



MINUTES of ORDINARY MEETING

Thursday 19th November 2020

and

Wednesday 25th November 2020

Council Offices, Doomadgee

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Item 1 - Declaration of Opening

At 10.14 am due to a lack of a quorum on Thursday 19th November 2020 the Chief Executive Officer adjourned the meeting to Wednesday 25th November at 11.00 am.

On Wednesday 25th November, 2020 the Mayor declared the Meeting open at 11.11 am.

The Chief Executive Officer was attending the meeting via teleconference as he was in Cairns.

Item 2 - Condolences

A Minutes Silence was held for departed Community Members Ms. S George, Master D Charlie, Mr. V Karkadoo and Mr. R Doolan.

Item 3 - Record of Attendance and Leave of Absence

Elected Members

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

Staff

Garry Jeffries – Chief Executive Officer (by Teleconference from Cairns)
Steve Linnane – Acting Director of Corporate Services
Richard McKeown – Acting Director of Engineering (for presentation of his report)
Robert Bottger – Director of Engineering
Joanne Linnane – Acting Director Economic & Community Development
Pam Danaher – PA to CEO/Minute Taker

Apologies

Nil.

Leave of Absence

Nil.

Item 4 - Obligations of Councillors

4.1 PRESCRIBED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Sections 150EG-150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of prescribed conflicts of interest were made during this meeting.

4.2 DECLARABLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Sections 150EN-150ET of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Jason Ned advised the Council of a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 12.1.1.

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

Councillors reviewed their Registers of Interest and Related Parties Disclosures.

Presentations were held by the parties attending the Meeting, out of Order, starting at 11.32 am as persons already in attendance.

7.1 Ms. LANA O'KEEFE – PROBATION AND PAROLE

Lana O'Keefe's role at Probation and Parole is that of Probation Services Officer and she looks after low risk clients. Pat McKenna is the Senior Case Manager.

Together they both manage the risk in Community when people are released on parole. They need to be able to arrange stable projects for the people – not moving projects. They have to ensure that there are no conflicts of interest with other people in the community. They cannot take on projects that have Work Health and Safety risks. When the "On Country" Project is up and running Ms. O'Keefe would like to know what may be required, as they may be able to provide assistance in some areas.

Clients may be able to be used as supervisors to monitor and help the younger kids in the program. Ms. O'Keefe said that with the approval of her District Manager, they would be keen to support this project.

Ms. O'Keefe advised Council that she took on her current role to enable her to support her community as best she can and is happy to work with Council's Community Development Coordinator to facilitate her client's engagement in community projects for maximum benefit.

7.2 MRS BETH EVERILL - PRINCIPAL, DOOMADGEE STATE SCHOOL, MR PRESTON CAMPBELL – INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN FORMER PROFESSIONAL RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALLER - MENTAL WELLBEING FOR THE SCHOOL CHILDREN and MRS KELLY BARCLAY – COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER, DOOMADGEE STATE SCHOOL

Ms Beth Everill, and Ms Kelly Barclay attended the Council Meeting introducing Preston Campbell to Council, advising that he would be spending a week in Doomadgee and will be coming back again in the New Year.

Preston will be working with 21-25 year olds in the interest of developing an understanding of the opportunities that are out there for them and how to strive to achieve the best they can for their future.

Mr Campbell explained that having grown up in a similar environment, he fully understands the struggles that are involved and wanted to do what he could to help the youth of Doomadgee achieve their goals.

Both Ms Everill and Mr Campbell want to work closely with Council on this program and asked for feedback from Council in regards to any ideas and suggestions they may have to assist with structuring this initiative.

The issue of Blue Cards was also discussed. It was agreed that Council should raise the issue at a forthcoming Indigenous Leaders Forum.

Attendance at school has seemed to have stabilised at the moment.

Preston Campbell is looking forward to working with Council, the School, and the Committee.

7.3 TANYA BOUGOURE and ROSS BROWNING – WAANYI JOINT VENTURE – BY TELECONFERENCE

A teleconference was held with Tanya Bougoure and Ross Browning from the Waanyi Joint Venture (WJV), in relation to the WJV Training Program.

It was agreed that representatives of the WJT attend (in person) a future meeting with Councillors and staff to discuss the ongoing training and use of the Council leased premises.

Presentations concluded at 1.47 pm.

Lunch Break -

1.48 pm

A luncheon break was called at 1.48 pm.

Council Meeting resumed at 1.58 pm.

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Item 5 – Confirmation of Minutes

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15th OCTOBER 2020

Resolution No 1 – 11/20 That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Thursday 15th October 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

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

5.2 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY 30th OCTOBER 2020 AND MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2020

Resolution No 2 – 11/20 That the Minutes of the Special Meeting to be held on Friday 30th October 2020 and Monday 2nd November 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

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

Item 6 – Business Arising from Minutes Previous Meeting

6.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15th OCTOBER 2020

Nil.

