



## MINUTES OF THE 132ND BOARD MEETING

**MONDAY 08 October 2018**

**The Barramundi Discovery Centre, Karumba**

<b>REPRESENTATIVES:</b>	Cr Jack Bawden, Mayor	Carpentaria Shire Council
	Deputy Chair Cr Peter Scott, Mayor	Cook Shire Council
	Cr Trevor Pickering, Mayor	Croydon Shire Council
	Cr Warren Devlin, Mayor	Etheridge Shire Council
	Chair Cr Tom Gilmore, Mayor	Mareeba Shire Council
	Cr Joe Paronella, Mayor	Tablelands Regional Council
	Ms Janelle Menzies, CEO	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
	Mr Stephen Linnane, CEO	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council

<b>CEO'S:</b>	Ms Linda Cardew, CEO	Cook Shire Council
	Mr Bill Kerwin, CEO	Croydon Shire Council
	Mr Peter Franks, CEO	Mareeba Shire Council

<b>OBSERVERS:</b>	Cr Jeff Baines	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Cr Michael Sands	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
	Mr Adam Sadler	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Cr Wayne Kimberley	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Cr Bing Chew	Croydon Shire Council
	Cr Kim Graynor (Deputy Mayor)	Croydon Shire Council
	Cr Lenore Wyatt	Mareeba Shire Council

<b>FNQROC STAFF:</b>	Ms Darlene Irvine	Executive Officer
	Mr Lachlan Rankine	Regional Strategic Infrastructure Coordinator

<b>APOLOGIES:</b>	Mr Bob Manning, Mayor	Cairns Regional Council
	Mr John Andrejic, CEO	Cairns Regional Council
	Cr John Kremastos, Mayor	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Mr James Gott, CEO	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Mr Bill Davis (Exec Director)	Cassowary Coast Regional Council
	Cr Julia Leu, Mayor	Douglas Shire Council
	Mr Mark Storemer, CEO	Douglas Shire Council
	Cr Ramon Jayo, Mayor	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
	Cr Mary Brown, Deputy Mayor	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
	Mr Allan Rayment, CEO	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
	Cr June Pearson, Acting Mayor	Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council
	Mr Justin Commons, CEO	Tablelands Regional Council
	Ms Eileen Demaal-Hall, CEO	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
	Cr Ross Andrews, Mayor	Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council
	Mr Mark Girard	Queensland Treasury Corporation
	Ms Diana Lollato	Queensland Treasury Corporation
	Mr Michael Rowland	Weipa Town Authority
	Hon Mark Furner MP	Minister for Agriculture Industry Development and Fisheries
	Ms Amanda Hancock	Procurement Coordinator
	Ms Linda Richardson	Office & Project Coordinator
	Cr Desmond Tayley, Mayor	Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council
	Mr Travis Sydes	Natural Asset and Sustainability Coordinator
	Mr Mike Hayward, CEO	Carpentaria Shire Council
	Mr Norm Garsden, CEO	Etheridge Shire Council

<b>INVITED GUESTS</b>	Mr Luke Hannan	LGAQ
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## **2565 Chair's Welcome & Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners**

The meeting commenced at 10:05am. Chair, Cr Tom Gilmore, Mayor Mareeba Shire Council welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Cr Gilmore acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today and paid respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

Cr Jack Bawden gave an overview of Carpentaria Shire Council and the Barramundi Discovery Centre.

Cr Bawden also thanked the Chair and Deputy Chair for our recent delegation to Canberra. Thanks also passed on to Linda for the work she has done.

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## **2566 Apologies and welcome to guests**

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As noted.

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## **2567 Confirmation of Minutes**

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**MOVED: Cr Joe Paronella**

**SECOND: Cr Trevor Pickering**

*That the minutes of the 131st FNQROC Board Meeting held on 13 October 2018 be confirmed.*

**CARRIED**

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## **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES**

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**2545 Minute – A copy of the presentation by Cummings Economics to be distributed with the minutes.**

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Complete

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**2546 Minute – The FNQROC Board resolved for each Council to table Drought Appeal concepts to councillors/staff at next individual meetings, to gauge feedback to support either (a) combined fundraiser music festival, (b) individual events on a singular weekend, or (c) straight donation to agreed charity/organisation.**

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**2546 Minute – ADD FNQROC Drought Appeal Initiatives to next FNQROC Board Agenda re outcomes of feedback.**

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See Agenda Item 8.1

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**2527 + 2549 Minute – Mr Sydes to circulate Biosecurity Queensland written update (re Local Government Biosecurity Plans policy) to board once received, or provide further update at next Board meeting.**

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In progress / Awaiting written response

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**2554 Minute – All councils to confirm early participation re Canberra Delegation (17-20 Sept) and Brisbane Delegation (15-19 Oct) to assist with travel planning.**

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Complete

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**2557 Minute – Ms Irvine to circulate a GBR Briefing Note and proposed drafted letters to Government stating the FNQROC position**

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Complete

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## 2564 Minute – All councils to confirm early participation re FNQROC Board Meeting (7-9 Oct) to assist with travel planning

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## ADVOCACY

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### 2568 Advocacy update from member Councils

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- See Canberra delegation report.

