

MINUTES

TORRES STRAIT ISLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

MARCH 2021

TRUSTEE MEETING

Wednesday 17th March 2021

Video Conference

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Present

Cr Phillemon Mosby, Mayor (Poruma)
Cr Dimas Toby, Division 1 – Boigu
Cr Torenzo Elisala, Division 2 – Dauan
Cr Conwell Tabuai, Division 3 – Saibai
Cr Keith Fell, Division 4 – Mabuiag
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu
Cr Lama Trinkoon, Division 6 – Kubin, Mua Island
Cr John Levi, Division 7 – St Pauls, Mua Island
Cr Seriako Dorante, Division 8 – Kirriri
Cr Getano Lui Jnr, Division 9 – Iama
Cr Kabay Tamu, Division 10 – Warraber
Cr Francis Pearson, Division 11 – Poruma
Cr Hilda Mosby, Division 12 – Masig
Cr Jimmy Gela, Division 14 – Erub
Cr Aven Noah, Division 15 – Mer

Mr Ilario Sabatino, Acting Chief Executive Officer (ACEO) (Poruma)
Ms Hollie Faithfull, Chief Financial Officer (CFO) (Cairns)
Mr David Baldwin, Chief Engineer (CE) (Cairns)
Ms Rachel Pierce, Acting Chief Operating Officer (ACOO)(TI)
Ms Julia Maurus, Manager Legal Services (MLS) (Cairns)
Mrs Kathy Cochran – Secretariat Officer (SO) (Cairns)

Apologies

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Agenda Items

1. 9:07am - 9:17am Opening Prayer and Welcome

Mayor Mosby welcomed and thanked everyone for their attendance and acting Chief Executive Officer did a roll call to establish quorum. Mayor paid respects to and acknowledge Papa God, Traditional Owners both in our region of Zenadth Kes and for the Cairns region, Leaders – past, present and emerging and other political leaders.

Mayor Mosby invited Cr Levi to open the meeting in prayer and Council observed a minute silence for families in sorry business.

2. 9:17am – 9:18am Apologies

Nil

3. 9:18am - 9:20am Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) Declarable and Prescribed

No declaration made.

9:19am – Cr Nona joined the meeting.

4. 9:20am – 9:15am Confirmation of Trustee Meeting held on 23rd February 2021

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Levi; *Second:* Cr Gela

That the minutes from the Trustee meeting held on the 23rd February 2021, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

5. 9:15am – 9:50am Standing Agenda Item: (verbal update)

- TRUSTEE – Undocumented commercial land occupation project

Manager Legal Services, Ms Julia Maurus spoke to the report and informed Council an information report with the updates is included in the meeting documents. Council has a robust discussion around the commercial land occupation.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Gela

That Council resolves to have the Manager Legal Service to develop and enter into leases with CEQ for all their sites across the Region.

MOTION CARRIED

Manager Legal Services also advised Councillors to consider nominating expenditure of DOGIT funds by completing the DOGIT expenditure form with proposed expenditure to be adopted in the FY21/22 budget in accordance with the General Reserve Procedure.

Manager Legal Services also informed Council the Trustee Policy will be held over to June OM.

6. 9:50am – 9:57am LEGAL – Defence Lease Boigu

Manager Legal Services, Ms Julia Maurus spoke to the report.

Cr Toby declared a prescribed conflict of interest as he currently has a yard maintenance contract with the department. Cr Toby left the room at 9:53am. Council has a discussion and asked for community consultation to be done.

ACTION: MLS to conduct further consultation with the Boigu community.

MATTER LEFT LYING ON THE TABLE TO ALLOW FURTHER COMMUNITY CONSULTATION.

7. 9:57am – 9:55am LEGAL – Saibai Health Lease F assignment to TCHHS

Manager Legal Services, Ms Julia Maurus spoke to the report. Cr Tabuai supports the proposal.

10:00am – Cr Toby re-joined the meeting.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Tabuai; *Second:* Cr Noah

1. That pursuant to the Torres Strait Islander Land Act 1991 (Qld), the Trustee consent to the State of Queensland (represented by Queensland Health) assigning Lease 717381004 (Saibai Lease F on SP258902, title reference 51134285) to the Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service (TCHHS).

2. That the Trustee delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the power to conclude the terms of the Deed of Consent to Assignment of Lease and execute same.

MOTION CARRIED

10:01 – Cr Fell left the meeting.

Mayor thanked Julia for preparing everything and asked to convey their thanks to Peter also.

Mayor asked that a DOGIT update be provided to the monthly Trustee Meeting and be placed on the agenda as a standing item. Mayor encouraged all councillors to familiarise themselves with Leases and contact Manager Legal services, Ms Julia Maurus or Senior Legal Counsel, Mr Peter Krebs for any information or advice.

Cr Noah asked if the Culture, Arts, Land and Heritage Standing Committee be informed about these Leases etc. Mayor Mosby asked for DOGIT Leases to be placed on Culture, Arts, Land and Heritage Standing Committee agenda as a standing agenda item. Cr Nona informed Council of the rate per m2 that Badu PBC charges. It was also noted that the Regional ILUA deals with native title and is not about the rent.

ACTION: Secretariat to place on Trustee agenda and Culture, Arts, Land and Heritage Standing Committee agenda as a standing agenda item.

8. 9:55am – 9:58am Next meeting – 20th April 2021

Next Trustee meeting date is confirmed for 20th April 2021.

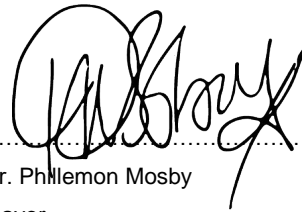
9. 9:58am – 10:00am Closing Remarks and Prayer

Mayor Mosby informed Council, during the break they will be meeting with Minister Craig Crawford and Minister Fentamen in the Community Hall at Poruma and reconvene at 11am. Mayor declared the Trustee meeting closed.

MEETING CLOSED AT 10:10am



Ilario Sabatino
Acting Chief Executive Officer
Torres Strait Island Regional Council
21st April 2021



Cr. Philimon Mosby
Mayor
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