



COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF MURGON

Minutes of the General Meeting

Held on 15th August 2007

Meeting held in the Council Chambers
42 Stephens Street West
Murgon

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COUNCIL OF THE SHIRE OF MURGON**GENERAL MEETING**

15 AUGUST 2007

MINUTES

OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:10 am

ATTENDANCE***Councillors***

PW Angel, Mayor
RJ Dennis, Deputy Mayor
CL Hatchett
BD Mobbs
G Burgess

Officers

Chief Executive Officer, Peter Hackshaw
Manager Corporate and Financial Services, Andrew McKenzie
Manager Works and Services, Steve Turner
Minutes Secretary, Trudi Smith

APOLOGIES

7899 Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT the apologies of Cr Eisenmenger and Cr O'Neill be accepted and leave of absence granted.*

CARRIED**MINUTES SILENCE**

The Mayor asked those present to observe a minute's silence for the passing of Shire citizen: Winnifred Joyce Layt aged 64 years.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7900 Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Hatchett: *THAT the minutes of the General Meeting held on the 18 July 2007, and the Special Meetings held on 18 July, 25 July and 30 July 2007 as circulated, be confirmed.*

CARRIED

9.11 am *The Mayor welcomed Karen Seiler and Tracey Sutton from BIEDO to the meeting. Ms Seiler and Ms Sutton left the meeting at 9:25 am*

MWS left the meeting at 9:12 am
MWS returned to the meeting at 9:14 am

Proposed Sale of the Murgon Medical Centre Building

9:30 am

7901 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Dennis: *THAT Council move into closed meeting to discuss contracts proposed to be made by Council pursuant to s.463(1)(e) of the Local Government Act.*

CARRIED

9:57 am

7902 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT Council move out of closed meeting.*

CARRIED

MCFS left the meeting at 9:57 am
MCFS returned to the meeting at 10:00 am

7903 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT Council agree to enter into a lease agreement with any future owner of the Medical Centre to lease the existing area of the Library for continued use for a period of five (5) years plus five (5) years at an annual rental of \$25,000 subject to annual review.*

CARRIED

1. GOVERNANCE, CONTROLLED ENTITIES, ENTERPRISES & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (Cr PW Angel)

1.1 Officer's Report

1.1.1 Organics Reclaimed (AD 11/4)

Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services
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<p>Executive Summary: In preparing the 2007/08 Annual Financial Statements for Organics Reclaimed Pty Ltd, the Company has slipped into a deficit position as a result of the loss realised on the liquidation of the Companies' assets. As the Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Council, it is proposed that Council forgive the debt the Company owes Council.</p>
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7904 Move Cr Dennis seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT Council : -*

1. Endorse the Chief Executive Officer's action in advising Organics that a

- \$25,000 debt has been forgiven;*
2. *Issue a comfort letter to Organics Reclaimed Pty Ltd to cover any losses to be incurred.*

CARRIED

1.1.2 Yallakool Infrastructure

Author and Officer's Title:	Steve Turner, Manager of Works and Services
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<p>Executive Summary: Murgon Shire Council entered into an agreement with Murgon Demolitions to remove a number of structures from Yallakool Tourist Park at no cost to Council. This work has been completed with the exception of four buildings, which were to be removed when Council had completed a proposed upgrade. Council did not progress with the upgrade and the buildings remain.</p>
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<p>Murgon Demolitions are requesting a payment of \$6,600 in lieu of the lost opportunity as a result of not removing the remaining buildings.</p>
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MWS and MCFS left the meeting at 10:17 am

MCFS returned to the meeting at 10:18 am

MWS returned to the meeting at 10:19 am

Moved Cr Angel seconded Cr Burgess: THAT Council reimburse Murgon Demolitions \$ 6,600 being compensation for the lost opportunity in not continuing with the project of removing buildings at Yallakool Tourist Park.

MOTION LOST

7905 ***Moved Cr Burgess seconded Cr Hatchett: THAT the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer consult with Mr Stimpson with respect of the lost opportunity at Yallakool Tourist park, and that the matter be brought back to the next meeting of Council.***

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:32 am

The meeting reconvened at 10:50 am

11:09 am ***The Mayor welcomed Lance Whitaker from Noel Anderson Pty Ltd to the meeting. Mr Whitaker left the meeting at 11:40 pm***

MCFS left the meeting at 11:41 am

MCFS returned to the meeting at 11:46 am

MCFS left the meeting at 11:52 am

Agenda Item 1.1.3 Gumnut Place carried forward until the Manager Corporate and Financial Services returns to the meeting.

