



GLADSTONE
REGIONAL COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS - CIVIC CENTRE
101 GOONDOON STREET, GLADSTONE**

On 5 November 2019

Commencing at 9.00am

**Leisa Dowling
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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Elected Members

Councillor - Mayor M J Burnett
Councillor G G Churchill
Councillor K Goodluck
Councillor R A Hansen
Councillor P J Masters
Councillor D V O'Grady
Councillor P J Sobhanian
Councillor C A Trevor
Councillor N Muszkat

Officers

Mrs L Dowling (Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs H Ning (Executive Secretary)
Ms C McKewen
Mrs C Quinn
Mrs B Saunders
Ms A Scott
Mrs K Lee
Mr M Holmes
Mr J Tumbers
Ms K Wockner

G/0.3.3. MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE

Nil.

G/0.3.4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTERESTS

Pursuant to section 175(C) of the Local Government Act 2009, where a Councillor declares a Material Personal Interest in an agenda item, the Councillor must leave the room for the agenda item.

G/8.6. COMMUNITY EVENTS SOLE SUPPLIER

Cr Goodluck

Councillor Kahn Goodluck declared a material personal interest in Item G/8.6. COMMUNITY EVENTS SOLE SUPPLIER, as he is a musician available for hire and could potentially be procured by Council for events.

Cr Goodluck advised that he will leave the room during the consideration of Item G/8.6.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to section 175(E) of the Local Government Act 2009, where a Councillor declares a Conflict of Interest and elects to leave the room for an agenda item, a resolution of Council is not required.

G/8.4. 40-20 SUPPLY OF 170HP WASTE HANDLER IT WHEEL LOADER & DOZER

Cr Trevor

Councillor Chris Trevor advised that he has a perceived conflict of interest in Confidential Item G/8.4. 40-20 SUPPLY OF 170HP WASTE HANDLER IT WHEEL LOADER AND DOZER, as his son is the Hydraulic Business Unit Manager for Australia for one of the group of companies that has quoted for this contract. Although not directly employed by the submitter (which he understands supplies loaders and dozers) Cr Trevor elected to exercises a degree of caution with a potential conflict involving a subsidiary.

Cr Trevor elected to leave the room whilst this item is being heard.

G/8.1. GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD'S BULK WATER PRICE REVIEW SUBMISSION 2021-25 PERIOD

Cr Sobhanian

Councillor PJ Sobhanian advised that he has a perceived conflict of interest in Confidential Item G/8.1. GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD'S BULK WATER PRICE REVIEW SUBMISSION 2021-25 PERIOD, as he was the Gladstone Regional Council nominated board member for the Gladstone Area Water Board.

To exercise a degree of caution, Cr Sobhanian elected to leave the room whilst this item is being heard.

Cr Masters

Councillor Peter Masters advised that he has a perceived conflict of interest in Confidential Item G/8.1. GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD'S BULK WATER PRICE REVIEW SUBMISSION 2021-25 PERIOD, as he is the newly nominated Gladstone Regional Council board member for the Gladstone Area Water Board however his appointment has not yet commenced and is being finalised by the Government. Cr Masters proposed to stay in the room for this matter.

G/19 /3956 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Goodluck

Cr Masters does not have a conflict of interest in agenda Item G/8.1.

CARRIED

G/3.3. REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION ON THE GLADSTONE FOUNDATION

Mayor Burnett

Mayor Burnett declared a perceived conflict of interest in Item G/3.3. REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION ON THE GLADSTONE FOUNDATION, as he is the current Council nominated board member of the Gladstone Foundation. Mayor Burnett proposed to stay in the room for voting on this matter.

G/19 /3957 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Sobhanian
Seconded Cr O'Grady

Mayor Burnett does not have a conflict of interest in agenda Item G/3.3.

CARRIED

G/1. MAYORAL STATEMENT OF CURRENT ISSUES

It has been a few weeks since our last Council meeting and would like to thank Deputy Mayor Councillor Trevor for Chairing the last Council meeting. I was attending the LGAQ Conference in Cairns with Councillors Goodluck and Muszkat. The Gladstone Regional Council items were passed with one amended. I think the statement on the Federal Assistance Grant is probably one of the most important. Obviously, we are still pushing as a Local Government Association of Queensland and Australian Local Government Association to a return to 1% of Federal Taxation. We still aim to convince the current government that 1% of Federal Taxation should come back to Local Government (it currently sits at about half of that, which is pretty disappointing considering the services and the infrastructure that Local Government across Australia provide to their communities and we have only just seen how communities are doing it tough financially, including our Region; it would be a lot easier if Federal Government could give some of that Federal Taxation back to Local Government to help reduce the cost to ratepayers).

