

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council 18 April 2006

Commencing at 10.30am

PRESENT

Councillors – M P Berwick (Mayor), D P Egan (Deputy Mayor), W J Bellero, D G Pitt, R Davis, M J Cox and J Sciacca

Staff – T C Melchert – Chief Executive Officer, P Trotman (General Manager Development and Environment), I B Barton (General Manager Financial Services), P Cymbala (Manager Engineering Services) J F Leu (Manager Community & Cultural Services) L Stayte (Planning Officer) and Ms D Street (Administration Officer)

DEPUTATION

At 10.30am, a deputation was received from Mr Ed Green, President of LIPS.

The Mayor invited Mr Green to address the Council. A presentation on the proposed use of the Old Port Douglas Sugar Wharf to LIPS was provided to Council (Attachment A)

WITHDRAWAL

The Mayor thanked Mr Green for attending the meeting and the presentation. Mr Green withdraw from the meeting at 10.50am.

DEPUTATION

At 10.50am, a deputation was received from Gerard Puglisi, from Everyday Rural Solutions. A presentation on Farming In the Future, The Next Generation was provide to Council.

WITHDRAWAL

The Mayor thanked Mr Puglisi for attending the meeting and the presentation. Mr Puglisi withdraw from the meeting at 11.05am



06/1804/02 MINUTES

Moved: Cr Cox Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 21 March 2006 and the Special Council Meeting held on the 23 March 2006 be confirmed with the following amendments".

Carried unanimously

COMMUNITY & CORPORATE

06/1804/03 AUDIO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Moved: Cr Berwick Seconded: Cr Davis

"That Council subject to the development of a Management Policy proceed to record open Council meetings (not briefing sessions and closed meetings) with a disc/tape to be available to members of the public at the full cost of production. The process to be for a six month trial period."

For: Crs Berwick, Davis, Cox and Bellero

Against: Crs Pitt, Egan and Sciacca

Carried

06/1804/04 ELECTED MEMBER UPDATE 2006

Moved: Cr Berwick Seconded: Cr Davis

"That Council adopts the recommendation and accepts the proposal for an in house workshop as offered by the LGAQ and the workshop be held on a mutually convenient date. The suggested dates for the LGAQ be 7 or 21 June 2006".

"With the approval of the mover and seconder it was resolved the matter lie on the table until additional information can be provided to Councillors on who will present the workshop."



06/1804/05 COMMUNITY SERVICES STRUCTURE

Moved: Cr Davis Seconded: Cr Berwick

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the proposed structure for the Community, Cultural & Economic Program".

For: Crs Davis, Berwick, Cox, Pitt and Egan

Against: Crs Bellero and Sciacca

Carried

06/1804/06 DOUGLAS LIBRARIES – MOBILE SERVICE RESTRUCTURE

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approve the closure of Mobile service delivery to destinations north of Mossman each Tuesday, in order to support increased efficiency of staff resources and services in the newly completed Mill Street complex".

Carried unanimously

06/1804/07 MEETING DATE CONFLICT WITH WATERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT MEETING

Moved: Cr Berwick Seconded: Cr Davis

"That the Council meeting scheduled for the Tuesday, 4th July, will immediately follow at the conclusion of the Waterfront Redevelopment Project meeting."

Carried unanimously

06/1804/08 BOARDROOM FURNITURE

"That Council agrees to the purchase of the recommended items."

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That the matter lie on the table and a briefing session be prepared for Council for further discussion. The Manager Building Services to be in attendance at the briefing session."



06/1804/09 PURCHASE OF LAND – EXTENSION OF THE MOSSMAN SHOWGROUNDS

It was resolved the matter lie on the table until the General Manager Community and Corporate was in attendance and that Council be provided additional information for further discussion.

- Details of the area of the land to be acquired and that proposed to be given in consideration;
- What extra are would be available for overflow caravan parking;
- What is happening with the Show Society and will the show continue;
- Could part of the proposed aged care facility site be utilized for playing fields
- The possible sale of Council land to support the purchase of the extra land for the Showground;
- The need for extra land for future Cemetery services

06/1804/10 LIPS – DEED OF AGREEMENT FOR LEASE OF PORT DOUGLAS SUGAR WHARF – (resubmitted report)

It was resolved the matter lie on the table, due to the area being part of the Waterfront Redevelopment area and being the subject of review under the project review process.

