

Minutes



General Meeting

Wednesday September 15, 2021

Council Chambers, Hope Vale

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9.50 am.

Mayor Woibo acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting is being held and elders, past present and future.

The Mayor acknowledged those members of the Hope Vale region who have recently passed away as well as other members of the region who have suffered illness or injury by observing a minute's silence.

The Mayor welcomed Pastor Mark Winter to the meeting. Pastor Winter led the Meeting with a prayer. The Mayor thanked the Pastor and the Pastor left the Meeting.

2 MEMBERS PRESENT:

Cr Jason Woibo -Mayor

Cr Bruce Woibo -Deputy Mayor

Cr Barry Bowen

Cr Keithan Bowen

Cr Allison Michael

Officers Present:

Acting Chief Executive Officer - Ross Higgins

3 OBLIGATIONS OF COUNCILLORS

3.1 DECLARATION OF PRESCRIBED CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Sections 150EG-150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarations of prescribed conflicts of interest were made relating this meeting.

3.2 DECLARABLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST ON ANY ITEM OF BUSINESS

Pursuant to Sections 150EN-150ET of the Local Government Act 2009, no declarable conflict of interests were made relating this meeting.

3.3 REGISTERS OF INTEREST

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to keep their Registers of Interests and Related Parties Disclosures updated.

4 Deputations

10.00am – 10.30am Meet and greet with Government Champion Mr Mike Kaiser, Director General, Department of Resources and Ms Charlene Bernt, Director, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Futures, Department of Resources through video conference.

10.45am – Ms Rachel Cliffe, Regional General Manager North Queensland, Telstra discussing telecommunication issues, future of the 3G network, options for better coverage for those living outside the town area.

11.45am -Rachel Cliffe left the meeting

5.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Special Meeting held on Monday 16 August 2021.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution 01/15092021

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Monday 16 August 2021, be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5.2 Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting held on Wednesday 18 August 2021

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Keithan Bowen

Resolution 02/15092021

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on Wednesday 18 August 2021, be accepted as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

6 Business arising from Minutes of Special Meeting held on Monday 16 August 2021 and General Meeting held on Wednesday 18 August 2021.

Councillors raised concerns about Council vehicles and equipment stored at the workshop and that these should be relocated to another location.

There also needs to be an assurance that vehicles that are tendered are in same condition when tender is accepted.

The Meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.20pm and reconvened at 12.55pm

7 Mayor's Report

Verbal report provided by the Mayor on activities undertaken over the past month.

8.0 Acting CEO Information Report

The Acting CEO Report was considered by Council

Moved by Cr Bruce Woibo

Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen

Resolution 03/15092021

That Council note and accept the Acting Chief Executive Officers Information Report

CARRIED

8.1 Christmas /New Year Shutdown 2021

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution 04/15092021

That Council approves the 2021 Christmas and 2022 New Year shut down dates to be from Friday 17 December 2021 to Tuesday 4 January 2022. The shutdown period commences at close of business on Friday 17 December 2021 and the workforce will return to work on Tuesday 4 January 2022 unless otherwise approved by the CEO/Executive Team members for essential and other services/programs

CARRIED

8.2 LGAQ 125th Annual Conference

To determine Hope Vale Aboriginal Shire Council's attendance at the 2021 LGAQ Conference to be held in Mackay from 25-27 October 2021.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen

Resolution 05/15092021

That Council confirms and approves that all councillors and the Acting Chief Executive Officer represent Council by attending the LGAQ 125th Annual Conference being held in Mackay from 24 to 27 October 2021

CARRIED

8.3 Hope Vale Foundation

To determine future Council representation on the Board of the Hope Vale Foundation

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo

Resolution 06/15092021

That Council endorses that Cr Bruce Woibo and Cr Keithean Bowen be appointed Councils representatives on the Board of Directors for the Hope Vale Foundation in accordance with section 37 (b) of the Hope Vale Foundation Constitution and advise the Foundation accordingly

CARRIED

8.4 Appointments as Acting Chief Executive Officer

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution 07/15092021

That, in accordance with section 195 (b) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council delegates authority to the Mayor to appoint an Acting Chief Executive Officer as a temporary arrangement in an emergency situation to ensure that the business of Council can be effectively continued during absences. The Acting Chief Executive Officer is able to exercise the powers that Council has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer.

CARRIED

8.5 Full Boar Thai Boxing Club

Request for use of the Matthew Bowen Multi Purpose Centre by Full Boar Thai Boxing Club to hold a muaythai competition.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen

Seconded by Cr Keithean Bowen

Resolution 08/15092021

That Council approves the use of the Multi-Purpose Centre by the Full Boar Thai Boxing club for this one-off competition event and agrees to reduce the cost for hire of the facility to \$250.00

CARRIED

9. Finance and Corporate Services Director's Report

The Finance Director's Report dated 10 September 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Keithean Bowen

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution 09/15092021

That Council note the Finance Director's Report dated 10 September 2021.

CARRIED

10 Human Resource Manager's Report

The Human Resource Manager's Report as of 31 August 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution 10/15092021

That Council note the Human Resource's Manager Report for the month of August 2021.

CARRIED

11 Social Services Report

The Social Service's Report to 31 July 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Keithean Bowen

Seconded by Cr Allison Michael

Resolution 11/15092021

That Council note the Social Services Report for the month of August 2021.

CARRIED

12 Operations Manager's Report

The Operations Manager's Report for the month of August 2021 was considered by Council.

Moved by Cr Barry Bowen**Seconded by Mayor Jason Woibo****Resolution 12/15092021****That Council note the Operations Manager Report for the month of August 2021.****CARRIED**

13 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

As above

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

- Cr Barry Bowen provided advice on the Rheumatic Fever issue in Hope Vale at present and the team from Cairns Health assisting. He would like to see support from Council and other agencies such as Apunipima towards this matter.
- Cr Barry Bowen sought advice on Occupational Therapist reports for a number of houses in Hope Vale where it appears that no action has been taken. Requested if the Acting CEO could follow up on this to see whether the process can be sped up.
- Cr Keithan Bowen was questioning the charges for the hire of council facilities. Believes that the use of facilities for funeral wakes should be free as a Council contribution to the community with only the bond for cleaning to be paid.

Acting CEO asked to prepare a policy on future use of Council facilities.

15 CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

Provision of Security Services over Council buildings and facilities

The Mayor advised that due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, pursuant to Section 254J of the Local Government Regulation 2012, the meeting would now have to be closed to the public.

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo**Seconded by Cr Allison Michael****Resolution: 13/15092021****That Council move into closed session at 3.45pm****CARRIED**

Moved by Cr Allison Michael

Seconded by Cr Bruce Woibo

Resolution: 14/15092021

That Council moved out of closed session at 4.00pm.

CARRIED

Moved by Mayor Jason Woibo

Seconded by Cr Barry Bowen

Resolution 15/15092021

That Council proposes that the proposal to engage security services not proceed at this time and further information be brought back to Council at a future Council meeting to allow on-going consideration.


CARRIED


11 NEXT MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 13 October 2021.

12 MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.10pm.


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Mayor Cr Jason Woibo


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Ross Higgins
Acting Chief Executive Officer