DOOMADGEE ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL MINUTES –ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

Wednesday 14th December 2016

UNCONFIRMED Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council held in the Boardroom, 275 Sharpe Street, Doomadgee on Wednesday 14th December 2016 scheduled to commence at 9a.m.

PRESENT

Cr E Walden Mayor (from 09:00a.m.)

Cr J Ned Deputy Mayor (from 09.25a.m.)
Cr T Chong Councillor (from 09.15a.m.)
Cr S Foster Councillor (from 09:27a.m.)
Cr D Jupiter Councillor (from 09:38a.m.)

Council Officers:

John Kelly Acting Chief Executive Officer

Garry Jeffries Manager Infrastructure and Projects

Gail Richardson Manager Community Services (from 3.15p.m. to 3.44p.m.)

Delwyn O'Keefe Personal Assistant to A/CEO (from 2.07p.m. to 3.15p.m.)

MEETING RE-SCHEDULING

Due to non-attendance of a quorum at 9:15a.m., the Mayor adjourned the meeting for fifteen minutes to 09:30a.m.

ATTENDANCE

At 9.30a.m. Snr Sgt Aaron Baxter of the Doomadgee Police attended the Board Room in the presence of the Mayor and three Councillors Cr Tony Chong, Cr Scharrayne Foster and Cr Jason Ned.

1. MINUTE SILENCE

Before opening the meeting, the Mayor called on all present to observe a Minute of Silence in honour of and out of respect for a recently deceased Elder of the Doomadgee Community.

2. OPENING BY THE MAYOR

There being a quorum of four Councillors present the Mayor officially declared the meeting open at 9.30a.m, noting Cr Jupiter was not present at the commencement of the meeting.

3. APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL

4. WELCOME

The Mayor extended a welcome to Snr Sgt Aaron Baxter and invited him to address the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

At 9.38a.m. Cr Jupiter attended the meeting.

POLICING MATTERS AND DISCUSSION

- Questions around 'Dry Place' signs for residential addresses in Doomadgee police will email
 details of application processes, needs to be registered through court house and public notice of
 listed addresses;
- Request for police assistance with traffic management for funeral police will assist as requested;
- Council requesting police to notify community through notices and flyers that they will be
 performing foot patrols- Police will continue to do foot patrols and bike patrols when available,
 gives positive community engagement and target crime;

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- Police shining lights in yards and on people young persons abusing police and throwing objects, police use lights to assist in identification on persons in yards and laneways;
- PLO position to be readvertised as no suitable applications received and no locals applied;
- Question about the Alcohol Management Plan (AMP) and background, who was consulted and agreed to it, AMP boundaries, covering land that is now owned by family groups – Police will provide details once obtained from DATSIP.
- Questions about baby seats available from PCYC are apparently not correct seats S/Sgt BAXTER
 is unaware of what type of seats are being sold by PCYC.

ATTENDANCE

At 10.07a.m. Cr Foster left the meeting to be in attendance at the airport on the arrival of the deceased.

RESOLUTION - 1 - 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

"Snr Sgt Aaron Baxter be thanked for his attendance at the Ordinary Meeting to discuss Policing matters in Doomadgee."

CARRIED (4/0)

ADJOURNMENT AND RECONVENED

At 10.23a.m. the Mayor adjourned the meeting out of respect to the recently deceased Elder who was being flown back into Doomadgee at this time.

At 10.46 the Meeting reconvened noting that Snr Sgt Aaron Baxter did not re-join the meeting and that Cr Foster was not present.

APPOINTMENT

At 10.46a.m. representatives from MMG Century (Century Mine) Viviane Fuchs and Andrew Hocking attended the meeting. Mr Alex Doomadgee, Chairman of Waanyi Prescribed Body Corporate was an apology due to the change in meeting date but was available to join the meeting by telephone.

The Mayor welcomed them to the meeting and invited them to speak to their proposal.

The purpose of their appointment is to present to Council the following projects for discussions and consideration:

- Undertake Improvements to the Doomadgee Rodeo Grounds to the value of \$450,000
- Construction of a Doomadgee Cultural Centre which will showcase the unique culture and arts
 for the whole Doomadgee community and be a hub to support the development and sale of
 cultural and arts products and attract passing tourists.

