



DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL

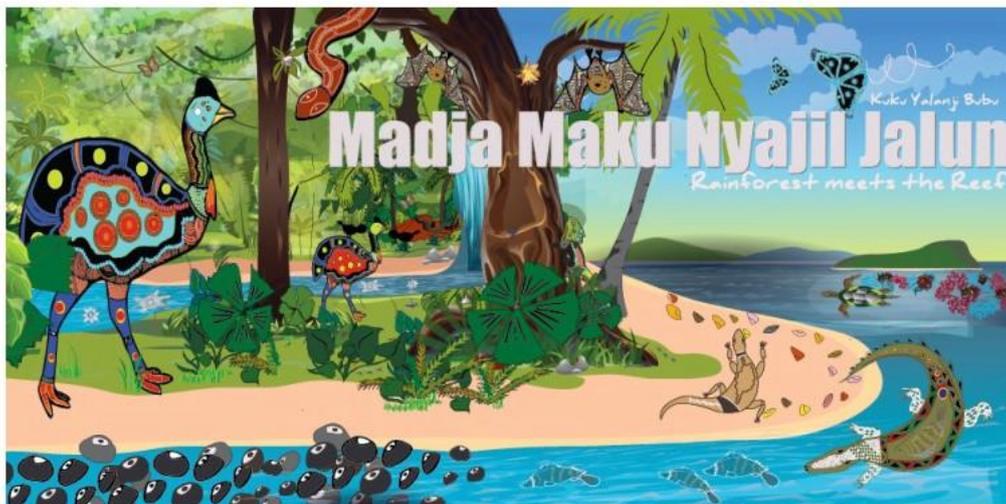
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday, 12 January 2021

ENSURING EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNANCE
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Douglas Shire Council would like to show its appreciation by acknowledging local indigenous artists Lenice Schonenberger, Loretta Pierce (Lenoy) and Ronald Bamboo for providing the cover artwork entitled "**Daintree Ferry**"

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, 12 JANUARY 2021 COMMENCING AT 9.00AM**

Mayor Cr Kerr opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the Special Meeting of the Douglas Shire Council being held on Tuesday, 12th January 2021 at the Mossman Council Chambers.

Cr Kerr gave notice that in accordance with Section 277E of the Local Government Regulation 2012, that the Special Meeting of Council will be restricted to the public access because of health and safety reasons associated with the public health emergency involving COVID-19.

The open portion of the Special Meeting of Council will be available via an Audio Stream on Council's Website at a later time.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Cr Kerr acknowledged the Kuku Yalanji people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which this meeting is being held today and paid respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and extended that respect to other Indigenous Australians who may be listening or watching this morning.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

That the meeting be adjourned up until 9.15am to enable Cr Zammataro to attend the meeting.

Carried Unanimously

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

The meeting resumed at 9.05am

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT

Cr Michael Kerr (Mayor), Cr Lisa Scomazzon (Deputy Mayor), Cr Peter McKeown, Cr Abigail Noli and Cr Roy Zammataro.

APOLOGIES

Nil

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mark Stoermer (Chief Executive Officer), Tara Killeen (Chief Financial Officer), Juanita Holden (Manager Governance, Natasha Murray (Manager Infrastructure), Lisa Golding (Team Leader Community and Economic Development), Colin Chalmers (Asset Management Officer) and Brenda Jang (Executive Assistant).

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST/MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST

2.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST – CR KERR

Cr Kerr informed the meeting that he has a prescribed conflict of interest in item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 1 Volunteer Award as a result of his relationship with one of the nominees as Cr Kerr sits on a board with them and is a direct relative of the Nominator. As a result of his conflict of interest, Cr Kerr will leave the meeting room whilst this matter is considered and voted on.

2.2 CONFLICT OF INTEREST – CR MCKEOWN

Cr McKeown informed the meeting that he has a prescribed conflict of interest in item 3.1 Australia Day Awards Category 1 and Category 7 as a result of being on a committee with one of the nominees. As a result of his conflict of interest, Cr McKeown will leave the meeting room whilst these matters are being considered and voted on.

3. CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr McKeown

That Council resolves to move into Closed Session to discuss the following matters:

3.1 *Confidential – Australia Day Awards 2021; and*

3.2 *Confidential – Daintree Ferry Contract Exentsion*

Carried Unanimously

(Meeting moved into Closed Session at 9.07am)

MEETING WITHDRAWAL

Cr Kerr had declared a conflict of interest in Item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 1 Volunteer Award and withdrew from the meeting at 9.07am.

