



# **BURKE SHIRE COUNCIL**

## ***ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES***

### **25 November 2008**

*Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Burke Shire Council held in the Council Chambers, Burketown Tuesday 25 November 2008.*

**Present:-** Cr Annie Clarke (Mayor), Cr Ernie Camp (Deputy Mayor), Cr Tracy Forshaw, Cr Bill Olive, Cr Tonya Murray, Mr Barry Evans (Chief Executive Officer) and Cheryl Portch (Minutes Clerk)

*The meeting opened at 9.17 am.*

#### **1.0 PRAYER**

*Cr Camp led Council in Prayer.*

#### **2.0 LEAVE OF ABSENCE/CONDOLENCES**

#### **3.0 MAYOR'S REPORT**

The Mayor advised she would deliver her report later.

Cr Murray enter chambers 9:25am

#### **3.0 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cr Forshaw tabled her report.

#### **5.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

5.1 Ordinary Council meeting of 15 October 2008

<b>Moved: Cr Forshaw</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Murray</b>
<b>That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of 15 October 2008 be confirmed .</b>	

<b>Moved: Cr Camp</b>	<b>Seconded Forshaw</b>
<b>That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of 21 October 2008 be confirmed</b>	
<b>CARRIED 01.081015</b>	

#### **5.3 Matters arising from the minutes**

#### **7.0 ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

*No report provided*

#### **8.0 BUILDING REPORT**

*No report provided*

Query on Toilets & Brumby Pit

## **9.0 DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

9.1 Burketown Pub - Outside Area at Front of Hotel

**DAP/01**

Greg Watt from Burketown Pub asking Council to consider allowing him to partly enclose some of the area located directly under the awning. Greg will also be speaking with Liquor Licensing as they would have to approve any variations to the licensed area.

Reporting Officer: Chief Executive Officer

The awning of the hotel is within the road reserve of Beames St. Burketown and has encroached the area from the time of construction. No record could be found of the hotel owner ever gaining approval for the encroachment, even though approval may exist. In the first instance, Council could offer no objection to the proposal because the proposal is positive to control drinking in an enclosed area with a view to keeping people off the footpath.

Secondly, because the concrete slab and awning is in the road reserve, the hotel would need to apply to DNR &W for a lease (a temporary road closure) to legalise the matter. The final decision will be up the licensing commission.

**Moved: Cr Camp**

**Seconded: Cr Murray**

**That Council write to the hotel owner suggesting that they explore other options for such as more use of the beer garden at the rear of the premises.**

## **10.0 HEALTH REPORT**

10.1 Burketown Home and Community Care (HACC) Program Coordinator's Report

**FAM06**

Reporting Officer: HACC Leader

Reporting that the ladies at HACC have been busy as usual venturing into different areas of craft.

With Melbourne Cup looming the ladies made their own fascinators to wear to the Cup Luncheon at the Hotel. They all had an enjoyable day and to their delight were each presented with a small gift for their wonderful hat creations. Both Carol and I had an enjoyable luncheon with the ladies in the garden.

Prior to this Janet was kind enough to come and trim the ladies hair which was greatly appreciated and a letter expressing our thanks has been forwarded to her.

The wheelchair access is well under way at the entrance to the church hall and should be completed shortly.

As last week was World Diabetes Day the ladies visited the school and distributed "blue hands" to the children. A banner called "Blue Print of Hope" was hand printed by the ladies with the school participating and adding their hand prints as well. The banner was displayed at the Information Centre.

Both Mandy & I will be away on training from 18th November to 20th November in Townsville and Mt Isa from 26th to 28th November

Pam de Joux  
HACC Program Leader

**Noted by Council**

10.2 Response to National Disability Strategy Survey

The HACC Program Leader has responded to the survey.

Report

*See attached*

**Noted by Council**

**11.0 ENGINEERING REPORT**

11.8 – Hon Anthony Albanese Media Release

**INF/01**

Hon Anthony Albanese MP advising on the guidelines from the \$300million regional and local government infrastructure program.

Report – CEO

Council has received \$100,000 from the regional and local government infrastructure program and a decision needs to be made on a suitable project that fits within the guidelines.

