



MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING
OF THE
HINCHINBROOK SHIRE COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
INGHAM
ON THURSDAY 11TH MARCH, 2010
AT 4.00 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

- Present were Councillors Cr. G. Giandomenico, A.J. Lancini, G.P. Gianotti, L.R. Molachino, and Cr. S.J. Kaurila, Cr. P.D. Lynch and D.M. Bosworth.
- Also present was the Chief Executive Officer (R.W. Clark), Manager Engineering Services (B.E. Leach), Manager Corporate & Economic Development, (R.F. Pennisi) and Executive Secretary (B.K. Edwards).

PRAYER

- The Mayor opened the meeting with prayer.

1. MINUTES

- Resolved that the Minutes of the General Meeting held on the 18th February, 2010 be approved as a correct record of proceedings and be signed by the Mayor, subject to the following correction:-

That the word "Engineering" be added to *Item 2.6.C.1.– Lucinda Foreshore Buffer Zone* after 2009 / 2010, and before budget.
(Crs. Gianotti and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

2. BUSINESS -

1. CEO REPORT OF COUNCILLOR REQUESTS

Consideration of CEO Report of Councillor Requests for the period 11th February, 2010 to 3rd March, 2010.

Resolved – That the advice be received and noted.
(Crs. Lancini and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

2. FINANCIALS

Consideration was given to a report of financial activities as at the 1st March, 2010.

Resolved - That the Report be received and noted.
(Crs. Molachino and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

3. FUNCTION II - DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING

A. PROGRAM A – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. REGIONAL PROMOTIONS STRATEGY.

Consideration of Report to Council from Manager Corporate Communications dated 24th February, 2010 regarding the need for Council to implement an independent regional promotions brand to provide an avenue for both Council and the local community to promote the Shire as well as their own activities.

Resolved – That Council undertake the following actions:-

1. Appoint a Management Board for Regional Identity as outlined in comments.
2. Authorise Councillor representatives along with the Manager Corporate Communications to identify potential management group members.
3. Direct the Management Group to oversee the development of the Regional Brand in line with the guidelines outlined in the comments.
4. Transfer responsibility for all regional promotions to the Manager Corporate Communications to better co-ordinate with Management Group.
5. Manager Corporate Communications to further develop options for further revenue development.

(Crs. Kaurila and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

2. NORTH QUEENSLAND WETLANDS NETWORK PRE-FEASIBILITY REPORT.

Consideration of draft North Queensland Wetlands Network Pre-Feasibility Report prepared by AEC Group for Townsville Enterprise for Council's acknowledgement.

Resolved – That Council advise that it has reviewed the recommended wetland sites relevant to our Shire and is in principle support of the broad recommendations of this Pre-Feasibility Study. Council is also supportive of the concepts put forward and the ideas for increased public utilisation of these areas, subject to further detailed investigations and stakeholder consultation for those who may be impacted by this project.

(Crs. Kaurila and Lynch - Carried unanimously)

3. DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, Townsville, 24th February, 2010, seeking the Council's views and / or requirements in relation to an application received by Southpeak Pastoral Co. Pty. Ltd. for Allocation or Purchase of Reservation in Title within Lot 291 on Plan CWL3220, Parish of Cordelia at Corner of Lucinda Point and Vella's Road, Lucinda. Advising that the land is freehold and the applicant has applied to allocate the road reservation in title to the large Lot 291. (066/0074)

Resolved – That Council advise that it has no objection to the proposed Reservation in Title and has no requirements.

(Crs. Lancini and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

4. THORSBY & HOMEWOOD PTY. LTD., Ingham, 24th February, 2010, on behalf of M. Prout seeking an extension of approval for two years until 1st May, 2012 (original approval date 1st May, 2008) for completion of the proposed reconfiguration (subdivision) into three lots of Lot 1 on RP700449, Parish of Trebonne at 87-91 Lannercost Street, Ingham. (065/0117)

Resolved – That an extension of time for two years until the 1st May, 2012 in which to complete the proposed reconfiguration be granted and the applicant be advised that no further extensions will be granted.

(Crs. Gianotti and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

5. J. JOYCE, Cremorne, NSW, 11th February, 2010, seeking an extension of approval for two years until 10th April, 2012 (original approval date 10th April, 2008) for completion of the proposed reconfiguration (subdivision) into two lots of Lot 275 on CWL2597, Parish of Trebonne at Orient Road, Helen's Hill. (065/0116)

Resolved – That an extension of time for two years until the 10th April, 2012 in which to complete the proposed reconfiguration be granted and the applicant be advised that no further extensions will be granted.