11:53 am

1.2.1 Locality Boundaries – Murgon and Moffatdale (LA 5/2) (Ass 1720/1) (1720/2)

Author and Officer's Title:	Peter Hackshaw, Chief Executive Officer
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Executive Summary: A letter has been received from the Department of Natural Resources and Water requesting Council's consent to include Lot 6 & 7 on SP195988 in the locality boundary for Murgon.
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7906 Moved Cr Burgess seconded Cr Dennis: *THAT the Chief Executive Officer carry out further enquiries with regard to the proposed boundary changes requested by the Department of Natural Resources and Water and report back to the next meeting of Council.*

CARRIED

1.3 Items for Information

1.3.1 Castra Retirement Home (AD 11/3)

12:04 pm Agenda item 2. Administration, Human Resources and Finance held over until the Manager Corporate and Financial Services returns to the meeting.

MCFS returned to the meeting at 12:05 pm

3. HEALTH, BUILDING, HOUSING & PLANNING (Cr RQ O'Neill)

3.1 Officer's Report

3.1.1 Reconfiguration of a Lot (1 rural lot into 4 low density residential lots plus balance area) (DA 35/07) (Ass 1755/-)

Name of Applicant:	Jan Brydges
Location/Address:	Waterview Drive, Moffatdale
Author and Officer's Title:	Trudi Smith, Planning Officer

Executive Summary: Jan Brydges is applying for approval to reconfigure one (1) rural lot to create 4 low-density residential lots plus the balance area
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7907 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Hatchett: *THAT the reconfiguration of Lot*

902 on SP191465 Parish of Barambah, as proposed in Development Application 35/07 by Jan Brydges be approved by the Murgon Shire Council, subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The development must generally comply with the facts and circumstances set out in Development Application No 35/07 and the proposed plans for reconfiguring a Lot 902 on SP191465, Parish of Barambah, and situated at Waterview Drive, Moffatdale, described on Drawings Numbered 3341P/1 Rev B, Plan 1 dated 13 July 2007 and 3341P/1 Rev A, Plan 2 dated 6 March 2007;**
- 2) All conditions of development, the subject of this approval, must be complied with prior to Council's endorsement of the plan for subdivision, unless satisfactory security is given to Council to ensure compliance with the conditions.**
- 3) The developer must bear the cost of any alterations necessary to public utilities resulting from compliance with conditions of this approval.**
- 4) In accordance with the Integrated Planning Act, all rates, charges or any expenses being a charge over the subject land under any Act shall be paid prior to the plan of survey being signed by Council;**
- 5) At the time of lodgement of a Building Application on any proposed allotment, the owner to provide potable water by either a 45,000 litre rainwater storage tank, or other means satisfactory to Council.**

Engineering Design

- 6) Where Council is not the designing and constructing authority**
 - a) Detailed engineering plans for roadworks and stormwater drainage are to be submitted for approval.**
 - b) Fees for checking Engineering Plans of works designed by others is to be paid for on lodgement of plans for checking. Fees to be paid are in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.**
 - c) Inspection of the work is to be carried out by Council staff. Fees payable for inspection are in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges.**
 - d) Before the Plan of Survey will be released by Council, either all work shall be completed or a bond to the value of any remaining works must be lodged with Council.
As the remaining work is completed, application may be made to Council for progressive reduction of the value of the bond.**
 - e) A bond of \$ 30,000 will be required by Council for a period of twelve months from completion of roadworks.**
- 7) Where Council is the designing and or constructing authority**
 - a) Designing work – cash payment of engineering fees as per Council's charges is required before the release of any document.**
 - b) Construction works – the subdivider will be required to contract with the Council and lodge cash advance and / or security for the cost of the works prior to the work being commenced.
Cash payments to Council are in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges**
 - c) Alternatively a bond for the total value of the work may be lodged with Council and released as the work is completed.**
- 8) Telecommunications infrastructure is to be provided to each allotment.**
- 9) The developer must construct the new roadway to a minimum of 6.5 metre bitumen seal formation with concrete kerb and channelling, and provide 9 metre radius to the cul-de-sac;**
- 10) Kerb and channelling is to be constructed from Lot 108 to proposed lot 132;**
- 11) The sealed surface of the roadway constructed on the pavement of asphalt**