Following on from the LGAQ conference I was a guest speaker at the Queensland Recovery Forum in Brisbane, basically highlighting the issues that we faced as a community during the bushfires of 2018 and how we handled that and how we managed that and of then of course listened to our neighbouring Councils on how they handled the floods and the cyclones in the North.

On the 18th of October we had Trade Investment Queensland Commissioner Viki Forrest visiting Gladstone; we were very fortunate to have Viki visiting Gladstone to hear about the wonderful things that are happening locally and the economies that we are trying to develop in the Gladstone Region.

I would like to thank Councillor Hansen for opening the Martin Hanson Memorial Art Awards on October 19th, I was able to be present at the Sponsors Night on the night previous and hear from the Judge firsthand and what a fantastic judge he was, I think everyone could have listened to him for hours. Congratulations to all the winners and to Ping who won the Pamela Whitlock Memorial Award. That is fantastic to see a great local artist and a great local artwork winning.

Of course earlier this month we also had the Sport and Active Living Festival; congratulations to Brady, Jordyn and the team for doing a fantastic job, the Biondello Bolt was a huge event. I think next year we might need to call it the Biondello Bolt and Fun Run so we can encourage more walkers.

I attended the Toolooa State High School Awards Night just recently, congratulations to all students receiving awards. Also to the other schools in the Gladstone Region, thank you Councillors for representing Council at those awards nights, I know we have had a number of them already including Chanel College, State High School and Tannum Sands High and there's a lot more to come so if you can make yourself available for the next few weeks to attend those awards nights that will be fantastic.

On the 25th of October I participated in an interview with Fishing Australia after their filming in Agnes Water 1770, so I am looking forward to seeing our region again highlighted on the national stage in that national program which will be coming up in the next few months. Of course the same day we welcomed Dream Cruises, the Explorer Dream on their inaugural visit to the Gladstone Region. We again held our Feast on East Markets and our Live at Library Square and congratulations to the team at GAPDL and GECC and all involved. Our visiting cruise ships keep coming back because of the local activities, the shoreline excursions and the huge welcome they get from the Gladstone Region. Of course the Explorer Dream is due back again tomorrow, that will be third visit from the same cruise ship since that inaugural visit.

The 29th of October was the official opening of the Multipurpose Sports Facility and new playground at Rosedale State School. It was great to be there and represent the Gladstone Region along with the Member for Burnett, Stephen Bennett.

On Thursday the 31st of October was re-opening of Wilson Island on the Southern Great Barrier Reef. The Southern Great Barrier Reef is in pristine condition and between Lady Elliott, Lady Musgrave, Fitzroy Reef Lagoon, Heron Island, Wilson Island and many others we have a variety of offerings for tourists right here in the Gladstone Region. If you've got the opportunity to go, I encourage you to go check it out.

We had a hugely successful Pop Con on the weekend as well, so congratulations to the GECC events team again doing a fantastic job; it was absolutely packed.

Yesterday I was able to be at the launch of the Gladstone Globe and interactive walkway in the GEA Arcade in Goondoon Street. This is an awesome educational project for the Gladstone Region, funded by our Federal Member, the GEA, Council and local business as well. For those who haven't seen it, go check it out. It is in Goondoon Street and it is very informative and I'm sure our local school students who I have already seen using it will get huge benefit out of it.

This weekend we have the Islamic Society's Open Day at the Tondoon Botanic Gardens and I just love how our local community embraces diversity and celebrates multiculturalism and what better place to do that in than in our award winning Tondoon Botanic Gardens. So congratulations to Brent, Barry and the team on their Judge's Choice Best in Business Awards on Saturday night. Thank you Councillor Hansen again for collecting that on our behalf and for presenting to the team at the gardens. Congratulations to all the winners from Saturday night.

Following on from that on the 11th of course is Remembrance Day and thank you Councillors who will be representing Council across the region at our local Remembrance Day events and to our local community if you cannot get to a local service please make sure you remember on the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour. And then next week is also the start of Bio Innovation Week. Bio Innovation Week is a huge week which also includes a regional tour to Gladstone, the only regional centre north of Gympie that is including a regional tour. This includes an update from Mercurius on their Biorefining project for Gladstone. Our Economic Development Specialist and I will then travel to Brisbane for the remainder of the week. I will be speaking to delegates on Policy Leadership supporting Bioeconomies on the Thursday and participate in the BioHubs plenary session on the Friday.

Before I wrap I would like to thank Jo Cuthbertson for presenting a petition this morning. I met with Jo this morning just on 8.30am and received her petition regarding rates in the Gladstone Region and we will respond to her officially through the CEO's Office and I have presented that petition to the CEO's Office this morning.

G/2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G/2.1. CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 15 OCTOBER 2019

File Ref: CM7.2

Purpose:

Confirmation of the minutes of the General Meeting held on 15 October 2019.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 15 October 2019 be confirmed.

