

DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL

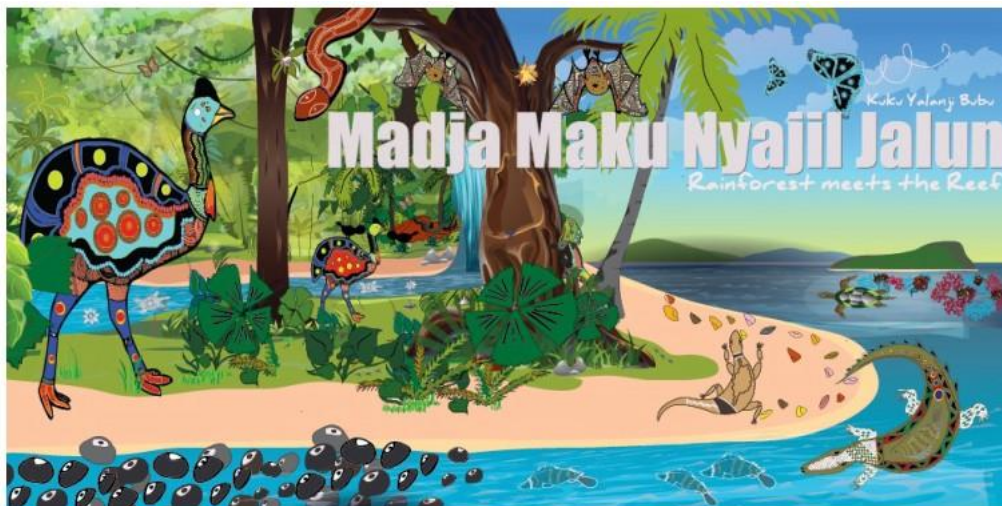
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

Tuesday, 8 June 2021

ENSURING EXCELLENCE IN GOVERNANCE
ACCOUNTABLE AND TRANSPARENT DECISION-MAKING
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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, 8 JUNE 2021 COMMENCING AT 10.00AM**

Mayor Cr Kerr opened the Meeting by welcoming everyone to the Special Meeting of the Douglas Shire Council being held on Tuesday, 8 June 2021 at the Mossman Council Chambers.

Cr Kerr gave notice that, in accordance with *Section 277E of the Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Ordinary Meeting of Council will be restricted in numbers of public attendance because of health and safety reasons associated with the public health emergency involving COVID-19; and advised that this Ordinary Meeting of Council will be available to view via Live Stream on Council's Website and will be available for others to watch 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 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.

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), Juanita Holden (Manager Governance), Tara Killeen (Chief Financial Officer), Natasha Murray (Manager Infrastructure), Lisa Golding (Acting Manager People and Community Services), Sandeep Tut (Team Leader Management Accounting), Rebecca Phillips (Coordinator Integrated Services & Frontline Services), Colin Chalmers (Asset Management Officer), Sean O'Connor (Senior Procurement Officer), Tom Volling (Senior Media and Communications Officer), and Brenda Jang (Executive Assistant).

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Cr Kerr believes that Cr Zammataro may potentially have a declarable conflict of interest which Cr Kerr is required by legislation to notify this meeting. The reason for Cr Kerr's belief is that one of Cr Zammataro's siblings operates a similar operation that could be affected financially, and that the public could be confused by this type of operation; and Councillors need to decide whether Cr Zammataro has a declarable interest in Item 3.5 "*Operational Plan 2021-2022 Initiative – Continue to investigate Opportunities in RV Strategy*".

Cr Zammataro advised the meeting that the Officer's report specifically refers to Mossman and has no bearing on his sister's operation in Port Douglas and believes that he has no declarable interest in the matter.

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Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

That it is in the public interest that Cr Zammataro participates and votes on Item 3.5 “Operational Plan 2021-2022 Initiative – Continue to investigate Opportunities in RV Strategy” and therefore a reasonable person would trust that the final decision is made in the public interest.

Carried Unanimously

3. AGENDA ITEMS

3.1. DAINTREE FERRY REVENUE GENERAL POLICY

Tara Killeen, Chief Financial Officer

Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr McKeown

Council adopts the Daintree Ferry Revenue General Policy.

Carried Unanimously

3.2. DAINTREE FERRY FEES AND CHARGES 2021-2022

Katie Wilkinson, Asset Accountant

Moved Cr Scomazzon

Seconded Cr McKeown

That Council:

1. *adopts the Daintree Ferry Schedule of Fees and Charges for the 2021/22 financial year; and*
2. *delegates authority under Section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate fees and charges where circumstances warrant and to make minor administrative amendments to the Schedule.*

Carried Unanimously

3.3. OPERATIONAL PLAN 2021-2022

Mark Stoermer, Chief Executive Officer

Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

1. *That pursuant to section 174 of the Local Government Regulations 2012, Council adopt the Operational Plan 2021-2022 as presented; and*
2. *Council requires quarterly updates from the Chief Executive Officer regarding the implementation of the Operational Plan for the 2021-2022 financial year.*

Carried Unanimously

**3.4. OPERATIONAL PLAN 2021-2022 INITIATIVE - PORT DOUGLAS AQUATIC
PRECINCT**

Mark Stoermer, Chief Executive Officer

Moved Cr Kerr

Seconded Cr McKeown

That Council adds the Port Douglas Aquatic Precinct initiative to the Operational Plan 2021-2022 as detailed in this report.

For: Cr Kerr, Cr McKeown, Cr Scomazzon

Against: Cr Noli, Cr Zammataro

Carried

**3.5. OPERATIONAL PLAN 2021-2022 INITIATIVE - CONTINUE TO
INVESTIGATE OPPORTUNITIES IN RV STRATEGY**

Mark Stoermer, Chief Executive Officer

Moved Cr McKeown

Seconded Cr Scomazzon

That Council adds the Initiative to Continue to Investigate Opportunities in the RV Strategy to the Operational Plan 2021-2022 as detailed in this report.

For: Cr Kerr, Cr McKeown, Cr Scomazzon

Against: Cr Noli, Cr Zammataro

Carried

CLOSURE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 10.34am.

CONFIRMED THIS DAY OF 2021

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MAYOR/CHAIR