



# CONFIRMED MINUTES

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GENERAL MEETING OF  
ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL  
HELD  
ST GEORGE STREET, GEORGETOWN  
ON WEDNESDAY 18 JULY 2018,  
COMMENCING AT 8.00AM

**ETHERIDGE SHIRE COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING**

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**ATTENDANCE**

Crs W Devlin, W Attwood, T Barnes, W Bethel & T Gallagher

**OFFICERS PRESENT**

Mr Norm Garsden, Chief Executive Officer  
Mr David Munro, Director of Corporate and Community Services  
Ms Anna Christensen, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer

**GALLERY**

Mr. Cliff Mosch  
Mrs. Curley Mosch  
Mr. Ian Carroll  
Ms. Annette Bathurst  
Mr. Jim Miles  
Mrs. Susan Miles

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 8:00am 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.***

**DECLARATIONS**

Cr Gallagher declared a possible conflict of interest on *GMCCS1 – Gilbert River Irrigation Project* due to members of his family living on property situated along the Gilbert River as well as *GMCCS3, GMCCS4 and GMCCS5* due to owning a business situation on St George Street in Georgetown.

Cr Bethel declared a material personal interest on *GMCCS3 – Gilbert River Irrigation Project* due to his ownership of land situated along the Gilbert River and his family owning land situated along the Gilbert River.

Cr Devlin declared a possible conflict of interest on *GMCCS3, GMCCS4 and GMCCS5* due to owning a business situation on St George Street in Georgetown.

**APOLOGIES AND CONDOLENCES**

That council pass on their sincere condolences to the family of Mr Steve Osbourne.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES**

**General Meeting – Wednesday 18 July 2018**

**RESOLUTION:**

*That the Minutes of the General Council Meeting held at Georgetown on Thursday 21 June 2018 be confirmed.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2365**  
**5/0**

**Business arising from Minutes – Wednesday 21 June 2018**

**Norm Garsden**

- Sought an indication of interest from Councillors to attend the Northern Alliance of Councils Conference.
  - Cr Devlin, Cr Gallagher and Cr Attwood all indicated their interest in attending.

**INFORMATION BULLETIN**

Reports from Engineering Services, Economic and Community Development Officer, Childcare Centre and Terrestrial Centre were discussed, including the Action Taken List from previous meetings.

**Business arising from Information Bulletin**

Norm Garsden

- Highlighted certain items in the Information Bulletin with Council.

Cr Attwood

- Queried the water consumption in Forsayth in the 2018 year in comparison to previous years and whether this might have an impact on the Dam (response - some additional water has been used to establish the upgraded gardens at Caschafor Park, but there may be other contributing factors)

Mayor

- Queried the Works Manager on the progress on the Hann Highway construction.

Cr Gallagher

- Requested maintenance works to address the bad hole located near Maitland Station and also asked for warning signs to be installed either side of the hole until repaired.

Cr Attwood

- Queried whether any advice had been received regarding the NDRRA claim (response – not yet)

Cr Gallagher

- Drew Council's attention to the deteriorating road quality on the Forsayth to Georgetown and Einasleigh to Oasis roads.

**MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cr Bethel declared that he has a material personal interest (as defined by Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS1 as an owner of land within the Gilbert River Irrigation Precinct, as he stands to gain a benefit or suffer a loss depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter

He dealt with this declared material personal interest by leaving the meeting (at 8:26am) while this matter was discussed and voted on. Cr Bethel returned to the meeting after voting at 8:38am.

**ATTENDANCE**

A member of the gallery left the meeting at 8:26am and returned at 8:39am.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Cr Gallagher declared that he may have a conflict of interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175D) in Item GMCCS1 as family members own land within the Gilbert River Irrigation Precinct. Cr Gallagher determined that this personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead him to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest and advised that he will best perform his responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter. However, he acknowledged that the remaining councillors must now determine, pursuant to section 175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009: -

(a) Whether he has a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter; and

(b) If so, whether: -

i. he must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or

ii. he may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter:

**RESOLUTION**

***That Councillor Gallagher has a perceived conflict of interest in the matter and, notwithstanding the conflict, Councillor Gallagher may participate in the matter, discuss and vote upon it.***