(Crs. Lancini and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

6. THORSBY & HOMEWOOD PTY. LTD., Ingham, 29th January, 2010, on behalf of *R. Watts* seeking approval of the proposed reconfiguration of land – code assessment – proposed creation of easement over Lot 17 on WU5 and Lot 13 on SP183715, Parish of Barrett at Knuckledown Road and Blackbutt Road, Mount Fox. Land is zoned *Rural*. (074/0018)

Resolved - That the Development Application for Reconfiguration - proposed creation of easement over Lot 17 on WU5 and Lot 13 on SP183715, Parish of Barrett be approved subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) The development being as per the proposal plans and easement agreement submitted with the Development Application; and
 - (b) Provision of a constructed access to Council Standard (or demonstrated that a suitable construction exists) at the entrance of the access easement.
- (Crs. *Kaurila and Gianotti* - Carried unanimously)

7. THORSBY & HOMEWOOD PTY. LTD., Ingham, 29th January, 2010, on behalf of *B. Lollo* seeking approval of the proposed reconfiguration of land (subdivision) into two lots of Lot 57 on WU20, Parish of Barrett at Ewan Road, Milky Pine Road and Mountain Ash Road, Mount Fox. Land is zoned *Rural*. (074/0019)

Resolved - That the Development Application for Reconfiguration (subdivision) into two lots of Lot 57 on WU20, Parish of Barrett be approved subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) The reconfiguration being as set out in the Applicant's proposal plan Drawing No. 4520 -1; and
 - (b) The sections of Knuckledown Road from Chainage 1,905 m to the property entrance and Blackbutt Road to the property entrance to be brought to a safe trafficable standard by the Applicant. All necessary work to be reviewed and approved by Council prior to works commencing. The Applicant to note that ongoing maintenance of these sections of roads to be the responsibility of the property owners and that Council approval is required to any works being undertaken.
- (Crs. *Molachino and Bosworth* - Carried unanimously)

8. THORSBY & HOMEWOOD PTY. LTD., Ingham, 29th January, 2010, on behalf of *V. Castellani* seeking approval of the proposed reconfiguration of land – rearrangement of boundaries between Lots 67 and 68 on SP230961, Parish of Leach at Abergowrie Road, Abergowrie. Land is zoned *Rural*. (073/0039)

Resolved – That the Development Application for Reconfiguration (rearrangement of boundaries) between Lots 67 and 68 on SP230961, Parish of Leach be approved subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) The Applicant constructing property access to Council/Department of Transport and Main Roads standards to both lots or demonstrating that such already exists;
 - (b) The Applicant to demonstrate that an electricity supply is available to the proposed Lot 68;
 - (c) The Applicant to demonstrate that a potable water supply in accordance with the Hinchinbrook Shire Planning Scheme is available, or can be made available to the proposed Lot 68;
 - (d) The Applicant to demonstrate that septic effluent can be adequately disposed of on site on the proposed Lot 68;
 - (e) The Applicant to demonstrate that all utility services to the two (2) new lots are separate and wholly located on the particular lot being served.
- (Crs. *Lancini and Bosworth* - Carried unanimously)

9. LCJ ENGINEERS PTY. LTD., Townsville, 11th December, 2010, on behalf of *N. Fichera and J. Liddle* seeking approval of the proposed Material Change of Use and Reconfiguring a Lot into thirteen lots of Lot 368 on CWL2628, Parish of Cordelia at 49 Cassady Street, Ingham. Land is zoned *Public Purpose*. (058/0297)

Resolved – That under Section 318 of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*, Council extend the Decision Making period by twenty (20) business days from the 25th March, 2010 to 26th April, 2010.

(Crs. *Lancini and Kaurila* - Carried unanimously)

4. FUNCTION V - INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT

A. PROGRAM A – TRANSPORT

1. HALIFAX PROGRESS ASSOCIATION, Halifax, 18th February, 2010, seeking Council's support of Halifax Progress Association and Taylors Beach Progress Association to encourage Queensland Transport to erect Tourist Route Signage at Cardwell Range Lookout, Ripple Creek turnoff, and the southern entrance to Ingham to encourage tourists to visit the local communities off the main highway. (079/0058)

Further consideration was also given to a letter received from Forrest Beach Progress Association Inc. dated 4th March, 2010 adding their support to the Halifax Progress Association's request for the implementation of tourist route signage at Cardwell Range Lookout, Ripple Creek turnoff, and the southern entrance to Ingham. (079/0058)

Resolved – That Council make approaches to the Queensland Transport and Main Roads Department and request large directional loop highway signage similar to signage in Far North Queensland to be installed at the Ripple Creek intersection, and other appropriate intersections.

(Crs. Lancini and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

2. QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE – TOWNSVILLE DISTRICT CRIME PREVENTION UNIT, Townsville, 27th January, 2010, seeking support from Councils, large shopping precincts, and funding bodies, to introduce a permanent street sign with the wording "*Lock It or Lose It, Remove All Valuables from Your Vehicle*" to be attached to existing parking regulation signs in the central business area, in car parks, boat ramps, shopping centres, and other high traffic locations where vehicles are left unattended. It is proposed that these signs will be constructed from 1.6mm thick aluminium, printed in two colours on class 2 reflective white background, measuring 450 x 225 mm and supplied with fitting clamps. The aim of the project is to educate members of the public as the Townsville Police District continues to experience high rates of unlawful entry to, and unlawful use of motor vehicles due to the complacency of vehicle owners leaving their cars insecure and property of value inside. The Unit continually seek new strategies to assist in changing community behaviour and preventing these types of offences through various crime preventive programs. The Hinchinbrook BSCAT has agreed to fund the purchase of the signs for the Hinchinbrook area. (044/0030)

Resolved – That approval in principle with the proposed concept of an awareness campaign be given and that Mr. Bradley Taylor of BSCAT be invited to attend a future Deputation Day with Council.