Funding for these projects is coming from the Waayni PBC via an agreement entered into by MMG Century on 19th June 2015.

ATTENDANCE

At 11.04a.m. Cr Foster returned to the meeting.

DISCUSSION

Considerable discussion ensued on both projects. The timeline is to commence the Rodeo Grounds Improvements in April/May after the wet season and complete the work prior to the 2017 Doomadgee rodeo. The Cultural Centre would require further community consultation, planning and presentation to Council again before the project could proceed including the preferred location.

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ATTENDANCE

At this time the Mayor introduced Mr David Escott as Chairman of the Tribal Council to present concept plans of a Doomadgee Community Centre which had been commissioned by the Mayor and Cr Chong.

Mr Escott tabled the concept plans and explained what was proposed.

RESOLUTION – 2 – 12/16 Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Foster:

"The Waanyi Prescribed Body Corporate and the MMG Century representatives be thanked for their presentation to Council regarding their proposals for undertaking improvements to the Doomadgee Rodeo Grounds and for the design and construction of a Cultural Centre for Doomadgee and that they be advised that:

- Council approves in principle the proposed improvements to the Doomadgee Rodeo Grounds as presented and that they be requested to continue to liaise with Council's Manager Infrastructure and Projects to develop a combined project which will incorporate the proposed Council improvements to the Rodeo Grounds, and
- 2) Council requires broad community consultation to be undertaken for the proposed Doomadgee Cultural Centre which would include consideration of the concept plans tabled by Mr David Escot on behalf of the Tribal Council, development of a business plan and agreement on the preferred location before Council can consider the project further."

CARRIED (5/0)

ATTENDANCE

At this time 11.50a.m. Viviane Fuchs and Andrew Hocking of MMG Century left the meeting and Mr Escott returned to the visitors gallery.

- 5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
 - 5.1. MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING Thursday 17th November 2016

RESOLUTION - 3 - 12/16

Moved Cr Jupiter, seconded Cr Foster:

"The Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 17th November 2016 as circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting."

CARRIED (5/0)

BUSINESS ARISING

ELECTED MEMBERS REMUNERATIONS SCHEDULE

The Acting CEO reported that he had checked on the rates of remuneration being paid to Mayor and Councillors and he found that the staff have been using the 2015/16 Schedule. He apologised to Councillors and advised that instructions have been issued to have the 2016 schedule implemented and back-dated to the 1st July 2016. This will result in back-pay to Councillors to be included in the next payroll run.

- 6. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
 - 6.1. MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING Monday 12th December 2016

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RESOLUTION – 4 – 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

"The Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Monday 12th December 2016 as circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting."

CARRIED (5/0)

BUSINESS ARISING

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO COMMENCE JANUARY 2017

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Chong declared that pursuant to Section 173 of the *Local Government Act 2009* he wishes to inform the meeting that he has a perceived conflict of interest relating to one of the candidates for the appointment of a new Acting Chief Executive Officer – Mr Garry Jeffries.

However he is of the view that he can adequately set aside any perceived conflict of interest and make an open and transparent decision in the best interests of the Council and the community and accordingly he will not be leaving the meeting.

CONSIDERATION

The Mayor invited Mr Garry Jeffries to speak to his application which he did.

ATTENDANCE

At this time 11.56a.m. Mr Jeffries left the meeting.

CONSIDERATION CONTINUED

After careful deliberation the meeting narrowed the preferred short list of candidates to Mr Garry Jeffries, Mr Lothar Siebert and Mr Troy Fraser.

Mr Lothar Siebert joined the meeting by telephone, spoke to his application and responded to questions before ending the call.

Mr Troy Fraser was unavailable for contact. Cr Foster spoke to the application.

RESOLUTION - 5 - 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Chong:

"Council appoint Mr Lothar Siebert as Acting Chief Executive Officer for the month of January 2017 and Mr Troy Fraser as Acting Chief Executive Officer for the months of February/March 2017 subject to confirmation by Mr Fraser of his commencement date and the Mayor be authorised to negotiate and sign contracts of employment for Mr Siebert and Mr Fraser on terms and conditions and salary level similar to the current Chief Executive Officer."