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2366**  
**3/0**

**CONSIDERATION OF OPEN REPORTS**

**GMCCS1.**

Gilbert River Irrigation Project

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

***Feedback from the State Government regarding Council's MIPP2 application indicates that submissions have been reviewed by the appropriate agencies and are now ready to go before the review panel. Council is likely to receive a decision on the submission in the next month.***

***Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (QDAF) staff are currently in the process of formulating an agenda for September field visits by the Brazilian JCN Group, a large Brazilian agribusiness company, to the Gulf region to inspect potential areas for investment.***

***Other notable activities include:***

- The Mayor, CEO and Project Officer attended the Northern Australia Development Conference on June 18-19, 2018.***
- The Mayor, CEO and the Project Officer travelled to Canberra for meetings with Federal Ministers and Shadow Ministers to promote the Gilbert River Irrigation Project.***
- The Project Officer had an informal discussions with Rick Jones, the Queensland Cotton Regional Manager for Central Queensland.***
- Attendance at a meeting convened by the Cooperative Research Centre Northern Australia (CRCNA) in Townsville on Monday, July 9 2018 to discuss a collaborative multi-proponent approach to research and development in Northern Australia around crop agriculture.***

***The Australian Cotton Conference is planned for August 7-9, 2018.***

**RESOLUTION**

**That Council:**

- **Continue to support the Gilbert River Irrigation Project**

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2367**  
**4/0**

Cr Bethel was not present for discussion and did not vote on this matter due to a declared material personal interest.

**GMCCS2.**

Application for Conversion of Lease over Lot 1 on GB120 (Road Closure – Part of Short Street)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

***The department is currently assessing an application for the Conversion of a Leasehold Allotment being Lot 1 on GB120 with the proposed action being to convert the lease to freehold. Council views have previously been sought in regards to this application (November 2016).***

***As part of the process is has been brought to the Departments attention that there is part of the land that is currently used as road.***

***Views from the council are requested by the Department regarding whether this area is required to be opened as a road.***

**RESOLUTION**

**That Council:**

***Resolve to inform the Department of Natural Resources Mines and Energy that the area described within Drawing TSV17081 (known as Lot 1) does not need to be designated for a road as Council has already resolved to have the road known as Short Street closed at both ends and furthermore there is no formed road within the designated area and that the road that the applicant refers to is a track of convenience used as short cut by locals albeit illegally as they are driving through private property.***

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2368**  
**5/0**

**DECLARATION – PERCIEVED CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Cr Gallagher and Cr Devlin declared that they have a conflict of interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175D) in Item GMCCS3, 4 and 5 as they conduct businesses in Georgetown that may benefit from an increase in tourism.

Cr Gallagher and Cr Devlin each determined that this perceived conflict of interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead them to making a decision on the matter that is contrary to the public interest and advised that they will best perform their responsibilities of serving the overall public interest of the whole of the Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter. However, they acknowledged that the remaining councillors must now determine, pursuant to section 175E(4) of the Local Government Act 2009: -

- (a) Whether he has a real conflict of interest in this matter or a perceived conflict of interest in this matter;  
and  
(b) If so, whether: -

- i. they must leave the meeting while this matter is discussed or voted on; or
- ii. they may participate in the meeting in relation to the matter, including by voting on the matter:

**RESOLUTION**

***That Cr Gallagher and Cr Devlin do not have either a real conflict of interest or perceived conflict of interest in the matter and is accordingly free to participate in the meeting while this matter is discussed, including by voting on the matter.***

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2369**  
**3/0**

**GMCCS3.**

Tablelands Advertiser Promotions

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

***News Corp Australia has invited Council to promote the Etheridge Shire through their Tablelands Advertiser paper.***

**RESOLUTION**

**That Council:**  
***Notes and receives the officer's report and declines the offer from News Corp Australia.***

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2370**  
**5/0**

**GMCCS4.**

Radio Advertisements

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

***Tourist Radio FM88 has provided quotes for Council to re-advertise on their Tambo, Barcaldine, Blackall and Longreach Stations.***

**RESOLUTION**

**That Council:**  
***Notes and receives the officer's report and approves the budget and resource considerations to advertise on Tourist Radio FM88 across the affiliate stations of Tambo, Barcaldine, Blackall and Longreach for the 2018/19 financial year.***

**MOVED:** Cr Gallagher

**SECONDED:** Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2371**  
**5/0**

**GMCCS5.**

TV Advertisements

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Following Council's decision to include Shire Promotions in the 2018/19 Budget, direction is sought regarding the continuation of airing the current television advertisements on Imparja and the development of new content.

