



**Item 1: OPENING OF MEETING:**

The Mayor, Cr Weazel declared the meeting open at 9:20am

The Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which this meeting takes place and paid respect to Elders both past and present.

**Item 2: RECORD OF ATTENDANCE**

Cr Joshua Weazel Mayor  
Cr Laurence Weazel  
Cr Dellas Walker  
Cr Joel Cameron  
Cr Gerry Doyle

Michael Hayward Chief Executive Officer

**Item 3: APOLOGIES**

Nil

**Item 4: CONDOLENCE**

Council acknowledged the recent passing of community members and paid respect to the following persons and their families:

- Joseph Blair & respective families
- Sandy Murray & respective families

**Item 5: DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Nil

**Item 6: DEPUTATIONS**

Nil

**Item 7: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Ordinary Meeting of Council – 27 May 2020.

**RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 May 2020 be confirmed.

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Second: Cr Dellas Walker**

**Motion Carried 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-01**

**Item 8: BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Nil

**Item 9: REPORTS**

**Item 9.1: Woorabinda Pastoral Company – Amendments to Constitution**

Correspondence has been received from South Geldard Lawyers who act on behalf of the Woorabinda Pastoral Company requesting council endorse amendments to the company's constitution to increase the number of council representatives on the board.



**RESOLVED:**

That the Company amend its Constitution, in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth):

And accordingly:

- 1 the current Constitution of the Company be repealed; and
- 2 the Company adopt the attached constitution document as the Constitution of the Company

**Moved: Cr Gerry Doyle**

**Seconded: Cr Joel Cameron**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-02**

Action 147: Advise Woorabinda Pastoral Company of endorsement of amendments to the Constitution

**Item 9.2 Appointment of Council Representative to Woorabinda Pastoral Company Board**

The Mayor called for nominations for a third (3rd) council representative on Board of Directors for the Woorabinda Pastoral Company.

- Cr Joel Cameron nominated for the position.
- There were no further nominations for the position.

**RESOLVED:**

That Cr Cameron be nominated to the Woorabinda Pastoral Company Board.

**Moved: Cr Dellas Walker**

**Second: Cr Laurence Weazel**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-03**

Action 148: Advise Woorabinda Pastoral Company that Cr Joel Cameron has been appointed to fill the position of 3<sup>rd</sup> Council representative on the Board of Directors.

**Item 9.3 Financial Report - 30 April 2020**

**RESOLVED:**

That Council receive the Financial Report for period ending 31 May 2020 as presented in accordance with Section 204 of the Local Government Regulations 2012.

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Seconded: Cr Laurence Weazel**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-04.**

**Item 9.4: CEO Report**

**RESOLVED:**

That Council receive the Chief Executive Officers Report.

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Seconded: Cr Gerry Doyle**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-05**



**Item 9.4.1 Corporate Uniforms**

During the term of council, elected members will be required to attend various workshops, meetings, and conferences.

In the past Council has provided elected members with a corporate shirt / polo shirt with the council logo embroidered on the shirt.

**RESOLVED:**

That the CEO develop a draft Corporate Uniform Policy for council consideration.

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Second: Cr Dellas Walker**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-06**

**Action 149: Prepare a draft Corporate Uniform Policy for councils' consideration.**

**Item 9.4.2 Community Bus Hire Policy**

The Community Bus Hire Policy sets out the conditions of use of Council's bus by members of the community. The policy was last reviewed on 19 December 2014.

As part of the current review of all council policies, it has been noted that the Community Bus Hire Policy states that the bus is only available for use in the following prescribed areas:

- Within Community, and Rockhampton, Emerald, Biloela and Gladstone areas.

In the past the bus has been hired for trips outside of the prescribed areas.

**RESOLVED:**

That council review the community bus policy to include:

- Allow travel outside of the designated area
- Amend the fees to reflect different hiring structure when the bus is utilised outside of the designated area.

**Moved: Cr Laurence Weazel**

**Second: Cr Gerry Doyle**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-07**

**Action 150: Amend the Community Bus Policy for council's consideration**

**Item 9.4.3 Covid-19 Freight Assistance Program**

At the April 2020 ordinary meeting, Council resolved to provide a limited freight service to local residents during the period of restricted access to the Woorabinda Community due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Prior to the Covid-19 restrictions, council had provided limited freight assistance to residents which allowed them to have certain items collected from Rockhampton by Councils Town Truck provided that councils freight requirements took first priority. Whilst a fee was set by council for this service the current policy review has failed to identify any endorsed council decision in relation to this matter.

