



BURKE SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

18 December 2008

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Burke Shire Council held in the Council Chambers, Burketown Thursday 18 December 2008.

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

Cr Annie Clarke (Mayor) via teleconference

The meeting opened at 9:45am

1.0 PRAYER

Cr Camp led Council in Prayer.

2.0 LEAVE OF ABSENCE/CONDOLENCES

Council send their condolences to the Gould family of Westmoreland station for the recent passing of Gary's mother Daphne Gould.

3.0 MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor presented a verbal report.

4.0 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Verbal report from Cr Murray – Century mines cutbacks. Proposing to use monies budgeted for training to help with the short fall. . Attended Native Title determination at Mornington Island.

Report from Cr Forshaw – Took part in a conference call to the Regional Roads Group meeting held on Monday 15 December 2008.

Cr Forshaw advised she has been appointed as a representative on the Rural Health Board.

Report from Cr Camp – Chaired the preseason Emergency Disaster Management local meeting. Attended the North West Regional Water Supply Management Committee. Attended the Burketown School break-up and presented the McCalman award.

5.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

5.1 Ordinary meeting minutes of 25 November 2008 & 1 December 2008

Moved: Cr Olive

Seconded: Cr Murray

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting of 25 November 2008 be confirmed.

CARRIED 01.081218

Moved: Cr Olive **Seconded: Cr Murray**
That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting of 1 December 2008 be confirmed
CARRIED 2.081218

Moved: Cr Camp **Seconded: Cr Olive**
That the unconfirmed minutes of Council meetings be emailed to Councillors within 10
days of the meeting and then released to the public.
CARRIED 3.081218

6.0 DEPUTATIONS

10.05am - Warren Garven & Burnett Hollingsworth entered the chambers

Isa Skills – Warren Garven & Burnett Hollingsworth updated Council on the feasibility of introducing a CDEP Program in Burketown.

10.25am - Warren Garven & Burnett Hollingsworth exited the chambers

5.2 Matters arising from the minutes

Item No	Title	Action Taken	Date	Officer
9.1	Burketown Pub – Outside area at front of hotel	Letter Sent		CEO
11.4	New Albert River Bridge contract	Letter Sent	2/12	CEO
11.8	Recreation park development at Albert River Bridge	Public notice	12/12	CEO
13.1	Local Govt annual payments	Further info.		CEO
13.7	Gulf Draft Resource Operations Plan	Letter sent	2/12	CEO
13.10	NWQRWSS Invitation to join Strategy Management Committee	Letter sent	2/12	CEO
13.11	John Francis McCalman Trust Bursary (School & Amanda Douglas)	Letter sent	2/12	CEO
14.4	Ausfuel – fuel tender	Letter sent	2/12	CEO
18.1	Aged Care Facility - (Debbie Rivers)	Verbal		A&CDO
18.2	Brumby Pit (Tracey Forshaw)	Letter sent	1/12	CEO
18.6	Don Booth cattle on common	Letter sent	2/12	CEO
18.6	La Evans – cattle on common	Letter sent	2/12	CEO

Noted by Council

7.0 ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

No reported items

8.0 BUILDING REPORT

8.1 HK Australia SINO Pty Ltd – 5 new cabins for Burketown Caravan Park
DAP/02.2008/06

Application for 3 new cabins 1 bedroom cabin & 2 new 3 room self contained units for the Burketown Caravan Park

8.2 Gregory District Sporting Ass –New Ablution Block at Racecourse **DAP/02.2008/05**
New building application for new Ladies Ablution Block & a Relocatable Ablution Block for Gregory Racecourse. Also a request for council to waive the application fees.

Report by Chief Executive Officer: Building applications have been forwarded to GMA for building certification.

Recommendation

Moved: Cr Olive **Seconded: Cr Murray**
That Council waive building application fee of \$210.00 for an ablution block at Gregory Recreation & Sporting Reserve.
CARRIED 4.081218

9.0 DEVELOPMENT REPORT

10:35am Cr Forshaw left the meeting.

9.1 Brumby Pit

That Council approve the application for Brumby Pit and issue a Decision Notice for MATERIAL CHANGE FOR AN ENVIRONMENTALLY RELEVANT ACTIVITY 20(B) & ENVIRONMENTALLY RELEVANT ACTIVITY 22(B); MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE (EXTRACTION AND SCREENING OF ROCK/MATERIAL) AND OPERATIONAL WORKS FOR THE CLEARING OF NATIVE VEGETATION; AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A ENVIRONMENTALLY RELEVANT ACTIVITY FOR WHICH A CODE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE HAS BEEN MADE IN A WILD RIVER AREA – AT YELDHAM STATION (LOT 2 ON CP907594) subject to the following conditions including those set down by the undermentioned referral agencies.

