



CONFIRMED MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING OF
ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD
ST GEORGE STREET, GEORGETOWN
ON WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH 2016,
COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

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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
Miss Sara Alexander, Finance Administration Officer
Mr Terry Whitaker, Works Manager

GALLERY

Troy Barnes and Eric Tan.

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:12 am 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.

CONDOLENCES

Bob Winters, Betty Butler and Noeline Ikin's Father.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

General Meeting – Tuesday February 2016

RESOLUTION:

That the Minutes of the General Council Meeting held at Georgetown on Tuesday 16 February 2016 be confirmed.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1643
5/0

6. CONSIDERATION OF CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES OPEN REPORTS

GMCCS1.

Monthly Financial Report as at 29 February 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 29 February 2016.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1644
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 Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1645
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.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1646
5/0

GMCCS4.

Operational Plan Review for the Quarter ending March 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In accordance with the Local Government Regulation 2012, the Chief Executive Officer is required to present a report on Council's progress towards implementing the annual "Operational Plan".

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

Adopt the Operational Plan review for the March 2015/16 quarter in accordance with Section 174 (3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1647
5/0

Eric Tan left the meeting 9:31am

GMCCS5.

Development Application for: MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE – IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR INDUSTRY (TRANSPORT DEPOT) ON LAND DESCRIBED AS LOT 28 ON SP217469 CUMBERLAND STREET GEORGETOWN, PARISH OF CASTELTON, COUNTY OF GILBERT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received a Development Application for:

MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE – IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR INDUSTRY (TRANSPORT DEPOT) ON LAND DESCRIBED AS LOT 28 ON SP217469 CUMBERLAND STREET GEORGETOWN, PARISH OF CASTELTON, COUNTY OF GILBERT

Specifically the proposal is to allow for the construction of an industrial shed for the purpose of housing and maintaining the applicants transport business.

The attached Planning Report and Draft Decision Notice suggests that the application is consistent and in accordance with the Etheridge Shire Planning Scheme.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

In accordance with the Integrated Planning Act 1997 as amended and the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 approve a Development Permit for:

MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE – IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR INDUSTRY (TRANSPORT DEPOT) ON LAND DESCRIBED AS LOT 28 ON SP217469 CUMBERLAND STREET GEORGETOWN, PARISH OF CASTELTON, COUNTY OF GILBERT

Subject to the following conditions as identified in Attachment 3 – Draft Decision Notice (Section A – Assessment Managers Conditions (Council))

A. ASSESSMENT MANAGER CONDITIONS (COUNCIL)

General:

- 1) **The proposed development shall be undertaken substantially in accordance with the approved drawings and/or documents and in accordance with the specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application submitted to Council and referenced in the following schedule except as otherwise specified by any condition of this approval:**

Schedule of Approved Documents			
Document / Plan Number:	Rev.:	Plan Name:	Date:
Figure 1	1	Location Maps	01/2016
Figure 2	1	Road Frontage	01/2016
Figure 3	1	Position of Shed with Driveway into and Exiting Shed	01/2016
Figure 4	1	Position of Entry and Exit from Road	01/2016
Appendix C	1	Landscaping Plan	01/2016
Appendix D	N/A	Photos of Subject Site x 3	01/2016
Appendix E	1	Details of Proposed Building	01/2016

- 2) **The conditions of the Development Permit must be affected prior to Commencement of Use, except where specified otherwise in these conditions of approval.**
- 3) **The applicant will ensure as far as practicable that access to the site by the public during construction shall be limited as far as practicable by way of temporary construction fencing and gates to a height of 1800mm.**
- 4) **During construction phase any damages to the road reserve (i.e. footpath/kerb and channel and or adjacent road surface) must be replaced and or repaired by the developer in accordance with council standards.**

Time and Effect:

- 5) **The Development Approval shall lapse four (4) years after the date the Development Approval takes effect in accordance with the provisions of Section 341 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 and Section 3.5.21 of the Integrated Planning Act 1997.**

Fencing:

- 6) **The applicant shall provide an appropriate and adequate fence to the boundary of the property prior to commencement of operations of the proposed business.**
- 7) **Consultation with adjoining property owners is essential so an amicable agreement is achieved in respect to the type, shared cost and proposed installation of a fence on a common boundary.**

