Council's Information.

8.3.4 REMOTE HOUSING PROGRAM 2019 - 2023 (DPW)

Department Housing and Public Works

**\$40M Queensland Government Investment Program 2020 – 2021
Doomadgee Portion - Social Houses at New Estate Road, Doomadgee**

For Council's Information.

**8.3.5 \$105M COMMONWEALTH INVESTMENT PROGRAM 2021 - 2023
DOOMADGEE PORTION - \$6,962,951 SOCIAL HOUSES AND SUBDIVISION
AT MARRADGEE ROAD, DOOMADGEE**

Construction on house pads have nearly finished. Clearing is being carried out for the second part of the building program.

8.3.6 QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (NDRRA)

For Council's Information.

8.3.7 FUTURE WATER SECURITY AND SEWERAGE TREATMENT

For Council's Information.

8.3.8 SECURITY FENCING – WTP AND PCYC

For Council's Information.

8.3.9 TRAINING

For Council's Information.

8.3.10 WORKS CREWS

For Council's Information.

8.3.11 SHARED CYCLEWAY

Should start laying cement footpaths in May/June.

For Council's Information.

Resolution No 10 - 05/22 That Council receive and take note of the verbal report by the CEO in the absence of a Director of Engineering for May 2022.

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

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8.5 COUNCILLORS VERBAL REPORTS

NIL.

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Item 9 - Correspondence

9.1.(1) MEDIA RELEASE – FIRST NATIONAL MAYORS TO GO TO CANBERRA TO SECURE HOUSING ACTION AFTER NATION'S POLITICAL LEADERS FAIL TO COME TO THEM ([attached](#))

9.1.(2) INSIDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT STORY - TIME IS TICKING ON QUEENSLAND HOUSING CRISIS ([attached](#))

Need to upgrade water supply as soon as possible as river will be drained with more houses being built. CEO Troy will find a map before the Artesian Basin, showing the different layers.

For Council's information.

9.2 INSIDE LOCAL GOVERNMENT STORY - LGAQ DIALS UP SUPPORT FOR FEDERAL-FUNDED BROADBAND UPGRADES ([attached](#))

For Council's information.

9.3 SOUTHERN GULF NRM – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS VACANCY

For Council's information and follow up by Councillors if interested in the position.

Resolution No 11- 05/22 That Council receive and take note of the Correspondence presented for the May 2022 Council Meeting.

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned
Seconded: Cr. Myron Johnny
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ITEM 10 - GENERAL BUSINESS

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ITEM 11 - LATE ITEMS

NIL

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ITEM 12 - CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Resolution No 12 – 5/22 That the Council close the meeting at 4.28 pm under section 254J Local Government Regulations 2012:

12.1.1 Confidential – Not for Public Release – staffing matters 3(b)

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

12.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

12.1.1 EMPLOYMENT OF STAFF/WORKERS

Dean Jupiter will be going from Sport and Recreation Officer to the fencing project.
John Hughes, former Director of Corporate Services has resigned and Marilou from the Cairns Office is now Acting Director of Corporate Services.
The two office girls, Kimberly and Hayley are still in their respective positions.
Jade Murray has resigned and Council is advertising for a trainee plumber.

Vehicle policies have now been finished and are awaiting signature.

12.2 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

NIL

12.3 DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

NIL

12.4 ACTING DIRECTOR ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

NIL

Resolution No 13 – 5/22 That the meeting be re-opened to the public at 4.45 pm.

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

Item 13 - Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be Thursday 16th June 2022.

ITEM 14 - Meeting Closed

Meeting closed at 4.45 pm.



Jason Ned
Mayor
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council