



ROMA REGIONAL COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF ROMA REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, ROMA ON 4 APRIL 2008
COMMENCING AT 12.00PM**

ATTENDANCE

Mayor, Cr. R S Loughnan chaired the meeting with Deputy Mayor, Cr. T G Hartley, Cr. J C Baker, Cr. J P Bartels, Cr. J L Chambers, Cr. R J Denton, Cr. M L Price, Cr. W S Wason, Cr. J S Watson, Acting Chief Executive, Officer Dan Phillips, Kelly Rogers, Minutes Officer in attendance.

GUESTS

Peter Evans and Kevin Chambers from the Department of Main Roads

GALLERY

Three (3) members of the public were present.

WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 12.05pm.

APOLOGIES

No apologies were received for the meeting.

MINUTES

Resolution No. GM 01.08

Moved Cr. Baker

Seconded Cr. Wason

That the General Meeting Minutes from the 5 amalgamated Councils from January 2008 – February 2008 be tabled and the General Minutes from March 2008 as listed below be received and noted as circulated:

Bendemere Shire Council

Bungil Shire Council

Booringa Shire Council

Roma Town Council

Waroo Shire Council

Roma-Bungil Showgrounds & Saleyards Board

And;

That the same be reviewed by Council with questions or clarification brought forward to the next meeting of Council.

CARRIED



Item Number: 01-05 **File Number:** N/A
SUBJECT HEADING: APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES TO 07/08 TOOWOOMBA & GOLDEN WEST REGIONAL TOURIST ASSOCIATION BOARD
Name of Applicant: Not applicable
Location: Not applicable
Author and Officer's Title: Dan Phillips, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary: *Correspondence received requesting nominations from the newly elected Council to replace previous Council representation on the Toowoomba & Golden West Regional Tourist Association Board.*

Resolution No. GM 06.08
Moved Cr. Watson **Seconded Cr. Chambers**
That Council nominates Cr J Baker to be the Roma Regional Council representative for the Toowoomba & Golden West Regional Tourist Association Board.
CARRIED

Item Number: 01-06 **File Number:** N/A
SUBJECT HEADING: MINISTERIAL REGIONAL COMMUNITY PRE-FORUM WORKSHOP
Name of Applicant: Not applicable
Location: Not applicable
Author and Officer's Title: Dan Phillips, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary: *Correspondence received inviting Council representation for attendance at a Ministerial Regional Community Forum to assist Cabinet Ministers in their understanding of regional needs, issues and priorities. This is to be held at Charleville over the 6th & 7th April 2008.*

Resolution No. GM 07.08
Moved Cr. Wason **Seconded Cr. Watson**
That Council nominates Cr J Denton and Cr J Baker to attend the Ministerial Forum to be held on 6 and 7 April, 2008 in Charleville. It was noted that Desley Oates, Interim Executive Director – Bungil Office and Andrew Byrnes, Director of Works – Bungil Office will also attend the forum on 7 April, 2008.
CARRIED

SUBJECT HEADING: SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH AT 1.25PM



SUBJECT HEADING: RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS
COUNCIL RETURNED FROM LUNCH AT 2.35PM

Item Number: 01-07 **File Number:** N/A
SUBJECT HEADING: GOVERNANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS OF COUNCIL
Name of Applicant: Not applicable
Location: Not applicable
Author and Officer's Title: Dan Phillips, Acting Chief Executive Officer

***Executive Summary:** Correspondence received from the Local Government Association of Queensland informing Council of a 2 day program designed to enable the establishment of new networks, identify resources available and better inform Councillors of their role as an Elected Member. This is to be held on 27th & 28th May 2008 in Roma.*

Resolution No. GM 08.08
Moved Cr. Watson **Seconded Cr. Chambers**

- a) **That the Mayor and All Councillors of Roma Regional Council attend the 2 day workshop to be held on 27th and 28th May, 2008 in Roma.**
- b) **That the General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 28 May 2008 at Mitchell be moved to Friday the 30 May, 2008. The preceding workshop to the General Meeting will be held on Thursday 29 May 2008 commencing at 1.00pm.**
- c) **That all General Meetings of Council be preceded by a workshop the day prior to commence at 1.00pm.**
- d) **With the 'Draft Monthly Activity Calendar' to be updated to reflect this amendment. It is further recommended that initially the first round of Workshops at each District Office allocate time for the purpose of a Meet and Greet with Office staff, and that the second round in turn have time allocated for Meet and Greet with the Community and its Organisations.**

CARRIED

Item Number: 01-08 **File Number:** N/A
SUBJECT HEADING: BIG RIG MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENT
Name of Applicant: Not applicable
Location: Not applicable
Author and Officer's Title: Dan Phillips, Chief Executive Officer

***Executive Summary:** Contact was made with the current Managers of 'The Big Rig,' P.L. & E.N. Keegan during the lunch break to gain an understanding of their*



intentions for future Management arrangements. Following this, correspondence was provided detailing their intentions to withdraw from the operation at 30 June 2008.

Resolution No. GM 09.08
Moved Cr. Watson **Seconded Cr. Baker**
 That this letter be received and noted.
 And;
 That a meeting with the existing lessee to gain a greater understanding of the financial and operational management of the facility be arranged.
CARRIED

Responsible Officer	Acting Chief Executive Officer
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Resolution No. GM 10.08
Moved Cr. Wason **Seconded Cr. Price**
 That Council requests the Acting Chief Executive Officer to now call for ‘Expressions of Interest,’ by public notice, for management rights of the complex commencing 1 July, 2008.
CARRIED

Responsible Officer	Acting Chief Executive Officer
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Item Number: 01-09 **File Number:** N/A
SUBJECT HEADING: CEO RECRUITMENT PROCESS
Name of Applicant: Not applicable
Location: Not applicable
Author and Officer’s Title: Dan Phillips, Chief Executive Officer

***Executive Summary:** The Acting Chief Executive Officer provided Council a copy for review of the Position Description for recruitment of the Chief Executive Officer. A representative from McArthur Consultant Management Group will attend the next Committee Meeting of Council scheduled for 9 April, 2008 to further discuss the CEO position description and remuneration package.*

Resolution No. GM 11.08
Moved Cr. Baker **Seconded Cr. Denton**
 That the Chief Executive Officer Position Description, as presented be received and noted.
 And;
 That Council endorses the action of the Acting Chief Executive officer in engaging the services of McArthur Management Group to undertake recruitment of the Chief Executive Officer for the Roma Regional Council.
CARRIED



Outcome:

Council noted the plans, and expressed disquiet with the loss of car parking to some business houses and inadequate funding by the Department of Main Roads in replacing the same.

The Acting Chief Executive Officer is to follow up with the Catholic Church on lease details, suitable design, including landscaping and development costs if this option was to proceed.

Responsible Officer	Acting Chief Executive Officer
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CLOSURE

At 4.35pm, there being no further business, the Deputy Mayor thanked Council for their attendance and declared the Meeting closed.

These Minutes are to be confirmed at the next General Meeting of Council to be held on 23 April, 2008.

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Mayor.

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Date.