

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETING HELD 28th November 2022

1 OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened 12:11 pm

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Elected Members:

- Cr Edmunds
- Cr Timber
- Cr Sing
- Cr Holtze

Staff:

- Dave Ferguson – CEO
- Jasmine Brar – Finance Manager

Visitors:

- NIL

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Recommendation

1. *That the Council notes the absence without apology of Cr. Moreen*
2. *That the CEO write to Cr. Moreen advising of his obligations as an elected member of Belyuen Council*

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Sing

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

<3.1.10.31> That Council receives and notes that there were no declarations of interest for the Ordinary General Meeting 28th November 2022

Moved: Cr. Sing
Seconded: Cr. Timber

4 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

NIL

5 CONFIRMATIONS OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

<5.1.11.28> That the Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 31st October 2022 are confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Cr. Timber
Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

<5.2.11.28> That the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 14th November 2022 are confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Cr. Sing
Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

6 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President discussed events and activities in the community, including:

- Noise in the Community is noticeably less than previously.
- Concern regarding housing repairs and maintenance. CEO to write to territory housing.
- Grass needs mowing weekly.
- Oval looking good.
- Any problem trees – mahogany near school, one drain blockage near Tony Richards house.
- Drainage requires clearing.
- Clean up day early next week – remove hard items.

<7.1.11.28> That Council receives and notes the President's Report.

Moved: Cr. Holtze
Seconded: Cr. Sing

7 CEO REPORTS

7.1 Stakeholder Meeting

<7.1.11.28> That Council receives and notes the Report on Stakeholder Meeting tabled at the Council meeting 28th November 2022. The following discussion took place:

- Split the meeting up.
- People were not confident to speak up at community meetings.
- Section of community meeting for locals only to discuss their issues.

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Holtze

7.2 Community Meeting

Recommendation

<7.2.11.28> That Council receives and notes the CEO report on the November Community meeting as tabled

Moved: Cr. Sing

Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

7.3 2023 Council Meeting Dates

Recommendation

<7.3.11.28> That Council:

- 1. Endorses the ordinary Council meeting dates for 2023 as the last Tuesday of every month commencing at 11am.**

Moved: Cr. Sing

Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

7.4 Sorry Business/Compassionate Leave

- Training session for all staff regarding sorry business/compassionate leave and the BCGC leave policy

Recommendation

<7.4.11.28> That Council instruct the CEO to draft a leave policy to include compassionate leave provision for discussion and endorsement at December meeting.

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Timber

7.5 Belyuen Oval Upgrade

Recommendation

<7.5.11.28> *That Council:*

1. *Note the report on the Belyuen Oval Upgrade as tabled*
2. *Endorse the new proposed date for Official Opening as January 25th 2023*

Moved: Cr. Sing

Seconded: Cr. Holtze

7.6 Funding Opportunities

Recommendation

<7.6.11.28> *That Council:*

1. *Note the report on Funding Opportunities as tabled,*
2. *Instruct the CEO to apply for funding of the community Oval - stage 2. through the Immediate Priority Grant Program to install:*
 - *Internal fence around oval perimeter.*
 - *Change rooms/toilets & showers,*
 - *Parks & gardens shed for storing machinery and equipment.*
 - *Street lighting – a priority request from numerous sections of the community.*
3. *Endorse the funding application submitted by the CEO regarding Immediate Priority Grant Program 2022-23 up to \$250,000.*

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Holtze

7.7 Working with Children - OCHRE card

Recommendation

<7.7.11.28> *That Council:*

1. *Note the report on Working with Children – Ochre Cards as tabled,*
2. *Instruct the CEO to create a Working with Children Policy that requires all relevant employees to obtain an Ochre Card prior to commencement of work with Council*

Moved: Cr. Sing
Seconded: Cr. Edmunds

7.8 Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee

Recommendation

<7.8.11.28> That Council:

Note the Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee report as tabled.

Moved: Cr. Edmunds
Seconded: Cr. Timber

7.9 Belyuen Store – Christmas Trading Hours

Recommendation

<7.9.11.28> That Council:

- 1. Note and endorse the CEO report on Belyuen Store – Christmas trading hours as tabled***

Moved: Cr. Edmunds
Seconded: Cr. Sing

7.10 Store Pricing

Recommendation

<7.10.11.28> That Council:

- 1. Note the CEO report on Store Pricing as tabled.***
- 2. Instruct the CEO to perform a cost benefit analysis on essential food items at the Belyuen Store.***

Moved: Cr. Sing
Seconded: Cr. Holtze

8 FINANCIAL REPORTS

8.1 Financial Report

<8.1.11.28> That Council

1. *Acknowledges that the financial report for the period October 2022.*

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Sing

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

10 GENERAL BUSINESS-

Nil

11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

<11.1.11.28> *That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the agenda.*

Moved: Cr. Edmunds

Seconded: Cr. Sing

Return to open session: 3.15pm

12 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting closed at :00pm

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on **19th December 2022** at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at **11:00am**.