Site Appearance:

- 8) **All materials and machinery to be used during the construction period are to be wholly stored on the site, unless otherwise approved by Council.**
- 9) **The site is to be kept in a clean and tidy condition at all times both during construction periods of any infrastructure and normal business operations to the satisfaction of Council.**

Landscaping:

- 10) **The applicant shall within 3 months of commencement of operations provide tree/shrub vegetation that is compatible with the regional vegetation such that it provides partial**

screening of their operations from Cumberland Street and Hayman Street and neighbouring properties.(refer "Appendix C")

Noise:

- 11) *The hours of audible noise associated with construction and building work on site must be limited to between the hours of:-*
 - i. *6.30am to 6.30pm Monday to Saturday*
 - ii. *No work on Sundays or Public Holidays.*

Dust Suppression:

- 12) *The applicant shall ensure that measures are installed and or implemented to ensure that the suppression of dust and any other wind-blown debris from the site does not cause environmental nuisance to adjoining properties.*

Access to Lot:

- 13) *The applicant shall provide driveway entry and exit crossovers in approved locations (refer "Appendix C – Landscaping Plan and Figure 3 - Position of Shed with Driveway into and Exiting Shed"). This work shall be carried out in accordance with council standards and to the satisfaction of councils' Engineer.*

Services:

- 14) *The Applicant shall be responsible for the cost of necessary alterations to existing public utility mains, services or installations required by works in relation to the proposed development or any works required by condition(s) of this approval.*

Drainage:

- 15) *Soil and water management measures must be installed / implemented prior to discharge of water from the site, such that no external stormwater flow from the site adversely affects surrounding properties (in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Protection Act 1994). The lawful point of stormwater discharge is Sandy Creek.*

Car Parking:

- 16) *The applicant shall make provision for sufficient car parking spaces within the boundaries of the development suitable in number for the type and operations of the proposed business.*

On-Site Sewerage:

- 17) *Waste disposal shall be by way of a minimum Secondary Standard Waste Water Treatment Plant and associated land application area. Prior to construction a site and soil report with associated effluent design shall be lodged with council for prior approval.*

Flammable and Combustible Liquids:

- 18) *Spillage of all chemicals, fuels and lubricants must be contained within an on-site containment system and controlled in a manner that prevents environmental harm.*
- 19) *All petroleum product storages must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with AS-1940 – Storage and Handling of Flammable and Combustible Liquids.*

Other Matters:

- 20) *This development approval does not permit any building or plumbing works to be carried out prior to the appropriate approvals for such works being obtained.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1648
5/0

GMCCS6.

Economic Development Fund

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Etheridge Shire Council's Economic Development Fund Grant aims to provide encouragement and support to groups within the community to make a positive and ongoing contribution to the region. With an emphasis on development of community capacity, encourage participation and develop vibrant engaged resilient local communities.

Council has received an application from Savannah Way Ltd, the Gulf Cattleman's Association and Mr Eric Tan - Etheridge Shire Peace Memorial Project.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

- 1. Resolve to approve the application for financial assistance under the guidelines contained within Etheridge Shire Council's Economic Development Fund Policy for the re-print of the Lava Tubes, Gems & Gorges Trail Map for an amount of \$9,989.52 (exc GST) and furthermore, the Chief Executive Officer is to ensure that the funds allocated are restricted to the benefit of the Etheridge Shire Tourism operators and representative of all operatives.*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1649
4/0

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Royes declared a conflict of interest and did not vote on GMCCS6 ResolutionNo.2016/GM1649.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

- 2. Resolve to approve the application for financial assistance under the guidelines contained within Etheridge Shire Council's Economic Development Fund Policy for the Gulf Cattleman's Association, for the delivery of industry development activities including the Mustering Wellness Program, the Beef Sense Program and for the alignment of activities nationally with other representative bodies for an amount of \$10,000 (exc GST) and furthermore the funds are to be distributed to the Gulf Cattleman's Association upon presentation of a properly prepared invoice or project plan.*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1650
4/0

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Mayor Attwood declared a conflict of interest in GMCCS6 and did not vote on ResolutionNo.2016/GM1650.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

- 3. Resolve to approve the application for financial assistance under the guidelines contained within Etheridge Shire Council's Economic Development Fund Policy for the establishment of a Peace Memorial at Heritage Park Georgetown, for an amount of \$10,000 (exc GST) and furthermore that Etheridge Shire Council auspice the transfer of funds for this project.*

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1651

5/0

GMCCS7.

