



COUNCIL MINUTES

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting

held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield
on Wednesday, 26 September 2018 at 6:30pm

Present	Maree Bredhauer Kirsty Sayers-Hunt Doug Barden Christine Simpson Mathew Salter	Mayor Deputy Mayor / Councillor East Ward Councillor South Ward Councillor Central Ward Councillor North Ward
Staff	Silke Maynard Nadine Nilon Diana Leeder Wendy Smith Debbie Branson	Acting Chief Executive Officer Director Infrastructure and Operations Acting Director Community & Corporate Services Planning & Development Manager Executive Assistant
Public	Mark Lowe Barry Whalan	Blackmore Southport

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Mayor opened the meeting and welcomed members of the public.

The Mayor advised that an audio recording of the meeting will be made for minute taking purposes as authorised by the Chief Executive Officer.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

On behalf of Council, the Mayor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the Council meet on. The Mayor also conveyed Council's respect to the Elders past, present and future for their continuing custodianship of the land and the children of the land across generations.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Kaylene Conrick – Chief Executive Officer.

4. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor advised that any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or a possible conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting or a Committee meeting should declare the conflict of Interest to enable Council to manage the conflict in accordance with its obligations under the Local Government Act and its policies regarding the same.

Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt declared a personal interest in item 15.2 September 2018 Summary Planning and Mining Report as her brother has been working for a number of years with Dan Richards from Humpty Doo Barramundi on the development of a solar farm through his business Country Solar NT. Deputy Mayor Hunt agreed to remove herself from the meeting when Council considered this item.

No further disclosures of interest were declared.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT the full minutes of the Council Meeting held 15 August 2018, 12 pages, be confirmed.

CARRIED-1819/051

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council receives and notes the Action Sheet.

CARRIED-1819/052

7. PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

8. PETITIONS

Nil.

9. PUBLIC FORUM

9.1 Barry Whalan – Southport Drainage

Mr Whalan expressed his concern in relation to the clearing of the main drains and installation of pipework in Southport.

Council's Response

Mayor Bredhauer replied that these concerns will be discussed during Item 15.8 Southport Drainage Planning Study Revision.

10. ACCEPTING OR DECLINING LATE ITEMS

Nil.

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

12. MAYORS REPORT

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Simpson

THAT Council receive and note the Mayor's monthly report.

CARRIED-1819/053

13. REPORT FROM COUNCIL APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVES

Councillors appointed by Council to external committees provided an update where relevant.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT Council note the Councillors' verbal report.

CARRIED-1819/054

14. FINANCE REPORT

14.1 Council Finance Report – August 2018

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council receives the Litchfield Council Finance report for the period ended 31 August 2018.

CARRIED-1819/055

15. OFFICERS REPORTS

15.1 Place Names – 10 Secrett Road Subdivision

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council:

1. support the proposed names of Kerr, Thunder and Cycadas as possibilities for names for the new road within the subdivision; and
2. provide a letter of comment detailing the above resolution to support the naming of the roads to the developer to provide to the NT Place Names Committee.

CARRIED-1819/056

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Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt left the meeting at 7:23pm

15.2 September 2018 Summary Planning and Mining Report

Moved: Cr Barden

Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT Council:

1. receives the September 2018 Summary Planning and Mining Report,
2. notes for information the responses provided to Development Assessment Services within Attachments A, B, C, and D to this report; and
3. notes for information the responses provided to the Department of Primary Industries and Resources within Attachment E to this report.

CARRIED-1819/057

Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt returned to the meeting at 7:26pm

15.3 PA2018/0232, a Concurrent Application to Rezone from Zone R (Rural) to Zone RL (Rural Living) and subdivide to create 3 lots at Section 4331 (100) Mulgara Road, Berry Springs, Hundred of Strangways

Moved: Cr Simpson

Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council:

1. receives and notes the report and
2. endorses Attachment A, Council's Letter of Comment for PA2018/0232, a Concurrent Application to Rezone from Zone R (Rural) to Zone RL (Rural Living) and subdivide to create 3 lots at Section 4331 (100) Mulgara Road, Berry Springs, Hundred of Strangways.

CARRIED-1819/058

15.4 Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Moved: Cr Simpson

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council appoint Councillor Sayers-Hunt as Deputy Mayor for a twelve-month term, ending at the Ordinary Council meeting held in September 2019.

CARRIED-1819/059

15.5 National Election Advocacy

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council

1. supports the Australian Local Government Association's campaign calling for the next federal government to restore Financial Assistance Grants to at least 1% of Commonwealth taxation revenue;
2. participates in the survey with the Mayor completing the survey on behalf of Council;
3. encourages each Elected Member to also complete the survey and support the campaign; and
4. writes to the President of the Local Government Association of Northern Territory to inform the Association of Council's resolution.

