



Torres Strait Island
REGIONAL COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES

HOUSING AND SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES
COMMITTEE

Date: Tuesday – 24th August 2021
Time: 10:00am to 12:00noon
Venue: VMR #6 – 0292 970 558

PRESENT

Cr Keith Fell – Chair
Cr Francis Pearson - Committee Member
David Baldwin – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Peter Krebs - Senior Legal Counsel
Dawson Sailor – Acting Head of Community Services
Naila Nomoa – Acting Secretariat Officer

Apology

Cr John Levi – Committee Member

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Agenda

1. Welcome (Chair)

Cr Fell welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their time.

2. Opening Prayer

Cr Fell opened the meeting with a word of prayer.

3. Apologies

- Cr John Levi – Committee Member – community meeting

4. Conflict of Interest (COI)/ Material Personal Interest (MPI) Declaration

No Declaration made.

5. Confirmation of previous minutes – 22 June 2021

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Pearson Second; Cr Fell

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd June 2021 is a true and accurate account.

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6. Action Items List

Acting Chief Executive Officer and Acting Head of Community Services went through action items.

Cr Fell raised if Trust Fund account be used can be utilised for community street lighting. A/CEO advised of Engineering dept undertaking an audit as part of their Operational Plan objective.

7. Housing Authority – Engage Specialist Service

Acting Head of Community Services spoke to report.

- Budget of \$50,000 has been approved.

Recommendation:

Moved; Cr Fell Second; Cr Pearson

The Housing and Safe and Healthy Community Committee notes the information contained in this report and recommend the following for Council endorsement:

- Commence procurement process to engage specialist consultant to explore options for Housing Authority for Council's consideration in line with determined scope of works and
- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009*:
 - power to make, amend or discharge the resulting contract and
 - power to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and agreement including without limitation any options and/or variations.

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ACTION: Acting Chief Executive Officer and Head of Community Services to discuss concept presented at November 2020 Councillors workshop.

8. Policy – Housing – Deceased Tenant

Acting Head of Community Services spoke to report.

Recommendation:

Moved; Cr Pearson Second; Cr Fell

The Housing and Safe and Healthy Community Committee notes the report

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9. General/ Other Business (on notice)

Cr Fell

- follow through with things that has not been done.
- Keep communication open and transparent especially housing.
- Clarify if conversation around the Housing Investment Plan is still occurring. Mabuiag yet to occur.
- Apologises to Head of BSU and all staff that attended the Yam Island meeting with the way he spoke.

Cr Pearson

- Follow-up with councillors how they can spend their professional development.

Action: Acting Head of Community Services to investigate how councillors can spend their professional development funds.

Action: Acting Head of Community Services to follow up Housing Investment Plan consultation date with Head of BSU; Manager, and notify Cr Fell

Acting Chief Executive Officer

- Mayor Mosby spoke about precinct planning and intend to liaise with Chair further on the matter
- Advise Chair and Members what it may look like.
- Laydown/ Storage on Moa Island.

10. Next meeting date

- Tuesday 26th October 2021

Cr Fell advise that meeting could be moved to September 2021.

11. Closing Prayer

Cr Fell thanked Staff for their time and invited Cr Pearson to close with a word of prayer.