(Crs. Molachino and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

3. INGHAM AIRPORT – REMOTE AERODROME SAFETY PROGRAM,
Consideration of a Report to Council from Acting Infrastructure Engineer dated 25th February, 2010 advising that Council has received notice that the Remote Aerodrome Safety Program [RASP] has been opened for the next funding round and applications close 9th April, 2010 and that whilst it is unlikely that Hinchinbrook Shire will be successful in an approval for funding under this program due to its proximity to Townsville, an application will still be submitted.

Resolved – That the Report be received and noted.

(Crs. Molachino and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

4. DONAIR PROMOTIONS PTY. LTD. TRADING AS INGHAM WINGS & WHEELS AIRSHOW, Aitkenvale, 8th February, 2010, following further consideration of the logistics of staging the Wings & Wheels Airshow at the Ingham Airport, advising that it would be advantageous to utilise the cleared area between the hangars and the wind-sock for spectator viewing. This movement would have the following advantages:-

- relieve congestion around the hangar area;
- improve the public's field of view for all aerial and ground activity;
- bring the show centre to a point midway along the runway;
- increase the area available for shade structures and food and drink vendors;
- make use of existing trees for shade;

- move air display action further away from the highway thus reducing risk factors;
- move air display action further away from “free-loaders” in areas opposite the airfield;
- possibly utilise large shade structure in the area as night time entertainment venue;
- already fenced with one gated entrance to easily control for security purposes; and
- reduce noise factor by taking proposed night time entertainment further away from residential areas.

Further advising that a temporary fence would still need to be erected to restrict the public to this distance, given CASA’s requirement that the public cannot be closer than 200 metres horizontally to aerial displays, however this would leave a sizeable area of land available for use.

Requesting that the land with cattle running on it be reclaimed and secured at least 3 to 4 weeks prior to the event and for up to 1 week afterwards. Also requesting that the area be slashed a number of times prior to the event to tidy it up and to assist in identifying and rectifying any obstacles or risk areas (holes etc.).

Advising that utilising this area offers greater scope for coping with large crowds and for future event growth, particularly if fencing is rearranged in the future to allow aircraft access to the area (parking, display etc.) to allow full use of the entire area. (036/0004)

Further consideration of Report to Council from Acting Infrastructure Engineer dated 23rd February, 2010 regarding Donair Promotions’ request.

Resolved – That in considering the proposal Council note the issues relating to the airport location relative to the town, and the main runway seal condition and that the following issues will need to be clarified:-

- (a) A detailed plan of the event is to be submitted to Council for consideration;
- (b) A signed copy of a suitable agreement with the current “Permit to Occupy” holder of Lot 147 on CWL3700 is to be submitted. Such an agreement will detail conditions for removal of stock, re-arrangement and rehabilitation of fencing, removal of debris, restoring the ground surface and any compensation if applicable;
- (c) A list of qualified staff directly involved with the organisation and management of the event with details of qualifications, experience and appropriate references is to be supplied;
- (d) Payment of a bond to cover any damage to the facility as a result of the event;
- (e) Provision of proof of insurance covering all risks to property and third parties at the aerodrome and within the Shire created by the event; and
- (f) An approval from Civil Aviation Safety Authority [CASA] in regard to staging the proposed event at Ingham Aerodrome is to be obtained and a copy provided to Council;

That Cr. Lawrence Molachino and Acting Infrastructure Engineer, Mr. Colin Gray form a Committee to meet with Mr. Christian Smith of Donair Promotions Pty. Ltd. to address the above and other appropriate issues.

(Crs. Lynch and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

B. PROGRAM C – TECHNICAL SERVICES

1. SITING RELAXATION APPLICATION – 38 MILES STREET, INGHAM.

Consideration of a Report to Council from Acting Infrastructure Engineer dated 26th February, 2010 in relation to a Siting Relaxation Application received for a proposed storage shed to be erected at the rear of property at 38 Miles Street, Ingham.

Resolved – That Council approve the Siting Relaxation Application on the grounds that the proposed storage shed is unlikely to impact on the outlook and privacy of neighbouring residents, and that other similar sized sheds have been approved and have set a precedent for this type of development throughout Ingham.

2. D.H. CARUANA, Ingham, 13th January, 2010, seeking approval of the proposed Material Change of Use – Code Assessment – Close to Rural Boundary - Siting Relaxation over Lot 1 on 722287, Parish of Berwick at 1121 Stone River Road, Peacock Siding. Land is zoned *Rural*. (058/0299)

Resolved – That Council approve the Material Change in Use Application for Mr. Dane Caruana subject to the table “Conditions of Development and Statement of Reasons” on the grounds that the proposed residential development will be sited in a location compatible with existing land use in the area and meets other relevant requirements of the Rural Zone Code.