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Notes and receives the officer's report and furthermore approves the budget and resource considerations to:*

- a) *Discontinue advertising on Imparja during the period August 2018 to March 2019,*
- b) *Engage Michael Jennings Creative to film and produce additional TV Commercials for Etheridge Shire that showcase Green Season footage and source any footage of events from members of the community that might be suitable for use in advertisements and capture the following events in order of priority;*
  1. *Georgetown/Events*
  2. *Forsayth/Events*
  3. *Einasleigh and Oak Park/Events*
  4. *Mount Surprise /Events.*
- c) *Council requests that the Economic and Community Development Officer formulate a tourism based prize in the short film festival.*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2372**  
**5/0**

**GMCCS6.**

Request for the appointment of a Special Holiday for 2018 under Section 4 of the Holidays Act 1983

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Council has been advised by the Office of Industrial Relations, that Council needs to submit its request for the appointment of a Special Holiday for 2019 under Section 4 of the Holidays Act prior to the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2018*

*Holidays appointed in respect of an annual agricultural, horticultural or industrial show are public holidays and those appointed for an event which has significance to a particular district are bank holidays.*

*Upon receiving Ministerial approval, the holidays will be published in the Queensland Government Gazette.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Advise the Office of Industrial Relations, that Etheridge Shire will apply for a Special Holiday pursuant to Section 4 of the Holidays Act 1983 for the Etheridge Show / Forsayth Turnout – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2019*

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2373**  
**5/0**

**ATTENDANCE**

A member of the gallery left the meeting at 9:06am and returned at 9:11am.

**GMCCS7.**

Financial Performance (Actual v Budget) for the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018

**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:

*Resolve to adopt the monthly Financial Report which incorporates the monthly statutory financial statements (Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position & Statement of Cashflows) pursuant to and in accordance with Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period ending 30 June 2018.*

MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2374**  
**5/0**

**GMCCS8.**

Etheridge Shire Council – Governance Framework

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Etheridge Shire Council has developed this Corporate Governance Framework to ensure compliance with legislation and best practice democratic local government. The Framework is not a policy or statement of intent, but rather a document which outlines council's governance policies and practices. It provides readers with an overview of the governance program that has been put in place in order to assist elected members, management and employees in meeting their governance responsibilities. Council is committed to high standards of corporate governance and accountability and seeks continuous improvement in this regard.*

*Governance is an important concept and impacts on council as a whole and on all sectors of the community. The practice of good governance is increasingly seen as critical for ensuring that:*

- *the organisation meets legal and ethical compliance*
- *decisions are made in the interests of stakeholders*
- *the organisation behaves as a good corporate citizen should.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Endorse the Etheridge Shire Council Governance Framework Manual and furthermore that the Council acknowledges the level of compliance that is being achieved by Council and Staff.*

MOVED: Cr Barnes

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2375**  
**5/0**



**GMCCS9.**

Etheridge Shire Council's Audit Committee (Audit Committee Policy & Charter)

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

***Section 105(2) of the Local Government Act (the Act), states that each large Local Government must establish an Audit Committee and must comply with Section 105 of the Act and Section 207-211 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.***

***At present Council has a functioning Audit & Risk Management Committee since February 2015 with the Committee meeting its statutory obligations under current legislation; however the external Auditor has questioned its effectiveness within their interim Audit Matters for 2016/17 and it has been raised by the Auditors informally during the 2017/18 audit of Council.***

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

***Resolve to disband the Audit & Risk Management Committee effective from the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018 and return this responsibility to Council.***

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2376**  
**5/0**

**ATTENDANCE**

A member of the gallery left the meeting at 9:23am and returned at 9:25am.