- surface with a minimum thickness of 25mm, or a two-coat bitumen chip seal surface using multigrade bitumen (with first layer being 14mm screened material and second layer being 7 mm screened material) and application rate determined following suitable testing of the aggregate;
- 12) *The work in Condition 10 must be completed in full and certified by Council's Manager of Works and Services when the work has been completed to the required performance standards, before operation of the road commences;*
 - 13) *Site stormwater runoff shall be collected, detained and discharged where appropriate in a manner that does not significantly increase the quantity of stormwater flow in comparison to the pre-development condition. Where necessary, suitable easements to legal points of discharge shall be provided to Council. An operational Works Permit must be obtained for these works in accordance with the Integrated Planning Act.*
 - 14) *During construction, soil erosion and sediment is to be controlled by complying with Soil Erosion and Sediment Control – Engineering Guideline for Queensland Construction Sites, Institute of Engineers, Australia (Queensland Division), 1996.*
 - 15) *Street signs are to be provided to the satisfaction of the Manager Works and Services.*
 - 16) *One (1) copy of the proposal plan shall be forwarded to the regional office of Ergon Energy PO Box 163 Maryborough 4650 and one (1) copy to the Telstra New Developments, Locked Mail Bag 3550, Brisbane 9008 Qld. A copy shall also be given to the Postal Manager, Australia Post, 14 Harwood Street, Maryborough DC Qld 4650.
Evidence of such copies shall be supplied for Council at the time of sealing the survey plan.*
 - 17) *Evidence that a supply of underground or above ground bundled electricity is connected to the proposed lots or that the applicant has entered into a suitable binding contract with Ergon Energy for the supply of electricity to the proposed lots and installation for their development application. This is to be provided prior to the sealing of the survey plan by Council.*
 - 18) *The applicant shall lodge a certificate signed by a licensed surveyor stating that after the completion of all works associated with the subdivision, survey marks were reinstated where necessary and all survey marks are in their correct position in accordance with the plan of survey as of a particular date.*
 - 19) *The Council shall not endorse the plan of survey until the required certificate has been lodged or, alternatively, where it has signed the plan of survey prior to the completion of all works the Council shall withhold the release of securities until the certificate relating to the survey marks has been submitted.*
 - 20) *An Operational Works Development Permit must be obtained in accordance with the Integrated Planning Act for operational works required by conditions 7 – 13.*
 - 21) *The applicant must provide a copy of their receipt as proof of payment of Q Leave prior to any roadworks or earthworks construction commencing.*
 - 22) *The developer shall provide a list of at least three names (and name meanings) to Council for the new road to be opened. The list of names should be submitted as early as practical to allow Council to approve the names in time for sign manufacture and erection prior to the opening of the new roads. A theme may be used for any larger subdivision should this be considered appropriate.*
 - 23) *A contribution of \$500 per allotment, which in this case will total \$ 2,000 is to be paid to Council for Parks and Recreational space contribution. This is in accordance with Council's Local Law Policy No. 9 and must be paid prior to the sealing of the survey plan by Council.*

- 24) **Compliance with Department of Natural Resources and Mines letter dated 2 July 2007;**

CARRIED

3.1.2 Development Application – Material Change of Use – Accommodation (Extension to Motel) (DA 45/07) (Ass 169/-)

Name of Applicant:	M & D Cluff
Location/Address:	193 Lamb Street, Murgon
Author and Officer's Title:	Trudi Smith, Planning Officer

Executive Summary: A development application has been received from Mr & Mrs Cluff for a Material Change of Use for an extension to an existing motel

- 7908 **Moved Cr Hatchett seconded Cr Mobbs: *THAT Development Application 45/07 for a Material Change of Use – Accommodation (Extension to Motel) at 193 Lamb Street, and described as Lot 9 & 10 on RP838055, Parish of Murgon be brought back to the next meeting in order to gain further information on the car parking facilities.***

3.1.3 Development Application – Reconfiguration of a Lot – Realignment of a Boundary (DA 53/07) (1756/-) (1755/-)

Name of Applicant:	Jan Brydges
Location/Address:	C/- PO Box 896, Kingaroy Qld 4610
Author and Officer's Title:	Trudi Smith, Planning Officer

Executive Summary: A development application for a reconfiguration of Lot, boundary realignment at Waterview Drive, Moffatdale described as Lot 902 on RP191465 and Lot 92 on SP133326 Parish of Barambah has been received from Ms Jan Brydges.

