CLONCURRY SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES
10 MARCH 2009

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Cloncurry Shire Council held in the Council Chambers, Cloncurry on Tuesday 10 March 2009.

1.0 OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting opened at 8:15 am.

2.0 PRESENT

Cr Andrew Daniels (Mayor); Cr Greg Campbell (Deputy Mayor); Cr Colin Ferguson; Cr Bob McDonald; Cr Lynne Vernon; Mr Craig Turnour (Chief Executive Officer); Mrs Lynda Barnes (Minute Clerk) and Ms Robyn Smith (Minute Clerk).

It was noted that Cr Campbell would be late in attending the meeting.

3.0 LEAVE OF ABSENCE/CONDOLENCES

Condolences were offered to the Reid family.

4.0 DEPUTATIONS

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the following deputations will be attending the meeting:-

⇒ *Mr Glen Robinson, Westpac Agribusiness Banking Manager & Mr Brad Donovan, Westpac Transactional Business Manager, North Queensland; and*

⇒ *Mr Bill Fletcher, QRAA Client Liaison Officer*

5.0 MAYOR'S REPORT

Cr Daniels provided a verbal report. Items discussed included:- recent successful funding approvals including $400,000 for upgrade works at the pool and $120,000 for refurbishment of the PCYC Hall; recent visit by the Police Minister, Judy Spence, and the Queensland Police Commissioner to formally open the Police Station & PCYC; announcement of $6.5 million for the Cloncurry Hospital aged care unit; visit by the Minister for Health, Stephen Robertson; visit by the Leader of the Opposition Lawrence Springborg; hosting of an information luncheon for all the candidates running in the seat of Mount Isa; visit by Federal Minister for Primary Industries, Tony Burke & his State counterpart, Tim Mulherin; ongoing weekly teleconference with Minister Mulherin re flood impact to pastoral properties; and approach from Anthony McMillan re Corella Park Road;

6.0 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

⇒ *Cr Ferguson:- attending NQ Sports Foundation meeting on 13 March 2009 in Townsville;*

⇒ *Cr McDonald:- conditions of roads in Shire; & getting flood damage inspection completed; and*

⇒ *Cr Vernon:- funding re PCYC; other committed funding re election; and water restrictions;*

7.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 Minutes from Ordinary Meeting on 17 February 2009

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Vernon**
That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 17 February 2009 be confirmed.
CARRIED 01.090310

8.0 ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

No report provided.

The Town Planning & Building Administration Officer, Karen Bowman, entered the Chamber at 8:55am to provide her report.

9.0 TOWN PLANNING, BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT

9.1 Development Application TP05/09– Operational Works (Advertising Devices) 35B Ramsay Street

Moved: Cr Vernon **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
The development application for a Development Permit for Operational Works (Advertising Devices) on land at 35B Ramsay Street, Cloncurry which is described as Lot 1 on RP716605 for Eagle Boys Pizza be approved subject to the imposition of the following assessment manager conditions.

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT
OPERATIONAL WORKS (ADVERTISING DEVICES)
SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS

This development approval is subject to compliance with the following assessment manager conditions:

1. Approved Plan

a) The approved advertising devices shall generally comply with the approved plan being Drawing No. EBP0921 Cloncurry 4824 – 11 Issue A prepared by John Riggs & Associates Pty Ltd dated December 2008.
b) Any amendments to the approved advertising devices shall be subject to the written approval of the assessment manager.

2. Approved Signage

a) This approved advertising devices for the premises shall not exceed the following without the consent of the assessment manager:
- **1 x awning sign: 1,000mm height x 5,000mm width**
- **1 x internal sign: 500mm height x 750mm width**
- **1 x t-frame footpath sign: 1,525mm height x 905mm width**

b) The t-frame footpath sign shall be placed in a suitable location whereby the sign does not prove to be a hazard or obstruct pedestrians.
c) All advertising devices shall be properly maintained by the owner or lessee of the property, constructed of quality materials suitable of its location, be neat in appearance and aesthetically suited to the location.

3. Extent of Approval

a) The applicant must comply with all conditions of this Development Permit for Operational Works at the time of erecting the signs, unless otherwise stated.

Advice

1. Limitation of Approval

The Council and its officers make no representations and provide no warranties as to the accuracy of the information contained in the application including its supporting material provided to it by the applicant.

The Council and its officers rely upon the applicant concerning the accuracy and completeness of the application and its supporting material and accept the application and supporting material as constituting a representation by the applicant as to its accuracy and completeness. Insofar as the application and its supporting material may be incomplete and/or inaccurate giving rise to any claim by a third party the applicant agrees to indemnity and save the Council harmless in respect of any claim so arising.