- 1 Development and operations are to be in accordance with the conditions of approval granted by the Environmental Protection Agency(EPA permit no.IPCE1166108) for associated registered activities, as outlined in concurrence response dated 17 November 2008. (EPA Conditions of Approval is attached)
- 2 Development and operation are to be in accordance with the approved quarry site development and management plans endorsed by the DNRW&M dated 29 May 2008, and in accordance with the conditions of approval outlined in the concurrence agency response dated 12 November 2008.
- 3 Development and operations are to be in accordance with recommendations outlined in the Cultural Heritage Clearance Notice dated 28 March 2008.
- 4 Development and operations are to be in accordance with Sales Permit 20080852 issued 30 may 2008.
- 5 Development and operations are to be in accordance with standard conditions of approval outlined by Burke Shire Council.

The approval of this application is subject to the conditions attached as well as the payment of the processing fee for this development application.

Moved: Cr Camp

Seconded: Cr Olive

**That Council approve application for Brumby Pit
Carried 5.081218**

10:47am Cr Forshaw returned to the meeting

10. HEALTH REPORT

Reporting Officer – Pam De Joux

10.1 Home & Community Care Report

Things are starting to wind down now at Centre Based Day Care, with only two ladies attending at present.

They have been busy preparing for their Christmas party and making cards and Christmas decorations .A change in activities saw them enjoying a game of bingo although at times it became confusing when ‘hoi’ was yelled out.

We are happy to say that we have four new clients on board for next year, and are sure that we will have more willing to sign up..

As two of our ‘new’ clients are men we will be looking at extra days, and activities to keep them occupied.

The’ invitation for offers ’for the additional Home & Community Care funding is now open, and closes on the 27th January 2009. This is the first round funding for additional Service groups which has been allocated through this Request for Offer and has been put into service groups. We would like to apply for the Home Support Service types, which is:- Domestic assistance, personal care, social support, home maintenance and respite care .Due to our increase in clients we feel that we will need some of these services, if not all eventually.

After the aborted Sustainable Workforce Option Training in Townsville, Mandy and myself attended another training in Mt. Isa.

This was a Stress Management Course run by Workforce Skills Development Council. It proved to be very interesting as its contents covered a wide areas of stress from differentiating between positive and negative stress, to identifying strategies.

The trainer was Deanne Whittaker who is the Director of Communitywise’ a resource and training consultancy service for Health and Community services.

On Thursday 18th December we will be having a Christmas Luncheon and have invited a good many seniors, as well as the Councillors to join us on our last day for 2008.

On behalf of our clients, Mandy, Carroll & myself we would like to wish you all a safe and wonderful Christmas and look forward to a great 2009.

See attached

Noted by Council

10.55 Don McEvoy entered chambers

11. ENGINEERING REPORT11.1 Works Report - GeneralReporting Officer: Works ManagerReport

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"> • Monitor road condition. <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor road conditions and document problem areas. • Replace missing guide posts • Be prepared to grade between running Creek and Gregory on completion of the hauling to the current Roadtek project. • Undertake the shoulder repairs east of Gregory. • 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
Camooweal Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor road condition. <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor road conditions and document problem areas.
Doomadgee Road East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works have been completed on the 10km upgrade between 57 – 67km. • GPB Constructions have completed the widening of the causeway <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to monitor road conditions and replace missing guide posts (on going).
Doomadgee Road West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently monitoring road condition. <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor section west of Hells Gate and prepare resheeting program west of Hells Gate.
Floraville Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor road condition. <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake Capping of Harris Creek and Millar's

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
	<p>Creek Causeway as soon as conditions allow. Review new cost on this project and refer increases back to council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake the clearing works at Millars Creek causeway as soon as conditions allow.
Escott Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue monitoring conditions • Heavy grade completed 12/12/08.
Truganini Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently monitoring road condition. • Road has been graded <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor condition of road and undertake pavement stabilisation trials
Gregory - Lawn Hill Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zinifex have been maintaining the road up to the mine access <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare 5 year plan for works on the section of the road west of the Century feeder road. • Council to determine delivery method for the next stage of this road. • Consulting Engineer to review upgrade report and prepare report to council for future works on this road.
Lawn Hill National Park Access Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently monitoring road condition. <p><u>Future Intentions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review condition and prepare 5 year resheeting program
Riversleigh (Zinc Hills Deviation) Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently monitoring road condition <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"> • Currently monitoring road condition <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor conditions.
Bowthorn Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavy Grading works completed
Lawn Hill-Doomadgee Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently monitoring conditions
Nugaburra Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heavy grading completed
Morella Rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morella Stn is planning to install 3 grids on the road and gravel sheeting some bulldust sections. • Morella Stn has been advised that they need to

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officially request council for permission to install the grids.