3. SITING RELAXATION APPLICATION – 33 CLAY STREET, INGHAM.

Consideration of a Report to Council from acting Infrastructure Engineer dated 3rd March, 2010 in relation to a Siting Relaxation Application received for a proposed construction of a carport extension to an existing shed located at the rear of property at 33 Clay Street, Ingham.

Resolved – That Council approve the Siting Relaxation Application on the grounds that the proposed carport is not expected to impact upon the amenity of surrounding properties.

That all of the recommendations contained in Infrastructure Management – Technical Services 2.4.B.1 to 2.4.B.3 be adopted.

(Crs. Lancini and Lynch – Carried unanimously)

Manager Corporate & Economic Development, Ms. R.F. Pennisi entered the meeting at 4.15 p.m.

4. BUILDING NEWSFLASH 411 – LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXEMPTIONS FROM THE QUEENSLAND DEVELOPMENT CODE – WATER SAVING TARGETS & ALTERNATIVE WATER SOURCES.

Consideration of Building Newsflash 411 reminding local governments of the impending expiry of exemptions from the application of Queensland Development Code mandatory parts relating to water efficiency for homes and commercial buildings.

Resolved – That Council apply for a further exemption for a further three (3) years.

(Crs. Bosworth and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

5. USE OF FORREST BEACH SHOP AND DWELLING BY FORREST BEACH QCWA.

Consideration of Report to Council from Manager Corporate & Economic Development dated 8th March, 2010 regarding the use of the Forrest Beach Shop and Dwelling by the Forrest Beach QCWA.

Resolved – That Council approve the use of the premises at 6 Palm Street, Allingham for use by the Forrest Beach QCWA at no cost for a period of three years and that Council undertake the following:-

- Plumbing and general works including mowing of rear yard;
- Electrical works;
- Replace fire extinguishers and smoke alarms;
- Removal of signage; and
- Appropriate initial pest control.

That the Association undertake:-

- External painting (front and northern side);
- Internal painting of the premises;
- Initial cleaning;
- Ongoing mowing;
- Internal walls and floor maintained and spot painting where necessary;
- Payment of electricity and water rates (including fees to connect power);
- Contents and Public Liability Insurance (copies to be provided to Council);
- Domestic rubbish removal costs; and
- Placement of the QCWA logo on the glass doors and building facade.

That an agreement be entered into with the Forrest Beach QCWA and that the agreement include the opportunity for other local organisations to use the building.

(Crs. Bosworth and Lynch - Carried unanimously)

C. PROGRAM E – BUILT ENVIRONMENT

1. LUCINDA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION, Halifax, 20th February, 2010, advising of the following issues that are required to be brought to Council's attention:-

- Beach access across the frontal dune and vehicle travel across the geotextile groynes.

Council officers have inspected the southern end of the Lucinda foreshore and the Association awaits Council's response, however they believe that provision needs to be made for four wheel drive and ATV access, possibly through the head of the existing cul-de-sac for people wishing to access the mouth of Gentle Annie Creek. Should Council agree, the Association welcomes a mutually convenient inspection.

- Stinger Net Management Plan.

The Association believes that the Stinger Net Management Plan needs to be streamlined and prefer that the net be installed during the Christmas school holidays and removed / rolled up during the wet season and big spring tides. The net should then be reinstalled prior to Easter and should be safe to remain in the water for winter.

- Basketball Backboards and Hoops.

The basketball backboards and hoops are missing, and as the steel supports appear to be in reasonably good condition, requesting Council to replace these to provide an outlet for the youth of Lucinda. (079/0125)

Resolved – That Council upgrade the beach access point at the southern end of Patterson Parade, Lucinda to a standard able to accommodate 4WD vehicles, and Council give further consideration to the cost in the forthcoming budget.

That Council advise that due to public safety reasons it is not able to remove the Lucinda net for the extended period requested, however its management processes for the enclosure is to be finetuned so as to ensure the net is removed during periods of inclement weather.

That Council advise that the basketball hoops at the old school courts have been replaced. (Crs. Gianotti and Lynch - Carried unanimously)

5. FUNCTION III – COMMUNITY SERVICES

A. PROGRAM A – COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

Cr. Pat Lynch declared an interest in Item 2.5.A.1. as he is the President of the Ingham Lions Club and left the meeting and did not participate in the discussions or recommendation thereon.

1. LIONS CLUB OF INGHAM INC., Ingham, 16th February, 2010, thanking Council for providing financial and in kind support to the Ingham Lions Hinchinbrook Family Fishing Classic in 2009 and seeking Council's financial and in kind support towards the 2010 Ingham Lions Hinchinbrook Family Fishing Classic, which will be held on 24th and 25th September, 2010. Also requesting permission to use Borello Park including access to power and water for the three days, including Sunday 26th September, 2010 to dismantle and clean up. (012/0002)

Resolved – That consideration be deferred to budget discussions. (Crs. Gianotti and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

Cr. Pat Lynch returned to the meeting.