06/1804/11 COUNCIL COMMON SEAL

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Cox

"That Council adopts the recommendation and received the report providing Details of the Use of the Common Seal be received and endorse the actions of the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor in executing on its behalf under seal, the documents details therein".

Carried unanimously

ADJOURNMENT

At 12.40 pm the meeting adjourned for lunch.

RESUMPTION

The Meeting resumed at 1.30pm.



ENGINEERING

06/1804/26 TULIP OAK ROAD, BUS TURNAROUND/SET DOWN AND CAR PARKING FOR DISCOVERY CENTRE

Moved: Cr Berwick Seconded: Cr Davis

"That Council adopts the recommendation and consider providing 50% of the cost of the project in the 2006/2007 budget, as the owners of the Discovery Centre are prepared to meet 50% of the cost of this project."

"With the approval of the mover and seconder it was resolved the report to lie on the table until the original development approval is brought back to the table for further discussion."

DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT

06/1804/19 MCU 3B 042/05 - LOT 41-42 RP857614, PARISH OF SALISBURY – NEGOTIATED DECISION NOTICE

Moved: Cr Davis Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the application for a Negotiated Decision Notice for Material Change of Use 3B 042/05 being Shops and Offices located at 21-23 Warner Street, Port Douglas more particularly Lots 41-42 on RP857614, Parish of Salisbury subject to the conditions recommended by the Assistant Planning Officer in her report, and with the addition of a extra condition requiring the street/footpath lighting to be negotiated in accordance with the final Warner Street lighting design (i.e. lights to be either bollard or standard street lighting)".

Carried unanimously

<u>06/1804/12</u> PDPV 003/06 – LOT 551 RP748411, PARISH OF ALEXANDRA

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Egan

"That Council adopts the recommendations and that application 003/06 for a Permit to Damage Protected Vegetation on land described as Lot 551 RP748411, Parish of Alexandra be refused as recommended by the Environmental Officer in his report".

"With the approval of the mover and the seconder it was resolved the report to lie on the table until additional information can be provided to Council, relating to the fax tabled by Cr Cox. Sciacca". (Attachment B).



<u>06/1804/13</u> PDPV 010/06 – LOT 8 T9721, PARISH OF ALEXANDRA

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Egan

"That Council adopts the recommendations and that application 010/06 for a Permit to Damage Protected Vegetation on land described as Lot 8 T9721, Parish of Alexandra be approved for the trees specified subject to the conditions recommended by the Environmental Officer in his report".

Carried unanimously

06/1804/14 PDPV 011/06 – LOT 38 RP726589, PARISH OF SALISBURY

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendations and that application 011/06 for a Permit to Damage Protected Vegetation on land described as Lot 38 RP726589, Parish of Salisbury be approved for the trees specified subject to the conditions recommended by the Environmental Officer in his report".

Carried unanimously

06/1804/15 PDPV 016/06 – LOT 42 C22513, PARISH OF SALISBURY

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Egan

"That Council adopts the recommendations and that application 016/06 for a Permit to Damage Protected Vegetation on land described as Lot 42 C22513, Parish of Salisbury be approved for the trees specified subject to the conditions recommended by the Environmental Officer in his report".

Carried unanimously

<u>06/1804/16</u> PDPV 019/06 – LOT 22 RP739770, PARISH OF ALEXANDRA

Moved: Cr Bellero Seconded: Cr Cox

"That Council adopts the recommendations and that application 019/06 for a Permit to Damage Protected Vegetation on land described as Lot 22 RP739770, Parish of Alexandra be approved for the trees specified subject to the conditions recommended by the Environmental Officer in his report".



<u>06/1804/17</u> PDPV 061/05 – LOT 20 SP155111, PARISH OF SALISBURY

Moved: Cr Cox Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that application 061/05 for a Permit to Damage Protected Vegetation on land described as Lot 20 SP155111, Parish of Salisbury be approved for the tree specified subject to the conditions recommended by the Environmental Officer in his report".

Carried unanimously

<u>06/1804/18</u> MCU 3B 005/98 - LOT 14 RP849656, PARISH OF WHYANBEEL MINOR AMENDMENT

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Sciacca

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approve the minor amendment to existing planning approval MCU 3B 005/98 for the inclusion of a deck, spa pool and conversion of the garage into a Studio/Gym for Lot 14 on RP849656, Parish of Whyanbeel, more particularly 188-192 Somerset Drive, Miallo".

