



CONFIRMED MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING OF
ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD
ST GEORGE STREET, GEORGETOWN
ON WEDNESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2015,
COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

HELD AT GEORGETOWN

ON WEDNESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2015

COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

ATTENDANCE

Crs W Attwood, T Arnett, W Bethel, P Royes, I Tincknell

OFFICERS PRESENT

Mr Michael Kitzelmann, Chief Executive Officer
Mr David Munro, Director of Corporate and Community Services
Mr Rohana Samarasekera, Director of Engineering Services
Mrs Tanya Robinson, Executive Assistant
Mr Terry Whitaker, Works Manager

GALLERY

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.10am and welcomed all in attendance.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY

We respectfully acknowledge the Ewamian People - the traditional custodians of this land where we meet for the General Meeting. We pay our respects to the Ewamian People, especially the Elders, past and present and acknowledge their traditional customs and lores and recognize their continuing connection to this Country.

We look forward to a long and continuing relationship with the Ewamian People and value any opportunities in strengthening relationships and partnerships through collaboration by respecting their Country.

APOLOGIES AND CONDOLENCES

Council offers their condolences to the Richards family on the passing of Uncle Ronnie Richards.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

General Meeting – Wednesday 14 October 2015

RESOLUTION:

That the Minutes of the General Council Meeting held at Georgetown on Wednesday 14 October 2015 be confirmed

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1531
5/0

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

MOTION:

That Council suspends standing orders at 9.18am

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1532
5/0

DEPUTATION

Lara Wilde attended the meeting at 9.18am to present a deputation on the Northern Agricultural Development Scheme.

ATTENDANCE

Michael Kitzelmann left the meeting at 9.25am and returned at 9.26am

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

MOTION:

That Council resumes standing orders at 9.48am

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1533
5/0

ATTENDANCE

Rohana Samarasekera left the meeting at 9.49am and returned at 9.51am

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourn for morning tea at 10.13am

RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 10.40am

ATTENDANCE

Rohana Samarasekera left the meeting at 10.41am and returned at 10.42am

7. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES OPEN REPORTS

GMCCS1.

Monthly Financial Report as at 31 October 2015

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It is a statutory requirement under Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that the Chief Executive Officer must present a “Financial Report” of its accounts to the Local Government at least monthly.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Adopt the monthly Financial Report pursuant to and in accordance with Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period ending 31 October 2015.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1536
5/0

GMCCS2.

Capital Works Budget 2015/2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

As part of the 2015/16 Budget, Council has approved a number of Capital Works Projects. The attached report provides a summary of the Capital Works Program through a financial perspective.

Council receives a detailed commentary on how we are delivering on our Capital and Operating budgets each quarter through the Operational Plan review.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Notes and receives the Officers report.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1537
5/0

GMCCS3.

Our Organisational – Update on Employment Numbers (FTE)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

People are the key to Etheridge Shire Council’s future. The survival, growth and success of Etheridge Shire Council are directly linked to the quality of the staff as individuals and as collaborative colleagues.

This report provides Council with an update on “Full Time Equivalents” (FTE) numbers and also provides trends and statistics on Council’s Human Resource Department.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Notes and receives the Officers report and furthermore that Council endorses the closure of its Shire and Depot Administration Offices, Terrestrial Centre and Town Crews from the close of business Wednesday 23 December 2015 to 1 January 2016 with the return to work date being Monday 4 January 2016, the Little Gems Children’s Centre from the close of business Wednesday 23 December 2015 to 8 January 2016 with the return to work date being Monday 11 January 2016 and furthermore that the Road and RMPC Crews from Midday 23 December 2015 to 4 January 2016 with the return to work date being Tuesday 5 January 2016, subject to appropriate on call arrangements with senior staff for emergency matters.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1538
5/0

GMCCS4.

Adoption of Etheridge Shire Council’s Annual Report for the year ending 30th June 2015 and the adoption of Etheridge Shire Council’s Audited Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2015

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Each year, Etheridge Shire Council produces an annual report. This is a legal requirement, but we also appreciate the opportunity to provide a report to our community on our performance against our corporate and operational plans. It also gives us a chance to highlight our achievements and outline how we are addressing challenges in the Etheridge Shire.

The Annual Report is the major accountability tool in Council’s corporate governance framework providing non financial and financial information to assess the efficiency, effectiveness and economy of our operations

The information in this report demonstrates accountability to stakeholders, who include residents and ratepayers, staff, councillors, investors, community groups, government departments and other interested parties

This report incorporates audited financial statements for the period 1 July 2014, to 30 June 2015.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Adopt the Annual Report for Etheridge Shire Council for the financial year ending 30 June 2015, pursuant to Section 182(2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1539
5/0

GMCCS5.

