



GLADSTONE
REGIONAL COUNCIL

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

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

On Tuesday 2 March 2021

Commencing at 9.00am

**Leisa Dowling
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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Elected Members

Councillor - Mayor M J Burnett
Councillor G G Churchill (via video conference)
Councillor K Goodluck
Councillor R A Hansen
Councillor D V O'Grady
Councillor C A Trevor
Councillor N Muszkat
Councillor C Cameron
Councillor D Branthwaite

Officers

Mrs L Dowling (Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs R Millett (Executive Secretary)
Mrs B Saunders (Manager Governance)
Mr M Holmes (General Manager Finance, Governance and Risk)
Mr J Tumbers (General Manager Operations)
Mr R Huth (General Manager Customer Experience, Acting)
Mr M Francis (General Manager Strategic Asset Performance, Acting)
Ms K Lee (General Manager Community Development and Events)
Ms K Wockner (Manager Contracts and Procurement)

Mayor Burnett was absent for the commencement of the meeting and the meeting was opened by Deputy Mayor Goodluck as Chair.

G/0.3.2. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

G/0.3.3. MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCE

Councillor Branthwaite gave condolences to the Pike Family. Darryl Pike passed away on Saturday and he's a well-known member of our community, both through the real estate and the fishing community, and various community groups in Boyne Island, Tannum Sands and the Gladstone region. Condolences were sent out to his wife Kathy and daughter Lisa and the family. The funeral will be held on Friday morning at the Boyne Memorial Gardens. Very sad day for the community, it's lost a real champion of the region.

G/0.3.4. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Nil.

G/1. MAYORAL STATEMENT OF CURRENT ISSUES

The first item I would like to talk about is the Agnes Blues Roots and Rock Festival on February 19 - February 21. I would like to thank Councillor O'Grady for representing me at that event and all the Councillors that attended, Cr Churchill, Cr Muszkat and Cr Hansen.

Then we had Legally Blonde The Musical, and the first weekend was a huge success. Thank you, Cr Churchill, again for launching that event at the Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre. The final shows for Legally Blonde, the Gladstone Region community musical, are this weekend coming and it's been a sold out show so far, so if you haven't got tickets yet, contact the Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre to check if there are any available. Congratulations to the cast and crew and everybody involved in that fantastic community musical.

On the same weekend just gone, we hosted the Central Queensland Capras against the Sunshine Coast Falcons and what a good start to the season, the Capras got a win. So we're very happy with that and happy to host the game at Marley Brown Oval. 32 to 10, may be a sign of things to come and we might see the Capras in the finals and claiming a grand final victory. One can only hope.

Just recently I attended Parliament House in Brisbane with AGIG (Australian Gas Infrastructure Group), where they held Australia's first hydrogen BBQ. Hydrogen Minister Mick DeBrenni and Assistant Minister Lance McCullum hosted the BBQ, cooking the snags. It was fantastic to be there at Parliament House to see that all set up.

This weekend is Clean Up Australia Day. Friday 5 March is the Clean Up Australia Day event for schools, and Sunday 7 March is the official Clean Up Australia Day. We're encouraging everybody to get involved right across the region and register for an event. Council has placed skip bins at Lions Park, Gladstone; Wyndham Park, Boyne Island; Miriam Vale State School carpark and Bunting Park, Calliope. I'm sure there are other events happening across the region, so make sure you get involved and check out the website, www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au for more details. There is also a business Clean Up Australia Day which is today and no doubt the business community are getting involved.

Parks Week is coming up and we've got events right across the Gladstone region. Parks Week is from Saturday 6 March through to Sunday 14 March with activities right across the region all week. We have Sculptures of Tondoon Tour happening on Monday 8 March, you can be guided through the gardens as you learn about the history behind and marvel at the Sculptures of Tondoon Botanic Gardens. There is a Champion Tree Tour on Tuesday 9 March. The Curators Tour on Wednesday 10 March, you can go with Brent Braddick, Tondoon's Curator, and learn about the history of Tondoon Botanic Gardens. There is a Bonsai Display and Demonstration happening on Sunday 14 March. The Gladstone region libraries have a First5Forever in the park on Wednesday 10 March and the Calliope Library have a community garden working bee which is happening on Friday 12 March, so if you're in the Calliope community make sure you get involved in that. And the Gladstone Regional Art Gallery & Museum is having a Now is the Time - Kids on Tour which commenced in February as well. There is so much happening. Here is an event the Councillors might want to get involved in, Bootcamp at Apex Park. For those who don't know, Apex Park is opposite ANZAC Park in Gladstone. I know that there is also the Discovery Coast Markets are happening on Sunday 14 March. So there is something happening right across the region. Get involved in Parks Week and check out Gladstone Regional Council's website for more information.