Carried unanimously

06/1804/20 TPC 1222 - LOT 40 RP726590, PARISH OF SALISBURY

Moved: Cr Davis Seconded: Cr Berwick

"That Council adopts recommendation and approves the application for a Preliminary Approval to Override the Planning Scheme under s3.1.6 of the Integrated Planning Act 1997 to permit the relaxation of boundary setbacks for the development of two (2) Multiple Dwelling (Residential) Units situated at 67 Reef Street, Port Douglas and described as Lot 40 on RP726590, Parish of Salisbury subject to the conditions recommended by the Assistant Planning Officer in her report and with the addition of a extra condition requiring the Developer to provide a plan for parking of construction workers vehicles."

For Crs Davis, Berwick, Pitt, Sciacca, Bellero,

Against Cr Cox

Carried



06/1804/21 TPC 1089 – EXTENSION OF CURRENCY PERIOD REPORT

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Sciacca

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the request by Sims Partners, (Receivers & Managers Appointed) to extend the Currency Period for the Material Change of Use for 69 Multiple Dwellings (Tourist), 30 Multiple Dwellings (tourist) [which are able to be used as 30 Motel Suites & 30 Multiple Dwellings], and 70 Accommodation Premises (motel), Caretaker's Residence, Shops and Ancillary uses (TPC 1089) for a period of twenty four (24) months from the date of the Negotiated Decision Notice date such that this application lapses on the 12th December 2008 unless the Building Work is completed in accordance with this Material Change of Use Development Permit and the inclusion of a new Environmental Management Plan being submitted by the new owner of the development to address onsite issues and the treatment of potential Acid Sulfate Soils".

An amendment to the motion was moved by Cr Davis and Seconder by Cr Cox

06/1804/21

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The amendment was put and was **Carried** unanimously

The amendment became the motion and was **Carried** unanimously

06/1804/22 SUB 003/06 – LOT 47 PTD20912, PARISH OF SALISBURY

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the Reconfigure one (1) lot into sixteen (16) allotments with the balance remaining as part of the Sea Temple resort complex by Juniper Development Group from the existing allotment described as Lot 47 on PTD20912 more particularly



Mitre Street, Port Douglas, subject to the conditions recommended by the Assistant Planning Officer in her report".

Carried unanimously

06/1804/23 SUB 009/03 – EXTENSION OF CURRENCY PERIOD

Moved: Cr Cox Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the requests by S & C Westbrook to waive the \$300 fee for an application to extend the Currency Period and to extend the Currency Period for the Reconfiguring of a Lot (Subdivision)(SUB 009/05) for a period of twenty four (24) months from the date of the Decision Notice date such that this application lapses on the 19th April 2008 unless the development is completed in accordance with this Reconfiguring a Lot Development Permit subject to the conditions recommended by the Planning Officer in her report".

Carried unanimously

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Davis advised there may be a perceived conflict of interest in the following matter because of joint funding of the Queensland Sustainable Boat research project with AMC. Cr Davis advised he would remain in the meeting to participate in all discussions and vote.

06/1804/24 CA58 – LOTS 1, 2 & 6 C2253, PARISH OF SALISBURY

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Pitt

06/180/24 (i) "That Council adopts the recommendations and approves the application for a Material Change of Use Development Permit to:

- construct 106 Multiple Dwellings (Tourist) consisting of 42 x 1 bedroom, 33 x 2 bedroom, 23 x 3 bedroom and 8 x 4 bedroom units; and
- a restaurant with a gross floor area of approximately 230m² for in-house guests; and
- a reception, restaurant ground floor and administration office for the resort with a gross floor area of approximately 170m²."

06/1804/24(ii) "That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the application in Reconfiguring a Lot Development Permit to:

- create five allotments through a standard format subdivision with common property.
- the lots to have a minimum level as described in Councils development manual.



06/1804/24 (iii) "That Council adopts the recommendation and approves the application in a Material Change of Use Preliminary Approval for:

- a dwelling house on proposed Lots 1-4;
- on land located at Mitre Street, Port Douglas, and described as Lots 1, 2 and 6 on C2253, subject to the conditions recommended by the Manager Planning Services in his report, with the inclusion of conditions requiring the construction of a bike/footpath to connect the new internal road with Mitre Street and the revegetation of and weed control on the foreshore under the supervision of Council Environmental Officer Bob Jago."