Recommendation

**Moved: Cr Murray**

**Seconded: Cr Camp**

**That a fishing recreation park featuring a covered area, bar-b-que be developed at the Albert River Bridge. Further that a letter of appreciation for the \$100,000 project be forwarded to the Hon Albanese however, it be pointed out that Council is seeking major infrastructure projects and that the high costs of external contractor mobilization and freight should be taken into consideration in project funding.**

**CARRIED 01.081015**

6.0 Deputations

6.2

10:10am Burnett Hollingsworth (CDEP) entered the chambers

10:32am Burnett Hollingsworth left chambers

**12.0 TOURISM, RECREATION & CULTURE REPORT**

12.1 Ranger's Report

**RAN01**

**1. Litter management**

Tourist season has pretty much come to a stop, has been a full on year. This year a lot more tourists are roughing it and are seen to be camping along the river. Good to see most were doing the right thing with their rubbish. Some bins at the less frequented areas have been brought back in, washed and stored. Left bins at the more popular fishing / camping spots. Program underway when labour available to fill all dumping points and rehabilitate the areas, as usual cages will be stored on site up out of the way.

***Sites Visited***

Below Albert Bridge  
and river road

***Report***

- 2 Bins in the area, Rock bar area usually a mess.
- 1 Bin at the bridge site for contractors

Bottle Heap

- 1 Bin in the area, usually area left in a mess by day visitors.

<i>Sites Visited</i>	<i>Report</i>
2 Mile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Bin in the area, usually area left in a mess by day visitors.</li> </ul>
Gregory Crossing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Bins at the crossing, area always needs attention, Removed bin from the Island now the storms have started. Dumping point up on the hill being utilised.</li> </ul>
Beams Brook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Bin at the crossing, area normally pretty good, dumping point at Doomadgee turnoff being utilized.</li> </ul>
Eight Mile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No bin in the area.</li> </ul>
Escott causeway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Bin in the area.</li> </ul>
Nicholson access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dumping point getting plenty of use.</li> </ul>
Brim hole - Nicholson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bin still not replaced from the wet – limited access for a heavy vehicle.</li> </ul>
Meat Works area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dumping point being fully utilised, now 2 bins in the more popular areas, always a popular camping area during the season.</li> </ul>
Truganini/Jetty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Bin each at China Wall and Truganini Creek, dumping point at the jetty had to be redug after it collapsed, and has started to collapse again, season is nearly over anyway.</li> </ul>
Around Town	<p>Conduct a daily early morning deadie run on town and entrance roads to remove nightly road kills before residents/visitors get about (8 during this period, with 4 deadies removed from of the school grounds – killed by town dogs running them into the fences), At the same time do a general emu parade of town streets and weekly do an emu parade for rubbish along the road from the Bore to the bridge and from the grid at the WTP to the dump turnoff. Cleaned turkey feathers from bore head area again.</p>

## **2. Animal Control**

- No official complaints received during this period.
- 2 dogs impounded during this period, 1 unregistered dog disposed of and the other registered dog was claimed by their owner and released after paying the insignificant incurred fines (was the third time this dog had been impounded).
- Dog trap removed from the Caravan Park, manager no longer wants it there.

## **3. Pest Management**

⇒ Weed control:-

- Some spraying undertaken but limited due to windy conditions.
  - Updated MSDS sheets for all chemicals stored.-
  - Obtained satellite maps of all Burke Shire individual properties for the purpose on comprehensive weed mapping – waiting to be laminated before being put to use.

⇒ Pest Control:-

- 1080 monthly stock sheets and indemnity forms to DNR&M
- Second annual 1080 baiting campaign Monday 20th October  
Dismal participation by properties for this round, two properties booked to receive a baiting and only one turned up – Gregory downs baited 910kg of pig baits.

## **4. Tourism**

- Tourist traffic has just about stopped, but some brave intrepid travelers dodging the storms.
- Looks like next year now before we can look at installing Savannah Way Alt Route signs to direct traffic past the Lawn hills station yard complex, a new bypass road was put in last year and there is no proper signage, and is this is causing tourist traffic to follow the cattle lane to a set of yards 47k on the wrong side of Lawn Hill creek, appropriate signs “Savannah way alt route” are already in stock, just need organizing to get them put up.
- Still waiting for the ordered (2 months) missing creek crossing signs on the Floraville road – need to devise a way to make them tamper proof so tourist can’t pinch them.

## 5. General

- Moth traps (bucket traps) supplied by the Dept Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry to see if the “Summer Fruit Tortrix Moth” species of moths or their Australian relatives are endemic to our area – been out for 6 months, project has now run out of funding so the program has been suspended.
- Pick up bulky rubbish and old guide posts beside roadways during my travels.
- Barramundi growout facility – Finally up and running – All equipment installed and power on, plant running to build up bacteria levels in the biological filters, no word on the availability of fingerlings, Still no word on what we are going to do about the state of the current fish transporter.
- Some more work to be done on the cemetery register – some names missing from the official register.
- Metro count road traffic counters all brought in and stored.
- Attended EPA workshop in Mt Isa, report submitted, was a very full on session and will dramatically increase councils responsibilities with changes to the new Environmental Protection Act 2008.
- Met Macair RPT’s and conducted airport checks whilst Bob Marshall away.

