



MINUTES

PALM ISLAND ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL

Ordinary Meeting Minutes

18 MARCH 2020

**Venue
Council Chambers
1 Main Street
PALM ISLAND QLD 4816**

**MINUTES OF PALM ISLAND ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 MAIN STREET PALM ISLAND
ON WEDNESDAY, 18 MARCH 2020 AT 10.13am**

PRESENT

COUNCILLORS

Cr Roy Prior (Deputy Mayor)

Cr Robert Castors

Cr Deniece Geia

OFFICERS

Ross Higgins (Acting Chief Executive Officer)

Thomasina Morgan (Minute Secretary)

OBSERVERS

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Deputy Mayor welcomed all members and guests and declared the meeting open at 10:14am

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Council acknowledged the Traditional Owners, the Manbarra People, upon whose land we hold our meetings and the Bwgcolman people of Palm Island.

3. APOLOGIES

Mayor Lacey

4. CONDOLENCES

Boyd Family

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5. MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Prior invited Councillors present to use this opportunity to make public any Material Personal and/or any Conflict of Interest (real or perceived) in respect of the items in the Agenda.

Councillors should use this opportunity to disclose and/or comment on other Councillors interests in accordance with the Act and Regulation.

Councillor	MPI/COI	Meeting Items

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 ORDINARY MEETING 26 FEBRUARY 2020

To adopt the minutes of the previous Council Meeting.

<p>Resolution: 2020.130</p> <p>Moved: CR GEIA Seconded: CR CASTORS</p> <p>That Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 February 2020 be received and confirmed as true and correct for record.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND ACTION REPORT

7.1 ORDINARY MEETING 26 February 2020

Action need to be followed up from previous PIASC Ordinary Meetings.

<p>Resolution: 2020.131</p> <p>Moved: CR CASTORS Seconded: CR GEIA</p> <p>That PIASC Action report for 26 February 2020 be received and confirmed as true and correct for record.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

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8. ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

Urgent advice relating to Mayor Lacey

The Acting Chief Executive Officer briefed Council on advice received this morning relating to Mayor Lacey being charged with an offence by the Crime and Corruption Commission on Tuesday afternoon 17 March. The Minister for Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs and PIASC Chief Executive Officer have been advised formally by the legal firm representing Mayor Lacey.

In accordance with the Local Government Act 2009, the Mayor is automatically suspended from his position

8.1 Disqualification of Cr Walsh as a Palm Island Councillor

To advise Council of action taken in relation to the disqualification of Councillor Walsh as a Councillor for the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council

Resolution: 2020.132

Moved: CR GEIA
Seconded: CR CASTORS

That the Acting Chief Executive Officers Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

8.2 Update on Coronavirus- COVID 19

To provide Council with an update on the Coronavirus and possible impacts on Palm Island.

Resolution: 2020.133

Moved: CR CASTORS
Seconded: CR GEIA

That the Acting Chief Executive Officers Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

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8.3 Confidential Report- Proposed Splash Park

To provide Council with an update on the progress with the Splash Park proposed for Palm Island.

Resolution: 2020.134

Moved: CR GEIA
Seconded: CR CASTORS

That the Acting Chief Executive Officers Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

9. EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORT

For Council to review the process for Sealink ferry services requests and to review the proposed additional 6x PIASC Ferry Services for 2020

Resolution: 2020.135

Moved: CR GEIA
Seconded: CR CASTORS

That the Executive Services report be received and noted.

CARRIED

10. FINANCIAL REPORT

10.1 NIL

11. COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 NIL

12. WORKS AND SERVICE MANAGERS REPORT

12.1 NIL

13. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GRANTS OFFICER REPORT

13.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GRANTS

To update Council on the status of grant projects

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Resolution: 2020.136

Moved: CR GEIA
Seconded: CR CASTORS

That the Economics Development and Grants Officer report be received and noted.

CARRIED**13.2 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION ON PALM ISLAND INSTALLATION OF THE MUSEUM OF UNDERWATER ART**

To provide Council with an update on the Museum of Underwater Art (MOUA) and seek Council's direction on future community consultations on the Palm Island installation of the Museum of Underwater Art in light of correspondence requesting delays due to culturally appropriate sorry business.

Resolution: 2020.137

Moved: CR CASTORS
Seconded: CR GEIA

That Council wishes to respect the consultation that has taken place to date and the advice from the chair of MOUA that the GBRMPA process will extend consultation.

It notes the commitment and time frame of the funding program and does not want to see funds lost.

On this basis, Council believes that the process should proceed however due to the fact that Council is in caretaker mode authorises the CEO to take this Council's position to the newly elected Council

CARRIED**14. CONFIRMATION OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER DESCENT**

14.1 NIL

15. CORRESPONDENCE

NIL

16. URGENT LATE ITEMS

NIL

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17. NOTICE OF MOTION

NIL

18. NOTICE OF RESCIND MOTION

NIL

19. NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 29 April 2020, in the Council Chambers, 1 Main Street Palm Island, commencing at 11.00am.

20. CLOSURE

Being no further business, the Deputy Mayor declared the meeting closed at **12.08pm**

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