



# **MINUTES**

**PALM ISLAND ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL**

**Special Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday 13 November 2019**

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

**MINUTES OF PALM ISLAND ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 MAIN STREET PALM ISLAND  
ON WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2019, AT 10.00am**

**PURPOSE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

The purpose of the special meeting was to appoint an Acting Chief Executive Officer.

**PRESENT**

COUNCILLORS

Cr Alf Lacey (Mayor)  
Cr Robert Castors  
Cr Edward Walsh  
Cr Deniece Geia

OFFICERS

Allison Rossetto (Acting CEO)  
Thomasina Morgan (Minutes Secretary)  
Gary Kleidon (Advisor)

**1. OPENING OF MEETING**

The Mayor welcomed all members and declared the meeting open at 10.08am.

**2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

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

**APOLOGIES**

Councillor Roy Prior

**3. MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Cr Lacey 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
Nil		

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Mayor 

**4. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER POSITION****Resolution:** 2019.52Moved: Cr Geia  
Seconded: Cr Castors

Ross Higgins be appointed to act as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO);

Ross Higgins be engaged from 18 November 2019 with appointment to be reviewed by the incoming Council following the 2020 Council elections.

**CARRIED****5. CHRISTMAS/ NEW YEARS CLOSURE****Resolution:** 2019.53Moved: Cr Geia  
Seconded: Cr Castors

That Council will close for the Christmas/New Year period from Monday, 23 December 2019 to Wednesday, 1 January 2020, with all staff to resume duties on Thursday, 2 January 2019

- All staff (with the exception of Senior Executive employees) to have Friday, 27 December 2019, as their Rostered Day Off.
- Council select Option A for the shutdown period over Christmas
- Casual workers must take Leave without Pay during the office closures, and resume back to work on Thursday, 2 January 2020.
- A roster will be prepared of staff available to maintain essential services during the shutdown period.
- Christmas pays for pay period 10.12.2019 – 23.12.2019 be brought forward to Monday 23 December 2019.
- Christmas pays for the period of 24.12.2019 – 6.01.2019, be paid in two (2) weekly instalments paid on 30/31 December 2019 and 9/10 January 2020 respectively.

**CARRIED**

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Mayor 

**6. RAINBOW GATEWAY SUPPORT LETTER REQUEST**

**Resolution:** 2019.54

Moved: Cr Walsh

Seconded: Cr Geia

That Council determine that we provide an in principal letter of support to Rainbow Gateway in relation to its funding application to Arts Queensland. .

**CARRIED**

**7. CLOSURE**

Being no further business, the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 11.04am

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Mayor 