Russell Cunningham

Ranger

## **Noted by Council**

Chief Executive Officer Report:

As a batch of fingerlings will be ready in early December and the present fish transporter is in poor condition, I have ordered a new fiberglass (grp) transporter from a manufacturer in Cairns and it will be available in two weeks. The cost of the unit was \$1850 plus GST Reporting Officer: Ranger

## **Noted by Council**

### 13.1 Local Government Annual Payments.

**RUR/03**

Biosecurity Queensland carries out activities that are funded through local government annual payments. They are writing to advising Council about a review of the Research, Extension and Services Contribution component of Annual Payments and about the calculation of the Annual Payments for 2008-09.

Chief Executive Officer Report: This is the “old precept” contribution made annually by Councils throughout the State.

Recommendation

**That Council resolves to seek information as to what benefits property owners receive for the annual payment.**

13.3 Annual Valuation Effective 30 June 2009.

**RAT/07**

The Department of Natural Resources and Water (NRW) has reviewed the unimproved land values and consulted on the need to undertake an annual valuation in your local government area. Based on this and other criteria under Section 37 of the *Valuation of Land Act 1944* (the Act), it has been decided by the chief executive that a valuation for your local government to be effective on 30 June 2009, will not be undertaken.

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

13.4 Letter of Thanks from Gregory District Sporting Association for Annual Campdraft.  
COO/02

Sue Clarke, Secretary/Treasurer of Gregory District Sporting Association providing Council with thanks for supporting their annual Campdraft in June and assisting in the new ablution block. Also requesting thanks be given to the office staff for the printing of programmes and also to Elvee Portch for support prior, during and after the weekend.

Recommendation

**Noted by council**

*See attached*

13.5 Environmental infrastructure Program (EIP) and Shoreline Erosion Management Planning Scheme (SEMPS).

**SGD/26**

Invitations for funding applications for the first round of the new Environmental infrastructure Program (EIP) and the second round of the Shoreline Erosion Management Planning Scheme (SEMPS) are being called. Applications for funding must be received by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Recreation by COB 28 February 2009 and should be submitted to your regional office.

Chief Executive Officer Report:

This matter has been included on the agenda to ascertain if Council has any issues along its coastline.

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

Meeting adjourned for tea break

Meeting resumed 11.17am

Don McEvoy entered room 11.17am

11.1 Roads to Recovery

**ROA/70**

Chief Executive Officer advising that he received an urgent call from Roads to recovery at about 1:00pm Friday afternoon 31 October 2008 requesting a works schedule for project/s in 2005/06 as the quarterly report was due in at COB that day. He made all reasonable enquires with the available staff and was not able to find the data as the last person who was dealing with the matter and should have forwarded the quarterly report was the previous Works Manager. As a result he was not able to complete this requirement. Council will be advised of the outcome. As this matter goes back to 2005/06 it seems that appropriate action has not been taking place and this is an area needing serious attention and the right people in key positions.

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

11.2 Works Report - General

Reporting Officer: Works Manager

Report

1. Works by Council Workforce:- Works Foreman, Rural Foreman, Town Works Manager and Utilities Manager Burketown

(i) Road works/Maintenance Crews:- Works Foreman

⇒ Flood damage Repairs, Road Maintenance and Private Works

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Wills Developmental Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road condition.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road conditions and document problem areas.</li> <li>• Replace missing guide posts</li> <li>• Be prepared to grade between running Creek and Gregory on completion of the hauling to the current Roadtek project.</li> <li>• Undertake the shoulder repairs east of Gregory.</li> <li>• Continue negotiating with MR for extra funds to allow for the restoration of the road between Gregory and Running Creek at the completion of the current construction by Roadtek</li> </ul>
Camooweal Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road condition.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road conditions and document problem areas.</li> </ul>
Doomadgee Road East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Works have been completed on the 10km upgrade between 57 – 67km.</li> <li>• GPB Constructions have completed the widening of the causeway</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to monitor road conditions and replace missing guide posts (on going).</li> </ul>
Doomadgee Road West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently monitoring road condition.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor section west of Hells Gate and prepare resheeting program west of Hells Gate.</li> </ul>
Floraville Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road condition.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertake Capping of Harris Creek and Millar’s Creek Causeway as soon as conditions allow. Review new cost on this project and refer increases back to council</li> <li>• Undertake the clearing works at Millars Creek causeway as soon as conditions allow.</li> </ul>
Escott Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue monitoring conditions</li> </ul>

