



**Torres Strait Island**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL

# MINUTES

TORRES STRAIT ISLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

MAY 2021

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 10:30am – 5:00pm

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 9:00am – 4:15pm

Cairns

## **COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

### **Agenda Items**

1. 10:30am – 10:35am Welcome and Opening Remarks
  2. 10:35am – 10:40am Apologies
  3. 10:40am – 10:45am Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) (Prescribed and Declarable)
  4. 10:45am – 11:00am Confirmation of Previous Council Ordinary Meeting Minutes
    - 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021
    - 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021
  5. 11:00am – 11:15am Outstanding Council Ordinary Meeting Action Items
  6. 11:15am – 11:15am **COUNCIL MOVE INTO CLOSED BUSINESS**
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  8. 11:30am – 11:45am BUILDING – CB – Hammond Island Undercover Shelter
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16. 3:20pm – 4:20pm CORPORATE – 2021 Operational Plan Q3 Update
  17. 4:20pm – 4:40pm ENGINEERING – Award Tender No. TSIRC2020-330 Badu and Iama Sewer Pump Stations (SPS) Upgrades
  18. 4:40pm – 4:55pm ENGINEERING – Award Tender No. TSIRC2020-301 SCADA Upgrades
  19. 4:55pm – 5:00pm Closing Remarks and Prayer

**COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING**  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021**  
**Agenda Items**

20. 9:00am – 9:05am Welcome and opening prayer.
21. 9:05am – 10:00am **Deputation 1:** – Master Planning – Mr John Conroy - DATSIP
- MORNING TEA – 10:00am – 10:30am**
22. 10:30am – 11:00am **Deputation 2:** – Community Engagement – COVID Vaccine, Ms Helen Reed and Dr Brown, Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service
23. 11:00am – 12:00pm **Deputation 3:** – Skytrans – Ms Wendy Wilson
- LUNCH – 12:00pm – 1:00pm**
24. 1:00pm – 1:30pm FINANCE – Asset Valuation – Late
25. 1:30pm – 1:45pm FINANCE – Monthly Financial Report
26. 1:45pm – 2:00pm LEGAL – Correction of Minutes 21 July 2020 - Poruma
27. 2:00pm – 2:20pm OCEO – Audit Committee Proxies
28. 2:20pm – 2:40pm OCEO – Fuel Project Update – Late
29. 2:40pm – 3:00pm OCEO – Councillor Remuneration Policy – Late
- AFTERNOON TEA 3:00pm – 3:20pm**
30. 3:20pm – 3:50pm PEOPLE & WELLBEING – People and Wellbeing Policies
31. 3:50pm – 4:00pm Business Arising from Information Reports
32. 4:00pm – 4:30pm Strategic Matters
33. 4:30pm – 4:35pm Next COM Meeting Date – 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 – VC
34. 4:35pm – 4:40pm Closing Remarks and Prayers

## **Council Ordinary Meeting – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

### **PRESENT**

Cr Phillemon Mosby, Mayor  
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 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 Rocky Stephen, Division 13 – Ugar  
Cr Jimmy Gela, Division 14 – Erub

Mr David Baldwin, Acting Chief Executive Officer (ACEO)  
Ms Hollie Faithfull, Chief Financial Officer (CFO)  
Mr Ilario Sabatino, Chief Operating Officer (COO)  
Mr Adeah Kabai, Acting Chief Engineer (ACE)  
Mr Peter Krebs, Senior Legal Counsel (SLC)  
Ms Ursula Nai, Senior Executive Assistant (SEA)  
Mrs Kathy Cochran, Secretariat Officer (SO)

### **APOLOGY**

Cr Aven Noah, Division 15 - Mer  
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu

## **COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

### **Agenda Items**

**1. 10:38am – 10:39am**

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Mayor Mosby welcomed everyone and declared the May 2021 Ordinary Meeting open.

**2. 10:39am – 10:40am**

**Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) (Prescribed and Declarable)**

No declaration made. Mayor Mosby encouraged Councillors and staff to make a declaration at any time.