G/19 /3958 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Trevor
Seconded Cr Churchill

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3. OFFICERS' REPORTS

G/3.1. QUARTERLY REVIEW OF THE 2019/20 GLADSTONE REGIONAL COUNCIL OPERATIONAL PLAN - QUARTER 1

File Ref: CM14.2

Purpose:

To present the quarterly progress toward implementation of Gladstone Regional Council's 2019/20 Operational Plan for the quarter ending 30 September 2019.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the information contained within the Assessment of the Implementation of the 2019/20 Operational Plan – Quarter 1 report be noted.

G/19 /3959 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Masters
Seconded Cr Hansen

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

**G/3.2. 2018-2019 GLADSTONE REGIONAL COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT
ADOPTION**

File Ref: CM18.1

Purpose:

Presenting the 2018/19 Gladstone Regional Council Annual Report for adoption.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the 2018/19 Gladstone Regional Council Annual Report be adopted in accordance with Section 182 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

G/19 /3960 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Sobhanian

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.3. REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION ON THE GLADSTONE FOUNDATION

File Ref: CM7.1

Purpose:

This report presents information to assist in determining whether Council should continue with representation on the Board of the Gladstone Foundation.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council determine a position on representation on the Board of the Gladstone Foundation.

G/19 /3961 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Muszkat
Seconded Cr Goodluck

That Council endorse its decision to nominate a Councillor of Gladstone Regional Council to serve on the Gladstone Foundation Board of Advice noting that Mayor Burnett is the current representative, and advocate for the full distribution of the funds.

CARRIED

G/3.4. REQUEST TO EXTEND THE NAME HOAD ROAD

File Ref: RD5.1

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to allow Council to consider a request to extend 'Hoad Road' in Benaraby.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council decline the request to utilise the name 'Hoad Road' on the unformed road between Hoad Road and Lucky Strike Road.

G/19 /3962 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Goodluck
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

Cr Sobhanian requested that his vote be recorded in the negative.

**G/3.5. ADDITION OF NAMES TO THE APPROVED PLACE NAMES REGISTER -
SELLERS, BRUSHE, WICKHAM**

File Ref: RD5.1

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to allow Council to consider three (3) individual requests to add names to the Approved Place Names Register; 'Sellers', 'Brushe' and 'Wickham'.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Includes the name 'Wickham' on the Approved Place Names Register
2. Decline the names 'Sellers' and 'Brushe' on the Approved Place Names Register

G/19 /3963 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Burnett
Seconded Cr Trevor

That Council:

1. Includes the name 'Wickham' on the Approved Place Names Register;
2. Includes the names 'Gail Sellers' and 'Maxine Brushe' on the Approved Place Names Register outside of policy to recognise the contribution Gail Sellers and Maxine Brushe have made in the region;
3. Completes a review of the Naming of Infrastructure Assets Policy within the next six months.

CARRIED

G/3.6. RADF AGM AND R2 2018-19 RE-SUBMISSION RECOMENDATION**File Ref: CC7.16****Purpose:**

Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee reporting on a recommendation following a resubmission during Round Two 2018-19 and 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Accept the recommendations of its RADF Committee and approve funding the following application, resubmission during Round Two 2018-19.

During the assessment meeting, 16 September 2019, the committee made a recommendation for further development and re-submission from the applicant. The applicant has worked with their mentor to engage a professional artswoker for the project. The committee has recommended the revised project for funding:

Applicant	Project Title	Project description	Category	Artform	Total project value	RADF investment recommended
Lee Mclvor	<i>Wrapt in Mugul</i>	Engage professional to develop business and marketing plan for series of ephemeral works installed in the landscape at Mugul Mountain Retreat and along the Bruce Highway.	Regional Partnerships	Concept Development	\$21,888.50	\$7,694.60 The committee has recommended a condition apply that the applicant makes the plan accessible to other community groups as a guide to future opportunities. The applicant has agreed to the condition.
TOTAL					\$21,888.50	\$7,694.60

2. Note the acceptance of ten (10) nominations, received during the 2019 Annual General Meeting. The nominated members, include current sitting and new members, are accepted as a diverse group of informed representatives who reflect the diverse arts, culture and geography of the Council area.
 - a. Adrienne Ward
 - b. Jennie Ryan
 - c. Michael Lunan
 - d. Belynda (Bindi) Waugh
 - e. Hannah Rodda
 - f. Lorna McGrath
 - g. Michael Connolly
 - h. Wendy Barker
 - i. Sharon Hare
 - j. Jack Viljoen

G/19 /3964 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Trevor
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

**G/3.7. BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 25
SEPTEMBER 2019**

File Ref: CM26.2

Purpose:

Pursuant to Section 211 of the Queensland *Local Government Regulation 2012* presentation of a written report about the matters reviewed at the Business Improvement Committee Meeting held on 25 September 2019.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Business Improvement Committee Meeting held on 25 September 2019 be received and accepted.

