

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE DOUGLAS SHIRE  
COUNCIL HELD AT THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 64-66 FRONT  
STREET, MOSSMAN ON TUESDAY 3 MARCH 2015, COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM**

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**PRESENT**

Cr Julia Leu, Cr Abigail Noli, Cr David Carey, Cr Terry Melchert, Linda Cardew (Chief Executive Officer), Darryl Crees (General Manager Corporate Services) Paul Hoye (General Manager Operations), Rebecca Assman (Manager Governance), Greg McLean (Communication/Events Officer), Scott Hahne (NDRRA Project Engineer) and Mary Graham (Organisational Business Support Officer).

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Cr Leu acknowledged the Kuku Yalanji people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land and paid respect to their Elders both past and present and extended that respect to other Indigenous Australians present.

**APOLOGIES**

Cr Bruce Clarke

Cr Melchert attended the meeting at 10.03am.

**Moved:** Cr Carey

**Seconded:** Cr Noli

*"That Council accept Cr Clarke's apology and that he be granted leave of absence and this will not affect his council remuneration."*

**Carried** unanimously

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST/MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST**

Cr Leu declared a conflict of interest in agenda item 5.3 *"Tourism Port Douglas Daintree"* due to being a member of the Board of the Tourism Port Douglas Daintree and advised that she would be excluding herself from the meeting while this matter is debated and the vote is taken

**Moved** Cr Melchert

**Seconded** Cr Carey

*"That Council note that the Mayor is a council appointed Director of Tourism Port Douglas Daintree and will be present for discussion"*

**Carried** unanimously

**MAYORAL MINUTE**

**3.1 PETITION – UPGRADE OF SECTION OF OLD FORESTRY ROAD, WHYANBEEL**

**Moved** Cr Leu

*"That the petition submitted by High Falls Farm requesting an upgrade to a section of Old Forestry Road, Whyanbeel be received, referred to an appropriate officer for investigation/costing and that a report be prepared for Council consideration, as part of the 2015/2016 budget deliberations."*

**Carried** unanimously

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**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING**

**ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 10 FEBRUARY 2015**

**Moved** Cr Carey

**Seconded** Cr Noli

*"That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 10 February 2015, be confirmed."*

**Carried** unanimously

**5. AGENDA ITEMS**

**5.1 EXHIBITING NON NATIVE FAUNA ON COUNCIL PARKS AND RESERVES**

Robert Donovan: Property Officer #448835  
Darryl Crees: General Manager Corporate Services

**Moved** Cr Leu

**Seconded** Cr Noli

*"That the Council defer Item 5.1 and request a further report that includes consultation with the Douglas community".*

**For:-** Cr Leu, Cr Melchert and Cr Noli

**Against:-** Cr Carey

**Carried.**

**5.2 NATURAL DISASTER RELIEF AND RECOVERY ARRANGEMENTS (2014) PROGRESS REPORT**

Scott Hahne: NDRRA Project Engineer  
Paul Hoyer: General Manager Operations

**Moved** Cr Melchert

**Seconded** Cr Carey

*That Council notes the results achieved to date and the future projections contained in the 2014 NDRRA PCG Monthly Report 1 – January 2015.*

**Carried** unanimously

**5.3 TOURISM PORT DOUGLAS DAINTREE - QUARTERLY REPORT OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2014**

Kerrie Hawkes: Executive Officer # 448828  
Linda Cardew: Chief Executive Officer

**Moved:** Cr Carey

**Seconded:** Cr Melchert

*That Council notes the October - December 2014 Quarterly Report received from Tourism Port Douglas Daintree (TPDD) as per the Resource and Performance Agreement between TPDD and Douglas Shire Council.*

**Carried** unanimously

**6. NOTICES OF MOTION**

Nil

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**7. URGENT BUSINESS**

Nil

**8. CLOSED SESSION**

Nil

**CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The meeting closed at 10:37am.

**CONFIRMED THIS 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2015**

  
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MAYOR/CHAIR