**3. 10:40am – 10:45am**

**Confirmation of Previous Council Ordinary Meeting Minutes**

- 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tabuai; *Second:* Cr Gela

**That the Minutes of the Council Ordinary Meeting, held in March 2021, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2021

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tamu; *Second:* Cr Elisala

**That the Minutes of the Council Ordinary Meeting, held in April 2021, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**4. 10:45am – 11:23am**

**Outstanding Council Ordinary Meeting Action Items**

Acting Chief Executive Officer, Mr David Baldwin provided Council with an update on all outstanding actions.

**ACTION:** Manager Legal Services – when a formal response is sent to a community member, please ensure the on ground Councillor of that community is sent a copy of the correspondence for their information.

Cr Lui asked about the longer outstanding action items. ACEO informed Council the full list will be tabled at the June 2021 Ordinary meeting.

**11:15am** – Cr Pearson is excused and leaves the meeting for appointment.

Cr Tabuai requested an update on the new fuel bowser for Saibai.

Cr Stephen raised asbestos houses in the Region. Do we have a list of houses in each community.

**ACTION:** Cr Fell as the Chair of the Housing and Safe and Healthy Communities Standing Committee to be a core member of the LDMG.

5. **11:23am – 2:34pm** **COUNCIL MOVE INTO CLOSED BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Trinkoon

That in accordance with section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld)* it is resolved for the meeting to go into closed session to discuss matters of the following nature:

- (g) negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;
- (h) legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government

**MOTION CARRIED**

- BUILDING – CB – Dauan Community Hall
- BUILDING – CB – Hammond Island Undercover Shelter
- BUILDING – CB – Iama Covered Sports Facility
- BUILDING – CB – Lot 162 Pedro Street, St Pauls
- ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – ATSI TIDS 2021/22 Funding Agreement
- LEGAL – CB – RTC Lease Mer – Lot 531 on SP249793
- OCEO – CB – Certified Agreement

6. **2:34pm – 2:34pm** **COUNCIL MOVE OUT OF CLOSED BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tamu; *Second:* Cr Tabuai

That Council move out of closed business.

**MOTION CARRIED**

7. **11:24am – 11:45am** **BUILDING – CB – Dauan Community Hall**

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Trinkoon

That Council resolves to:

- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009:
  - Power to award, make, amend, or discharge, contract TSRIC 2021-335; and
  - Power to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations, subject to confirmation of the granting for the Works 4 Queensland (round 3) extension of time.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION:** All future agenda paper for capital works projects needs to be flagged with the on ground Councillor first. All Departments of Council

8. 11:45am – 12:06pm

BUILDING – CB – Hammond Island Undercover Shelter

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Dorante; *Second:* Cr Gela

That Council resolves to:

- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009: power to award, make, amend, or discharge, contract TSIRC2021-332; and power to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations, subject to confirmation of the extension of time for the Works 4 Queensland round 3.

**MOTION CARRIED**

9. 12:06pm – 12:35pm

BUILDING – CB – Iama Covered Sports Facility

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Lui; *Second:* Cr Stephen;

*Against:* Cr Fell

That Council resolves to:

- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009:
  - power to award, make, amend, or discharge, contract TSIRC2021-333; and
  - power to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations, subject to confirmation of the extension of time for the Works 4 Queensland (round 3).

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION:** MLS to check if a standing committee member can be on the panel?

LUNCH 12:35pm – 1:30pm

10. 1:30pm – 1:40pm

BUILDING – CB - Lot 162 Pedro Street, St Pauls

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Levi; *Second:* Cr Trinkoon

*Against:* Cr Fell

That Council resolves to:

- Award a contract for Lot 162 Pedro Street, St Pauls House Rebuild & Contract No: TSIRC 2021-334 to Matt Birney Builders Pty Ltd for a lump sum price of \$682,092.00 excluding GST; and
- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009:
  - Power to award, make, amend or discharge, contract TSIRC 2021-334; and
  - Power to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION:** Head of Building Services to note any variance and include in the monthly report for Council information.

