



WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES

18 March 2008

Ray Kent
General Manager

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WALGETT SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE LIGHTNING RIDGE BOWLING CLUB
ON TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2008 COMMENCING AT 10.00 am**

PRESENT

Mr Vic Smith	Administrator
Mr Ray Kent	General Manager
Mr Matthew Goodwin	Director, Planning and Regulatory Services
Mrs Myrene Lovegrove	Acting Director, Corporate and Community Services
Mr Ian Taylor	Acting Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Services
Miss Jodie Gates	Minute Secretary

Administrator Vic Smith welcomed those attending the meeting and invited any member of the community to address matters listed within the Council Agenda.

OPEN FORUM PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations made by members of the public.

Confirmation of Minutes – 19 February 2007

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the Motion of the Administrator that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 19 February 2007 be confirmed.

CARRIED

54/08 Acceptance of Reserve Trust Minutes

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that:

1. Council endorse the resolutions of the Reserve Trust meetings held 18 March 2008.
2. Council takes action to implement the resolutions of the Reserve Trusts.

CARRIED

55/08 Report on Youth Development Services November to March 2008

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that the report on Youth Development and Services for the period November 2007- March 2008 be noted.

CARRIED

56/08 Community Services Activities – Quarterly Report

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Council receive and note the Community Liaison Officer's Report for March 2008.

CARRIED

57/08 Request for waiving of temporary license fees and bond for use of Collarenebri Town Hall – Walgett Aboriginal Medical Centre

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Council resolution 11/08 be amended as follows:

That Council approve a donation of \$385 to Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Co-operative Ltd for the temporary licence fee and supper room charge for Collarenebri Town Hall for a twelve month period payable from Manager Corporate Services - Contingency account and reallocated to Members & Civic – Section 356 Donation.

That Council resolve to waive the bond of \$250 payable by Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Co-operative Ltd for the use of Collarenebri Town Hall while staging Goonimoo Mobile Children's Resource Unit.

That Council consider an annual contribution towards Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service Co-operative Ltd licence fee, supper room charge and bond for the use of Collarenebri Town Hall whilst staging Goonimoo Mobile Children's Resource Unit in its Management Plan 2008/2009 – 2012/2013.

CARRIED

58/08 Waste to Art – Funding allocation

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that:

1. Council resolve the allocate \$500 from Manager Corporate Services - Contingency Account to Community Services - Waste to Art for participation in the Waste To Art and Design Community Art Exhibition and Competition.
2. That Council resolve to consider allowing \$4,000 in the Management Plan 2008/2009 for Waste to Art projects.

CARRIED

59/08 Payment for Relief Duties Policy

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Council resolve to adopt the revised Walgett Shire Council Payment for Relief Duties Policy.

CARRIED

60/08 Reviewed recommendations for Walgett Shire Council Social Plan 2007-2010

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Council receive and adopt, as tabled, the reviewed recommendations of the Walgett Shire Council Social Plan and the reviewed recommendations be attached to the Social Plan.

CARRIED

61/08 Community internet wireless proposal, Collarenebri trial

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that:

1. The proposal for a trial of community wireless internet in Collarenebri and Wali be endorsed
2. The trial be funded in 2007/08 to the extent of \$10,000. Such funds to be gained from Corporate Services Contingency Account 11.3805.9000
3. A proposal be prepared for extending the service to other towns and villages within the Shire over 2008/09. Such proposal to be considered in the context of the formulation of the 2008/09 Budget

CARRIED

62/08 Youth Centre upgrade – reallocation of funding

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that:

1. That Council resolve to allocate \$4,000 from Manager Corporate Services - Contingency Account to Youth Services - Youth Centre Refurbishment - Capital Works for the purchase of furniture and equipment for the Walgett Youth Centre.
2. That Council resolve to consider allowing \$4,000 in the Management Plan 2008/2009 - 2012/2013 for furniture and equipment for the Lightning Ridge and Collarenebri Youth Centres.

CARRIED

63/08 Investment report as at 29 February 2008

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that the Investment Report as at 29 February 2008 be received.

CARRIED

64/08 Rates report as at 29 February 2008

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that the rates report as at 29 February 2008 be received.

CARRIED

65/08 Development and Complying Development Certificate Applications

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Walgett Shire Council resolve to note the Development and Complying Development Certificate applications dealt with under delegated authority by the Manager Planning and Regulation and General Manager during February 2008.

CARRIED

66/08 Western Lands Lease Application 15057

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Walgett Shire Council resolve to write to the Department of Lands and state that:

- It objects to the application on the basis that the area being sought is larger than 2,500 square metres.
- Council's policy regarding such matters was established at a Council meeting held on 21 September 2006, and there is no reason to vary from that policy in this case.

CARRIED

67/08 Lightning Ridge Mining Board Meeting

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Walgett Shire Council resolve to note the report provided by the Director, Planning and Regulatory Services, Matthew Goodwin, on his attendance as Walgett Shire Council's delegate at the Lightning Ridge Mining Board meeting held on 14 February 2008.

CARRIED

68/08 Camps on Claims Working Group Meeting

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator that Walgett Shire Council resolve to note the report provided by the Director Planning and Regulatory Services, Matthew Goodwin, on his attendance as Walgett Shire Council's delegate at the Camps on Claims Working Group meeting held on 13 February 2008.

CARRIED

The following resolutions were brought forward from the Closed Council Meeting:-

69/08 Assessment 8961-Dimopoulos

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the motion of the Administrator

1. That Council rescind the motion from the November 2007 Closed Council meeting as follows:

RESOLUTION:

It was resolved on the Motion of the Administrator that Council resolve to sell the land Lot 1 DP 309612 for unpaid rates pursuant to s713 of the Local Government Act (1993) at the next scheduled Auction to be held in May 2008 with a view of Council itself attempting to purchase the land during the sale process.

Carried

2. That Council not pursue legal action against Mr Dimopoulos (Assessment 8961) Lot 1 DP 309612.
3. That Council resolve to sell the land Lot 1 DP 309612 (Assessment 8961) for unpaid rates pursuant to s713 of the Local Government Act (1993) at the scheduled auction in May 2009, with a view of Council itself attempting to purchase the land during the sale process.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 10.05am

To be confirmed by Council at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, 15 April 2008.

Administrator

General Manager