CARRIED 02.090310

9.2 Development Application TP04/09– Material Change of Use (Undefined Use – Solar Thermal Power Plant Demonstration) 48 McIlwraith Street Cloncurry QLD 4824

Noted by Council.

9.3 Review of Planning Scheme and Land Use Planning

Noted by Council.

Cr Campbell entered the Chamber at 9:16am.

Town Planning & Building Administration Officer left the Chamber at 9:21am.

The Manager of Operations, Tom Arnold, and the Manager Water, Sewerage & Environmental Health Services, Shane Noon and Water Treatment Plant Officer, Scott Cosgrove entered the Chamber at 9:22am to provide their reports.

10.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, WATER AND SEWERAGE REPORT

10.1 Water Report – Cloncurry

Noted by Council.

10.2 Water Report - Kajabbi

Noted by Council.

10.3 Water Report - Dajarra

Noted by Council.

10.4 Re-lift Pump Station – Cloncurry Water Supply

Noted by Council.

10.5 Water Restrictions

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Campbell**
That the water restrictions policy as amended be adopted.
CARRIED 03.090310

10.6 Cloncurry Water Pipeline

Noted by Council.

10.7 Sewerage Report - Cloncurry

Noted by Council.

10.8 Sewerage Report - Dajarra

Noted by Council.

10.9 Environmental Health Report - General

Noted by Council.

The Water Treatment Plant Officer left the Chamber at 10:23am.

10.10 Cloncurry Waste Facility

Noted by Council.

10.11 Animal Control & Nuisance Officer General

Noted by Council.

10.12 Wild Dogs

Noted by Council.

10.13 Stock Routes

Noted by Council.

The Manager Water, Sewerage & Environmental Health Services left the Chamber at 10:42am.

11.0 ENGINEERING (WORKS) REPORT

11.1 Works Report - General

Noted by Council.

11.2 Ernest Henry Road/Zingari Road Upgrade Project Status Report

Noted by Council.

Item 18.3 from the Late Items Report was brought forward for consideration.

18.3 Quotation 2009/01 – Bulk Diesel Fuel Storage Tank

Further details to be obtained on the two preferred quotes.

Noted by Council.

The Manager of Operations left the Chamber at 11:25am.

The meeting adjourned at 11:25am and reconvened at 12:00pm, with all those previously in attendance present.

The Manager Community Development, Karen Elphick, entered the Chamber at 12:03pm to provide their reports.

12.0 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The Special Projects Officer - Airport, Donna Turner, entered the Chamber at 12:03pm to provide her report.

12.9 Q150 Qantas Hangar Project Report

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
That the revised scope of works as provided in this report for the upgrade of the old Qantas Hangar at the Cloncurry Airport be approved and works proceed accordingly.
CARRIED 04.090310

The Special Projects Officer – Airports left the Chamber at 12:20pm.

The Community Housing Officer, Robyn Smith, entered the Chamber at 12:23pm to provide her report.

Mr Glen Robinson, Westpac Agribusiness Banking Manager, Mr Brad Donovan, Westpac Transactional Business Manager, North Queensland and Mr Bill Fletcher, QRAA Client Liaison Officer entered the Chamber at 12:25pm to address Council.

12.4 Community Housing Report

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
That Council set the market rents for the current Community Housing rental review as follows:-
1 Bedroom Units - $200.00 per week
2 Bedroom Units/ House - $275.00 per week
3 Bedroom House - $350.00 per week
CARRIED 05.090310

The Community Housing Officer left the Chamber at 12:42pm.

12.1 Community Development Report - General

Noted by Council.

12.2 John Flynn Place Report January 2009

Noted by Council.

12.3 Mary Kathleen Park Museum and Visitor Information Centre

Noted by Council.

12.5 Cloncurry Multifunctional Childcare Centre Report

Noted by Council.

Item 18.4 from the Late Items Report was brought forward for consideration.

18.4 Review of Cloncurry Multifunctional Child Care Centre

Moved: Cr Campbell **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
That recommendations 1 and 2 of the McGrathNicol report on the review of the Cloncurry Multifunctional Child Care Centre be endorsed and the recommended fee increases be implemented from Monday 30 March 2009, together with the introduction of a before school care fee.
CARRIED 06.090310

12.6 Cloncurry Library February 2009 Report

Noted by Council.

12.7 2009 Country and Rural Living Expo

Moved: Cr Ferguson **Seconded: Cr Campbell**
That Council participate in the 2009 Country and Rural Living Expo.
CARRIED 07.090310

12.8 125 year celebration of Cloncurry Shire Council and Cloncurry State School

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
That Council support a 'Back to Cloncurry' event in September 2009 in conjunction with Cloncurry State School to celebrate 125 years of Cloncurry Shire Council and Cloncurry State School.
CARRIED 08.090310

The Manager Community Development left the Chamber at 1:03pm.