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Nil.

Item 7 - Visitors and Presentations

Dealt with out of Order straight after Item 4.

Item 8 - Reports

8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

8.1.1 COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD AND COMMUNITY ELDERS

Resolution No 3 - 11/20 That Council support the Community's representations for the re-introduction of low aromatic fuel into Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire with a view to minimising the risk of harm to young people from Volatile Substance Misuse.

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

8.1.2 INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM (ILF)

Resolution No 4 - 11/20 That Council nominate Mayor Jason Ned and Cr. Athol Walden to be member/s of the ILF Working Group in respect of land use matters.

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

8.1.3 COMMUNITY HOUSING IN DOOMADGEE

Resolution No 5 - 11/20 That the Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council as Trustee of the DOGIT, hereby resolves to grant the State of Queensland, represented by the Department of Housing and Public Works, 40 year leases over the land (New Estate Road and Marradgee Road) allocated for the construction of social dwellings for both immediate and planned requirements; in accordance with the Interim Capital Works Agreement for Doomadgee.

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

Resolution No 6- 11/20 That Council receive and take note of the Chief Executive Officers report for November 2020.

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

8.2 ACTING 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 2020-21 financial year as at the end of October 2020.

Resolution No 7 - 11/20 That the Financial Statements attached to the report of the Acting Director Corporate Services for November 2020 be received and noted.

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

8.2.2 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2019-2020

Resolution No 8 - 11/20 That Council receive and note the General Purpose Financial Statements 2019-20 and the Current Year Financial Sustainability Statement 2019-20 attached to the Acting Director Corporate Services Report for November 2020.

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

8.2.3 ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020

Resolution No 9 - 11/20 That Council adopt the Annual Report 2019-2020 attached to the Acting Director Corporate Services Report for November 2020.

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

8.2.4 CLOSING THE GAP TARGETS AND OUTCOMES

Resolution No 10-11/20 That Goal 10 - Community and Human Services (Page 22) of Council's Corporate Plan 2020-2024 be amended by:

- Adding an additional Strategy – Council commit to the socio-economic targets of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap that have an impact on life outcomes for the Doomadgee community
- Adding an additional Performance Indicator – The Doomadgee Community will achieve the targets of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, as attached to the Acting Director of Corporate Services Report for November 2020.

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

Resolution No 11-11/20 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director of Corporate Services Report for November 2020.

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

8.3 ACTING DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT

8.3.1 ESSENTIAL SERVICES

Pam Danaher left the meeting at 2.54 pm.

For Council's information.

8.3.2 INCOME PRODUCING ACTIVITIES

Pam Danaher returned to the meeting at 2.56 pm.

Steve Linnane left the meeting at 2.57 pm.

For Council's information.

8.3.3 TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (TIDS)

For Council's information.

8.3.4 WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND (W4Q) 2019-2021

Steve Linnane returned to the meeting at 2.59 pm.

For Council's information.

8.3.5 INDIGENOUS COUNCILS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (ICCP)

For Council's information.

8.3.6 REMOTE AIRSTRIP UPGRADE PROGRAM (RAUP)

For Council's information.

8.3.7 6 x COMMUNITY HOUSES (DPW)

For Council's information.

8.3.8 3 x NEW STAFF HOUSES (LGGSP)

For Council's information.

8.3.9 NEW SUBDIVISION

For Council's information.

8.3.10 WORKS CREWS

For Council's information.

Richard McKeown thanked everyone for accepting him into the Community in his position as Acting Director of Engineering and said that he had thoroughly loved the work and stated that he has left Council in the good hands of the new Engineer Robert Bottger.

Resolution No 12-11/20 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director of Engineering Report for November 2020.

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

Pam Danaher left the meeting at 3.20 pm to carry out duties at the Airport.

8.4 ACTING DIRECTOR ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

8.4.1 MEETINGS AND TRAINING ATTENDED

For Council's information.

8.4.2 COVID 19 AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

For Council's information.

8.4.3 GRANTS AND FUNDING INFORMATION

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 OTHER

For Council's information.

Resolution No 13 - 1/20 That Council receive and take note of the Acting Director Economic & Community Development Report for November 2020.

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

8.5 COUNCILLORS VERBAL REPORTS

Councillors Antoinette Diamond, Athol Walden and Elijah Douglas provided a verbal report on the Local Government Annual Conference held at the Gold Coast on 18th to 21st October 2020, especially in respect of the Indigenous Leaders Forum.

Item 9 - Correspondence

- 9.1.1** Email from Mayor Mark Jamieson, President of Local Government Association Queensland (LGAQ), thanking everyone for their continuing support in returning him as the President of the LGAQ at the Annual Conference. Attached.