Charleston Dam Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has been forging ahead with the design and development of a Dam located on the Delaney River north of the Forsyth Township for the purpose of water security, recreation use and economic development.

The attached report provides a brief summary of the activities that have transpired over the past month.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Notes and receives the officer's report.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1652

5/0

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourn for morning tea at 10:44 am

RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 11:08 am

Terry Whitaker left the room at 11:08 am

Terry Whitaker returned to the meeting at 11:10 am

Troy Barnes returned to the meeting at 11:11 am

GMCCS8.

DA2011-002 - Request Amendments to Conditions

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At its December 2015 General Meeting (Item No: GMCCS11) Council resolved to approve a Permissible Change to the previously approved Forsyth Wind Farm development Council has on 08 March 2016 received further correspondence from the applicant seeking further amendments to conditions and site layout of the development.

In summary the applicant seeks to change the approved layout of the wind turbines and amend/ remove the requirement of Condition No.12.

Furthermore the applicant has proposed certain developer contributions for councils and the community's benefit.

Under normal circumstances this request would be a Permissible Change under the Sustainable Planning Act (SPA). However due to the short time frame from receiving this correspondence, the need for this request to be referred to Government Departmental Agencies, the applicant seeking urgent advice and the need for council to decide on certain matters a formal Permissible Change Application will be submitted by the applicant at a later date.

This report identifies specifically the applicant requests which can and are governed under SPA.

RESOLUTION:

That Council:

Accepts the officers' report and furthermore resolve to approve the following recommendations in relation to the changes sought to original conditions of approval through this request for change:

1) Existing Condition 12 states:

"The road shall be bitumen sealed for the full length of the frontage of the Einasleigh - Forsayth Road and associated access road intersections"

The applicant's request suggests that through diligent planning and construction of internal road ways and access points to these roadways the need for the applicant to utilise unsealed sections of the Forsayth-Einasleigh Road will be negated.

It is recommended that council resolve to approve the following amendment to condition 12:

"The road shall be bitumen sealed ~~for the full length of the frontage~~ a minimum of 5km of the Einasleigh - Forsayth Road and associated access road intersections"

2) Project Layout and Existing Condition 1:

The project layout was identified in Condition 1 which was amended in the previous Permissible Change approval to the read the following:

"the development shall be undertaken generally in accordance with the approved drawings and/or documents and in accordance with the specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application and subsequent amendments (Gilvear Planning Ref:J000149:FWF:SR - ~~13/02/2014~~ 09/11/2015 submitted to Council and as shown on Catcon drawing WAD131099 C04 dated 16/09/15.

Given the proposed changes to the new layout and the applicants request for councils confirmation that the new layout is 'generally in accordance with the approved drawings and/or documents and in accordance with the specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application and subsequent amendments' as required by condition 1 of the Development Permit;

It is recommended that council resolve to approve Condition 1 in this amended format

"the development shall be undertaken generally in accordance with the approved drawings and/or documents and in accordance with the specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application and subsequent amendments (Gilvear Planning Ref:J000149:FWF:SR - 09/11/2015 submitted to Council and as shown on Catcon drawing WAD131099 004 REV B 04/02/2016 dated 16/09/15. (Refer Appendix 1 - Forsayth Wind Farm Overall Layout)

It is further recommended that the CEO respond to the applicant by way of letter indicating:

- *council's approval of the above changes, and*
- *responds to the applicants request for more information in relation to further development requirements*
- *Responds to rate request*
- *Provide timeframes for secondary approvals*

and furthermore council take no further action with respect to an amended Decision Notice until such times that the applicant submits a properly made Permissible Change Application and referrals are made to the appropriate Government Departmental Agencies.

MOVED: Cr Royes

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1653
5/0

GMCCS9.