- (ii) Roadwork's, Utility Services and Town Maintenance - Works Foreman, Town Works Supervisor, Utilities Manager Burketown

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Burketown Streets

- Continue to monitor and inspect the condition of the town streets.
- Some Pothole patching and bitumen repair works have been completed. More works are to be undertaken as time and staff availability allows.

Future Intentions:-

- Prepare a full report of the entire short to medium term road works requirements for Council's endorsement.
- Undertake edge break repairs.
- Investigate drainage problems at Beames St/Firefly St intersection.

Burketown Water Supply Reticulation, Water Treatment Plant, Nicholson River Pump Station and Rising Main

- Routine monitoring and maintenance continues
- Intake point pond appears to be stabilising at present
- Routine maintenance & operations of system continue.

Future Intentions:-

- Desludge the eastern pond.
- Complete the installation of the Next G based pump station control unit.
- Complete the ancillary works at the new WTP including :
 - Upgrade of power mains.
 - Excavation and lining the discharge lagoon
 - Pipe works to filter backwash ,tank over flow and scour pipe
 - Install drainage from the Barra Fingerling Grow out Facility.
 - Installation of new Alum dosing unit.

Burketown Refuse Tip

- Routine weekly maintenance continues.

Future Intentions:-

- Implement plan to improve management of the tip

Truganini Wharf and Boat Ramp

- Monitor conditions and advise change of conditions to Main Roads.

Future Intentions:-

- Contractor completed works on wharf and boat

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
	<p>ramp, Council works to install solar light adjacent to boat ramp.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
Burketown Airport Access Road	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan to widen this road in the coming financial year on the basis that it is heavily trafficked and is very narrow.
Drainage	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor this drainage system and assess road damage. • 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.
Burketown Airport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular checks of the runway. • Routine maintenance. • Installation of 3 new floodlights and extra threshold lights, contractor completed works 12/12/08 <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepare new plan for apron extension, parking, and taxiway as per discussions with CASA and submit to council for approval. • Commence planning for airport upgrade/relocation of runways etc.
Parks and Gardens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General daily/weekly maintenance and mowing to parks and Council building lawns including nature strips and approaches to town. <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine maintenance
Sewerage System and Lagoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily/weekly inspections and cleaning to sewer pump stations, Blivet BL4000, and sewer lagoon. • Blivett has been taken off line due to the motors burning out as a result of a lack of power. <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintenance visit by Water Recycle Group completed 5/12/08. • Complete the STP upgrading (refer item 11.4) • Add 100mm pipe to the discharge line of the Blivet Unit. • Clean out the existing lagoon and modify to allow the “clean” discharge water to be stored for future

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use, whilst allowing an overflow from the anaerobic chamber in event of a failure in the Blivet unit.

Burketown Cemetery

- General maintenance, vegetation control & fence check

(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

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Tourism

- Level of tourism has decreased during the last month

Water

- Lemura still have works to complete.

Future Intentions

- To complete the chemical storage areas

Animal and Stock Control

- Monitoring fence line and public areas.

Future Intention

- Monitor all fence lines to ensure that there are no areas for stock to enter the town area.

Airport

- Airport is being monitored
- New modified sensor fitted to windsock light. Supplied by Avlite under warranty and fitted by Council staff.

Future Intentions.

- Monitor strip and fences.

Parks and Gardens

- Routine maintenance is continuing.

Future Intentions

- Installation of simple reticulation watering system for trees.

Rubbish Dump and Collection

- Works continue as scheduled.

Recommendation

For Council's information.

11.2 2008 Construction Program

STA23

Reporting Officer: Acting Works Manager

Minutes Confirmed 06 February 2009: Mayor _____

MIN081218 Confirmed

Report

Council is currently undertaking the following:-

- ⇒ Final stage earthworks on the approaches to the north and south side of the Albert River Bridge have been delayed due to adverse weather conditions.

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.
- ⇒ Dust strip on Truganini Road 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 to be advised .

Recommendation**For Council's information**

11.3 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%
'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

For Council's information**11.4 Other Reports**

Old Low Level Albert River Bridge after New Albert River Bridge opened;

Propose that the 2 centre spans be removed to allow clear unrestricted flow of flood waters and debris to minimize the blockage caused by this low level structure.

Retain the remaining Council asset to be converted into a purpose built recreational platform.