Mr David Munro, Director of Corporate and Community Services left the meeting at 9:28am and returned at 9:31am.

**DECLARATION – MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cr Gallagher and Cr Devlin declared that they have a Material Personal Interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS10 as they each conduct businesses within 50 metres of the proposed carpark and may stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter.

**GMCCS10.**

Material Personal Interests and Conflicts of Interests

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

***Council's June meeting saw a multiplicity of declarations of Material Personal Interests and possible Conflicts of Interests (4 Councillors made 9 declarations and 5 items were deferred for various reasons). This follows amendments to the Local Government Act to strengthen requirements for how a councillor must deal with a real or perceived conflict of interest or a material personal interest.***

***This report has been prepared to further inform Councillors of their obligations and clarify the recommended resolutions applicable to the circumstances.***

**RESOLUTION**

That Council notes the content of the report and furthermore considers the report deferred from the June 2018 meeting e.g.: St George Street Tourist Car parking.

MOVED: Cr Barnes

SECONDED: Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2377**  
**5/0**

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

- a) *Resolves to undertake a survey of Lot 134 on G1884 and Lot 2 on RP700335 and apply to the Department of Transport and Main Roads to change the driveway.*
- b) *Resolves to cover the cost of establishment of the off street parking area.*

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2378**  
**3/0**

**GMCCS11.**

Meeting Reports

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council, at its meeting in June 2018 resolved (RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2354) to request the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a report with options of amended Meeting Report and Minute templates (to include the reasons for recommendations) to be considered at the July 2018 meeting. In response to this decision a procedure has been developed for Council consideration.

**RESOLUTION**

That Council adopt the draft Council General Meeting - Reports Procedure.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2379**  
**5/0**

**CONSIDERATION OF OPEN ADDENDUM REPORTS**

**GMCCS13.**

Management of the Einasleigh Town Common

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*Council has been trustee of the land commonly known as the Einasleigh Common which takes into account several different allotments and reserve tenures.*

*In 2013, Council resolved to place the management of the Einasleigh Common out for Tender for an agreed term of five (5) years. This management agreement expires as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018.*

*Council met with the community of Einasleigh on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 to discuss the future requirements and management of the Town Common.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Resolve to call for Tenders for the Management of the Einasleigh Common for a period of 5 years and furthermore that Council agree to amend the original Management Agreement to allow for an extension of time until the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 to the Einasleigh Rodeo Association or until Council awards the Tender.*

**MOVED:** Cr Bethel

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2380**  
**5/0**

**DECLARATION – MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cr Bethel declared that he has a Material Personal Interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMCCS14 as he owns land on Strathmore Road and may stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. Cr Bethel left the room at 10:04am and did not participate in discussions or vote on this matter.

**GMCCS14.**

Roads to Recovery 2018/19 – Program of Works

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The current Roads to Recovery (R2R) program is in its final year of the 2015-2019 program, with a new funding program to commence from the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019.*

*The Federal Government have contacted Councils to seek the final program of works under the 2015-19 program by July 2018 to ensure that Council can access funds immediately.*

*If Council is still undecided as to where the final program of works is to be spent Council has until October 2018 to submit its program, however Council will not receive any funds from R2R until later in the financial year.*

**RESOLUTION**

That Council:

*Resolve to confirm the allocation of the 2018/19 Roads to Recovery funds to the following projects:*

- 1. Einasleigh – Forsayth Road (Ch 39.07 to 41.07) new pave & seal of 2km's*
- 2. Strathmore Road (Ch 6.1 to 7.1) new pave & seal*

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2381**  
**4/0**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council adjourn for morning tea at 10:16am.

**RESUMPTION**

Council resumed the meeting at 10:40am.

**ATTENDANCE**

Members of the gallery left the meeting.