**RESOLVED:**

That the CEO prepare a draft Freight assistance policy for council consideration.

**Moved: Cr Dellas Walker**

**Second: Cr Joel Cameron**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-08**



Action 151: Prepare a draft Freight Assistance Policy for council consideration.

**Item 9.4.4 Community Safety Plan**

The State Government has provided funding to develop a Community Safety Plan and to implement identified strategies

Council has recently reviewed the draft Community Safety Plan and a copy of the revised document has previously been forwarded to all councillors.

DATSIP have requested that council provide the department with an endorse copy of the Community Safety Plan to allow for allocated funding to be released.

**RESOLVED:**

That council endorse the community safety plan as presented.

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Second: Cr Dellas Walker**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-09**

Action 152: Advise DATSIP that Council has endorsed the community safety plan.

**Item 9.4.5 2020 LGAQ Annual Conference**

The LGAQ will begin accepting motions for debate at the 2020 Annual Conference as of **Monday, 29 June 2020**. The deadline to submit a motion will be **Monday, 10 August 2020**.

**RESOLVED:**

That a decision in relation to submitting a motion to the 2020 LGAQ Annual Conference lay on the table for further consideration at the July 2020 ordinary meeting.

**Moved: Cr Laurence Weazel**

**Second: Cr Gerry Doyle**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-10**

Action 153: Include submission of motions to the 2020 LGAQ Annual Conference in the July Agenda.

**Item 9.4.6 Staff Housing**

The current policy review process has identified the need for council to determine which council owned and controlled residential accommodation units are require for council staff accommodation and which units are better utilised for community use.

All council-controlled accommodation has been identified and rental agreements have been put in place to ensure consistency of operation.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the CEO prepare a draft staff housing policy for consideration at the July 2020 ordinary meeting; and
2. That the policy include the following matters:
  - (a) Rent to be linked to public housing rents
  - (b) Payment of electricity is the responsibility of the tenant
  - (c) Pricing structure to include different rates for furnished housing
  - (d) No subletting of accommodation
  - (e) Tenant responsible for any illegal activity associated with the residence
3. That no further tenancies be let until it has been identified that surplus housing is no longer required for Covid19 response.

**Moved: Cr Laurence Weazel**



**Second: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-11**

**Action 154:** Prepare a draft Staff Housing Policy for consideration at the July 2020 ordinary meeting.

**Item 9.4.7 Woorabinda Service Station**

Council has previously called Expressions of Interest for the operation of the Woorabinda Service Station. After consideration of the one application received, council resolved to review service station operations to gain a better understanding of the benefits of divesting the service to private enterprise.

During the review it was identified that the operation hours were more than community needs and that tighter oversight of fuel sales pricing was required.

As a result of the review the service station operating hours were reduced, and appropriate control measures have been implemented to ensure fuel sale pricing is aligned with cost of supply.

Council has previously charged a 10% mark-up on the average cost of supply to cover operating costs. The current mark up just covers operating costs,

**RESOLVED:**

That council engage a suitably qualified person to develop a business plan for the operation of all council enterprises.

**Moved: Cr Gerry Doyle**

**Second: Cr Joel Cameron**

**Carried: 5/0**

**Resolution: 0620-12**

**Action 155:** Engage a suitably qualified person to develop a business plan for the operation of all council enterprises

**Attendance:** Cr Cameron left the meeting at 3:04pm

**Item 9.4.8 Woorabinda Arts & Cultural Centre**

Council has previously agreed to support the establishment of a Woorabinda arts and cultural group. The project aims to establish a leading First Nations institution for arts and culture in the CQ region (based in Duinga) to create career pathways in the arts and to increase employment and build capacity for community.

The Mayor and CEO have met with project facilitators, Ms Nickeema Williams and Julie Barratt Regional Arts Officer, CQRASN to discuss the project.

A submission has been made to BHP for funding for the next 3 years to establish the project.

Pending final endorsement of the project and allocation of funding by BHP, Council will need to auspice the funds to allow the project to proceed.

