



MINUTES

Special Council Meeting

15 December 2020

**MINUTES OF COOK SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ADMINISTRATION OFFICE, 10 FURNEAUX STREET,
COOKTOWN
ON TUESDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2020 AT 9.00AM**

1 ATTENDANCE

Mayor Peter Scott, Deputy Mayor Robyn Holmes, Councillor Peter Burns, Councillor Larissa Hale and Councillor Marilyn Morris (via teleconference)

2 MEETING OPENED

9.03am

3 APOLOGIES

Councillor John Dessmann and Councillor Ross Logan were noted as apologies due to previously approved leave of absences.

4 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

On behalf of all Councillors, the Mayor acknowledged the Waymburr Warra people, Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet today, and paid respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

5 EXECUTIVE SERVICES - REPORTS

Cr Marilyn Morris has a previously resolved declared conflict of interest in Item 5.1 and is free to participate and vote on the matter.

5.1 NATURE'S POWERHOUSE - PROCEDURAL ISSUE**RESOLUTION 2020/326**

Moved: Councillor Peter Burns

Seconded: Councillor Larissa Hale

In Favour: Crs Peter Scott, Peter Burns, Larissa Hale, Robyn Holmes and Marilyn Morris

Against: Nil

That Council resolves:

1. that responsibility for the operations of the facility be assumed by Council until such time as a new operator occupies the facility, or 30 June 2021 whichever is earlier; and
2. to operate Nature's Powerhouse under the interim arrangements as detailed in the report; and
3. to allocate an additional \$40,000 to Nature's Powerhouse in the current budget as a contingency in the event revenue is insufficient during the period of interim arrangements.

CARRIED

6 ORGANISATIONAL BUSINESS SERVICES - REPORTS**6.1 RFT T3920 - STRUCTURAL REPAIRS (SHIRE HALL)****RESOLUTION 2020/327**

Moved: Councillor Peter Burns

Seconded: Councillor Larissa Hale

That Council:

1. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the award of a contract for the Structural Repairs of the Shire Hall with **W.I.P. CONSTRUCTIONS** on the condition that project funding is available to cover the total cost of the project; and
2. Following successful negotiation, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, under section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009 (QLD)*, the ability to execute the contract, approve payments, negotiate and finalise minor administrative or financial amendments and approve any variations, if so required; and
3. Request that a further report be presented to Council advising of the final contract price.

CARRIED

7 INFRASTRUCTURE - REPORTS

7.1 Q0220 - PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND SHADE STRUCTURE (LIONS PARK)

RESOLUTION 2020/328

Moved: Deputy Mayor Robyn Holmes

Seconded: Councillor Marilyn Morris

That Council:

1. Approve the award to AAA PLAYSCAPES of their option 1 in the amount of \$366,652.00 excluding GST, subject to finalisation of the shade structure design to meet the Character Overlay Code; and
2. Following community consultation, delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, to negotiate a variation with the supplier to incorporate additional equipment and different equipment type to address the community feedback (where provided); and
3. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, under section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009 (QLD)*, the ability to execute the contract, approve payments, negotiate and finalise minor administrative or financial amendments and approve any variations, if so required.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 9.24am.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Cook Shire Council held on 19 January 2021.

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CHAIRPERSON