**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**MOTION:**

*That Council suspends standing orders at 10:41am to discuss a number of confidential matters.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2382**  
**4/0**

**CLOSURE OF MEETING**

**MOTION:**

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

- *Supply and Delivery of New 4x4 Vehicle;*
- *Supply and Delivery of Used Dolly;*
- *Supply and Delivery of Used Prime Mover;*
- *Supply and Delivery of New Mutli Tyre Roller;*
- *Supply and Delivery of New Padfoot Roller;*
- *Supply and Delivery of New Patching Truck;*
- *Supply and Delivery of New Job Truck;*
- *Register for Preferred Suppliers for Wet And Dry Hire of Plant And Equipment;*
- *Request to write – off Rates – Assessment 252-0.*

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2383**  
**5/0**

**ATTENDANCE**

Cr Bethel attended the meeting at 10:41am and Ms Anna Christensen, Executive Assistant left the meeting at 10:43am.

Cr Bethel declared that he has a Material Personal Interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMES8 as he contracts plant and equipment to Council and may stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. Cr Bethel left the room prior to discussions on the Wet and Dry Hire Tenders at 11:30am.

Ms Anna Christensen and Cr Bethel returned to the meeting at 12:02pm.

**RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS**

**MOTION:**

*That Council resumes standing orders at 12:02pm.*

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2384**  
**5/0**

**CONSIDERATION OF CLOSED REPORTS****GMES1.**

Supply and Delivery of New 4x4 Vehicle

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of two new 4X4 Work Utes. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June and closed on 2nd July 2018. A Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report. Tenders for this plant were sourced through the Local Buy tender and quotation arrangement BUS033-1112*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves, subject to a satisfactory inspection to accept the following quote for supply of two new 4x4 vehicles, as specified in the quotation documentation.*

<i>Plant #</i>	<i>Item for Trade</i>	<i>Recommended Tender</i>	<i>Purchase Price</i>
<i>Used</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>John Cole Toyota</i>	<i>\$ 99,527.28</i>

- Price is GST exclusive.

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2385**  
**5/0**

**GMES2.**

Supply and Delivery of Used Dolly

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a used Dolly. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June and closed on 2nd July 2018. A Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves to request a more detailed report regarding the purchase of the used dolly.*

**MOVED:** Cr Gallagher

**SECONDED:** Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2386**  
**5/0**

**GMES3.**

Supply and Delivery of Used Prime Mover

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a used Prime Mover. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June and closed on 5th July 2018. A Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves to request a more detailed report regarding the purchase of the used Prime Mover.*

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2387**  
**5/0**

**GMES4.**

Supply and Delivery of New Multi Tyre Roller

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a new Multi tyre Roller. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June 2018 and closed in July 2018. Tenders for this plant were sourced through the Local Buy tender and quotation arrangements NPN2.15.*

*The Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves to accept the following quote for supply of the New Multi tyre Roller, as specified in the quotation documentation.*

<i>Plant #</i>	<i>Item for Trade</i>	<i>Recommended Tender</i>	<i>Purchase Price</i>
<i>New</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Hasting Deering</i>	<i>\$191,000</i>

- Price is GST exclusive.

MOVED: Cr Attwood

SECONDED: Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2388**  
**5/0**

**GMES5.**

Supply and Delivery of New Padfoot Roller

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a New Pad Foot Roller. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June 2018 and closed in July 2018. Tenders for this plant were sourced through Local Buy tender and quotation arrangements NPN2.15.*

*The Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves to accept the following quote for supply of New Padfoot Roller, as specified in the quotation documentation.*

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<i>Plant #</i>	<i>Item for Trade</i>	<i>Recommended Tender</i>	<i>Purchase Price</i>
<i>New</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Hasting Deering</i>	<i>\$204,000</i>

- Price is GST exclusive.

**MOVED:** Cr Barnes

**SECONDED:** Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2389**  
**5/0**

**GMES6.**

Supply and Delivery of New Patching Truck

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a New Patching Truck. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June and closed on 4th July 2018. A Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report. Tenders for this plant were sourced through the local buy tender and quotation arrangements NPN 04-13*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves, subject to a satisfactory inspection to accept the following quote for supply of the New Patching Truck, as specified in the quotation documentation.*

<i>Plant #</i>	<i>Item for Trade</i>	<i>Recommended Tender</i>	<i>Purchase Price</i>
<i>Used</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Honeycombes Sales &amp; services Pty Ltd</i>	<i>\$160,053.37</i>

- Price is GST exclusive.

