

PARKS, RECREATION AND SPORT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

12 FEBRUARY 2020

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REPORT OF THE PARKS, RECREATION AND SPORT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON ON WEDNESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2020 COMMENCING AT 12:32PM

1 OPENING

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

Councillor C R Rutherford (Chairperson)
The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow
Councillor R A Swadling
Councillor N K Fisher
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor M D Wickerson

In Attendance:

Ms A Cutler – Acting General Manager Community Services (Executive Officer)

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer

Mr A Pont - Manager Parks

Mr R Dunkley - Manager Community Assets and Facilities

Mr D Morrison – Executive Coordinator to the Mayor

Ms L Bellward - Curator/Director Zoo

Ms S Czarkowski – Coordinator Community Facilities

Ms A Brennan - Coordinator Legal and Governance

Ms G Dwyer - Media Officer

Ms K Walsh - Committee Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes of the Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee held on 29 January 2020 be taken as read and adopted as a correct record.

Moved by: Councillor Wickerson Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

6.1 LIFTING MATTERS FROM THE TABLE

File No: 11979 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Items laid on the table require a report to be lifted from the table before being dealt with. This report is designed to lift all necessary reports from the table to be dealt with at the Parks Recreation and Sport Committee meeting on 12 February 2020.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the following matter be lifted from the table and dealt with accordingly:

Cemetery Related Activities Policy

Moved by: Councillor Swadling Seconded by: Councillor Smith

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

12:35PM

The Mayor, Councillor Strelow attended the meeting

8 OFFICERS' REPORTS

8.1 CEMETERY RELATED ACTIVITIES POLICY

File No: 11979

Attachments: 1. Draft Cemetery Related Activities Policy

Authorising Officer: Richard Dunkley - Manager Community Assets and

Facilities

Alicia Cutler - Chief Financial Officer

Author: Sophia Czarkowski - Coordinator Facilities

Previous Items: 8.1 - Gracemere Cemetery - Pre-purchase of Burial

Rights - Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee - 26

Jun 2019 12.30pm

8.1 - Gracemere Cemetery - Pre-purchase of Burial Rights - Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee - 29

May 2019 12.30pm

9.5.5 - Gracemere Cemetery - Reservation and prepurchase of burial plots - Parks, Recreation and Sport

Committee - 16 Aug 2017 12.30 pm

SUMMARY

This matter was laid on the table at the Parks, Recreation and Sport committee meeting on 26 June 2019 with the following resolution:

"THAT the matter be laid on the table pending a workshop."

A workshop was held with Councillors on 25 September 2019.

Suspension of Standing Orders

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

12:48PM

That pursuant to s7.10 *Council Meeting Procedures* the provisions of the Rockhampton Regional Council Meeting Procedures be suspended to allow adequate time for informal discussion on Item 8.1 – Cemetery Related Activities Policy prior to entering into formal debate.

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford Seconded by: Councillor Smith

MOTION CARRIED

Resumption of Standing Orders

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

1-15PM

That pursuant to s7.10 *Council Meeting Procedures* the provisions of the Rockhampton Regional Council Meeting Procedures be resumed.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow

Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Cemetery Related Activities Policy be referred to a workshop with Council and that Officers prepare a scenario that would see Council assuming control of burial rights as a last resort.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow

Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

8.2 ZOO AND AQUARIUM ASSOCIATION WILDLIFE FUNDRAISING

File No: 1464 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - Acting General Manager Community

Services

Author: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

Rockhampton Zoo has identified an opportunity to support bushfire fundraising in aid of Australian native wildlife impacted by bushfire and drought.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorses the proposed fundraising to be undertaken by Rockhampton Zoo with donations going to Zoo and Aquarium Association:

- 1) Zoo donations received from patrons over the next 12 months, approximately \$15,000;
- 2) Offer a salary sacrifice option to RRC employees to donate for wildlife; and
- 3) Educating the public in daily talks on what is happening and how people can help (including donating then and there to the wildlife bushfire victims).

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford Seconded by: Councillor Swadling

9 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

10 URGENT BUSINESS\QUESTIONS

The Mayor, Councillor Margaret Strelow congratulated Deputy Mayor, Councillor Cherie Rutherford on her chairmanship and leadership of the Parks, Recreation and Sport Committee.

Deputy Mayor, Councillor Cherie Rutherford expressed her thanks, appreciation and support to all the Staff, the Mayor and Councillors.

11 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation* 2012, for the reasons indicated.

12.1 Increasing Zoo Security

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(h), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

1:43PM

THAT pursuant to s5.11 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves into Closed Session and be closed to the public.

Moved by: Councillor Swadling Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

1:54PM

THAT pursuant to s5.11 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves out of Closed Session and be opened to the public.

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

12 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

12.1 INCREASING ZOO SECURITY

File No: 1464 Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - Acting General Manager Community

Services

Author: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks

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SUMMARY

Following a number of recent incidents at the Zoo, a budget review is proposed for Council's consideration that enables Zoo perimeter fencing upgrades in 2019-20.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the proposed Zoo budget review for inclusion into the Monthly Budget Review cycle.

Moved by: Councillor Swadling Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

13 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further bu	siness the meeting closed at 1:54pm.
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CHAIRPERSON	•
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