For Crs Sciacca, Pitt, Bellero, Davis, Egan and Berwick

Against

Cr Cox

Carried

06/1804/25 BA112/06 – LOT 4 C22513, PARISH OF SALISBURY DWELLING ADDITIONS

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopt the recommendation and approves the additions in principle at the existing ground floor level subject to the materials being flood compatible".

Carried unanimously

ENGINEERING

06/1804/26 TULIP OAK ROAD, BUS TURNAROUND/SET DOWN AND CAR PARKING FOR DISCOVERY CENTRE

Moved: Cr Berwick Seconded: Cr Davis

"That Council adopts the recommendation and consider providing 50% of the cost of the project in the 2006/2007 budget, as the owners of the Discovery Centre are prepared to meet 50% of the cost of this project."

For Crs Berwick, Davis, Cox

Against Crs Egan, Bellero, Pitt and Sciacca

Lost



Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council provide 40% of the cost of the project in the 2006/2007 budget, and the owners of the Discovery Centre to meet 60% of the cost of this project."

For Crs Sciacca, Bellero, Davis, Cox & Egan

Against Crs Berwick and Pitt

Carried

WITHDRAWAL

Cr Berwick withdrew from the Meeting at 2.45pm to attend a NRM Community Forum in Sydney.

Cr Egan assumed the chair.

06/1804/27 REGIONAL PLANNING ASSESSMENTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPACT OF THE CAPE TRIBULATION/BLOOMFIELD ROAD

Moved: Cr Davis

"That the recommendation be amended to include the following;

- triple bottom line (budget)
- immediate maintenance of Woobadda crossing

The motion lapsed for want of a seconder.

Moved: Cr Davis Seconded: Cr Sciacca

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that funding be provided in the 2006/2007 budget to carry out the assessment include an safety audit."

Carried unanimously

06/1804/28 DAINTREE COAST COMMUNITY FERAL PIG TRAPPING PROGRAM

It was resolved the matter lie on the table until more information on funding from other agencies has be provided to Council for further discussion.



06/1804/29 MCDOWELL LANE ROCK REVETMENT WALL

It was resolved the matter lie on the table for further discussion at the next Council meeting on the 2 May 2006, and in the mean time Councillors inspect the area and enquire whether the time for appeal can be extended.

06/1804/30 ROAD NAMING OF UNNAMED ROAD, PORT DOUGLAS

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Davis

"That Council adopts the recommendation the newly constructed unnamed road, adjacent to Sea Temple Resort, Mitre Street, Port Douglas be named 'Sagiba Avenue."

Carried unanimously

06/1804/31 INDICATIVE ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Moved: Cr Davis Seconded: Cr Cox

"That Council adopts the recommendation and give consideration to this program over the next five years in order of priority tempered by the provision of services and provision of infrastructure."

For Crs Davis, Cox

Against Crs Egan, Sciacca, Pitt & Bellero

Lost

Moved: Cr Egan Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That Council adopts the recommendation and give consideration to this program over the next five years in order of priority."

For Crs Egan, Sciacca, Pitt & Bellero

Against Crs Davis and Cox

Carried

<u>06/1804/32</u> SALE OF WOODCHIPPER – TENDER NO 50-05/06

Moved: Cr Bellero Seconded: Cr Cox

"That Council adopts the recommendation and the tender submitted by Cape York Forest Management for \$14,000 be accepted."



06/1804/33 VESSEL LOADING AND UNLOADING RAMP NORTHERN SIDE DAINTREE RIVER

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr pitt

"That Council adopts the recommendation regarding public liability risk exposure and the ramp be close."

For Crs Sciacca, Pitt, Egan Against Crs Cox, Davis, Bellero

The motion was carried on the casting vote of the acting chairperson Cr Egan.

Cr Davis requested further information be obtained on the view of Queensland Transport.

EXTENSION OF TIME FOR MEETING

Moved: Cr Cox Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That the time for the meeting be extended for thirty (3) minutes."

Carried unanimously

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

<u>06/1804/34</u> ANNUAL STOCK TAKE OF STORES 2005/2006

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation and the attached report on the Annual Stock take, dated 14th March 2006, be received and the Write-offs amounting to \$347.31 and Write-ons amounting to \$628.06, as per variations reported, be effected."

Carried unanimously

NOTICES OF MOTION

06/1804/35 SITE INSPECTIONS BY COUNCILLORS AND RELEVANT STAFF

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Pitt

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that arrangements are made for Councillors to attend site inspections as soon as possible, from north of Ellis Beach to Degarra, over a period of three months.



