



CONFIRMED MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on 27 March 2018



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 27 March 2018

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The 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

Shire President
Deputy President
Councillors

Cr Gordon **THOMSON**
Cr Kee Heng **FOO**
Cr Rosnah **PAL**
Cr Azmi **YON**
Cr Philip **WOO**
Cr Hafiz **MASLI**
Cr Vincent **SAW**

Chief Executive Officer
Manager Finance and Admin
Manager Community Services
Manager Recreation Services and Training Officer

David **PRICE**
GAN So Hon
CHEW Boon Beng
Olivier **LINES**

Minute Taker

Chris **SU**

2.2 Leave of Absence –Cr KOH

2.3 Apologies - Cr Kelvin LEE

2.4 Declarations of Financial/Impartiality/Proximity Interest

3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 4.1 Regine **ANDERSEN** of Sung Miao Low requested Council's feedback on the proposed rules for sustainable fishing on CI. Recounts a media report of a sizeable marlin spearfished earlier in the year and passed on that people in the community had been discussing the inappropriateness of visitors coming to catch billfish on island, noting a standing local practice of releasing such fish when caught.

Gordon **THOMSON** responded that the Department of Fisheries staff have met with the Community Consultative Committee in previous consultations and have come to these proposed rules as a result of this community engagement process. Requests that Regine **ANDERSEN** formally submit her item for discussion at the CCC meeting of 4th April for a full discussion of the matter as the public question time at Council meeting for council business was not the right forum.

- 4.2 Regine **ANDERSEN** asked if Council could consider organising working bees in anticipation of the 60th Anniversary Territory Week in October. Acknowledges that other parties such as Keep Australia Beautiful Committee is on island doing beach clean ups on May 5th.

Gordon **THOMSON** responded that Council has been considering how to ensure the island is in a presentable way for the 60th.

David **PRICE** adds that Council has been engaging with the Mine and Administration on a clean-up program and will convene on the matter again with a view to commence a program for it.

Gordon **THOMSON** added that Council was in the process of obtaining canvas shopping bags for use on Christmas Island to assist in the roll out of the plastic bag ban.

- 4.3 Cr **FOO** Kee Heng raises issue of Drumsite Village traffic exiting onto roadway that Boong Trading is on and turning left. **FOO** Kee Heng raised this with Terry **CLARKE, MWS** who confirmed that its 6m width is too narrow for a two way road.

Normally, the road has been one way. No signage indicates that it is one or two way at present.

Requests that SOCI communicate with Administration to instruct Drumsite Village residents to turn right to exit and for SOCI to make appropriate signage. CEO David **PRICE** to follow up with Manger of Works and Services Terry **CLARKE**.

- 4.4 Cr Vincent **SAW** raised that the gazebos in Flying Fish Cove were rundown and could SOCI approach Administration about it.

CEO David **PRICE** responded that a wider beautification of the area was being considered to include gazebo care, amenities for seniors, park equipment and youth.

Cr Gordon **THOMSON** enquired if SOCI can install a swing initially?

CEO David **PRICE** responded in the positive and would consider some options.

- 4.5 Cr Azmi **YON** raised the issue of leaf litter in Flying Fish Cove. Leaf litter was not being removed, only swept to the side of the sea wall.

Cr Gordon **THOMSON** and CEO David **PRICE** responded that the Flying Fish Cove foreshore was the responsibility of Administration.

- 4.6 Cr Rosnah **PAL** requested an Islander update about the status of the trains that had been moved to the tip site for temporary storage.

- 4.7 Cr **FOO** Kee Heng requested that a public notice was sent out to update Silver City residents on the schedule of roadworks in Silver City originally planned for January 2018 and not yet commencing.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- 5.1 Cr LEE – Leave of Absence

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr WOO

Res. No: 13/18

That the leave of absence application submitted by Cr LEE (24/3/18 to 21/4/18) be approved.

Carried: 7/0

- 5.2 Cr FOO – Leave of Absence

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr SAW

Res. No: 14/18

That the leave of absence application submitted by Cr FOO (31/3/18 to 1/5/18) be approved.

