



# CONFIRMED MINUTES

**Ordinary Meeting held on 21 November 2017**



## 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 21 November 2017**

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

The Deputy President declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

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

#### **2.1 Record of Attendance**

Deputy President  
Councillors

Cr Kee Heng **FOO**  
Cr Rosnah **PAL**  
Cr Azmi **YON**  
Cr Nora **KOH**  
Cr Kelvin **LEE**  
Cr Philip **WOO**

Chief Executive Officer  
Acting Manager Finance and Admin  
Manager Works & Services  
Manager Recreation Services and Training Officer

David **PRICE**  
Rostyna **OH**  
Terry **CLARKE**  
Olivier **LINES**

Minute Taker

Shikin **HASINUDIN**

#### **2.2 Leave of Absence – Cr MASLI and Cr SAW**

#### **2.3 Apologies – Cr THOMSON**

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

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

### **4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

- 4.1 Cr KOH – Fish Mural at the Roundabout – Cr KOH advised Council that she has been approached by a few community members regarding the fish mural and that they did not like the opening of the mouth and the position of the fish affected the Feng Shui.

The CEO said that he will take the matter on notice and speak with the artist. Council has also been approached by community members and there are some that do like it and some that doesn't. Council will consult with community for future fish murals that will be placed around the island.

- 4.2 Cr PAL – Bahai Cemetery – Cr PAL advised Council that she had noticed the Bahai Cemetery sign may be placed in the wrong area and asked Council whether the Bahai Cemetery is before or after the Gordon Bennett shrine.

The CEO replied that the Bahai Cemetery is before the Gordon Bennett shrine where a small section has been allocated. The CEO and MWS will look into the matter and reallocate the sign to the appropriate area.

## 5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr WOO

### Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr LEE

Res. No: 106/17

That the leave of absence application submitted by Cr WOO (5/12/17 to 12/12/17) be approved.

Carried: 6/0

## 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 24 October 2017

Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

### Council Resolution

Moved: Cr WOO

Seconded: Cr PAL

Res. No: 107/17

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 24 October 2017 Council Meeting.

Carried: 6/0

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

## 8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The Deputy President read about the history of the Japanese occupation on Christmas Island from 1942 to 1945 to the Council.

### Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE

Seconded: Cr KOH

Res. No: 108/17

A committee of Shire employees and islanders interested in island history have developed a proposal to honour these people with a small memorial in three languages as follows:

**In memory of the Christmas Islanders who lived under Japanese Occupation from 1942-1945 and to the island men, women and children taken away and enslaved in Japanese work camps across the occupied Dutch East Indies.**

**Eight hundred were taken, only dozens returned home.**

CIP has agreed to deliver a pinnacle to act as a cenotaph for the plaque. SOCI staff has costed the plaque to be about \$3000 for a bronze A3 size with translation.

Council to discuss the placement of the plaque and pinnacle at a future Council meeting after the plaque and pinnacle is organised.

Council to agree to the costing for the plaque creation.

Carried: 6/0

## 9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

## 10 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

### 10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.1.1 Annual Report 2017

### Council Resolution

<b>Moved: Cr YON</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr PAL</b>	<b>Res. No: 109/17</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Shire of Christmas Island Annual Report for 2017 is accepted.</li> <li>2. An Elector's General Meeting is held on Tuesday 12 December 2017 commencing at 6.30pm for the purpose prescribed by the Local Government Act 1995 (WA) (CI).</li> <li>3. The Chief Executive Officer is to give notice of the Elector's Meeting and to ensure that statutory requirements regarding the acceptance of the Annual Report 2017 are met.</li> </ol>		
<b>Carried: 6/0</b>		

10.1.2 Dates for Ordinary Council Meetings 2018

<b>Council Resolution</b>													
<b>Moved: Cr YON</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr WOO</b>	<b>Res. No: 110/17</b>											
<p>That Council adopts the following schedule of Ordinary Meetings for 2018 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 as follows with the exceptions of 13 February 2018 ordinary meeting due to the long period of no meetings between December 2017 and February 2018, the 20 November 2018 ordinary meeting being the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 4 week after the October 2018 meeting and 3 weeks before the December 2018 which is scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018 being the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday due to the Christmas close down period in December 2018.</p>													
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<b>Carried: 6/0</b>													

10.1.3 SOCI Representation on the Indian Ocean Territories Regional Development Organisation

<b>Council Resolution</b>		
<b>Moved: Cr LEE</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr KOH</b>	<b>Res. No: 111/17</b>
<p>The Council appoints the President Gordon Thomson to be the SOCI representative on the Indian Ocean Territories Regional Development Organisation.</p>		
<b>Carried: 6/0</b>		

10.1.4 Councillors Allowances

<b>Council Resolution</b>												
<b>Moved: Cr LEE</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr YON</b>	<b>Res. No: 112/17</b>										
<p>That Councillors be paid the following annual allowance on a 3 monthly basis in advance from the date on which they take the oath of office and the elections for the President and Deputy President are conducted.</p>												
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The above allowances are subject to any variation by determination of the Western Australian Salaries and Allowance Tribunal to allocated Christmas Island to Band 3 and Council's decision to apply any such determination.

**Carried: 6/0 (Absolute Majority)**

## **10.2 Manager Finance & Administration**

### 10.2.1 Schedule of Accounts – October 2017

#### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr LEE**

**Seconded: Cr YON**

**Res. No: 113/17**

That Council approves the expenditure as presented in October 2017 Schedule of Accounts.

**Carried: 6/0**

### 10.2.2 Financial Statements – October 2017

#### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr LEE**

**Seconded: Cr WOO**

**Res. No: 114/17**

That council receives the Financial Statements of the October 2017 for the Municipal Fund.

**Carried: 6/0**

## **10.3 Manager Community Services**

## **10.4 Manager Works & Services**

### 10.4.1 Items Sale by Cash Component

#### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr YON**

**Seconded: Cr LEE**

**Res. No: 115/17**

That Council agree to present for sale by way of a cash transaction a quantity of concrete blocks (350) at \$4 each and a small quantity of hexagonal concrete blocks (30) at \$1 each

**Carried: 6/0**

### 10.4.2 Replacement Tip truck

#### **Council Resolution**

**Moved: Cr LEE**

**Seconded: Cr WOO**

**Res. No: 116/17**

That Council accept the quotation to supply a new Fuso tandem axle tipper truck from Daimler Trucks Perth for \$205,735. No other quotations were called as Daimler Trucks Perth are a WALGA Preferred Supplier

**Carried: 6/0**

## **10.5 Manager Recreation Services & Training Officer**

**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 President closed the meeting at 7.41pm

**15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 12 December 2017.**