Little Gems Childcare Centre – Draft “Biting Policy”

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

It is important that people involved in caring for young children recognise that at times, some children, for a variety of reasons, attempt to bite other children. There are a number of reasons that children may bite:

- *Infants: Experimental, Sensory stimulation, Teething, hunger;*
- *Toddlers: Frustration, Fatigue, Attention Seeking, Confined Spaces, hunger, exploration and investigation, Sensory stimulation;*

- **Older Children: Aggression, Attention Seeking**

In order to maintain compliance with the various legislation that the Childcare Industry is subject to, Council as the owner and operator of Little Gems Children’s Centre is required to implement a Biting Policy.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to adopt the Little Gems Children’s Centre – Biting Policy

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1540
5/0

GMCCS6.

Public Notice of Meetings for 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At least once in each year, Council must publish a notice of the days and times when its ordinary meetings will be held and furthermore Council must publish this notice in a newspaper circulating generally in the Local Government area in accordance with Section(s) 277 (1) & (2) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Adopts the following meeting dates as presented for 2016 pursuant to and in accordance with Section 277(1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 and furthermore Council will publish this notice within the Inform Newsletter and also on Councils website.

Month	Date	Venue	Time
January	Wednesday 27 January 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
February	Wednesday 17 February 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
March	Wednesday 16 March 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
April	Wednesday 20 April 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
May	Wednesday 18 May 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
June	Wednesday 15 June 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
July	Wednesday 20 July 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
August	Wednesday 17 August 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
September	Wednesday 21 September 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
October	Wednesday 19 October 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
November	Wednesday 16 November 2016	Georgetown	9.00am
December	Wednesday 14 December 2016	Georgetown	9.00am

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1541
5/0

GMCCS7.

Agistment Allotment – Lot 12 on GB89 (Western Side of Sandy Creek), Aerodrome Road Georgetown

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received written notification from the previous lessee of allotment described as Lot 12 on GB89 that they have relinquished the lease back to Council. Therefore, this allotment as identified by Council can now be utilised as part of the vacant allotments for agistment purposes.

Council has received three (3) applications to lease this allotment for agistment purposes.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to grant an approval to issue a Permit to Occupy for a term of 12 months to the applicant 1 over Lot 12 on GB89 (Aerodrome Road, Georgetown) for the purpose of agisting horses subject to the following conditions:

- (i) the area will need to be fenced with a stock proof fence;*
- (ii) the area will need to be maintained in accordance with Council's Pest Management Plan;*
- (iii) the purpose of the "Permit to Occupy" is for grazing;*
- (iv) no other use will be permitted;*
- (v) any infrastructure placed on the defined area within Lot 12 on GB89 must not be of a permanent nature;*
- (vi) if the subject allotment is developed by council in the future then the Permit of Occupy will be terminated with council providing sufficient time for the holder of the Permit to Occupy to remove any infrastructure and to relocate any livestock on the defined area;*
- (vii) term of the Permit to Occupy – 1 year with an option to renew at expiry subject to Council approval*
- (viii) the Permit to Occupy is non transferrable to another party*
- (ix) Agistment fee will be in accordance with Council's charging scheme for agistment (paid in advance)*

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1543
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That all works on lot no 98 on SP206971 are to cease immediately and all equipment be removed from the block and a report be presented at the December General Meeting.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1542
4/1
Cr Attwood voted against the motion

GMCCS8.

Request to Lease Part of Lot 11 & 14 on SP252513 & Lot 10 on SP252513

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received written correspondence from a resident of Mt Surprise seeking the approval of Council to lease part of Lot 11 & 14 on SP252513 & Lot 10 on SP252513 for the purpose of agisting horses.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to approve the request over Part of Lot 11 & 14 on SP252513 & Lot 10 on SP252513 on SP252513 (Mt Surprise) for the purpose of agisting horses subject to the following conditions:

Resolve to approve the request subject to the following conditions:

- (i) the area will need to be fenced with a stock proof fence;**
- (ii) the area will need to be maintained in accordance with Council's Pest Management Plan;**
- (iii) the purpose of the "Permit to Occupy" is for grazing;**
- (iv) no other use will be permitted;**
- (v) any infrastructure placed on the defined area within Part of Lot 11 & 14 on SP252513 & Lot 10 on SP252513 must not be of a permanent nature;**
- (vi) if the subject allotment is developed by council in the future then the Permit of Occupy will be terminated with council providing sufficient time for the holder of the Permit to Occupy to remove any infrastructure and to relocate any livestock on the defined area;**
- (vii) term of the Permit to Occupy – 1 year with an option to renew at expiry.**

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1544
5/0

GMCCS10.