Carried: 7/0

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 13 February 2018

Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr WOO

Seconded: Cr YON

Res. No: 15/18

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 13 February 2018 Council Meeting.

Carried: 7/0

7.2 Business Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

- 8.1 Cr Gordon **THOMSON** advises Council that he approved a \$250 grant for the CI Robbers Rugby Club for trophies from the Community Grant Fund as his right as Shire President to approve grant applications for less than \$1000 throughout the year as per policy of the grant fund.

9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.1.1 Local Law

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr FOO

Res. No: 16/18

1. That Council adopt by ABSOLUTE MAJORITY the following final Shire of Christmas Island Local Laws in accordance with Part 3, Division 2, Sub Division 2 of the Local Government Act (WA) (CI) 1995:
 - Repeal Local Law 2018
 - Standing Orders Local Law 2018
 - Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law 2018
 - Health Local Law 2018
 - Dogs Local Law 2018
 - Cats Local Law Amendment 2018
 - Waste Local Law 2018
 - Animal, Environment and Nuisance Local Law 2018, and
 - Plastic Bag Reduction Local Law 2018
2. The CEO to convene a meeting of all supermarkets and other relevant small businesses to discuss:
 - The implementation of the removal of single plastic shopping bags with the effective date being no later than 1 June 2018.
 - The possible inclusion by future amendment to the Plastic Bag Reduction Local Law 2018 for the banning of plastic straws and plastic food takeaway containers.

Carried: 7/0 Absolute Majority

10.1.2 Shire of Christmas Island – Westpac Bank Signatory

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr MASLI

Seconded: Cr SAW

Res. No: 17/18

That Council authorises following personnel to operate and sign on behalf of the Shire of Christmas Island Westpac Bank Accounts.

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| 1. David Eric Price | Chief Executive Officer |
| 2. Gan So Hon | Manager Finance & Admin |
| 3. Chew Boon Beng | Manager Community Services |
| 4. Terence Peter Clarke | Manager Works & Services |
| 5. Olivier William Lines | Manager Recreation & Training Officer |
| 6. Ron Edward De Cruz | Building & Health Officer |

Carried: 7/0

10.1.3 ALGA National Conference Attendance

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr PAL

Res. No: 18/18

That Council –

1. confirm registration to attend the 2018 Australian Local Government Association National Assembly conference scheduled for 17 to 20 June 2018 in Canberra,
2. nominates the Shire President, the CEO and Councillors Pal and Koh to attend the conference for the purpose of registration, travel and accommodation arrangements,
3. advise the CEO of any Motions by 29 March 2018 that Council may want to have included in the Conference Agenda Papers and,
4. confirm the voting (x 1 Councillor Pal) and proxy (x 1 Councillor Koh) delegates for the conference.

Carried: 7/0

10.1.4 Report on the Building Licenses Issued in the 1st Quarter 2018

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr SAW

Res. No: 19/18

That Council notes the report.

Carried: 7/0

10.2 Manager Finance & Administration

10.2.1 Schedule of Accounts – February 2018

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr YON

Seconded: Cr WOO

Res. No: 20/18

That Council approves the expenditure as presented in February 2018 Schedule of Accounts.

Carried: 7/0

10.2.2 Financial Statements – December 2017 & January 2018

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr FOO

Seconded: Cr PAL

Res. No: 21/18

That council receives the Financial Statements of the February 2018 for the Municipal Fund.

Carried: 7/0

10.3 Manager Community Services

10.4 Manager Works & Services

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

12.1 IOTHS 5 Year Strategic Plan

Council Resolution		
Moved: Cr MASLI	Seconded: Cr SAW	Res. No: 22/18
To accept item IOTHS 5 Year Strategic Plan to be introduced to the meeting.		
Carried:	7/0	

12.2 IOTHS 5 Year Strategic Plan to be referred to Community Consultative Committee

Council Resolution		
Moved: Cr FOO	Seconded: Cr PAL	Res. No: 23/18
To accept item IOTHS 5 Year Strategic Plan to be introduced to the CCC meeting of 4 th April 2018.		
Carried:	7/0	

13 BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

14 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The President closed the meeting at 8.10pm

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 24 April 2018.