



CONFIRMED MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on 25 May 2021



**SHIRE OF CHRISTMAS ISLAND
MEETING MINUTES CERTIFICATION**

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island Council held at the George Fam Chambers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 25 May 2021

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

1.1 The Shire President declared the meeting open at 7.05pm.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE/DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

1.2 Record of Attendance

Shire President

Deputy President

Councillors

Cr Gordon **THOMSON**

Cr Kee Heng **FOO**

Cr Philip **WOO**

Cr Kelvin Kok Bin **LEE**

Cr Hafiz **MASLI**

Cr Morgan Boon Hwa **SOH**

Cr Farzian **ZAINAL**

Cr Vincent Cheng-Siew **SAW**

Acting Chief Executive Officer

Manager Community/Recreation Services

Manager Research, Policy, Governance & Grants/Minute Taker

So Hon **GAN**

Olivier **LINES**

Chris **SU**

2.2 **Leave of Absence**

Chief Executive Officer

Manager Works, Services & Waste

David **PRICE**

Graeme **HEDDITCH**

2.3 **Apologies**

Councillor

Cr Azmi **YON**

2.4 **Declarations of Financial/Impartiality/Proximity Interest**

2.4.1 Cr THOMSON declares Impartiality Interest for item 10.5.1 'Golf Course Management Orders' as a member of the Christmas Island Golf Club.

3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

4.1 Cr ZAINAL requested that regular rooster management be undertaken at Flying Fish Cove, noting resident feedback.

Action Item – A frequency plan of rooster management scheduling be created and reported to Council from relevant section.

4.2 Cr ZAINAL raised that the skip bin at the Malay Club is overflowing, with visitors and residents feeding back that it is an unsightly first welcome to the Flying Fish Cove precinct. This skip bin was noted to be an IOTA bin.

Action Item – Shire to write to IOTA to request more regular action on the skip bin they have provided in the area.

4.3 Cr ZAINAL raised a car accident incident on Gaze Road. Informed Council that a car accident involving some nine parked cars had occurred at the parking lot near the CI skate park. One driver had reportedly 'domino hit' nine parked vehicles in the car park. Requested SOCI to investigate lighting or other options to mitigate further incidents.

Action Item – Manager for Works and Services to assess the parking lot for safety options

4.4 Cr ZAINAL requested that road closure notices be placed on social media, specifically the CI Blackboard Facebook Group page.

Action Item – IT section to develop a Shire of CI page to post road closure notices from on CI Blackboard. This page will not be monitored, and comments are to be turned off from all posts. An auto-reply function to messages shall redirect all queries to the Shire CEO at usual contact information.

4.5 Cr Kelvin LEE asked if there was an update on Council's April request for information to the Administration on the vaccination rollout for Christmas Island?

Cr THOMSON responded that Council had yet to receive a response to the letter.

4.6 Cr Vincent SAW asked when the repair to the Poon Saan shops road crossing hump will take place? Acting CEO GAN advised that she will follow up with the Manager for Works and Services and return to Council.

Action Item – Council to be advised when Poon Saan road crossing hump will be repaired.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

6 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

7.1 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 27 April 2021

Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr ZAINAL

Seconded: Cr FOO

Res. No: 32/21

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 27 April 2021 Council Meeting.

Carried: 8/0

7.2 Business Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.2 Manager Finance & Administration

10.2.1 Schedule of Accounts – April 2021

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE

Seconded: Cr WOO

Res. No: 33/21

That Council approves the expenditure as presented in April 2021 Schedule of Accounts

Carried: 8/0

10.2.2 Financial Statements - April 2021

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr MASLI

Seconded: Cr SAW

Res. No: 34/21

That Council receives the Financial Statements of April 2021 for the Municipal Fund.

Carried: 8/0

10.3 Manager Community/Recreation Services & Training

10.3.1 Celebrating 23rd Anniversary Seniors Week

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr FOO

Seconded: Cr SOH

Res. No: 35/21

That the Shire of Christmas Island coordinates the celebration of 23rd Anniversary Seniors Week from the 26th July to 1st August 2021 and invites sponsorship from community organisations to assist in facilitating this annual event.

Carried: 8/0

10.4 Manager Works, Services & Waste

10.5 Manager Governance, Research, Policy & Grants

10.5.1 Golf Course Management Orders

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE

Seconded: Cr FOO

Res. No: 36/21

That Council note the request from the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage for Council's position on relinquishment of the Golf Course Management Orders and provide a response.

Carried: 8/0

10.5.1.1 Golf Course Management Orders Response

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE

Seconded: Cr SOH

Res. No: 37/21

That Council will provide a response to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage following a formal approach to the Christmas Island Golf Club to seek their position on the matter, and the possible implications of such for their not-for-profit entity providing this recreation and sporting facility to the community.

Carried: 8/0

10.5.2 Report of Review Accepted by WAPC

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr MASLI

Seconded: Cr SAW

Res. No: 38/21

That Council note the *Report of Review of Local Planning Scheme 2* of the April Ordinary Council Meeting has been accepted by the WAPC. This enables a Local Government to formally resolve to prepare a new Local Planning Scheme.

Carried: 8/0

- 11 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**
- 12 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING**
- 13 BEHIND CLOSED DOORS**
- 14 CLOSURE OF MEETING**
The Shire President closed the meeting at 8.10pm
- 15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 15 June 2021**