G/19 /3965 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr Muszkat

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

**The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.18 am
and reconvened at 10.41 am.**

**G/3.8. CHRISTMAS NEW YEAR PERIOD (INCLUDING AUSTRALIA DAY)
OPERATING HOURS 2019-20**

File Ref: CM17.2

Purpose:

This report seeks Council's endorsement of proposed operating hours for the Christmas, New Year period and the Australia Day holiday for offices, depots and other Council facilities for 2019-20.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council's proposed 2019-20 Christmas/New Year period (including Australia Day holiday) operating hours and closures be endorsed and advertised.

G/19 /3966 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/4. DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

G/5. COUNCILLORS REPORT

Nil.

G/6. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

G/7. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil.

G/19 /3967 Procedural Motion:

Moved by Mayor Burnett
Seconded Cr Masters

That Item 8.5. DIAL BEFORE YOU DIG – SOLE SUPPLIER and Item 8.6. COMMUNITY EVENTS SOLE SUPPLIER be moved out of the Confidential Agenda and placed into the General Agenda of the meeting and considered next.

CARRIED

G/8.5. DIAL BEFORE YOU DIG - SOLE SUPPLIER

File Ref: PE1.1

That Council:

1. Resolves, in accordance with Section 235(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that it is satisfied Dial Before You Dig is the only supplier reasonably available to it to provide underground infrastructure location services to Council and;
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to engage Dial Before You Dig as a sole supplier for the provision of underground infrastructure location services for a period of 10 years.

G/19 /3968 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Masters
Seconded Cr Churchill

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/8.6. COMMUNITY EVENTS SOLE SUPPLIERS

**Cr Goodluck (declared Material Personal Interest)
left the room during the consideration and voting of Item G/8.6.
(refer G/0.3.4 Disclosure of Interest section of the minutes – page 5)**

File Ref: PE1.1

That Council:

1. Resolves, in accordance with Section 235(a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that it is satisfied that event specific entertainment providers to support implementation of Council's events strategy is of a specialised nature and impractical for Council to invite quotes or tenders; and
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to engage event specific entertainment providers as approved sole suppliers.

G/19 /3969 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

G/19 /3970 Procedural Motion:

Moved by Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Masters

That in accordance with Section 275 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting be closed to the public to discuss business relating to the following: -

- (e) contracts proposed to be made by it;
- (h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

CARRIED

G/19 /3971 Procedural Motion:

Moved by Cr Masters
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That Council re-open the meeting to the public.

CARRIED

G/8.1. GLADSTONE AREA WATER BOARD'S BULK WATER PRICE REVIEW SUBMISSION 2021-25 PERIOD

Cr Sobhanian (declared Conflict of Interest)
left the room during the consideration and voting of Item G/8.1.
(refer G/0.3.4 Disclosure of Interest section of the minutes – page 5)

File Ref: WS1.2

G/19 /3972 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Trevor
Seconded Cr Goodluck

Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the authority to finalise its submission to Queensland Competition Authority, with respect to both Part A and Part B submissions made to by Gladstone Area Water Board to the price monitoring review for 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2025, noting the key principles included in the draft submission tabled and relevant background information provided.

CARRIED

G/8.2. CENTRAL QUEENSLAND REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (CQROC) - GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

File Ref: CM15.3

G/19 /3973 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Muszkat
Seconded Cr Masters

That Council resolve to support the Central Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (CQROC) to undertake the process of becoming a company limited by guarantee.

CARRIED

G/8.3. PSA 111-17 CCTV WASTEWATER DATA MANAGEMENT SERVICES

File Ref: PE1.1

G/19 /3974 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Churchill
Seconded Cr Hansen

That Council endorse the scope variation and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute an appropriate variation document with ReticManager to reflect the addition of manhole data analysis to the PSA 111-17 CCTV Wastewater Data Management Services contract.

CARRIED

G/8.4. 40-20 SUPPLY OF 170HP WASTE HANDLER IT WHEEL LOADER & DOZER

**Cr Trevor (declared Conflict of Interest)
left the room during the consideration and voting of Item G/8.4.
(refer G/0.3.4 Disclosure of Interest section of the minutes – page 5)**

File Ref: PE1.1

G/19 /3975 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr O'Grady
Seconded Cr Goodluck

That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract with Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited for the purchase of a 170HP Waste Handler IT Wheel Loader and Dozer.

CARRIED

There being no further business the Mayor formally closed the meeting.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 11.57 am.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby confirm that I have read the minutes and they are a true and correct
record of the
proceedings of the meeting.
I certify that these 25 pages
form the
official copy of Gladstone Regional Council
General Meeting Minutes of the 5 November 2019.

.....
Mayor Matt Burnett

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Date

ATTACHMENTS