2. FORREST BEACH SURF LIFESAVING CLUB ASS. INC., Ingham, 25th February, 2010, advising that the Club recently achieved outstanding success at the Queensland Surf Rescue Championships with 15 of their talented members competing against the State's most talented surf lifesavers. At the competition, the Open Surf Patrol team gained a silver medal and automatic qualification to the Australian Surf Lifesaving Titles at the Gold Coast in two weeks time. Forrest Beach is only club north of the Sunshine Coast to compete in the Surf Patrol event and requesting Council's financial assistance to allow the six competitors the chance to take on the best in Australia. (012/0002)

Resolved – That as the Australian Surf Lifesaving Titles at the Gold Coast qualifies under Council's Support for Achievement Policy, Council provide the sum of \$700 (excl. GST) to the Forrest Beach Surf Lifesaving Open Surf Patrol Team.
(Crs. Kaurila and Gianotti - Carried unanimously)

Works Engineer, Mr. D. Di Prima entered the meeting at 4.19 p.m.

3. BAMBAROO STATE SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, Ingham, 25th February, 2010, advising the Association will hold the annual Primary School Soccer Carnival (Romanello Shield) on Monday 26th April, 2010 at the Ingham Football Grounds which involves all the local primary schools. In the past, 315 students have participated on the day and seeking Council's financial assistance towards running this event. (012/0002)

Resolved – That Council provide a \$250 donation to the Bambaroo State School Parents & Citizens Association in support of the annual Primary School Soccer Carnival.
(Crs. Kaurila and Bosworth - Carried unanimously)

4. MURRI KIDS – NAIDOC WEEK 2010, Brisbane, received 23rd February, 2010, advising that Murri Kids has been designed to form part of the 2010 NAIDOC Week celebrations from the 4th to 11th July, 2010. Murri Kids was founded to bring a progressive coordinated approach to the cultural development of their kids, in particular in the areas of public awareness, reconciliation and cultural diversity and friendship. Murri Kids' vision is that each and every kid both black and white should be given equal support to attain their goals, not only in sport but in their everyday life. A key priority is to continue the NAIDOC Week School Initiative Competitions and a series of Aboriginal Young People Summits have been hosted across the nation. Requesting Council to assist by purchasing "Respect" bands at a cost of \$2.50 to ensure that Murri Kids can maintain its community initiatives program. These bands represent the respect of each and every cultural background and also respect for each other. All Councils whom purchase the "Respect" bands will not only assist Murri Kids but will be entered in a draw to win a Panasonic Plasma TV or Toshiba Note Book. (012/0002)

Resolved – That Council not purchase the merchandise and that consideration be given to supporting local NAIDOC Week celebrations.
(Crs. Bosworth and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

6. FUNCTION V - INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT

A. PROGRAM A – TRANSPORT

1. HSC 10/01 – SUPPLY OF TRUCKS FOR HIRE & CARTAGE OF ROADMAKING MATERIALS. Consideration of Report to Council from Works Engineer dated 9th March, 2010 regarding a review of the recent offers for Supply of Trucks for Hire & Cartage of Roadmaking Materials.

Resolved – That the following six (6) truck units be accepted and included as the Panel of Providers, and the remaining operators be advised that their offers will be accepted on a standing offer basis, should Council require trucks outside its Panel of Providers:-

- D M Thompson – Iveco 6/2000 Powerstar (Reg No. 236-LPR) and trailer;
 - SNE Plant Hire – Mack Fleetliner (Reg No. 738-KTT) and dog trailer;
 - SNE Plant Hire – Freightliner FL (Reg No. 636-KAN) and dog trailer;
 - Timrith Transport – Freightliner FL112 (Reg No. 691-KHU) and trailer;
 - Arresco Pty Ltd – Mack Vision CX (Reg No. 387-LYP) and trailer; and
 - Arresco Pty Ltd – Mack Fleetliner 6 x 4 Tipper (Reg No. 066-JJR) and trailer.
- (Crs. Molachino and Gianotti - Carried – Cr. Lynch recorded his vote against the motion)

Cr. Pat Lynch declared an interest in Item 2.7.A.1. as he is the Out & About Community Bus Program Coordinator and left the meeting and did not participate in the discussions or recommendation thereon.

Cr. Sherry Kaurila declared an interest in Item 2.7.A.1. as she is a member of Out & About Community Bus Program Committee and left the meeting and did not participate in the recommendation thereon.

Works Engineer, Mr. D. Di Prima left the meeting at 4.35 p.m.

7. FUNCTION III – COMMUNITY SERVICES

A. PROGRAM A – COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

1. OUT & ABOUT COMMUNITY BUS PROGRAM.

Consideration of Council financial assistance for the Out & About Community Bus Program to assist the program to function until the service is fully taken up by the community.

Further consideration was given to a letter from Out and About in Hinchinbrook Community Transport dated 9th March, 2010 providing a summary of their transport service and requesting Council's assistance with seed funding in the amount of \$3,000 (\$200 per week x 15 weeks) to allow the service to carry on until they are successful in gaining funding or giving them time to get it up and running.