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undertake heavy grade in between other works as a training project.</li> </ul>
Truganini Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition.</li> <li>Road has been graded</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor condition of road and undertake pavement stabilisation trials</li> </ul>
Gregory - Lawn Hill Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zinifex have been maintaining the road up to the mine access</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepare 5 year plan for works on the section of the road west of the Century feeder road.</li> <li>Council to determine delivery method for the next stage of this road.</li> <li>Consulting Engineer to review upgrade report and prepare report to council for future works on this road.</li> </ul>
Lawn Hill National Park Access Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review condition and prepare 5 year resheeting program</li> </ul>
Riversleigh (Zinc Hills Deviation) Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions</u></p> <p>Review conditions and determine status of road in relation to resheeting and maintenance.</p>
Punjab Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor conditions.</li> </ul>
Bowthorn Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heavy Grading works completed</li> </ul>
Lawn Hill-Doomadgee Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring conditions</li> </ul>
Nugaburra Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Heavy grading completed</li> </ul>
Morella Rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Morella Stn is planning to install 3 grids on the road and gravel sheeting some bulldust sections.</li> <li>Morella Stn has been advised that they need to officially request council for permission to install the grids.</li> </ul>
(ii) Roadwork's, Utility Services and Town Maintenance - Works Foreman, Town Works Supervisor, Utilities Manager Burketown	

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Burketown Streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to monitor and inspect the condition of the town streets.</li> <li>Some Pothole patching and bitumen repair works have</li> </ul>

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Burketown Water Supply Reticulation, Water Treatment Plant, Nicholson River Pump Station and Rising Main	<p>been completed. More works are to be undertaken as time and staff availability allows.</p> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare a full report of the entire short to medium term road works requirements for Council’s endorsement.</li> <li>• Undertake edge break repairs.</li> <li>• Investigate drainage problems at Beames St/Firefly St intersection.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine monitoring and maintenance continues</li> <li>• Intake point pond appears to be stabilising at present</li> <li>• Routine maintenance &amp; operations of system continue.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desludge the eastern pond.</li> <li>• Complete the installation of the Next G based pump station control unit.</li> <li>• Complete the ancillary works at the new WTP including :                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upgrade of power mains contractor is due week commencing 20/10/08</li> <li>• Excavation and lining the discharge lagoon</li> <li>• Pipe works to filter backwash ,tank over flow and scour pipe</li> <li>• Install drainage from the Barra Fingerling Grow out Facility.</li> <li>• Installation of new Alum dosing unit.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Burketown Refuse Tip	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine weekly maintenance continues.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement plan to improve management of the tip</li> </ul>
Truganini Wharf and Boat Ramp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor conditions and advise change of conditions to Main Roads.</li> <li>• <u>Future Intentions:-</u></li> <li>• Contractor on site, working on wharf and boat ramp.</li> <li>• Progress the proposal for the construction of a pontoon on the wharf, with the aim to obtain funding from QT for this project to match the allowance from council.</li> </ul>
Burketown Airport Access Road	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan to widen this road in the coming financial year on the basis that it is heavily trafficked and is very narrow.</li> </ul>
Drainage	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor this drainage system and assess road damage.</li> <li>• Prepare a proposal for a consultant to undertake a study with the aim to provide council with a plan to upgrade the drainage around town.</li> </ul>

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Burketown Airport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular checks of the runway.</li> <li>• Routine maintenance.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Future Intentions:-</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare new plan for apron extension, parking, and taxiway as per discussions with CASA and submit to council for approval.</li> <li>• Commence planning for airport upgrade/relocation of runways etc.</li> <li>• Installation of 3 new floodlights and extra threshold lights, contractors due before end of October.</li> </ul>
Parks and Gardens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General daily/weekly maintenance and mowing to parks and Council building lawns including nature strips and approaches to town.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Future Intentions:-</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine maintenance</li> </ul>
Sewerage System and Lagoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily/weekly inspections and cleaning to sewer pump stations, Blivet BL4000, and sewer lagoon.</li> <li>• Blivett has been taken off line due to the motors burning out as a result of a lack of power.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Future Intentions:-</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintenance visit planned by Water Recycle Group for end of October.</li> <li>• Complete the STP upgrading (refer item 11.4)</li> <li>• Add 100mm pipe to the discharge line of the Blivet Unit.</li> <li>• Clean out the existing lagoon and modify to allow the “clean” discharge water to be stored for future use, whilst allowing an overflow from the anaerobic chamber in event of a failure in the Blivet unit.</li> </ul>
Burketown Cemetery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General maintenance, vegetation control &amp; fence check</li> </ul>

(iii) Workshop – Works Manager

Overall performance of plant has been good over the last month with general servicing and some minor breakdowns being the main work carried out.