11. 1:40pm – 2:06pm ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – ATSI TIDS 2021/22 Funding Agreement

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Levi; Second: Cr Elisala

Council resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer under the provisions of the Local Government Act 2009 to:

- Enter into the proposed Funding Agreement for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) 2021/22 successful projects for the grant sum of \$1,515,000 excluding GST. The successful projects include;
  - 1) PN1984548 – Boigu Island airport, apron upgrade detailed design
  - 2) PN1984683 – Mer Island aerodrome, undertake safety improvement
  - 3) PN1984717 – Torres Strait Region marine infrastructure assessment and upgrade Study
  - 4) PN1984791 – Poruma Island, William St upgrade design
  - 5) PN1984792 – Dauan Island, pontoon, and gangway design
  - 6) PN1984805 - Torres Strait Region airstrip condition assessment
  - 7) PN1984831 – Saibai Island hospital drive and school road upgrade design

**ACTION:** Acting Chief Engineer to provide a monthly report to Council on the status of the 5 priorities that sits in the Engineering department.

**ACTION:** Acting Chief Engineer to be part of the TSRA technical working group. (Regional Infrastructure meeting in Cairns 14<sup>th</sup> June)

12. 2:06pm – 2:15pm LEGAL – CB – RTC lease Mer Lot 531 on SP249793

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Gela; Second: Cr Fell

That regarding the lease of the Mer RTC on Lot 531, that Council take steps towards surrendering the lease by directing the Acting Chief Executive Officer to investigate ways to either demolish and remove the structure on a cost effective basis or to bring it up to a reasonable state which would comply with council's obligations under the lease prior to surrender.

**MOTION CARRIED**

13. 2:15pm – 2:34pm OCEO – CB – Certified Agreement

2:15pm - Kathy Cochran, Secretariat Officer left the room as she is a union delegate.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Levi; Second: Cr Elisala

That Council resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate and finalise all matters in relation to Council's certified agreement including signing the finalised agreement when certified by the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission.

**MOTION CARRIED**



**2:35pm** – Kathy Cochran, Secretariat officer re-joined the meeting.

**14. 2:35pm – 3:05pm**

**CORPORATE – Community Grants**

Chief Financial Officer spoke to the report.

- **COI** - Cr Elisala declared a prescribed conflict of interest for the application from Roxin Eagle Football Club as he is the Manager of the Team.

**ACTION:** Take up with the Minister – Craig Crawford to change the discretion funds – not rateable council. Policy to suite. Human Rights Act. Needs to be clearly stipulated, including Ilan Kastom.

- Applicant - Restoration Revival Ministries  
Cr Tabuai supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tabuai; *Second:* Cr Fell

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **Restoration Revival Ministries for the eligible amount of \$7,339.75 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Applicant - Aaron Tom  
Cr Toby supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Toby; *Second:* Cr Tamu

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **Aaron Tom for the eligible amount of \$2,487.66 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Applicant – Arkai Brothers Rugby League Team  
Cr Trinkoon supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Trinkoon; *Second:* Cr Levi

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **Arkai Brothers Rugby League Team for the eligible amount of \$9,990.00 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Mabuygiw Garkaziw Kupay TSI Corporation  
Cr Fell is not in support of the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Lui; *Second:* Cr Trinkoon

**No other Councillor supports the motion – MOTION LOST**

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **Mabuygiw Garkaziw Kupay TSI Corporation for the eligible amount of \$2,286.90 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION LOST**

- Warraber Sporting Association  
Cr Tamu supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tamu; *Second:* Cr Gela

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **Warraber Sporting Association for the eligible amount of \$1,100.00 exclusive of GST (plus in-kind assistance to the value of \$200.00 – approval pending), as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- Roxin Eagle Football Club  
**2:58pm** - Cr Elisala declared a prescribed conflict of interest and leaves the room and did not participate in the discussion or vote.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tabuai; *Second:* Cr Pearson

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **Roxin Eagle Football Club for the eligible amount of \$9,920.00 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**3:01pm** – Cr Elisala comes back into the room.