Resolved – That Council provide a donation in the sum of \$2,000 towards the Out & About Community Bus Program with consideration to be given to a further donation of \$1,000 depending upon the review of the donations budget area.

(Crs. Bosworth and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

Cr. Pat Lynch and Cr. Sherry Kaurila returned to the meeting.

2. B. AND K. PEARCE, Lucinda, 22nd February, 2010, requesting Council's permission to hold a wedding reception at the Halifax Community Hall on 8th and 9th October, 2010. The hall is required for setting up on Friday 8th from 11am to 5pm, and set up for caterers and music on Saturday 9th from 10am with the wedding reception to take place from 6.30pm to 1.00am.

Resolved – That it be noted that the request has been withdrawn by the applicant and the matter be withdrawn from the Report.

(Crs. Molachino and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

3. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE, Brisbane, 24th February, 2010, advising that the Committee is conducting an inquiry into the management of Rural Fire Services in Queensland which include the following issues:-

- Is the current model of Rural Fire Brigades suitable?
- Is the existing funding model, including resource allocation, appropriate?
- What effect is urban encroachment within brigade areas having on Rural Fire Brigades?
- How can the increasing demands on Rural Fire Brigades be managed effectively?
- Are the accountability mechanisms currently in place appropriate?
- What should be the role of Fire Wardens within the Rural Fire Services model?
- Are there any other relevant matters the Committee needs to address?

As Councils currently provide funding to Rural Fire Brigades in their areas, seeking Council's input by written submission to the Committee on any matters relevant to the terms of reference by Friday 19th March, 2010. Forwarding a discussion paper for Council's information including the terms of reference. (040/0009)

Resolved – That the advice be received and noted and that a letter be forwarded advising of the Rural Fire Services' assistance to the Hinchinbrook Shire Council with the establishment of Area Wardens within the Hinchinbrook Shire and the use of Rural Fire Brigades in times of disaster management.

(Crs. Bosworth and Gianotti - Carried unanimously)

4. BAPTIST CHURCH FISHING CLUB, Kirwan, 27th February, 2010, advising that the Baptist Church Fishing Club is holding its 11th annual fishing competition at Lucinda on the 30th April and 3rd May, 2009 and requesting permission to use a portion of Borello Park to set up the club marquee and a sign-on shade cover including the availability of power. (039/0005)

Resolved - That Council advise that it has no objection to the Baptist Church Fishing Club using a portion of Borello Park, Lucinda adjacent to the Wanderers Holiday Village to erect a marquee, sign-on shade cover, and use electricity for their 11th annual fishing competition at Lucinda.

(Crs. Molachino and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

B. PROGRAM C – RECREATION

1. LUCINDA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION, Halifax, 9th February, 2010, advising that the Lucinda stinger net is the shared responsibility between the Lucinda Progress Association and Council with the management plan reviewed annually, and Council make donation of \$1,500 to the Association to assist with net inspection costs. Requesting that Council consider increasing their annual contribution to \$2,000 to assist with increased costs associated with net inspections.(037/0004)

Resolved – That consideration be deferred to budget discussions.
(Crs. Gianotti and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

2. SPORTSTAR AWARDS,

Consideration of amending Council's current process of selection of nominations for the annual North Queensland Sportstar Awards and increasing the budget to cover additional administration and advertising costs.

Resolved – That Council conduct a joint nomination process for the Australia Day and NO Sportstar Awards commencing in early October, 2010.
(Crs. Molachino and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

8. FUNCTION IV- HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT SERVICES

A. PROGRAM A – HEALTH SERVICES

1. INTRODUCTION OF REGISTRATION OF ALL CATS AND RURAL DOGS.

Consideration of a Report to Council from Environmental Health Technical Officer dated 23rd February, 2010 regarding the implementation of the *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008* on 1st July, 2010 seeking a decision to determine if fees and charges in relation to registration of animals will be standard across the whole shire or if fees would be set at a lower rate for rural cats and dogs.

Resolved – That the annual animal registration fees for dogs and cats kept outside the scheduled townships areas be set at a lower rate than the registration fees charged for dogs and cats kept in scheduled township areas.

The annual registration fees to be charged in the forthcoming Financial Year 2010/2011 are as per the following table:-

PROPOSED HINCHINBROOK SHIRE – ANIMALS KEPT IN SCHEDULED TOWNSHIP (2010/2011)										
Dog Entire	Dog Entire Pensioner or Discounted	Dog Desexed	Dog Desexed Pensioner or Discounted	Dog Dangerous	Dog Menacing	Dog Menacing Reduced	Cat Entire	Cat Entire Pensioner or Discounted	Cat Desexed	Cat Desexed Pensioner or Discounted
\$80	(Discount period - May/June) \$55.00	\$30	(Discount period - May/June) \$15.00	\$175	(Entire) \$175	(Desexed) \$150	\$20	(Discount period - May/June) \$12	\$12	(Discount period - May/June) \$8
PROPOSED HINCHINBROOK SHIRE – ANIMALS KEPT OUTSIDE SCHEDULED TOWNSHIP (2010/2011)										
Dog Entire	Dog Entire Pensioner or Discounted	Dog Desexed	Dog Desexed Pensioner or Discounted	Dog Dangerous	Dog Menacing	Dog Menacing Reduced	Cat Entire	Cat Entire Pensioner or Discounted	Cat Desexed	Cat Desexed Pensioner or Discounted
\$50	(Discount period - May/June) \$35.00	\$20	(Discount period - May/June) \$10.00	\$175	(Entire) \$175	(Desexed) \$150	\$16	(Discount period - May/June) \$8	\$8	(Discount period - May/June) \$6