- 7909 **Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT having considered the application, Council resolves to approve the application for the Realignment of a Boundary with the following conditions:***

1. ***That the development, the subject of this approval, must generally comply with the facts and circumstances set out in Development Application No. 53/07 and the proposed plan for reconfiguring a Lot, boundary realignment on Lot 92 on SP133326 and Lot 902 on SP191465, Parish of Barambah, located at Waterview Drive, Moffatdale in accordance with the Plan of Proposed Boundary Realignment No. 3341/P2 dated 30 April 2007;***
2. ***The relocation or installation of any infrastructure or services required as a result of this approval, including these conditions, is to be carried out at no cost to the Council;***

3. *All internal services are to be contained within respective lots;*
4. *Outstanding charges or expenses levied by the Council over the subject land are to be paid prior to Council sealing the plan of subdivision;*
5. *The subject land is to be clear of declared pests prior to the sealing of plans for subdivision;*
6. *Property boundaries are to be located to ensure that the setbacks of existing buildings to property boundaries comply with the Building Regulation;*
7. *Prior to the submission of the plan of subdivision to Council, the developer is to reinstate survey marks and install new survey marks in their correct position in accordance with the plan of subdivision,*
8. *The work is to be certified in writing by a licensed surveyor;*
9. *Compliance with conditions set by Murgon Shire Council in the decision notice dated and 20 April 2004 over development application 61/02; and*
10. *Compliance with the Department of Natural Resources and Water's response as the concurrency agency.*

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:33 pm

The meeting reconvened at 1:33 pm

3.2 *Items for Consideration*

3.2.1 **Rent Review – Blue Nurses Thrift Shop (LA 13/3) (LA 13/6) (Ass 209/-)**

Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services
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Executive Summary: A review of the leases and rents over Council's commercial properties has been performed with administrative action taken (where provided in the lease) to adjust rents. However, Council is required to provide some direction in respect of the Blue Nurses Thrift Shop.
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MWS returned to the meeting at 1:35 pm

7910 Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Hatchett: *THAT*

- a. *Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to increase the premises rentals to the market rental estimate obtained for South Burnett Lawyers and Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service by giving 1 month's notice of the rental change; and*
- b. *The a letter be sent to the proprietors of the Blue Nurses Thrift Shop advising that we will increase the rent to \$200.00 per month on the basis that the property has been assessed at \$878 per month and further that there has been no rent increase since July 2000, and that because they are a charitable organisation special concessions apply.*

CARRIED

3.3 Items for Information

3.3.1 Nil

1.46 pm **Meeting returned to item 1.1.3 – Gumnut Place****1.1.3 Gumnut Place (AD 11/2 A)**

Name of Applicant:	Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs
Location/Address:	200 Adelaide Street, Brisbane
Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services
Executive Summary: Letter dated 6 th August 2007 advising that the Department is now in a position to progress the finding of a new auspice body for Gumnut Place. However, to proceed, further the Department requires Council's advice in relation to premises and business lines.	

7911 **Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT Council advise the Department that it is our preference to sell the premises from which Gumnut Place is operating, however Council is willing also to consider a lease, and enter into an access arrangement with the new auspice body to enable continued access to the fumigation facility. Further, Council offers no objection to the new auspice body changing or augmenting the existing business lines.***

CARRIED

2:04 pm **The Mayor welcomed Mick Dudgeon and Paul Bryce from Regional Infrastructure and Jim Fanning from Perpetual to the meeting. The three gentlemen left the meeting at 3:05 pm**

The Mayor adjourned the meeting for afternoon tea at 3:10 pm

The meeting reconvened at 3:30 pm

2. ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN RESOURCES & FINANCE (Cr BD Mobbs)**2.1 Officer's Report****2.2.1 Annual Shire Valuation – Consultation (AF 17/2)**

Name of Applicant:	Department of Natural Resources and Water
Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services
Executive Summary: Letter dated 12 th July 2007 requesting Council's	

opinion as to whether the Department should conduct a complete revaluation of the Shire's unimproved capital valuation.

7912 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Burgess: *THAT Council offer no objection to the Department revaluing the Shire.*
CARRIED

3.35 pm Council considered the Manager Corporate & Financial Services Report at this point

2.1.1 Manager Corporate & Financial Services Report (AD 12/3)

The Manager Corporate & Financial Services presented his report to Council.