Also coming up, Councillors, very important for those involved in sporting clubs. On Thursday 4 March, this Thursday, we have a free workshop for incorporated associations. It will teach you about the roles of being involved in a club committee and the legal responsibilities, it's very important that those on committees understand their legal obligations, and the roles of office holders, financial administration and obligations and record keeping. It's happening from 6pm to 7pm on Thursday 4 March at the Gladstone Community Engagement Centre, which is the old library, opposite the art gallery in Goondoon Street.

The last thing I want to talk about is to the team and all the sponsors for the Santos GLNG Mayor's Charity Ball. Tickets went on sale yesterday and they were sold out yesterday. So that is fantastic to see that our four beneficiaries, which are Roseberry QLD, Nhulundu Health Service, Zonta Club of Gladstone and Gladstone MindCare will all benefit from the funds raised at the Santos GLNG Mayor's Charity Ball. Lots of sponsors involved, I know that we've raised about \$58,000 already and the ball hasn't even happened yet. It's going to be a huge success. We are looking at potentially opening up four more tables, I know the team here at the Gladstone Entertainment Convention Centre are trying to fit some more tables in and there is a waiting list, so for those on the waiting list we might be able to fit some more tables in, but we'll see how we go. It's going to be a huge night. That's on Saturday 29 May.

G/2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G/2.1. CONFIRMATION OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 16 FEBRUARY 2021

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council Meeting Date: 2 March 2021

File Ref: CM7.2

Purpose:

Confirmation of the minutes of the General Meeting held on 16 February 2021.

Officer's Recommendation:

That the minutes of the General Meeting of Council held on 16 February 2021 be confirmed.

GM/21/4446 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Trevor
Seconded Cr Cameron

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3. OFFICERS' REPORTS

G/3.1. ASSET DISPOSAL POLICY

Responsible Officer: General Manager Finance Governance and Risk

Council Meeting Date: 02 March 2021

File Ref: CM28.2

Purpose:

To propose the repeal of the current Asset Disposal Policy.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council repeal P-2016-15 Asset Disposal Policy, noting it will be replaced by the Asset Disposal Corporate Standard.

GM/21/4447 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Hansen
Seconded Cr Trevor

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.2. PSA 240-20 STREET SWEEPING SERVICES (SOUTHERN REGION)

Responsible Officer: General Manager Operations

Council Meeting Date: 2 March 2021

File Ref: PE1.1

Purpose:

This report seeks resolution from Council to enter into a preferred supplier arrangement with Specialised Pavement Services Pty Ltd for the provision of street sweeping services in the southern region of the Gladstone local government area.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Endorse the tender evaluation panel's recommendation and accept the offer from Specialised Pavement Services Pty Ltd for PSA 240-20 Street Sweeping Southern Region; and
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a 1-year contract with four 1-year extension options, with Specialised Pavement Services Pty Ltd.

GM/21/4448 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr O'Grady

Seconded Cr Muszkat

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/3.3. LABORATORY SERVICES AND CONSUMABLES SOLE SUPPLIERS

Responsible Officer: General Manager Operations

Council Meeting Date: 2 March 2021

File Ref: PE1.1

Purpose:

This report seeks a resolution from Council to make use of the provisions in s235 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that allows for the exceptions to the requirement for written quotations or tenders. The use of this provision is sought in relation to the provision of laboratory services and consumables.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Resolves, in accordance with section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, that it is satisfied that:
 - IDEXX Laboratories Pty Ltd are the only supplier reasonably available to Council to supply consumables for the IDEXX Colilert system; and
 - Australian Laboratory Services are the only supplier reasonably available to Council to complete chemical laboratory services; and
 - Ecoscope Environmental Pty Ltd are the only supplier reasonably available to Council to provide microbiological laboratory services.
2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to engage IDEXX Laboratories Pty Ltd, ALS Limited and Ecoscope Environmental Pty Ltd as sole suppliers until 30 June 2021.

GM/21/4449 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Branthwaite

Seconded Cr Muszkat

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11am and reconvened at 9:53am.

G/4. DEPUTATIONS

G/4.1. STRONGER PLACES, STRONGER PEOPLE

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Council Meeting Date: 2 March 2021

File Ref: CM7.6

Purpose:

To present to Council a briefing relating to Stronger People, Stronger Places initiative in the Gladstone Region.

Officers Recommendation:

That the deputation from Stronger People, Stronger Places be received.

GM/21/4450 Council Resolution:

Moved Cr Goodluck
Seconded Cr O'Grady

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED

G/5. COUNCILLORS REPORT

Nil.

G/6. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

G/7. NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil.

G/8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil.

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

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10:53am

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 14 pages form the official copy of Gladstone Regional Council General Meeting Minutes of the 2 March 2021.

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Mayor Matt Burnett

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Date