Etheridge Economic Development Forum, Georgetown, 17-18 February 2016

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At the General Meeting dated 16 December 2015 Council resolved to hold an Economic Development Forum (RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1587) to stimulate economic development in the region.

This forum was held on the 17 and 18 February 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Notes and Receives the Officers Report and furthermore that council endorses the outcomes of the Etheridge Economic Development Forum for inclusion in future planning for the Shire and furthermore, the Council request the Chief Executive Officer ensure that final copies of the Economic Development Forum Report be made available.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1654
5/0

GMCCS10.

Internal Audit Committee

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section S.211-(C) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, requires that as soon as practicable after a meeting of the committee, give the local government a written report about the matters reviewed at the meeting and the committee's recommendations about the matters.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Notes the report and supports the following recommendation from the Audit Committee:-

- *That the Audit and Risk Management Committee continue to be used as a governance oversight mechanism and furthermore that a report be presented to the newly elected Council for consideration of the Committee structure.*

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1655
5/0

GMCCS11.

Commercial Pilot Training, Air Charters & Tourist Flights

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Etheridge Shire Council has been in negotiations with Aviation College Australia for the establishment of a basic pilot training school, private air charter business and tourist flight business based at the Georgetown Airport. The negotiations to date have considered the use of all airfields within the Etheridge Shire including the Kidston airfield. The intent of the negotiation is to establish a permanent aviation operation within the shire boundaries in partnership with the aviation college based in Townsville. The overall goal is to bring charter air services to Etheridge Shire, boost our local economy by attracting an extra two hundred people per annum as permanent residents within the shire and to provide another outlet for tourism activities within the shire through scenic flights operating out of Georgetown flying over the various tourist attractions within the shire.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Notes and receives the officer's report and furthermore endorses the actions of the Chief Executive Officer to attract this important service to our community.

MOVED: Cr Royes

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1656
5/0

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 February 2016, bench-marked against Council's Corporate and Operational Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

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 February 2016 by the Engineering Services Section.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1657
5/0

GMES2.

Etheridge Shire Rural Road Network

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

An extensive investigation was undertaken to confirm/correlate all rural road names within the Etheridge Shire boundary on instruction from the CEO. The need for this investigation became apparent after queries by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) regarding road names and asset numbers.

Following presentation to Council at the December 2015 General Meeting (GMES4), a list of the proposed road name changes was published in the December Inform, inviting discussion and feedback from the public. No responses were received and Engineering is ready to implement the changes presented.

The amendments recommended will remove any confusion and help maintain a more correct register of names for roads which the QRA is supportive.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve to implement the proposed changes.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1658
5/0

GMES3.

Forsyth Road Action Group Report

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Forsyth Road Action Group was established to develop strategies to convey to the Department of Transport and Main Roads the importance of upgrading and sealing the Georgetown to Forsyth Road.

The Forsyth Road Action Group met on Monday 22 February 2016. The following recommendation was moved and passed.

'That the incoming Council give consideration to allocating 16/17 and 17/18 R2R funding to upgrading and sealing the Georgetown to Forsyth Road.'

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

Request the Chief Executive Officer to create a Road Condition feedback report to be placed in accessible location across the Shire to enable data collection on;

- *Road condition on local roads*
- *Road condition on state roads*
- *Details of traffic incidents (accidents, near misses.), and*
- *Vehicle damage resulting from road conditions*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1659
5/0

RECOMMENDATION

That Council;

Request the Chief Executive Officer acquire three road counters to be located on the Georgetown Forsayth Road, North Head Road and Forsayth to Einasleigh Road.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Royes

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1660
5/0

Terry Whitaker left the meeting at 12:58pm

Terry Whitaker returned to the meeting at 1:01pm

RECOMMENDATION (by the FRAG) is presented to Council as follows.

That Council;

Recommends that the 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 R2R funding be allocated to the Georgetown Forsayth road.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Royes

MOTION LOST
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1661
2/3

Cr Arnett, Cr Tincknell and Cr Attwood voted against this motion

ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourn for lunch at 1:08pm

RESUMPTION

Council resumed the meeting at 1:54 pm

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Bethel and Terry Whitaker declared a conflict of interest in GMES4 and left the meeting at 1:55 pm

Troy Barnes left the meeting at 1:55pm

CLOSURE OF MEETING

MOTION:

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

- *GMES4 “Bid Card” Tender*

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1662
4/0

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

MOTION:

That Council resumes standing orders at 1:56pm

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1663
4/0

GMES4.