(Crs. Lancini and Bosworth - Carried unanimously)

2. ZAGHINI'S IGA, Ingham, 16th February, 2010, seeking Council permission to hold a regular car boot sale in the off-street car park of the IGA, possibly once a month from 8am to 12 midday on a Saturday, with a local charity to be invited to run a sausage sizzle on that day. Further advising they are also considering having a carwash on other Saturdays as an opportunity for charities to fundraise and they intend to have the carpark entrance blocked during the sale. Advising that Main Roads have advised that provided the sale is not within State controlled reservation, no Auxiliary Works Encroachment Application would be required.

Resolved - That Council thank IGA for seeking Council's permission.

Council is concerned that such closure could contravene their offstreet car parking requirements under their town planning development permit, and potentially cause parking congestion in the area.

(Crs. Gianotti and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

9. FUNCTION I - CORPORATE SERVICES

A. PROGRAM A – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

1. NORTH QUEENSLAND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, Ayr, 19th February, 2010, forwarding Notice of Conference for the Association's upcoming biannual conference to be hosted by Carpentaria Shire Council from 5th to 7th May, 2010 at the Normanton Shire Hall, 99 Landsborough Street, Normanton. Registrations close on the 1st April, 2010 and agenda items must be submitted by Friday 26th March, 2010. The early deadline will enable the agenda to be available on the Burdekin Shire Council's website one month prior to the conference to allow each Council to discuss agenda items at their own Council meetings prior to the NQLGA Conference. (007/0004)

Resolved – That Council be represented by the Mayor, Cr. G. Giandomenico and Cr. Lancini at the NQLGA conference in Normanton.

(Crs. Kaurila and Molachino - Carried unanimously)

2. RURAL DOCTORS ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND, Brisbane, 9th February, 2010, inviting Council to support and promote medical services in our region by sponsoring a medical student to attend the Rural Doctors Association of Queensland's annual conference to be held in Mackay on 11th to 13th June, 2010. (012/0002)

Resolved – That Council sponsor a local student in the sum of \$400 (incl. GST) to attend the Rural Doctors Association of Queensland's annual conference in Mackay.

(Crs. Bosworth and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND, 24th February, 2010, advising that the full Executive of the LGAQ met with the Premier and Minister for Local Government on Tuesday 23rd February, 2010 at Parliament House. The LGAQ raised seven matters which together with the Premier's response are listed as follows:-

- Population Inquiry – Premier's Office requested the LGAQ to extend the deadline for submissions to its Population Inquiry which was agreed to in order that the outcomes of the Premier's Growth Summit could be taken into account.
- Compensation for Amalgamated Councils – The Premier advised that an announcement would be made in the next few weeks.
- Capacity Building for non-amalgamated Councils; - The Minister for Local Government committed to working with the LGAQ to advance the 11 recommendations from the review, with the Premier further committing to a final outcome not later than August 2010 i.e. before the Annual Conference in Mackay.
- Stamp Duty Exemption on Creation of LGAQ Ltd. – Premier advised that a ruling from the Under Treasurer could be expected over the next few weeks.
- Local Government Electoral Matters – The Premier noted the Executive's concerns regarding the need for urgent advice on the timing of the election in light of both budget development and strategic planning. The Premier indicated she had to first consult with the community with a targeted outcome by May, 2010. The Premier and Minister indicated that they desire a discussion paper regarding the Local Government Electoral Act be developed for public consultation in the first half of 2010, with an outcome by December, 2010.
- Waste Management Strategy / Levy – The Premier indicated she would honour her promise of not introducing a domestic waste management levy in this term of office and noted the difficulties of dangerous and hazardous waste being trucked from interstate and dumped in Queensland. The Executive committed to working with the State Government to address the problem.
- Local Government Legal Status – The Premier and Minister committed to looking at the issue of returning local governments' corporate status in light of the repeal of the Federal WorkChoices legislation, in accordance with the commitment in Minister Pitt's second reading speech in introducing the Local Government Reform Bill.