Mining Lease Application (MLA:100020)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has been made aware of a Mining Lease Application (MLA:100020) which was lodged on the on 30 January 2015, by Ms Lois Valentine for the granting of a mining lease (ML100020) over land situated approximately twenty-eight (28) kilometres south of Georgetown ("the Application").

The Application was put on public notice on 30 September 2015, with objections due on 19 November 2015.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to object to the granting of the Mining Lease Application 100020 (MLA: 100020) based on:

- a) In accordance with section 271A(2) of the Mineral Resources Act, the Application cannot, without the consent of the Council or the State, be granted over the Road.**
- b) Further to this, the Application cannot be granted unless the Applicant and the Council have entered into a compensation agreement (or the amount of compensation has been determined by the Land Court).**
- c) The Applicant has made no attempt to the contact the Council or to enter into negotiations to secure the Council's consent to:-**
 - i. the grant of the Application for the purposes of section 271A(2) of the Act; or**
 - ii. a compensation agreement which would sufficiently address the Council's concerns in relation to the proposal.**
- d) To the extent that the mining lease is proposed to include the Road, the Council opposes the Application being granted on the basis that:-**
 - i. the Road is a formed road which is used by persons in the Council's local government area as a means of access to properties in the locality;**
 - ii. the Council maintains the Road so that it remains trafficable for persons who use it;**

- iii. *the grant of the Application would enable the holder of the mining lease to disturb the surface of the road and, in doing so, to block access;*
- iv. *it is important that the Road remain open for the benefit of the persons who rely upon it as a means of access; and*
- v. *the Road is the most convenient means of access to Georgetown or other localities for persons who live in that locality.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1545
5/0

GMCCS12.

Etheridge Learning Facility Fees and Payment Policy review

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2015 was the inaugural year for the Etheridge Learning Facility, three family's utilised this service. To assist with the cost of a teacher's aide at the May 2014 General Meeting, Council resolved to charge an enrollment fee of \$10,000 per student per annum (Resolution No. 2014/GM1089) subject to a review after the first year of operation. A review of the fee structure has been conducted; recommendation for the 2016 fee is included in this report.

Council has an existing policy that provides families with information on how to pay for the service supplied by Etheridge Shire Council at the Etheridge 7 Learning Facility. The annual review of the policy was due 21 October 2015. The policy has been reviewed and updated to reflect 2016 families entitlements and the expansion of the program to include year 8.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Adopt that:

- A) *The Etheridge Learning Facility 2016 enrolment fee is \$10,000 (ex GST) per annum to be reviewed annually.*
- B) *Endorse the Etheridge Learning Facility Fee Payment Policy as presented.*

MOVED: Cr Royes

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1546
3/0

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Tincknell and Cr Bethel declared a conflict of interest in GMCCS12 and left the meeting at 11.28am.
Cr Tincknell and Cr Bethel returned to the meeting at 11.35am.

GMCCS13.

Community Events Funding

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received funds from the State Government via the State's "Community Drought Support Funding" to enable Council to assist or organise community events. To date Council has provided assistance to the Community Resilience Fair, Forsayth Turn-Out, Council organised community football match and Einasleigh Horse Sports which has utilised a portion of the funds received.

In the August edition of the Inform Newsletter, it was stated that If anyone has any ideas of a future event please do not hesitate in contacting Council.

Council has received the following requests

- A) The Southern End Etheridge Shire Family Group – Oasis Community Markets to be held on 28 November 2015*
- B) Oak Park Community – "Re-energise Me" Rural Retreat to be held on 18 & 19 December 2015*
- C) Council Community Christmas Carols to be held on 19 December 2015*
- D) Bushman's Ball Committee- "Bling in the Bush Ball" to be held on 31 December 2015*

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Royes declared a conflict of interest in GMCCS13 and left the meeting at 11.40am whilst the vote was being taken. Cr Royes returned to the meeting at 11.45am.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Resolve to provide financial assistance from the Community Drought Support Fund to:

- A) The Southern End Etheridge Shire Family Group, Oasis Community Markets of \$10,042 to assist in paying for the:*
 - i. Rides (children's entertainment) \$6716*
 - ii. Catering \$3326*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1547
4/0