Noted.

- 9.1.2** Email from Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (LRCI) advising that Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council will receive an additional funding allocation of \$79,780 and will be available 1st January 2021. Attached.

Noted.

- 9.1.3** Email from Christine Watson seeking names of traditional owners and nominal fees charged for carrying out the "Welcome to Country" greeting when significant meetings and events are held in Community. Attached.

Noted. Councillors to provide feedback to the Chief Executive Officer.

- 9.1.4** "To Whom It May Concern" letter from Dwayne Pott seeking support for a security business in Doomadgee to help the Community through the time of hardship it faces at the moment. Attached.

Noted. Agreed that the Chief Executive Officer provide a response to Dwayne Pott.

Resolution No 14-11/20 That Council receive and take note of the Correspondence presented for November 2020 Council Meeting.

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

Item 10 - General Business

Nil.

ITEM 11 - LATE ITEMS

Nil.

Item 12 - Confidential Session

Resolution No15-11/20 That the Council close the meeting under section 254J (b), (g), (f), (e) and (i) of the Local Government Regulations 2012, to consider the following items:

- 12.1.1 Confidential – Not for Public Release – Staffing matters
- 12.1.2 Confidential – Not for Public Release – Councillor Liability and Insurance
- 12.1.3 Confidential – Not for Public Release – Families Responsibilities Commission (FRC)
- 12.1.4 Confidential – Not for Public Release – Native Title Determination Application QUD 747/2018 Waanyi People #2
- 12.2.1 Confidential – Not for Public Release – Final Management Letter Queensland Audit Office

Moved: Mayor Jason Ned
Seconded: Elijah Douglas
Carried

Resolution No 16-11/20 That the meeting be re-opened to the public.

Moved: Cr. Myron Johnny
Seconded: Cr. Elijah Douglas
Carried

12.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

12.1.1 STAFFING MATTERS

During Closed Session, in accordance with s150EQ(3)(c)(i) of the Local Government Act 2009 Councillor Jason Ned gave notice of a Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to Agenda Item 12.1.1. due to the fact that:

- an applicant for the position of Chief Executive Officer is an employee of Aboriginal Development Benefits Trust, and
- Councillor Ned is on the Board of Aboriginal Development Benefits Trust.

Councillor Ned advised that he had no Declarable Conflict of Interest in relation to the interests of the applicant. However, he informed the Council that he would voluntarily not participate in the decision on Item 12.1.1 and would leave the place at which the meeting was being held, including any area set aside for the public and stay away while the matter was considered and voted on.

In accordance with the notification given by Councillor Ned in relation to Agenda Item 12.1.1 Councillor Ned left the meeting for the duration of the consideration and vote on this item and Deputy Mayor Myron Johnny assumed the Chair in the absence of the Mayor.

Resolution No 17-11/20 That Council appoint Troy Fraser to the position of Chief Executive Officer upon the position becoming vacant and the Mayor or Acting Mayor be authorised to finalise the appointment.

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

12.1.2 COUNCILLOR LIABILITY AND INSURANCE

Noted.

12.1.3 FAMILIES RESPONSIBILITIES COMMISSION (FRC)

Chief Executive Officer to contact the FRC to confirm their advice in writing for Council's consideration.

Pam Danaher returned to the meeting at 4.50 pm.

12.1.4 NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION APPLICATION QUD747/2018 WAANYI PEOPLE #2

Resolution No 18-11/20 That Council resolve:

- (a) To consent to the proposed Determination of Native Title;
- (b) To instruct Preston Law to execute the Minute of Consent Order and Section 87A Agreement; and
- (c) That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to finalise any minor amendments to the Determination as are required.

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

12.1.5 USE OF MENS SHED BUILDING

Resolution No 19-11/20 That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to prepare a Permit for signature by a Community Member prepared to be responsible for the operation of the former Men's Shed Building site, being Lot 109 SP270333 as a place for the youth of the Community to meet and be supervised in the interest of dealing with volatile substance misuse and other social well-being issues within the Community.

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

12.2 ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

12.2.1 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT LETTER QUEENSLAND AUDIT OFFICE

Resolution No 20-11/20 That Council receive and note the Final Management Report from the Queensland Audit Office for Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council for the 2020 Financial Audit 30th October 2020, as attached to the Acting Director Corporate Services Confidential Report.

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

12.3 ACTING DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

Nil.

12.4 ACTING DIRECTOR ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

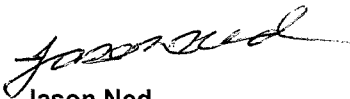
Nil.

Item 13 - Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be Thursday 10th December 2020.

ITEM 14 - Meeting Closed

Meeting closed at 5.14 pm



Jason Ned
Mayor
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council