Deputy Mayor Cr Scomazzon took the Chair during the absence of the Mayor.

Cr McKeown had declared a conflict of interest in Item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 1 Volunteer Award and withdrew from the meeting at 9.07am.

MEETING RE-ATTENDANCE

Cr Kerr re-attended the meeting at 9.10am and resumed the Chair.

Cr McKeown re-attended the meeting at 9.10am.

MEETING WITHDRAWAL

Cr McKeown had declared a conflict of interest in Item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 7 Citizen of the Year Award and withdrew from the meeting at 9.16am.

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MEETING RE-ATTENDANCE

Cr McKeown re-attended the meeting at 9.24am.

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr Zammataro

That Council resolves to move out of Closed Session.

Carried Unanimously

(Meeting moved out of Closed Session at 10.24am)

3.1. CONFIDENTIAL - AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS 2021

Lisa Golding, Team Leader Community and Economic Development; Paul Smyth Events Officer

That Council:

1. *notes the nominations received for Australia Day Awards 2021;*
2. *awards an eligible nominee from each category to receive an Australia Day Award; and*
3. *delegates authority under Section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to finalise any minor amendments in relation to administering the Australia Day Awards for 2021.*

MEETING WITHDRAWAL

Cr McKeown had declared a conflict of interest in Item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 1 Volunteer Award and withdrew from the meeting at 10.25am

Cr Kerr had declared a conflict of interest in Item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 1 Volunteer Award and withdrew from the meeting at 10.25am

Deputy Mayor Cr Scomazzon took the Chair during the absence of the Mayor

Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr Noli

*Category 1
Volunteer of the Year
Nominee ID "G"*

Carried Unanimously

MEETING RE-ATTENDANCE

Cr Kerr re-attended the meeting at 10.26am and resumed the Chair.

Cr McKeown re-attended the meeting at 10.26am.

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Moved Cr Noli

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

*Category 2
Arts and Cultural Award
Nominee ID "A"*

Carried Unanimously

Moved Cr Zammataro

Seconded Cr McKeown

*Category 3
Environmental Achievement Award
Nominee ID "J" & "K"*

Carried Unanimously

Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr Noli

*Category 4
Junior Sports Award
Nominee ID "C"*

Carried Unanimously

Moved Cr Zammataro

Seconded Cr McKeown

*Category 5
Senior Sports Award
Nominee ID "L"*

Carried Unanimously

Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr Noli

*Category 6
Young Citizen of the Year
Nominee ID "P"*

Carried Unanimously

MEETING WITHDRAWAL

Cr McKeown had declared a conflict of interest in Item 3.1 Australia Day Awards, Category 7 Citizen of the Year Award and withdrew from the meeting at 10.28am

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Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr Noli

Category 7
Citizen of the Year
Nominee ID "U"

Carried Unanimously

MEETING RE-ATTENDANCE

Cr McKeown re-attended the meeting at 10.29am.

Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

Category 8
Civic Recognition Award
Nominee ID "E"

Carried Unanimously

3.2. CONFIDENTIAL - DAINTREE FERRY CONTRACT EXTENSION

Colin Chalmers, Asset Management Officer

Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr McKeown

That Council resolves to:

1. *Negotiate an extension to Contract 5-05/06 with Sirron Enterprises Pty Ltd, for a five year plus two-year period, for no more than the estimated value as detailed in the report by 15 January 2021.*
2. *In the event Recommendation 1 cannot be reached by 15 January 2021, release a request for tender to operate the ferry services for the period prior to the two-ferry solution commencing operations, and advise Sirron Enterprises Pty Ltd that they have the option to Tender.*
3. *In the event Recommendation 1 cannot be reached by 15 January 2021, to commence negotiations to acquire the current 27 car ferry from Sirron Enterprises Pty Ltd as per Clause 14.1 of Contract No. 5-05/06.*
4. *That the report be deemed a confidential document and be treated as such in accordance with sections 171 and 200 of the Local Government Act 2009 and that the document remains confidential unless Council otherwise decides by resolution.*
5. *Delegates authority under Section S257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to the Chief Executive Officer to determine and finalise any and all matters associated with this report.*

For: Cr Kerr, Cr Scomazzon, Cr McKeown

Against: Cr Noli, Cr Zammataro

Carried

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CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10.30am.

CONFIRMED THIS 27TH DAY OF JANUARY 2021


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MAYOR/CHAIR