RESOLUTION

That Council

Resolve to provide financial assistance from the Community Drought Support Fund to:

- B) Oak Park Community, Re-energise Me Rural Retreat of \$1,200 to assist in paying for the mechanical bucking bull*
- C) Etheridge Community Christmas Carols of \$17,046*
- D) Bushman's Ball Committee, New Year's Eve 'Bling in the Bush' Ball for \$3,700 to assist in paying for:*
 - i. Photo Booth \$2,500*
 - ii. Mechanical Bucking Ball \$1,200*

Furthermore offer extra assistance of \$2,250 to the Oak Park Community to assist in paying for Joy McClymont two day fitness workshop and bus services offered for community members to attend the Christmas Carols be reduced.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1548
5/0

ATTENDANCE

Terry Whittaker left the meeting at 11.58am and returned at 11.59am

GMCCS14.

Update Pest Management Committee

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Pest Management Committee met on the 11 November 2015 to discuss further arrangements and Pest Management activities.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Notes and receives the report and endorses the following recommendations made by the Pest Management Committee;

- *That the current bounty program be amended to have mandatory participation in an approved S7 baiting program for eligibility to the higher bounty (\$50) and furthermore all properties not participating in the baiting program will only be eligible for the lesser bounty (\$20).*

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1549
3/2

Cr Royes and Cr Tincknell voted against the motion

Notes and receives the report and endorses the following recommendations made by the Pest Management Committee;

- *That the requirements for participation in the feral cat bounty program be simplified so the claimant is only required to declare that the animal was destroyed from within the Etheridge Shire to be eligible.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1550
5/0

Notes and receives the report and endorses the following recommendations made by the Pest Management Committee;

- *The Pest Management Committee recommends that the three landholder incentive agreements being wild dogs, feral cats and declared weeds be endorsed by Council.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1551
5/0

Notes and receives the report and endorses the following recommendations made by the Pest Management Committee;

- *That the Pest Management Committee is empowered to modify the operating conditions of the aerial baiting program to best meet the needs of the community under the proviso that it does not exceed the allocated budget within the Federal Government drought assistance funding.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1552
5/0

Notes and receives the report and endorses the following recommendations made by the Pest Management Committee;

- *That Council supports the formal establishment of a Pest Management alliance between ESC and NGRMG, the intent of this alliance is for coordinated Pest Management within the Shire. Furthermore final approval of this alliance will be subject to agreement with the negotiated terms upon their completion.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1553
5/0

GMCCS15.

Northern Agriculture Development Scheme

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In February of 2015 Etheridge Shire Council hosted an Economic Development Forum. This forum identified the main pillars of economic activity within the Local Government Area and initiatives to support and enhance growth in each area. The development of the NADS program was to assist in identifying the current development opportunities within the Shire and to provide a community conduit for coordinated growth to occur.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Notes and receives the report and continues with the Northern Agricultural Development Scheme activities including an Economic Development Forum to be held in February / March 2016. A continuation in the development of the Northern Agricultural Development Scheme and furthermore for the coordination of a community consultation activity in partnership with RDA FNQ&TS.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1534
5/0

RESOLUTION:

The Council requests the CEO to arrange meetings between Etheridge Shire Council, LGAQ and Economic Development Queensland for 15 December 2015.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1535
5/0

GMCCS16.

Conversion to Fibre Optic Service

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council requested that the option of transferring the telecommunications services of Council to the Telstra Fibre Optic Network be investigated.

Following several meetings between Telstra and the Etheridge Shire Council the scope of works was established with the following key outcomes being identified:

- Improved reliability and redundancy as a result of disaster events, minimizing outages or hardware failures,*
- Ensuring Council's ICT systems have greater resilience and availability during natural disaster events,*
- Improved data transfer speeds with approved enterprise return to service guarantees,*
- The capability for greater collaboration internally between staff, other councils and organisations using high quality network based voice and video conferencing facilities,*
- The communications infrastructure to support migration to the cloud in the future, and*
- Greater control over and visibility of usage and content and access to online information by staff and the public to ensure compliance with audit and HR policy requirements.*

The key enabler to improve Council's connectivity is the provision of an optical fibre based GWIP service to the Council's main office in Georgetown. The attached report provides a brief summary of the overall costs associated with the upgrade including the benefits for Council operations.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Requests the CEO to finalise the negotiations and implementation of the Telstra Fibre Optic connection as per the proposal, furthermore Council requests that a budget amendment be made to fund the upgrade and this amendment be presented at the January General Meeting.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1554
4/1
Cr Royes voted against the motion

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourn for lunch at 12.27pm

RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 1.10pm

9. CONSIDERATION OF ENGINEERING SERVICES OPEN REPORTS

GMES1.