Moved: Cr Olive **Seconded: Cr Forshaw**
That Council writes to the Minister for Main Roads, Hon Warren Pitt & RRG Chairman, requesting that consideration be given to reimbursement of costs associated with the Cultural Heritage requirements in the construction of the New Albert River Bridge and Council write to RRG Chairman, Paul Woodhouse seeking a supporting letter.
CARRIED 6.081218

General Business Engineering

Test kit

Telecom trench

Flood marker at china wall

RRG , Needs to spend money before ? Next meeting 16 February 2009 in Cloncurry.

New ute bodies

Macair platform

Sand at Leichhardt

Stockpile of soil for future works

Don left chamber 11.35pm

Council break 11.40

Council return 11.45

12.0 TOURISM, RECREATION & CULTURE REPORT

Reporting Officer Russell Cunningham

12.1 Ranger's Report

RAN/01

1. Litter management

Tourist season has 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. Most bins at the less frequented areas have been brought back in, washed and stored. Left bins at the more popular fishing / camping spots during the season.

Filled all dumping points and rehabilitated the areas, as usual cages are stored on site up out of the way.

Sites Visited**Report**

Below Albert Bridge and river road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Bins in the area, Rock bar area usually a mess. 1 Bin at the bridge site for contractors
Bottle Heap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Bin in the area, usually area left in a mess by day visitors.
2 Mile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Bin in the area, usually area left in a mess by day visitors.
Gregory Crossing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Left 1 Bin at the crossing up out of flood height, area always needs attention, Removed bin from the Island now the storms have started. Dumping point up on the hill being utilised.
Beams Brook	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Bin at the crossing, area normally pretty good.
Eight Mile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No bin in the area.
Escott causeway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Bin in the area.
Nicholson access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dumping point filled in and area rehabilitated.
Brim hole - Nicholson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bin still not replaced this year – limited access for a heavy vehicle.
Meat Works area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dumping point filled in and area rehabilitated, only left 1 bin at the meat works area.
Truganini/Jetty	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Bin at Truganini Creek, dumping point at the jetty has been filled in and area rehabilitated.
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 (3 during this period, with 1 deadie removed from of the school grounds – killed by town dogs running it 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.</p> <p>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.
- 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.
- Sprayed airport runway edges and all gables, windsocks including cross strip, weather station and communication tower areas.
 - Updated MSDS sheets again 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
- Some mosquito fogging undertaken when mosquitoes became a problem and weather conditions permitted.

4. Tourism

- Tourist traffic has 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

- Pick up bulky rubbish and old guide posts beside roadways during my travels.
- Barramundi growout facility – collected fingerlings on Saturday 5th December traveled well and went good for 6 days before the nitrite levels in the water started to rise and wouldn’t go down, build up bacteria levels in the biological filters is not happening or happening fast enough, so the only solution to lower nitrite levels is to frequently change the water so am changing the surge tank water tank 3 times a day, this is working – so far, have released a lot of the “pinheads” into the river that were causing a lot of the problems, continuing to sort out large fish from the tanks some individuals are growing very quickly (50 mm long). They are now being fed 3 times daily instead of the 2 hourly feeds during the first week.
- Some more work to be done on the cemetery register – some names missing from the official register.
- Attended short course of Cert 11 in Water Industry operations for 1 week – was an excellent and informative course on water treatment.
- Met Macair RPT’s and conducted airport checks whilst Bob Marshall away.
- New vehicle 510 arrived – we have a Toyota that is legally able to carry 360 kilogram? Couldn’t legally carry the fish transporter.
- Finally obtained new improved range mobile phone.
- Took down cemetery information sign as it was getting damaged in the wind – will get it strengthened during the wet.
- Attended disaster management meeting – first for the season.

Noted by Council

13.0 ADMINISTRATION REPORT

13.1 Chair David Goodman -Briefing note from – RRGTC teleconference ROA/71

Noted by Council

13.2 LA Evans – D Booth cattle on common RES/03
LA Evans responding to letter from CEO – Barry Evans regarding the removal of Don Booth's cattle from the Town Common.

Moved: Cr Camp **Seconded: Cr Forshaw**
That the Chief Executive Officer take necessary legal action to effect the removal of cattle from town common as soon as possible.
CARRIED 7.081218

Council resumed 1.40pm

13.3 MacDonnells Law – Lot 5 on BK28 County Burke, Parish Baines – TOW/01
Proposed Industrial land development – Native Title Compliance

See attached

Moved: Cr Olive **Seconded: Cr Forshaw**
CEO to identify industrial area at Gregory & Burketown and report back to Council at next meeting with a proposal to acquire available land.
CARRIED 8.081218

13.5 Queensland's Heritage Grant Program (Round 3)
Environmental Protection Agency are inviting applications for the last round of the 'Living Buildings & Places' heritage grants programs. Applications close 27 February 2009
See attached

Resolved that proposals be prepared for the following projects and they be brought back to Council for consideration at the next meeting:

- ***Information Centre Burketown***
- ***Old Kitchen at Savanna***
- ***Old Jail at Gregory***

13.6 CLCAC – Woodslake Restoration Project ABC/02

Resolved that a letter to be sent acknowledging receipt of CLC's letter and the names of surrounding property owners be included . Further that a request be made for Council to be represented on any Committee.

