



# CONFIRMED MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on 16 November 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 16 November 2021**

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**Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island held at the George Fam Chambers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 16 November 2021**

**1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

1.1 The Shire President declared the meeting open at 7.02pm.

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

2.1 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 Azmi **YON**

Cr Vincent Cheng-Siew **SAW**

Chief Executive Officer

A/Manager Finance and Admin

Manager Community/Recreation Services

Manager Works, Services & Waste

Manager Research, Policy, Governance & Grants/Minute Taker

David **PRICE**

Rostyna **OH**

Olivier **LINES**

Graeme **HEDDITCH**

Chris **SU**

2.2 **Leave of Absence**

2.3 **Apologies**

Councillor

Cr Farzian **ZAINAL**

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

**3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

4.1 Cr YON asked for an update on Shire's crab management planning, following a resident raising the matter at an earlier time. Cr THOMSON responded that the resident had contacted the President's office earlier in the fortnight and expressed her satisfaction on the crab management planning this migration season. Crab fatalities are anecdotally much less than in the previous seasons thanks to more manpower on the roads in the township. She wished to pass on her thanks to the Council.

Cr YON noted that the crab management at this first stage, males and females migrating to the shore, will soon be followed by the females making their way back up the mountain after the spawning occurs in the next fortnight.

Cr YON put forward that taking care of spawning females was the height of preservation needs for Shire to consider and requested that additional Council resources be allocated at this critical time. CEO David PRICE responded that he will organise resources as required when Parks advises Council of the spawning date and predicted female return to the forest. CEO David PRICE credited Parks Australia for their strong crab management this year.

## 5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

### 5.1 Application for Leave of Absence - Cr THOMSON

#### Council Resolution

**Moved: Cr YON**

**Seconded: Cr LEE**

**Res. No: 102/21**

That Cr Gordon THOMSON be granted a leave of absence for the December 7<sup>th</sup> 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting

**Carried: 8/0**

## 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 26 October 2021

Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

#### Council Resolution

**Moved: Cr FOO**

**Seconded: Cr MASLI**

**Res. No: 103/21**

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 26 October 2021 Council Meeting.

**Carried: 8/0**

### 7.2 Minutes of Special Council Meeting held on 15 November 2021

Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

#### Council Resolution

**Moved: Cr SOH**

**Seconded: Cr SAW**

**Res. No: 104/21**

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 15 November 2021 Special Council Meeting.

**Carried: 8/0**

### 7.3 Business Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings

7.3.1 Cr YON requested an update from the CEO and MRST on Shire staff being able to provide assistance to persons in their immigration paperwork. MRST Oliver LINES had contacted Home Affairs and was redirected to a website for information. MRSTT Oliver LINES contacted the mailbox on the website and is awaiting a formal response.

7.3.2 MWS Graeme HEDDITCH updated the Council that the HIAB is still awaiting a component to arrive to complete the installation. Upon successful install and testing, the regular service can resume.

## 8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

8.1 Cr THOMSON encouraged all Councillors to invite people to the Shire's Local Planning Scheme Community Engagement Workshops this fortnight and provided the details to Council.

8.2 Cr THOMSON advised that the Community Consultative Committee had received advice from Cr Morgan SOH that he could not represent Council on the CCC this year as his work schedule prevents him from being able to attend at that time. Cr THOMSON put to the Council that it could address the matter of finding a replacement Councillor in New Business at the end of the meeting. The other Councillor representatives on the CCC were Cr THOMSON and Cr MASLI.

## 9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 10 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

### 10.1 Chief Executive Officer

#### 10.1.1 Dates for Ordinary Council Meetings 2021

##### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr YON**

**Seconded: Cr MASLI**

**Res. No: 105/21**

That Council adopts the following schedule of Ordinary Meetings for 2021 in accordance with section 5.25 (1) (g) of the Local Government Act (CI) 1995 and the Local Government Administration Regulations 1996 commencing at 7.00pm at the George Fam Centre Council Chambers on the fourth Tuesday of each month with the exceptions of:

- 8 February 2022 ordinary meeting due to the long period of no meetings between 7 December 2020 and 8 February 2021.
- 14th June 2022 Ordinary Meeting being the 2nd Tuesday due to the ALGA National Conference in Canberra being the following week.
- The December 2022 Ordinary Meeting which is scheduled for the 13th December 2022 being the 2nd Tuesday due to the Christmas close down period in December 2022.

8 February 2022

22 March 2022

26 April 2022

24 May 2022

14 June 2022

26 July 2022

23 August 2022

27 September 2022

25 October 2022

22 November 2022

13 December 2022

**Carried: 8/0**

### 10.2 Manager Finance & Administration

#### 10.2.1 Schedule of Accounts – October 2021

##### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr LEE**

**Seconded: Cr FOO**

**Res. No: 106/21**

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

**Carried: 8/0**

#### 10.2.2 Financial Statements - October 2021

##### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr MASLI**

**Seconded: Cr WOO**

**Res. No: 107/21**

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

**Carried: 8/0**

### 10.3 Manager Community/Recreation Services & Training

### 10.4 Manager Works, Services & Waste

## 10.5 Manager Governance, Research, Policy & Grants

### 10.5.1 Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015, Regulation 19

#### Council Resolution

**Moved: Cr LEE**

**Seconded: Cr SAW**

**Res. No: 108/21**

That the Council uses WAPC pro-forma Form 1A (Reg 19) (Attachment 1) to satisfy Regulation 19 of the WA Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 to prepare Local Planning Scheme No. 3 to apply to the municipality of Christmas Island as shown on map in Attachment 2 with the inclusion of the Strategic Directions v4 endorsed in 2020 in Attachment 4.

Delegates to the Chief Executive Officer to use WAPC pro-forma Form 1B (Reg 20) (Attachment 2) to carry out notification of the resolution in accordance Regulation 20 of the WA Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.

**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

### 12.1 Resolution to accept new business

#### Council Resolution

**Moved: Cr SOH**

**Seconded: Cr MASLI**

**Res. No: 109/21**

That the Council receive new business regarding Cr Morgan SOH's resignation from the Community Consultative Committee due to work scheduling conflict.

**Carried: 8/0**

### 12.2 Nomination of Councillor Representative on Community Consultative Committee

#### Council Resolution

**Moved: Cr FOO**

**Seconded: Cr WOO**

**Res. No: 110/21**

That Cr Vincent SAW replace Cr Morgan SOH on the Community Consultative Committee for the 2021-2023 term.

**Carried: 8/0**

## 13 BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

## 14 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Shire President closed the meeting at 7.50pm

## 15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7 December 2021