Monthly Engineering Report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a review of the performance of Engineering Services for the month of October 2015, bench-marked against Council's Corporate and Operational Plan.

RESOLUTION

That Council:

Receives and notes the report from the Director Engineering Services in respect of the work performed and services offered for the month of October 2015 by the Engineering Section.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1556
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That the Chief Executive Officer requests the Engineering Department to provide suitable projects for the R2R for the 16/17 year at the December General Meeting.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1555
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Council request the Chief Executive Officer to investigate the feasibility of constructing a BMX / motocross track on Lot 6 SP206970 as a community facility and furthermore to provide advice to Council on any legal or financial liabilities that this may impose

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1557
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Council requests the CEO to investigate an area for the disposal of animal carcasses.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1558
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Councillors express their appreciation for the work and loyalty provided to the Etheridge Shire by the Works Manager Terry Whitaker.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1559
5/0

CLOSURE OF MEETING

MOTION:

That in accordance with Section 275(1) (b & e) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following matters;

- *Review of Function (Organisational Chart)*
- *Request to Purchase Lot 30 on SP217269 (Georgetown Residential Estate)*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1560
5/0

ATTENDANCE

Terry Whitaker left the meeting and returned at 2.15pm
Michael Kitzelmann left the meeting at 2.20pm and returned at 2.21pm
Cr Bethel left the meeting at 2.34pm and returned at 2.44pm
Rohana Samarasekera left the meeting at 2.45pm and returned at 2.47pm

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

MOTION:

That Council re-open the meeting to the public at 2.45pm

MOVED: Cr Royes

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1561
5/0

7. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES CLOSED REPORTS

GMCCS9.

Review of Function (Organisational Chart)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At a previous General Meeting, Council had requested that a review be performed on a specific function contained within the approved Organisational Chart of Council, and that once this review had been completed a report is to be submitted back to Council.

A review of the function has been completed.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

Endorses the officer's report in relation to the additional responsibilities of this function which is shown within the Community Services Organisational Chart.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1562
5/0

GMCCS11.

Request to Purchase Lot 30 on SP217269 (Georgetown Residential Estate)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has developed "Residential Land" within the township of Georgetown which went to Public Auction on the 24 September 2011. Council can now deal with offers from the public on a case by case basis after the Auction date which is in accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012, subject to the offer being higher than the Auction Bid on the day of the said Auction.

Council has received a written offer for the purchase of Lot 30 on SP217469.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

Resolve to decline the offer from the applicant and furthermore enter into further negotiations for allotment 28.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1563
5/0

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

MOTION:

That Council suspends standing orders at 2.51pm

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1564
5/0

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

MOTION:

That Council resumes standing orders at 3.32pm

MOVED: Cr Royes

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1565
5/0

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Arnett

- Tyre Shredder

Cr Bethel

- Council Elections

Cr Royes

- SEGRA Conference innovation and crowd funding

Cr Tincknell

- Urban Planning
- Cattle in the Mt Surprise town common – Agenda Item for Mt Surprise Community Meeting

RESOLUTION:

That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer to obtain a formal quote to develop an urban plan for the Etheridge Shire.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1566
5/0

Cr Attwood

- Main Roads discussions
- Uncle Ronnie Richards Funeral
- Tyre Shredder discussions
- SEGRA short film festival
- Works to the main office

RESOLUTION:

That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer to write to GSD formally informing them that Etheridge Shire Council will not be renewing their membership for 2015/16.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1567
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Council waiver the fees associated with the burial of Uncle Ronnie Richards.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1568
3/2

Cr Tincknell and Cr Royes voted against the motion

RESOLUTION:

That RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1496 be rescinded.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1569
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer to inform the DSD that Etheridge Shire Council will auspice the Tyre Shredder project under the 2014 Royalties for the Regions grant program and furthermore Council commit \$100,000 to this project.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1570
4/1
Cr Bethel voted against the motion

RESOLUTION:

That Council requests to instruct the Chief Executive Officer to use the \$1,000 prize from SEGRA to promote short films.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1571
5/0

CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 4.17pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday 16 December 2015.

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MAYOR

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DATE

UNCONFIRMED MINUTES – GENERAL MEETING, 18 NOVEMBER 2015