Discussions have been held with representatives from CQ University and BHP and the following level of support from Council has been identified:

- In-kind support with provision of the Duinga Hall at no cost.
- Property Insurance of the Duinga Hall to be covered by council.
- Assistance with initial registration costs (approximately \$2,500).
- Payroll assistance (approximately 3 -5 staff in the first year growing to 7 staff in year 3)
- Procurement and funds management.

**RESOLVED:**

That council endorse the Woorabinda Arts & Cultural Centre project and agree to enter into an agreement with BHP to auspice the funds.



Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel

Second: Cr Gerry Doyle

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 0620-13

Action 156: Sign funding agreement with BHP

Item 9.5: Human Resources Report

**RESOLVED:**

That Council receive and note the Human Resources Report.

Moved: Cr Dellas Walker

Seconded: Cr Joshua Weazel

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 0620-14

Item 9.6 Community Services Report

**RESOLVED:**

That Council receive and note the Community Services Report.

Moved: Cr Laurence Weazel

Seconded: Cr Dellas Walker

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 0620-15

Item 9.7 Town Services Report

**RESOLVED:**

That Council receive the Town Services Report.

Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel

Seconded: Cr Dellas Walker

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 0620-16

Item 9.8 Works and Services Report

**RESOLVED:**

That Council receive the Works and Services Report.

Moved: Cr Laurence Weazel

Seconded: Cr Dellas Walker

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 0620-17

Item 10: GENERAL BUSINESS

Item 10.1 National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN)

The Mayor advised that Qld Police has recently contacted Council regarding sponsoring a program targeted at awareness and prevention of violence and other forms of abuse towards youth.

The program, titled "Love Bites" is a respectful relationships education program for adolescents. It consists of two interactive workshops – one on Relationship Violence and the other on Sex and Relationships followed by creative workshops and community programs.

The program will be run over 2 ½ days in late September 2020 and covers trauma informed best practice models, theoretical backgrounds, gender, facilitator skills, practical



experiences with the activities and planning around actual delivery in the local context. The cost to host the program in Woorabinda is approximately \$4.500 (GST Inclusive)

**RESOLVED:**

That Council support the provision of NAPCAN training in Woorabinda

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Seconded: Cr Laurence Weazel**

**Carried: 4/0**

**Resolution: 0620-18**

**Action 157:** Advise QPS that Council will support the "Love Bites" program to be delivered in Woorabinda.

**Item 10.2 Transfer of Government Housing to WASC**

In December 2019 Council received correspondence from Department Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships (DATSIP) advising that the Deputy Premier is prepared to transfer ownership of a government house in Woorabinda to the Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council. The house is located at 32 Munns Drive and was previously used by the Retail Stores Manager.

At the ordinary meeting of Council held 4 December 2019, Council resolved to accept ownership of the property (Resolution 1119-11).

An email, advising of Councils decision, was sent to Andrew Horn (DATSIP Regional Director) on 9 December 2019.

The department has requested confirmation of council's decision to accept ownership of the former Retail Store Managers residence at 32 Munns Drive.

**RESOLVED:**

That Council reaffirm the decision of 9 December 2019 (Resolution 1119-11) to accept ownership from the State Government of the residence located at 32 Munns Drive. Woorabinda and previously occupied by the Retail Stores Manager.

**Moved: Cr Joshua Weazel**

**Seconded: Cr Gerry Doyle**

**Carried: 4/0**

**Resolution: 0620-19**

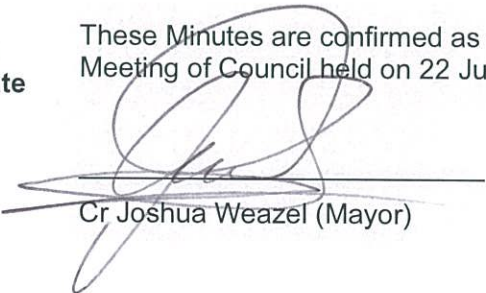
**Action 158:** Advise DATSIP of Councils decision to accept ownership of the residence situated at 32 Munns Drive, Woorabinda.

**Item 11: CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 3:56pm

**Minutes  
Certificate**

These Minutes are confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22 July 2020.

  
Cr Joshua Weazel (Mayor)

  
Date