CARRIED-1819/060

15.6 Litchfield Council 2018 Community Survey

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council receives and notes the results from the 2018 Litchfield Council Community Survey.

CARRIED-1819/061

15.7 December Council Meetings

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council brings forward future December ordinary Council meetings to the second Wednesday to avoid holding a meeting in the week leading up to Christmas.

CARRIED-1819/062

15.8 Southport Drainage Planning Study Revision

Moved: Cr Barden
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council

1. approves to undertake stormwater modelling of the entire townsite of Southport;
2. notes that a further report will be provided to Council following the modelling to review the level of road immunity for stormwater to be accepted, and the potential staging areas for design purposes; and
3. undertakes maintenance of table drains and stormwater infrastructure within Southport by the end of October 2018 or as soon as possible.

CARRIED-1819/063

15.9 Mobile Work Force Shed Construction Update

Moved: Cr Barden
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council:

1. receives and notes this report for information; and
2. notes that the procurement process for the Mobile Workforce Shed Construction will commence in October 2018.

CARRIED-1819/064

15.10 Award Contract – RFT18-170 Bituminous Surface Repairs

Moved: Cr Barden
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council award a contract for RFT18-170 Bituminous Surface Repairs to Downer Edi Works Pty Ltd, in accordance with their submitted tender, estimated \$584,978 (GST inclusive).

CARRIED-1819/065

15.11 Award Contract - RFT18-168 Litchfield Council Reseal Various Roads

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council award a contract for RFT18-168 Litchfield Council Reseal Various Roads to F & J Bitumen Services Pty Ltd, in accordance with their submitted tender, estimated \$737,527 (GST inclusive).

CARRIED-1819/066

15.12 Rating Policy Review Project

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

THAT Council:

1. approves the Rating Policy Review Project Plan with all relevant timelines;
2. establishes a Rating Policy Review Community Reference Group in line with the Terms of Reference attached to this report; and
3. receives a further report for the appointment of the Community Reference Group members no later than the December 2018 ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED-1819/067

15.13 Street Lighting Update

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Simpson

THAT Council:

1. notes the replacement of street light luminaires with LED, including for maintenance activities and as a requirement of new works;
2. notes the preparation of a four-year LED luminaire replacement program for consideration in the 2019-20 budget;
3. notes the intent to install smart control systems within the Litchfield Municipality as part of the LED replacement program; and
4. endorses the preparation of a Street Lighting Policy to be presented to Council by February 2019.

CARRIED-1819/068

16. COMMON SEAL

Nil.

17. OTHER BUSINESS

17.1 Rugby League – Litchfield Bears & Australian Rules Football – Grand Final Win

18. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

18.1 Barry Whalan – Southport Drainage

Mr Whalan referred to Item 15.8 Southport drainage Planning Study Revision and question which option of modelling the Council would be undertaking.

Council's Response

Mr Whalan was informed that *Option 2 - a model of the entire township – approximately \$27,000* would be undertaken.

19. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Simpson

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the following Confidential Items:

19.1 Application to Auction Property Townsite of Southport Lot 00315

Regulation 8(b) – information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer;

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council:

1. approve the sale of Townsite of Southport Lot 00315 to recover outstanding rates and charges via Sale by Public Auction; and
2. make public its resolution on the matter.

CARRIED-1819/070

19.2 Street Light Control System

Regulation 8(c) – information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: (i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council:

1. delegates the CEO to negotiate with the preferred tenderer, Telensa Systems Pty Ltd, the Supply Contract for Public Lighting Controls and System Collective Procurement; and
2. moves this resolution into open.

CARRIED-1819/071

19.3 RFT18-168 Litchfield Council Reseal Various Roads Tender Evaluation

Regulation 8(c) – information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: (i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

19.4 RFT18-170 Bituminous Surface Repairs

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19.5 Update on Community & Business Hub Business Case

Regulation 8(e) information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.

CARRIED-1819/069

The meeting was closed to the public at 8:18pm.

RE-OPENED TO THE PUBLIC

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sayers-Hunt

Seconded: Cr Salter

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) regulations the meeting be re-opened to the public.

CARRIED-1819/075

The meeting moved to Open Session at 8:47pm.

20. CLOSE OF MEETING

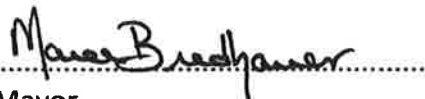
The Chair closed the meeting at 8:47pm.

21. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 17 October 2018.

MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

Wednesday, 17 October 2018



Mayor
Maree Bredhauer



Chief Executive Officer
Kaylene Conrick