CARRIED (5/0)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 1.00p.m and reconvened at 1.28 p.m. Mr Garry Jeffries re-joined the meeting.

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BUSINESS ARISING FROM SPECIAL MEETING CONTINUED ITEMS REQUESTED BY THE MAYOR AND CR CHONG FOR DISCUSSION BY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION – 6 – 12/16 Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Chong:

"The matters raised by the Mayor and Cr Chong including the use of Council credit cards be referred to the new Acting CEO Mr Lothar Siebert for his consideration and advice."

CARRIED (5/0)

EXPLANATION OF COUNCIL CREDIT CARD MONTHLY RECONCILIATION REPORT

Mr Garry Jeffries Manager Infrastructure and Projects advised the meeting that every month the three Mangers with Council issued credit cards are required to complete a credit card expenses report that has an explanation for each item of expenditure. These reports are signed off by the CEO.

Any analysis of credit card use should be done so in conjunction with the monthly Managers' credit card expenses reports.

ATTENDANCE

At this time 1.53p.m. Mr Jason English and Mr Jarred Taylor, Building Contractors entered the meeting.

HOUSING UPGRADES – CONTRACTING THROUGHT BUILDING ASSETS SERVICES

Messrs English and Taylor explained to Council that they currently contract through B.A.S. to carry out upgrades and major renovations. However, they have observed that in a number of other local Governments in the Gulf, this is managed by the local Council which enables Council to have greater control over the work and encourage local employment through conditions imposed on the Contractors. This develops local skills and employment pathways.

ATTENDANCE

At this time 2.00p.m. Cr Foster left the meeting.

RESOLUTION - 7 - 12/16

Moved Cr Ned, seconded Cr Jupiter:

"That contractors Mr Jason English and Jarred Taylor be thanked for their presentation to Council regarding the concept of Council taking over the management of upgrades and major renovations of housing in Doomadgee and the Manager Infrastructure and Projects raise this at the next Technical Working Group Meeting."

CARRIED (4/0)

ATTENDANCE

At this time 2.07p.m. Messrs English and Taylor left the meeting and Ms Delwyn O'Keefe attended.

ELECTED MEMBERS REPORTS

NIL

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7 ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

FUNDING APPROVAL UNDER QLD GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES PROGRAM

RESOLUTION – 8 – 12/16 Move Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

"Council note the approval of the following Projects at 60% State Government grant:

- 1) Facility expansion and functionality Improvements at the Doomadgee Rodeo Grounds 60% subsidy of \$120,000 with Council to contribute \$80,000 Total Project Cost \$200,000.
- 2) Staff Accommodation Townhouse project 60% subsidy of \$345,000 with Council to contribute \$230,000 Total Project Cost \$575,000, and

staff will proceed to submit project management plans to the DILG&P."

CARRIED (4/0)

REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT – BURKE SHIRE COUNCIL

RESOLUTION – 9 – 12/16 Moved Cr Ned, seconded Cr Jupiter:

"Council notes that the proposed joint meeting with Burke Shire Council to discuss the Regional Waste Management Facility has been postponed until the January Ordinary Meeting of Council."

CARRIED (4/0)

ATTENDANCE

At this time 2.15p.m. Cr Foster returned to the meeting.

2016-18 INDIGENOUS LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM (ILGSP) - \$509,536

RESOLUTION - 10 - 12/16
Moved Cr. Chang, seconded

Moved Cr Chong, seconded Cr Ned:

"Staff make application to the Department Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning seeking approval to fund the Regional Waste Management Facility from the 2016/18 Indigenous Local Government Sustainability Program."

CARRIED (5/0)

ATTENDANCE

At this time 2.28p.m. Cr Jupiter left the meeting and returned at 2.30p.m.