2. Gregory Report - Gregory Caretaker and Works Manager

<u>Location/Item</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Tourism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Level of tourism has decreased during the last month</li> </ul>
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lemura still have works to complete.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Future Intentions</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To complete the chemical storage areas</li> </ul>
Animal and Stock Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring fence line and public areas.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Future Intention</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor all fence lines to ensure that there are no areas for stock to enter the town area.</li> </ul>

<u>Location/Item</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Airport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Airport is being monitored</li> <li>• New modified sensor fitted to windsock light. Supplied by Avlite under warranty and fitted by Council staff.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor strip and fences.</li> </ul>
Parks and Gardens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine maintenance is continuing.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Installation of simple reticulation watering system for trees.</li> </ul>
Rubbish Dump and Collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Works continue as scheduled.</li> </ul>

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

11.3 2008 Construction Program

**STA/23**

Reporting Officer: Works Manager

Report

Council is currently undertaking the following:-

- ⇒ Final stage earthworks on the approaches to the north side of the Albert River Bridge, completion of North Side drainage extensions

Future proposed activities are:-

- ⇒ Continue with earthworks at the bridge
- ⇒ Undertake Shoulder Grading on Wills Development Road east of Gregory (RMPC) now on hold due to all funds being needed for Heavy Grading.
- ⇒ Heavy Grading on Escott Rd
- ⇒ Dust strip on Truganini Road and Lawn Hill National Park Rd approved by council 05.081015
- ⇒ Shoulder and drop off repairs on Town Streets.
- ⇒ Heavy Grade section of Doomadgee Rd East pre wet.
- ⇒ Bitumen seal north and south approaches to Albert River Bridge proposed dates 15 & 16 December 2008.

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

11.4 New Albert River Bridge

**BRI/08  
TEN01.07/08**

Reporting Officer: Major Projects Coordinator

Report

15 November 2008, Bridge works completed, contractor, plant and equipment off site.

**Construction time is at 100%, Works complete 100% described below:-**

Works completed on 15/11/08

PSC Piles	Complete	100%
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'T' Beams	Complete	100%
Pile caps	Complete	100%
Heads	Complete	100%
Abutments	Complete	100%
Deck overlays	Complete	100%

Progress Payments: - 6 Claims to 31 October total \$ 2,934,685.99 (GST Inc) Retention held by BSC @ 5% = \$ 140,415.60

Progress Claim Invoice No. 7 received and being processed at this time.

Recommendation

**Resolved that the final payment for the New Albert River Bridge be withheld until the agreement/contract with Nelmac Pty Ltd is signed by all parties.**

11.5

Regional Roads Group-

**ROA/71**

Acting Works Manager reported that it is imperative that Council prioritizes it's roads.

**Moved: Cr Clarke** **Seconded: Cr Olive**  
**That Doomadgee East Rd be priority number 1; Lawn Hill Rd be priority number 2**  
**CARRIED 01.081015**

11.6 Schedule of Works re Punjaub Road

**ROA/97**

Department of Main Roads supplied schedule of works for the grading & sealing of Punjaub Road.

Option 1 - \$257,638

Option 2 - 446,900

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

11.7 CEC Bitumen Services Quote to seal Punjaub Road

**ROA/97**

CEC Bitumen Services quoted the following to seal Punjaub Road

To supply spray & cover 2 coat seal \$8.95M2

To supply spray & cover 1 coat seal \$5.35M2

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

11.8 Visitor Numbers at Adel's Grove

**ROA/09**

Adel's Grove has provided a list of tourist numbers for camping and accommodation since 2005.

**Noted by Council**

11.9 Plant availability during the wet season.

**Moved: Cr Clarke**

**Seconded: Cr Olive**

**That a grader be stationed at Gregory over the wet season.**

*Don McEvoy left chambers 12:50pm*

*Council adjourned for lunch*

*Council resumed 1.45pm*

### **13.0 ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

13.2 Holiday for the Shire of Burke for the purpose of the Melbourne Cup Day Festivities.

**BUR/07**

Advising the Shire of Burke has been approved to have a public holiday on Tuesday 3 November 2009 for the purpose of the Melbourne Cup Day Festivities. Notification of the appointment of show and non show holidays were published in the Queensland's Government Gazette on 31 October 2008, copies of which are attached for your information.

Recommendation

**Noted by Council**

**Moved: Cr Murray**

**Seconded: Cr Camp**

**That the meeting be adjourned due to inclement weather and be resumed at a later date to be decided.**

*The meeting adjourned at 1.50pm*