- St James Anglican Parish  
Cr Noah supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Fell; Second: Cr Gela

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **St James Anglican Parish for the eligible amount of \$9,959.96 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

- St Pauls Anglican Church  
Cr Levi supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Levi; Second: Cr Trinkoon

**That Council resolves to allocate Community Grants Program funding to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants Policy:**

**Community Grant Application:**

- **St Pauls Anglican Church for the eligible amount of \$3,774.00 exclusive of GST (plus in-kind assistance to the value of \$745.00 – approval pending), as per the submitted application.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**AFTERNOON TEA 3:05pm – 3:40pm**

**15. 3:40pm – 4:20pm**

**CORPORATE – 2021 Operational Plan Q3 Update**

Chief Financial Officer spoke to the report in regards Business Services and Corporate Affairs departments. Acting Chief Engineer spoke to the report regarding the Engineering Department. Chief Operating Officer spoke to the report regarding the Building Services and Community Services departments. Senior Legal Counsel spoke to the report regarding the Executive Office and the Acting Chief Executive Officer spoke to the report regarding Strategic Projects & Logistic and People and Wellbeing departments.

Aged Care - Cr Lui would like to see the whole program reviewed, particularly with the whole National Review and Inquiry into Aged Care. Council should be tapping into it too.

Cr Lui asked if we can have our grants officer look into the funding stream of Aged Care and Child Care, given this being the current Government focus at the moment.

Cr Lui asked in relation to Domestic Violence and funding to have a position on each island. The advise was Mura Kosker currently receives this funding and have people employed on each island.

**REPORT AJOURNED TO TOMORROW**

16. 5:43pm – 5:49pm

**ENGINEERING – Award Tender No. TSIRC2020-330 Badu and Iama  
Sewer Pump Station (SPS) Upgrade**

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tamu; *Second:* Cr Fell

That Council resolves to delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to:

- Award Contract TSIRC2020-330 – Badu (ICCIP Project #7) and Iama (ICCIP Project #42) Sewer Pump Station (SPS) Renewals to M&J Arthur Pty Ltd for an amount of \$2,425,500.00 excl. GST, and
- Negotiate, finalise, and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council procurement policy.

**MOTION CARRIED**

17. 5:59pm – 5:59pm

**ENGINEERING – Award Tender No. TSIRC2020-301 SCADA  
Upgrades**

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Stephen; *Second:* Cr Tabuai

That Council resolves to delegate power to the Chief Executive Officer, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to:

- Award Contract TSIRC 2020-301 – SCADA Upgrades (ICCIP Project #75) to Austek Pty Ltd for the amount of \$2,330,751.60 excl. GST, and
- Negotiate, finalise, and execute any and all matters associated with or in relation to this project and contract including without limitation any options and/or variations as per Council procurement policy.

**MOTION CARRIED**

18. 5:59pm – 6:01pm

**Closing Remarks and Prayer**

Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and contributions to the meeting and adjourned the following agenda items to tomorrow;

- Operation Plan and
- Monthly Standing Agenda item – financial Report

Mayor Mosby closed the meeting in prayer.

**MEETING CLOSED at 6:01pm**

## **Council Ordinary Meeting – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021**

### **PRESENT**

Cr Phillemon Mosby, Mayor  
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 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 Rocky Stephen, Division 13 – Ugar  
Cr Jimmy Gela, Division 14 – Erub  
Cr Aven Noah, Division 15 - Mer

Mr David Baldwin, Acting Chief Executive Officer (ACEO)  
Ms Hollie Faithfull, Chief Financial Officer (CFO)  
Mr Ilario Sabatino, Chief Operating Officer (COO)  
Mr Adeah Kabai, Acting Chief Engineer (ACE)  
Mr Peter Krebs, Senior Legal Counsel (SLC)  
Ms Ursula Nai, Senior Executive Assistant (SEA)  
Mrs Kathy Cochran, Secretariat Officer (SO)

### **APOLOGY**

Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu

**COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING**  
**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021**  
**Agenda Items**

19.     **9:12am – 9:14am**                             **Welcome and opening prayer**

Mayor Mosby welcomed everyone back for day 2 and invited Cr Fell to open the meeting in prayer.