Sites to be visited to include roads, bridges, drains, culverts, vegetation, subdivisions, building applications, landscaping, parks and the library, as well as sites of River Improvement Trust activities and any other important issues."

Carried unanimously

06/1804/36 ROLE OF MAYOR, COUNCILLORS, CEO AND GM'S

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that the Douglas Shire Council invite a Senior Legal Officer (eg Stephen Fynes-Clinton) from the Department of Local Government so that we have an understanding of the roles of Councillors, Mayor, Chief Executive Officer and General Managers, estimated cost \$2,000."

Carried unanimously

06/1804/37 LEASE AGREEMENTS

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that Councillors, staff and solicitors/consultant to be involved with the preparation of lease agreements before they are advertised, and Councillors, staff and solicitors/consultant to then be involved with the selection process though the briefing session process."

For Crs Sciacca, Bellero, Pitt, Egan, Davis

Against Cr Cox

Carried

06/1804/38 BOND PENALTY CLAUSE DAINTREE FERRY

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation ant that Staff provide to Councillors the clause from the (Norris) tender document where a bond penalty per day, after 4 days leeway, is included to cover repairs, breakdowns, replacement ferry and non-completion of the ferry by the due date.

If not included, this clause should be drawn up and included in the new tender.



06/1804/39 TENDER DOCUMENTS OVER \$100,000

Moved: Cr Sciacca Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that Councillors, staff and solicitors/consultant to be involved with the preparation of tenders over \$100,000.00 before the tenders are advertised. Councillors, staff and solicitors/consultant to then be involved with the selection of the tender though the briefing session process.

Carried unanimously

06/1804/40 BB0106M – WOODADA RIVER CROSSING

Moved: Cr Bellero Seconded: Cr Sciacca

"That Council adopts the recommendation and Council address the safety of users of Woobada River Crossing and upgrade in the form of a bridge or culvert needs to be considered immediately."

Carried unanimously

PERSONAL INTEREST

The Chief Executive Officer advised he has no issues relating to a material personal interest in the Kings Canyon property and as his wife works for Destination Marketing utilising other properties in the Shire, he may be perceived to have an interested and he therefore withdrew from the meeting.

06/1804/42 GP0106M – KINGS CANYON

Moved: Cr Pitt Seconded: Cr Bellero

"That the matter lie on the table until the General Manager Development & Environment has prepared a briefing session for Councils further discussion."

Carried unanimously

RE-ATTENDANCE

The Chief Executive Officer re-attended the meeting.



<u>06/1804/43</u> <u>GP0206M – PROPERTY AND PERSONAL DAMAGE IN CYCLONIC</u> <u>WEATHER</u>

Moved: Cr Pitt Seconded: Cr Sciacca

"That the matter lie on the table and await information to be received from once inspections from cyclone Larry have been undertaken and Council be provided the information. That Council adopts the recommendation and that Council seeks legal advice on damage on property or personal injury as a result of our vegetation laws in the event of a cyclone."

For Crs Pitt, Sciacca, Davis, Bellero and Egan

Against Cr Cox

Carried

REPORTS – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

06/1804/4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUSINESS BREAKFAST – LG WEEK 17 MAY 2006

Moved: Cr Cox Seconded: Cr Egan

"That Council adopts the recommendation and that the Mayor or Deputy Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to attend the Local Government Business Breakfast to be held in Cairns on Wednesday, 17th May 2006, at a cost of \$80."

For Crs Cox, Egan, Pitt, Davis and Sciacca

Against Cr Bellero

Carried

06/1804/45 APPLICATION / RENEWALS – LIQUOR LICENCES FOR RESTRICTED CLUB PERMITS

Moved: Cr Cox Seconded: Cr Sciacca

06/1804/45 (i) "That Council adopts the recommendation and that Council confirm the

action taken by the Chief Executive Officer in signing the Liquor Licence Restricted Club Permit for the Alexandra Bay Social Sporting Club Inc.

06/1804/45 (ii) "That Council adopts the recommendation and Council confirm the action

of the Chief Executive Officer in signing the Liquor Licence Restricted Club

Permit for the Port Douglas Rugby Union Club."



06/1804/45 (iii)

"That Council adopts the recommendation and Council delegate the Chief Executive Officer and the divisional Councillors (2) the power to sign such applications if deemed appropriate."

Carried unanimously

TERMINATION

The Meeting terminated at 4.05pm Presented to and confirmed by Council on the *second* day of May 2006.

M P Berwick Mayor