FINANCE REPORT AND BUDGET REVIEW

RESOLUTION - 11 - 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

"Council note the financial balances as at 30th November 2016 as detailed in the Acting Chief Executive Officer's report to Council on 14th December 2016 and that Managers will be presenting a reviewed budget document for consideration at the February Ordinary Meeting."

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PROPOSED LIQUOR LICENCE

RESOLUTION - 12 - 12/16

Moved Cr Chong, seconded Cr Ned:

"Council note that the Mayor decided that no action should be taken to secure a Liquor Licence for New Year's Eve due to security concerns."

CARRIED (5/0)

MENS SHED

RESOLUTION - 13 - 12/16

Moved Cr Jupiter, seconded Cr Foster:

"Council agree to support the establishment of the Men's Shed as outlined in the staff report and to grant a Permit to Occupy of the premises under standard terms and conditions to NWQICSS noting that they have public liability insurance cover and will indemnify Council against any claims for damages that might arise."

CARRIED (5/0)

COMPLAINTS MANAGEMENT POLICY

RESOLUTION - 14 - 12/16

Moved Cr Chong, seconded Cr Ned:

"Council adopt the Complaints Management Policy and Process attaching to the Acting Chief Executive Officer's report to the December meeting of Council as required by Section 306 of the Local Government Regulations 2012 and a copy be made available at the office of Council and a copy be published on Council's web site."

CARRIED (5/0)

COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2017

RESOLUTION - 15 - 12/16

Moved Cr Jupiter, seconded Cr Chong:

"Council adopt the following dates for the conduct of Ordinary Meetings of Council in 2017:

Thursday 19th January 2017
Thursday 16th February 2017
Thursday 16th March 2017
Thursday 20th March 2017
Thursday 20th April 2017
Thursday 20th April 2017
Thursday 18th May 2017
Thursday 15th June 2017
Thursday 15th June 2017
Thursday 15th June 2017

CARRIED (5/0)

LGAQ ELECTED MEMBERS UPDATES – CAIRNS MONDAY 10 APRIL OR WEDS 19 APRIL 2017 RESOLUTION - 16 - 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

"Council advise LGAQ that all DASC Councillors would like to register for the Elected Members Update (EMU) to the be held in Cairns on Wednesday 19th April 2017 and if convenient, Council may hold the Ordinary Meeting for April 2017 at the Cairns office."

CARRIED (5/0)

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REPORT MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

RESOLUTION - 17 - 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

"The Corporate Services Manager's report for the period ending 30 November 2016 be received and noted."

CARRIED (5/0)

REPORT MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROJECTS

RECEIPT OF REPORT AND CONSIDERATION OF MY PATHWAY HOST AGREEMENT REQUEST

RESOLUTION - 18 - 12/16

Moved Cr Walden, seconded Cr Ned:

- 1. "The monthly Activity Report (Infrastructure and Projects) be noted and
- 2. Councillors and staff to consider the proposed My Pathways Host Agreement and decide at the January ordinary meeting of Council"

CARRIED (5/0)

ATTENDANCE

At this time 3.15p.m. Gail Richardson, Manager Community Services attended the meeting and Delwyn O'Keefe left.

REPORT MANAGER COMMUNITY SERVICES – NOVEMBER 2016

STEPPING BLACK PROGRAM - DISCUSSION

Council noted the advice of the Manager Community Services that this proposed program would impact on the prior commitment by Council to allow the School to use the Youth Hub as an alternate class room in 2017.

Cr Jupiter advised that because of this program the School had negotiated with the PCYC to move their alternate class room to the PCYC

ATTENDANCE

At this time 3.25p.m Cr Foster left the meeting and returned at 3.34p.m.

At 3.35p.m. the Manager Community Services left the Meeting.

RESOLUTION - 19 - 12/16

Moved Cr Chong, seconded Cr Walden:

"That Council receive and note the report of the Manager Community Services and Council approve the Doomadgee Youth Project Stepping Black as presented in the Report providing two local people (a male and a female) are employed for the duration of the project and their wages be included in the overall project budget of \$75,000."

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Cr Jupiter recorded his vote against

CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 3.49 p.m.

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th December 2016 are subject to confirmation at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled to be held Thursday 19th January, 2017.