Resolved – That the advice be received and noted.
(Crs. Bosworth and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

B. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

1. CANCER COUNCIL QUEENSLAND, Townsville, 28th January, 2010, thanking Council for its donation of \$2,500 towards the construction of the Cancer Council Queensland Palliative Care Centre which is the largest single project ever undertaken in the Cancer Council's history and is testament to this commitment. Reporting that with over \$6.9 million raised, the Centre officially opening on the 9th October, 2009 and patients were admitted on the 12th October, 2009. Forwarding receipt for Council's contribution. (012/0002)
2. LONG POCKET BIN HAUL REUNION COMMITTEE, Ingham, received 25th February, 2010, thanking Council for its support and sponsorship of the Long Pocket Bin Hall Reunion held in May, 2008 where more than 600 people attended. (012/0002)
3. SURF LIFESAVING QUEENSLAND, Brisbane, 24th February, 2010, enclosing report outlining the activities that the Lifeguard Service conducted during the period 12th December, 2009 to 26th January, 2010 at Forrest Beach. The report includes statistics about beach attendance, first aid treatments, preventative actions and other activities performed by the Lifeguards. (079/0013)

Resolved – That the list of correspondence be received and noted.

That Council thank Surf Lifesaving Queensland for providing the report.
(Crs. Bosworth and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

10. FUNCTION IV - HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT SERVICES

A. PROGRAM B – ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. PARTICIPATION IN EARTH HOUR 2010.
Consideration of Report to Council from Manager Environmental Health Services dated 4th March, 2010 seeking Council's participation in Earth Hour 2010.

Resolved – That Council participate in Earth Hour 2010 by turning off the Rotary Park fountain lights from 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. on the 27th March, 2010.
(Crs. Lancini and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

11. FUNCTION III – COMMUNITY SERVICES

A. PROGRAM C – RECREATION

1. SPORT & RECREATION FUNDING PROGRAMS.
Consideration of Report to Council from Manager Corporate & Economic Development dated 9th March, 2010 regarding new Sport & Recreation Programs being released which include funding programs being the Sport & Active Inclusion Program, and Sport & Recreation Infrastructure Program which close on the 16th April, 2010, as well as funding for the employment of a Sport & Recreation Coordinator. Seeking Council's direction in relation to a list of initiatives to be applied for in the 2011 funding round, and consideration of the benefits of funding the position of a Sport & Recreation Officer to encourage community involvement in sport and recreational activities.

Resolved – That Council lodge an application to the Sport and Recreation Funding Program Category One – Minor to provide shade cover to the 25m pool.

That Council develop a list of priorities for minor development to be costed out in preparation for the 2011 round of applications.

That Council explore the opportunity for funding of a local Sport and Recreation Coordinator being employed via existing not for profit organisations.
(Crs. Bosworth and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

2. HINCHINBROOK HEALTH CARE, Ingham, 4th March, 2010, advising that the shading at the swimming pool is unsatisfactory and requesting that Council consider upgrading the shading and further advising that there is a new funding round for infrastructure projects for sporting facilities through the Department of Sport and Recreation and requesting that Council apply for funding for shading for the Ingham swimming pool. (038/0002)

Resolved – That Hinchinbrook Health Care be advised that Council will work with the Herbert River Amateur Swimming Club and Aquatic Centre Lessee to apply for funding for shading the 25m pool in the 2010 round of Sport and Recreation funding.
(Crs. Kaurila and Bosworth - Carried unanimously)

12. FUNCTION I - CORPORATE SERVICES

A. PROGRAM A – CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

1. CIVIC LEADERS SUMMIT.

Consideration of attendance by Mayor and Chief Executive Officer at Civic Leaders Summit – New Model of Leadership at the Novotel Twin Waters Resort, Sunshine Coast on the 28th to 30th April, 2010.

Resolved – That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer attend the Civic Leaders Summit at the Sunshine Coast.
(Crs. Gianotti and Lancini - Carried unanimously)

13. FUNCTION I - CORPORATE SERVICES

A. PROGRAM B – COUNCIL SUPPORT SERVICES – FINANCIAL SERVICES

1. SALE OF LAND FOR OVERDUE RATES.

Consideration of Report to Council from Revenue Supervisor regarding the sale of properties with overdue rates for more than 3 years.

Resolved – That in accordance with Section 1040 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council proceed with sale of land action on the following land on which overdue rates have remained unpaid for three years:-

PROPERTY NO.	PROPERTY	AMOUNT OWING	YEARS UNPAID
104863	Forrest Drive, Allingham	\$12,194.07	3 years
102575	Cook's Lane, Victoria Estate	\$19,601.43	3 years
101308	14 Salmon Street, Taylors Beach	\$9,744.34	3 years

(Crs. Gianotti and Bosworth - Carried unanimously)

3. GENERAL MEETING BUSINESS

1. FUNCTION V – INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT

A. PROGRAM C – TECHNICAL SERVICES

1. REPAIRS TO SOFFIT – RESIDENCE AT CORNER MILES AND GRIFFITH STREETS, INGHAM.

Consideration of quote received in the sum of \$1,045 to replace soffit panel at residence at corner of Miles and Griffith Streets, Ingham.

Cr. G. Gianotti left the meeting at 5.05 p.m.

Resolved – That Council make a "Without Prejudice" payment in the sum of \$1,045 to replace the soffit panel at the residence at the corner of Miles and Griffith Streets, Ingham.
(Crs. Bosworth and Kaurila - Carried unanimously)

4. CONCLUSION – This concluded the business of the meeting which closed at 5.10 p.m.
5. APPROVED and adopted this 1st day of April, 2010.

MAYOR