The Mayor welcomed Mr Ian Newson to the meeting at 3:53 pm. Mr Newson left the meeting at 4:10 pm

Meeting resumed at 4:16 pm

MCFS left the meeting at 4:25 pm

MCFS returned to the meeting at 4:30 pm

2.2 Items for Consideration

2.2.1 Nil

2.3 Items for Information

2.3.1 Nil

2.2.2 Policy on Grants to Community Organisations (AF 5/1) (CS 7/1)

Author and Officer's Title: Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services

Executive Summary: By way of resolution no. 7863, Council has requested to review its Policy on Donations to Community Organisations.

7913 Moved Cr Burgess seconded Cr Hatchett: *THAT Council resolve that the matter lay on the table pending further consideration at the next meeting.*
CARRIED

2.2.3 2006/07 Annual Financial Statements (Unaudited) (AF 6/1)

Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services
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Executive Summary: Council's 2007/08 Annual Financial Statements (unaudited) are attached for Council's adoption pursuant to section 49 of the <i>Local Government Finance Standard 2005</i> .

7914 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Dennis: *THAT Council receive the 2006/07 Annual Financial Statements and note the contents therein.*
CARRIED

2.2.4 Pensioner Subsidy – B & T Chantrill, 82 Douglas Street North (860/-)

Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager of Corporate & Financial Services
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Executive Summary: Letter dated 4 th August 2007 from Brian and Thelma Chantrill requesting an exemption to Council's Pensioner Subsidy Policy in order to receive the subsidy on the 1 st half yearly levy for 2007/2008.

7915 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Dennis: *THAT Council*

- 1. *Grant the Council Pensioner Subsidy of \$18.00 on assessment 860/- as detailed in Council's 2007/2008 Revenue Statement, for the Levy Period 1st July 2007 to December 2007, and***
- 2. *Authorise an adjustment to apply State Pensioner Subsidy of \$90.00 for this same levy.***

CARRIED

4. TOURISM, COMMUNITY SUPPORT & CULTURE (Cr CL Hatchett)

4.1 Officer's Report

4.1.1 Nil

4.2 Items for Consideration

4.2.1 Nil

4.3 Items for Information

4.3.1 Library Report (LI 1 /2)

4.3.2 Cloyna Hall (LA 11/2) (LE 7/1) (Ass 3/-)

Cr Dennis left the meeting at 5:40 pm

Cr Dennis returned to the meeting at 5:41 pm

5. WORKS, PLANT & RURAL SERVICES (Cr GL Burgess)**5.1 Officer's Report**

MCFS left the meeting at 5:45 pm

5.1.1 Manager Works and Services Report (AD 12/3)

The Manager Works and Services presented a report to council.

MCFS returned to the meeting at 5:48 pm

Cr Burgess left the meeting at 6:58 pm

Cr Burgess returned to the meeting at 6:59 pm

Cr Dennis left the meeting at 7:00 pm

Cr Dennis returned to the meeting at 7:01 pm

The Mayor adjourned the meeting for a short break at 7:02 pm

The meeting reconvened at 7:16 pm

5.1.2 Lease / Sale of Murgon Saleyards (SA 1/7)

Author and Officer's Title:	Peter Hackshaw, Chief Executive Officer
Executive Summary:	A brief update provided to Council on the Lease / Sale of Murgon Saleyards, and Council's position on this matter.

7916 Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Burgess: THAT Council write to the submitters and advise them that if they wish to revise their submission, it should be in writing and be delivered to Council by close of business on Monday 3 September 2007.

CARRIED

5.2 *Items for Consideration*

5.2.1 National Saleyards Quality Assurance Inc – Nominations for Committee (SA 1/ 4)

Name of Applicant:	Returning Officer
Location/Address:	12 Adelaide Road Mallala SA 5502
Author and Officer's Title:	Peter Hackshaw, Chief Executive Officer
Executive Summary: Local Agent Mr Earl Pratt has indicated his willingness to represent the Murgon Saleyards on this Committee and is available for nomination	

7917 **Moved Cr Burgess seconded Cr Mobbs: *THAT Council confirm the action of the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer in forwarding the nomination of Mr Earl Pratt for a position as Committee Member on the National Saleyards Quality Assurance Inc.***

CARRIED

5.2.2 Saleyards Fees and Charges

Author and Officer's Title:	Andrew McKenzie, Manager Corporate and Financial Services
Executive Summary: Further to Council's Special Meeting of 25 th July, I present a comparison of the saleyard fees for the Saleyards of Murgon, Mareeba, Dalby/Wambo, Roma/Bungil, Gracemere, Gympie, Charters Towers and Coolabunia.	