“Bid Card” Tender

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council accumulated plant items and other stock that was no longer required. Items listed for the “Bid Card” Tender were submitted for approval at the General Council Meeting held in January 2016. Council resolved to accept the list of items and delegated authority to the Chief Executive Office, Director of Corporate and Community Services and Director of Engineering Services to undertake assessment of the Tenders.

Notification of Tender was advertised in the January and February Inform and leaflets were distributed to all communities throughout the Shire.

The Tender occurred on Saturday 5 March and Sunday 6 March with interested bidders inspecting the items in a cordoned area at the Depot and then placing their bids in a locked box located at the Depot Office.

The Tender evaluation process has been completed and details are provided in this report.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

Resolve to accept the highest tender offered as detailed in Table 1 of this report.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1664
4/0

Cr Bethel and Terry Whitaker returned to the meeting at 2:00pm

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Arnett

- Fencing at Mt Surprise
- Lobby for the last 3 km on the Kennedy Highway.
- Complete the lane on the Copperfield Bridge at Einasleigh
- Thanked all Councilors and Council employees for the past

RESOLUTION:

That Council;

Request the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a report on the costing to complete the seal running surface of the Copperfield Bridge at Einasleigh.

MOVED: Cr Arnett

SECONDED: Cr Tincknell

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2015/GM1665
5/0

Cr Bethel

- Thanked both the fellow Councilors and Council staff for four years of stability and productive working environment.
- New Council contractor trucking laws
- North Head track/road

Cr Royes

RESOLUTION:

That Council;

Recommends to the incoming Council to recognise the Economic importance of tourism to the communities of Etheridge and allocate funds within the budget to allow cooperative investments in tourism partnering with Etheridge Tourism Action Group (ETAG) and furthermore any Council spending on tourism activities such as marketing, advertising, tourism infrastructure development is done with full consultation with Etheridge Tourism Action Group (ETAG) to insure brand consistency and rate payers receive the best possible return on investment.

AMENDMENT

That Council;

Recommends to the incoming Council to recognise the Economic importance of tourism to the communities of Etheridge to allow cooperative investments in tourism partnering with Etheridge Tourism Action Group (ETAG) and furthermore any Council spending on tourism activities such as marketing, advertising, tourism infrastructure development is done in full consultation with Etheridge Tourism Action Group (ETAG) to insure brand consistency and rate payers receive the best possible return on investment.

MOVED: Cr Royes

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1666
5/0

Cr Tincknell

- Mt Surprise Town Fencing

RESOLUTION:

That Council;

Directs the Chief Executive Officer to add to the Mt Surprise fencing project to include the clearing along both sides of the fence around the Mt Surprise Township and furthermore that gravel be added to the rocky sections along the fence line which will allow for better access to maintain and inspect the town fence situated within the Mt Surprise Township.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Arnett

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1667
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Council;

Directs the Chief Executive Officer in consultation with appropriate qualified personnel regarding the drainage in the Mt Surprise Township.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1668
5/0

RESOLUTION:

That Council;

Request that the Chief Executive Officer liaise with the Principle of the Mt Surprise school to find a mutually agreeable solution for the collection of rubbish from the Mt Surprise School, and furthermore to discuss issues pertaining to the use of the Town Hall.

MOVED: Cr Tincknell

SECONDED: Cr Attwood

CARRIED
RESOLUTION NO.2016/GM1669
5/0

Cr Attwood

- Raised that a phone call was received from Honorable Bob Katter wishing the Councillors the best of luck with the elections and thanking them for the proactive working relationship over the past four years.
- Received a letter from Bram Collins.
- Attended the Vegetation Management Meeting held by Ag force in Mareeba.
- Thanked the Council staff and fellow Councilors

Mr Kitzelmann - CEO

- Thanks and congratulations to this Council for a very productive working relationship between Council officers and elected members on behalf of all staff we wish you all the best moving forward.

CONCLUSION

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 3:10 pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday 20th April 2016.

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MAYOR

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DATE