**MOVED:** Cr Attwood

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2390**  
**5/0**

**GMES7.**

Supply and Delivery of New Job Truck

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

*The 2018/19 budget provides for the procurement of a New Job Truck. In accordance with relevant legislation and the Etheridge Shire Council Procurement Policy, Quotations for this item of plant were invited in June and closed on 2nd July 2018. A Quotation evaluation process has been completed and the details of each quote are provided in this report. Tenders for this plant were sourced through the Local Buy tender and quotation arrangements NPN04-13.*

**RESOLUTION**

*That Council resolves, subject to a satisfactory inspection to accept the following quote for supply of the new job truck, as specified in the quotation documentation.*

<i>Plant #</i>	<i>Item for Trade</i>	<i>Recommended Tender</i>	<i>Purchase Price</i>
<i>Used</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>Pacific Hino</i>	<i>\$148,748.87</i>

- Price is GST exclusive.

**MOVED:** Cr Bethel

**SECONDED:** Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2391**  
**5/0**

### MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

Cr Bethel declared that he has a Material Personal Interest (as defined the Local Government Act 2009, section 175B) in Item GMES8 as he contracts plant and equipment to Council and may stand to gain a benefit depending on the outcome of Council's consideration of this matter. Cr Bethel left the room prior to discussions on the Wet and Dry Hire Tenders at 11:30am.

### CONSIDERATION OF CLOSED SESSION ADDENDUM REPORTS

#### GMES8.

Register for Preferred Suppliers for Wet And Dry Hire of Plant And Equipment

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A report on the assessment of Preferred Suppliers for Wet and Dry Hire of Plant and Equipment has been prepared by the Works Manager and is attached to this report.

I have reviewed the assessment process and identified some risks and associated control measures for Council's consideration.

#### RESOLUTION

That Council:

- Establish a review panel consisting of the Works Manager, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Engineering Services to moderate the assessment of Preferred Suppliers for Wet and Dry Hire of Plant and Equipment;
- Establish a formal practice to assess the performance of contractors on a fortnightly basis, with the view to incorporating the appraisal into future assessments, applied at a quarterly review; and
- Confirm the criteria for local preference as:
  - *For an individual – any 3 of the following:*
    - *Official correspondence from a Government Department or entity showing a Etheridge Shire residential and postal address;*
    - *the address shown on a Drivers Licence;*
    - *their Electoral Role address; or*
    - *A copy of a rates notice or title search.*
  - *For a corporation or business – any 4 of the following:*
    - *Official correspondence from a Government Department or entity showing a Etheridge Shire postal address;*
    - *A copy of a rates notice or title search;*
    - *Address of Registered Office (ABN);*
    - *Address for plant registration (if applicable);*
    - *Involvement in Community (local references); or*
    - *Electoral details of all directors.*



MOVED: Cr Gallagher

SECONDED: Cr Barnes

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2392**  
**4/0**

Cr Bethel did not vote on this matter due to a material personal interest.

**GMCCS12.**

Request to write – off Rates – Assessment 252-0

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

A amended Rates Notice was recently issued to the owner of Assessment 252-0, following advice from the Department of Natural Resources that an amended valuation should be applied to the property following the closure of a road and incorporation into his property, more than doubling the area (from 4,047m<sup>2</sup> to 9,433m<sup>2</sup>) and increasing the valuation (from \$14,400 to \$27,500), taking effect from 14 September 2017. As Council is aware, rates are calculated on applying a rate to the valuation of a property, resulting in an increase to the rate payer for the period.

The ratepayer is not disputing the legality of this action, but he believes that the decision is amoral and unethical. He asks that the Rates of \$831.01 be waived.

**RESOLUTION**

That Council advise the ratepayer that:

- the issue of a supplementary Rate Notice is an accepted and consistent practice for local government throughout the state and has the effect of ensuring all ratepayers make an equitable contribution to the operation of the Council, based on their property valuation; and
- it is not willing to waive the rates, however, it would be happy to make mutually agreeable arrangements to pay the debt over a reasonable period of time, having regard to the ratepayers' financial hardship.