The meeting adjourned at 1:05pm and reconvened at 2:00pm with all those previously in attendance present.

Mr Robinson, Mr Donovan and Mr Fletcher left the Chamber at 2:00pm.

13.0 ADMINISTRATION REPORT

No report provided.

The Acting Manager for Finance, Des Ryan, entered the Chamber at 2:00pm to provide his report.

14.0 FINANCE REPORT

14.1 Schedule of Payments – February 2009

Moved: Cr Vernon **Seconded: Cr McDonald**
That the payments as listed on the schedule of payments for the period 1 January 2009 to 28 February 2009 be noted.
CARRIED 09.90310

14.2 Financial Reports to 1 February 2009

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Vernon**
That the financial reports for the eight months ended 28 February 2009 as provided be received.
CARRIED 10.090310

14.3 Financial Matters Report as at 28 February 2009

Noted by Council.

14.4 Queensland Treasury Corporation Cash Fund Account Statement February 2009

Noted by Council.

The Acting Manager for Finance left the Chamber at 2:55pm.

15.0 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

15.1 General Documents/Correspondence Received

Noted by Council.

15.2 Thynne & Macartney, 4 February 2009 – Workplace Health & Safety Investigation and Potential Prosecution (2 year old child (Chloe Rouse) drowned in Council swimming pool)

Noted by Council.

15.3 Department of Local Government, Sport and Recreation, 4 February 2009 – New set of model local laws

Noted by Council.

15.4 George Bourne & Associates, 10 February 2009 – Provision of Services by George Bourne & Associates

Noted by Council.

15.5 Minister for Main Roads and Local Government, 9 February 2009 –Blueprint for the Bush Strengthening Rural Communities Our Place Our Future finding initiative

Noted by Council.

15.6 St Joseph's School & St Colman's Parish Cloncurry Fete Committee, 3 February 2009 – St Joseph's & St Colman's Parish Fete – 3 April 2009

Moved: Cr Campbell **Seconded: Cr Vernon**
That Council contribute $500 and provide in-kind assistance where identified to the St Joseph's School fete.
CARRIED 11.090310

15.7 Northern Shire News – North QLD Register, 25 February 2009 – Northern Shire News Promotion

Moved: Cr Daniels **Seconded: Cr Campbell**
That Council trial three months participation in the North Queensland Register Northern Shire News Promotion at a cost of $950.40.
CARRIED 12.090310

15.8 Cloncurry and District Show Society, 23 February 2009 – Request for use of Florence Clarke Park 13 June 2009

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Campbell**
That the application to use Florence Clark Park for Cloncurry and District Show Society Dog Show be approved subject to the receipt of a properly made venue hire application form and the adherence of the conditions of such hire, with no fee to apply.
CARRIED 13.090310

15.9 Director-General Department Local Government Sport & Recreation, 25 February 2009 & 2 March 2009 – Allocation from 2009 Local Sport & Recreation Program and Allocation from Sustainable Resource Communities initiative

Noted by Council.

16.0 IN COMMITTEE MATTERS

No report provided.

18.0 LATE ITEMS REPORT

18.1 Local Government Remuneration Tribunal – 2008 Report; & Annual Resolution to Authorise Councillor Payments

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
That pursuant to section 236A of the *Local Government Act 1993*, remuneration applicable from 1 January 2009 is to be paid as listed below to Councillors for the faithful and impartial fulfillment of the duties of the office, including the performance the role of a Councillor (section 229) and/or Mayor (section 231). Further that payment of one twelfth of the base fee is made to Councillors on a monthly basis.

Name	Office	Base Fee
Cr Daniels	Mayor	$69,610
Cr Campbell	Deputy Mayor	$37,970
Cr Ferguson	Councillor	$31,640
Cr McDonald	Councillor	$31,640
Cr Vernon	Councillor	$31,640

CARRIED 14.090310

18.2 Election Signs & Posters In Public Places Policy

Moved: Cr McDonald **Seconded: Cr Ferguson**
That the Election Signs & Posters in Public Places policy as provided be adopted.
CARRIED 15.090310

17.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

- ⇒ *Saleyards – management and improvements;*
- ⇒ *Cr Vernon – proposal re the cemeteries;*
- ⇒ *Approval be given to Hay Bird Industries to cut and bail grass at the Cloncurry Race Course at no charge subject to conditions as discussed; and*
- ⇒ *Ground aerator – get price on a unit*

The meeting concluded at 4:10pm.