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### 2569 Advocacy update from FNQROC

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Post FNQROC Canberra Delegation (September 2018) Advocacy Summary Report tabled

- It is important we keep going back. Benefits may not happen tomorrow but we will see benefits. This is a big part of our job as Mayors.
- It's important to pick up the phone and follow up with these people – don't be afraid to do this.
- Want to be able to build the relationship to be able to get them out here.
- Hold FNQROC board meetings when we have delegations to help logistics. When in Brisbane – do in Cairns the morning or the day before.

Pre FNQROC Brisbane Delegation (15-19 October 2018) DRAFT Meeting Schedule / EOIs re Briefing Topics

- State briefs identified to date:
  - Cairns City Deal;
  - Cooktown 2020 National Indigenous Reconciliation Event;
  - Digital Connectivity – Normanton to Karumba Fibre Optic Project;
  - Gilbert River Project;
  - Management of the Great Barrier Reef into the Future;
  - Mossman Mill and Transitioning the Sugar Industry;
  - National Partnership on Remote Housing;
  - Road Planning and Investment in FNQ;
  - S165 Industrial Relations Act 2016;
  - Tully Multi-Use Sports Complex and Grandstand;
  - Waste Levy Impacts on Councils;
  - Yarrabah Social Housing.

Cr Warren Devlin discussed the federal government investment of 80/20 which is ok if it is a State road but is an issue on a local government road i.e. Ootann and Richmond-Croydon Rd. Cr Devlin coined the term Strategic local roads of national significance (tourism, energy, agriculture, mining as it relates to the National economy).

We need to build argument around these roads and their contribution to the national economy.

Perhaps we should ask the State if we get federal 80% contribution to a local road through ROSI they contribute the 20% given it is part of a corridor.

ROSI – FNQROC make a submission – needs to be consistent with member councils.

**ACTION:** Member councils to send any new/amended briefing notes for Brisbane to Ms Irvine ASAP

**ACTION:** Ms Irvine to send list of heavy vehicle network within our Regional Investment Strategy request for quote to member councils to review as this will be the list FNQROC will submit for ROSI consultations.

**ACTION:** Amend FNQ Road Investment and Planning advocacy briefing to request “If we are able to attract 80% Federal Funding on roads in our region will the State contribute 20%”.

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## STRATEGIC OPERATIONAL PLAN

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### 2570 Yellow Crazy Ant Eradication Program

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Going well – WTMA is to ask for \$6mil per year from July 2019 to continue its successful program.

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### 2571 FNQ Regional Roads Investment Strategy Briefing

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*Lachlan left the room 11.37 am*

Ms Irvine provided an update on the request for quote process, organisations invited to quote and quotes received. Ms Irvine also provided an update on the evaluation process.

#### RESOLVED

That the FNQ Regional Roads Investment Strategy evaluation report be sent to FNQROC board for adoption via flying minute.

*Lachlan returned to the room 11.40am*

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## DISCUSSION TOPICS

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### 2572 Drought Appeal Initiatives and media opportunities via Brisbane Delegation Cocktail Reception (17 Oct)

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Significant discussion was had around the table with a number of differing points put across which are all valid. There was clearly no consensus around the table to the matter was closed.

## CORRESPONDENCE

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Noted

## FNQROC POLICY REVIEW

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Nil

## FNQROC REPORTS AND MOU

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Nil

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### 2573 Profit and Loss and Balance Sheets Financial YTD

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**MOVED:** Cr Trevor Pickering

**SECOND:** Cr Jack Bawden

*That the Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet Reports for the financial year to date be accepted.*

**CARRIED**

## ATTENDANCE & MINUTES OF MEETINGS

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### 2574 Meetings Attending by Executive Officer (25 July – 28 Sept)

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Noted

### 2575 FNQROC Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes (23 July – 23 Sept)

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Noted

### 2576 Confidential Meeting Minutes (23 July – 23 Sept)

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Noted

## LGAQ POLICY EXECUTIVE UPDATE

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*A copy of the LGAQ Policy Executive distributed prior to the meeting.*

Mr Hannan provided a brief verbal update of the following key items, with other items accepted as noted in the tabled Update.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

2577 Next Meeting: 10 December 2018 in Cairns commencing @ 10:00am

Meeting Close: 12.33pm

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Cr Tom Gilmore

Chair

### ACTION ITEMS

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