7918 **Moved Cr Burgess seconded Cr Angel: *THAT the matter lay on the table until the next Meeting of Council pending the outcome of negotiations regarding the sale/lease of the Murgon Saleyards.***

CARRIED

5.3 *Items for Information*

5.3.1 Tableland School Bus Route P1005 (RA 6/4) (RA 11/2)

6. SPORT, RECREATION & ENVIRONMENT (Cr RJ Eisenmenger)

6.1 *Officer's Report*

6.1.1 Wide Bay Burnett Recreational & Sports Strategy (TO 6/1) (LS 2/3)

Name of Applicant:	WBBROC
Location/Address:	190 Cheapside Street, Maryborough Qld 4650
Author and Officer's Title:	Peter Hackshaw, Chief Executive Officer

Executive Summary: A letter has been received from WBBROC advising that discussions have highlighted the need for a "regional" recreation and sports strategy, to provide a framework for the delivery of recreation services within the context of the Wide Bay Burnett Regional Plan over the next 20 years and beyond.

The total amount sought is \$20,000 and Murgon has been classified as a Level 3 Council and as such would have a levy of \$900.00.

7919 Moved Cr Dennis seconded Cr Hatchett: *THAT Council advise the Wide Bay Burnett Regional Organisation of Councils (WBBROC) that with regret it is unable to contribute.*

CARRIED

6.1.2 Murgon Public Swimming Pool (SR 5/1)

Author and Officer's Title:	Peter Hackshaw, Chief Executive Officer
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Executive Summary: Council previously decided to keep the Murgon Pool closed for next season in order to satisfy budgetary and cash flow problems. Council has been advised by representatives of Police and Education that funding from State and Federal Governments may be available, and if so, it is proposed that the approximate annual cost of operating the Murgon Pool, \$120,000 be split three ways with each level of government providing one third.

Council's costs would include rates, insurance and other costs in its one-third share.

7920 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Dennis: *THAT in view of the possibility of sectors of the Murgon Community securing State and Federal Government funding, Council agree to immediately advertise for a Contract Pool Manager, with the proviso that if funding is not forthcoming, then no manager will be appointed.*

CARRIED

6.2 Items for Consideration

6.2.1 Nil

6.3 *Items for Information*

6.3.1 The Pulse

7. WATER, WASTE MANAGEMENT & EMERGENCY SERVICES (Cr RJ Dennis)

7.1 *Officer's Report*

7.1.1 Review of Water Restrictions

Author and Officer's Title:	Steve Turner, Manager Works and Services
Executive Summary: A meeting was held on 9 th August with Cherbourg, Wondai and Murgon Council, Sunwater and the Department of Natural Resources and Water to discuss the current water situation. The discussion centred around the current level of water restrictions, the inequity of restrictions between adjoining shires and proposals to prolong the current available water, assuming no rainfall within the period.	

7921 Moved Cr Burgess seconded Cr Hatchett: ***THAT Council***

1. ***Revise the current level of water restrictions to align with those of Wondai i.e. no sprinklers, but allow hand held hoses four (4) hours per week;***
2. ***Apply to the Department of Natural Resources and Water for funding to refurbish the raw water intake so as to maximise water harvesting capability;***
3. ***Agree to a water allocation percentage of 50%, and that this allocation be reviewed upon the start up of the meatworks at some future date;***
4. ***Send out a survey with the January rate notices, to accurately ascertain the urban population and to allow a more accurate estimate of urban water usage; and***
5. ***Write a letter to each of the intensive animal husbandry operators currently using potable water, and high urban water users advising of restrictions to urban water users and the current and growing critical water situation, requesting their cooperation in reviewing their current usage, and inviting a response.***

CARRIED

7.2 *Items for Consideration*

7.2.1 Nil

7.3 Items for Information**7.3.1 Business Water Efficiency Program (AF 8/1) (IE 5/1)****Late Item****Appointment of Delegates to The South Burnett Regional Council Local Transition Committee**

7922 Moved Cr Mobbs seconded Cr Hatchett: *THAT Councillors Peter Angel and Raelene Dennis be appointed as delegates to the Local Transition Committee.*

CARRIED

Closure

There being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 8:09 pm

Peter Angel
Mayor