MOVED: Cr Bethel

SECONDED: Cr Gallagher

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2393**  
**5/0**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Cr Attwood**

- Advised the meeting of an extension for Northern Gulf's funding for the next five years and that they will be undertaking a major project of the Government's choosing in the Shire.
- Requested that the register of directions to the CEO from the Mayor be included in the information bulletin.

**Cr Bethel**

- Queried the progress of the Charleston Dam.
- Discussed the proposed industrial precinct on land outside Georgetown in detail and his ideas and concerns surrounding the current proposal.

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council:

***1. Submit a written request to DNRME regarding the proposed construction of the Charleston Dam to include:***

- ***Details of proposed approach including timing, inter-relationships of tasks, holds points etc;***
- ***Construction program with a particular focus on consideration of early wet season impacts;***

- *Full details (ie drawings, technical specifications etc) of revised dam design (incl. embankment, spillway, outlet works);*
- *ESC/Contractor’s proposed construction flood contingency management strategy;*
- *ESC agreement to developing (and have in place prior to upcoming wet season) an Emergency Action Plan, and other related dam safety management procedures, if the revised FIA indicates a PAR > 0; and*
- *Details (including experience) of ESC’s proposed contractor.*

**2. Engage GHD to complete the seepage investigation and detailed FIA together with a peer review and advice of the dam cross section design:**

**3. Note:**

- *the cost to review the Embankment cut-off will amount to approximately \$26,498 (ex GST);*
- *the cost to undertake the foundation permeability testing will amount to approximately \$25,000 (ex GST);*
- *the cost to undertake a detailed Failure Impact Assessment will amount to approximately \$40,000 (ex GST);*
- *the cost to undertake a detailed further survey work will amount to approximately \$10,000 (ex GST);*
- *the cost to undertake a review of the dam design will amount to approximately \$10,000 (ex GST).*

**4. Upon receipt of DNRME approval to proceed to construction on the basis of submitting final design details prior to construction of particular parts: being primarily, revised dam x-section details, seepage details and flood capacity based on a more detailed FIA, Council approve the tenders and award contracts.**

**MOVED:** Cr Bethel

**SECONDED:** Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2394**  
**5/0**

**Cr Gallagher**

- Discussed the relocation of the fence located near the old dump site and rodeo grounds in order to open up more area for camping at major areas at the Georgetown Rodeo and Campdraft Grounds as well as to allow better access for heavy vehicles.
- Discussed the request from Curley Mosch to install signs requesting trucks to drop dust before entering the Einasleigh township.
- Brought up the issue of Radio connection issues in Einasleigh and queried whether Council can assist with these problems.
- Discussed the legality of teleconferencing during closed sessions of meetings

**RESOLUTION:**

*That a report be prepared for Council regarding the relocation of the fenced area located near the Georgetown Rodeo Grounds to allow for more camping room and improved road access for heavy vehicles at the Rodeo and Campdraft Grounds in Georgetown.*

**MOVED:** Cr Gallagher

**SECONDED:** Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2395**  
**5/0**

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council fix the radio issues in Einasleigh and Forsyth as requested by members of the community and the IT officer be requested to write a report for the next Council meeting regarding this matter.

**MOVED:** Cr Gallagher

**SECONDED:** Cr Bethel

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2396**  
**5/0**

**Cr Devlin**

- Discussed the CRCA Meeting outcomes.
- Discussed the outcome of Councils application for solar installation on Council buildings.
- Sought an update on the multipurpose Sports centre.
- Discussed the signage at O'Brien's Creek Camp Ground .
- Discussed the FNQROC's visit to Parliament House in Brisbane and the request for a brochure on the Gilbert River Project for FNQROC to take on the visit.

**RESOLUTION:**

That Council install a tourist directional sign for the O'Brien's Creek fossicking area.

**MOVED:** Cr Devlin

**SECONDED:** Cr Attwood

**CARRIED**  
**RESOLUTION NO.2018/GM2397**  
**5/0**

**Cr Barnes**

Nil

**CONCLUSION**

There being no further business the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 12:57pm.

These minutes will be confirmed by Council at the General Meeting held on the Wednesday 15 August 2018.

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