Norm entered chambers 2.20pm

13.4 Imparja – Self help digital television services TEL/16

Plans are in place to switch off all analogue television services by 2013. Imparja invites Council to a briefing session on Thursday 18 December 2009 either in Alice Springs or via teleconference

Noted by Council

Norm left chambers 2.35pm

13.7 LA Evans – Stock fencing along Council roads

ROA/58

La Evans advising of legal responsibilities of the fencing of council roads.

Resolved that the Chief Executive Officer consult the LGAQ regarding previous motions and actions on the subject of fencing of Council roads.

13.8 Clean Up Australia Day – Sunday 1 March 2009

EVE/04

The next Clean Up Australia Day will be held on Sunday 1 March 2009.

Resolved that Burketown and Gregory towns take part in Clean Up Australia Day.

Resolved that the Chief Executive Officer contact LAWMAC regarding advice on the relocation of the Burketown tip.

Resolved that the Acting Works Manager arrange for wire netting to be placed around the Gregory tip to assist with tidiness.

13.9 Optus proposed infrastructure installation

AIR/02

Optus is in planning phase of installing Mobile Phone Infrastructure in Burketown and are seeking advice on height restrictions regarding the airport.

Chief Executive Officer reported that John Hunter has assessed the requirements of Optus and the two options available for the placement of their tower are the existing Telstra tower and the Rodeo Grounds reserve. Any other options suggested by Optus conflict with air safety requirements.

Noted by Council

13.10 –Native Title Meetings – February 2009

NAT/25

Suggested dates for Native Title – Waanyi meeting is on 27 February 2009. Deanna Cartledge is requesting confirmation of availability for Council to attend.

See attachment

Moved: Cr Camp

Seconded: Cr Olive

That Mayor Annie Clarke & Cr Murray attend the Native Title meeting on 27 February subject to weather conditions.

CARRIED 09.081218

Note to provide pre meeting notes when available

13.11 Local Buy – New bulk fuel contract

PUR/03

Local Buy has retendered for a Register of Prequalified Suppliers for the supply of petroleum and distillate products via bulk purchase.

Noted by council

Minutes Confirmed 06 February 2009: Mayor _____

MIN081218 Confirmed

14.0 FINANCE REPORT

14.1 Schedule of payments

14.2 Financial Report – Reporting Officer – James Gaurven

Not Received by Council

15.0 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT

15.1 Inwards Correspondence (see CIB folder)

15.2 Outwards Correspondence

Cheryl Portch left chambers 3.20pm**16 IN COMMITTEE MATTERS**16.1 CEO Contract – Barry Evans
CEO Contract hasn't been signed.

STA/02.BEvans

Moved: Cr Forshaw**Seconded: Cr Murray****That Council move into a closed session to discuss staff matters.****CARRIED 10.081218****Moved: Cr Olive****Seconded: Cr Forshaw****That Council move out of the closed session.****CARRIED 11.081218**

Staff vacancy – Manager of Corporate Services/Deputy CEO

STA/01

Moved: Cr Forshaw**Seconded: Cr Olive****That the position of Manager of Corporate Services be offered to Zoe Belz under a three year contract.****CARRIED 12.081218****17 LATE ITEMS REPORT**

Dept. of Natural Resources & Water

TOW/01

The DNR&W recently made a commitment to Burke Shire Council to undertake an evaluation of all unallocated State Land in Burketown & Gregory Downs to identify lots suitable for residential development.

Resolved that an investigation be made into the State owned lands and a report be brought back to Council.

18.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

Circulate a memo to employees regarding limited use of vehicles.

Shade cloth at Gregory.

Meeting with Ingenro to be scheduled around 15 January 2009 and Cr Murray and CEO to attend.

January Ordinary Meeting is set for 15 January 2009.

Meeting to be arranged in early 2009 with Kath Logan regarding road maintenance.

Academy of Architects consultant to talk to Council.

Investigate the best return on Council investments.

Investigate compression of files to allow for Councillors to obtain full download of data.

The meeting closed at 7.14pm.

Next meeting 15 January 2009