Mayor informed Council and staff the first deputation has been postponed to another meeting date and Council will deal with the agenda items adjourned from day 1.

20.     **9:14am – 10:34am**                             **CORPORTATE – 2021 Operation Plan Q3 Updated**

Chief Financial Officer continued to speak to the report.

**ACTION:** Manager Legal Services to draft a resolution to Council regarding DOGIT transfer and support for PBC's and cost transfers. Completed.

**9:35am** – Cr Toby joined the meeting.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Tamu; *Second:* Cr Noah

That Council resolves to note the Operational Plan 2020-21 Quarter 3 Update.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**MORNING TEA – 10:00am – 10:34am**

21.     **10:34am – 11:00am**                             **Deputation 2:** – Community Engagement – COVID Vaccine, Dr Elizabeth Peach, Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service

22.     **11:00am – 12:20pm**                             **Deputation 3:** – Skytrans – Mr Alan Milne, Chief Executive Officer and Ms Wendy Wilson, Commercial Manager

**LUNCH – 12:20pm – 1:20pm**

23. 1:20pm – 1:38pm FINANCE – Asset Valuation – Late

Chief Financial Officer spoke to the report.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Levi; Second: Cr Gela

**That Council resolves to:**

- a) Note the percentage increase movements from the asset desktop indexation review conducted by Jones Lang Lasalle; and
- b) Delegate the authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 to finalise the 2020/2021 asset desktop indexation review subject to external audit committee members endorsement.

**MOTION CARRIED**

24. 1:38pm – 1:53pm FINANCE – Monthly Financial Report

Chief Financial Officer spoke to the report.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Gela; Second: Cr Tabuai

**That Council receive and endorse the monthly financial statements attached to the officer's report for the 2020-21 year to date, for the period ended 30 April 2021, as required under Section 204 Local Government Regulation 2012.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

25. 1:53pm – 1:59pm LEGAL – Correction of Minutes 21 July 2020 – Poruma

Senior Legal Counsel spoke to the report.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Elisala; Second: Cr Pearson

**That Council resolves to correct the minutes of its ordinary meeting on 21 July 2020 by adding the following resolutions to the official minutes of that meeting:**

1. That Council issue a Development Permit for "Reconfiguration of a Lot" with the inclusion of the conditions set out in Part 6 of the Agenda report for Warraber Island, Warraber QLD 4875. (LOT20)  
Moved: Cr Tamu; Second: Cr Pearson
2. That Council issue a Development Permit for "Reconfiguration of a Lot" with the inclusion of the conditions set out in Part 6 of the Agenda Report for Warraber Island, Warraber QLD 4875. (LOT24)  
Moved: Cr Tamu; Second: Cr Elisala
3. That Council issue a Development Permit for "Reconfiguration of a Lot" with the inclusion of the conditions set out in Part 6 of the Agenda Report for Erub Island Reconfiguration for creation of new lease, Erub Island QLD 4875. (LOT100)  
Moved: Cr Elisala; Second: Cr Trinkoon

**MOTION CARRIED**

26. 1:59pm – 2:05pm OCEO – Audit Committee Proxies

Chief Financial Officer spoke to the report. Mayor Mosby informed Council the Audit Committee requires two proxy and calls for nominations.

Nomination 1 - Cr Lui nominated Cr Toby  
Cr Toby accepts and Cr Pearson seconds the nomination

Nomination 2 - Cr Pearson nominated Cr Stephen  
Cr Stephen accepts and Cr Tabuai seconds the nomination

Nomination 3 - Cr Elisala nominated Cr Tamu  
Cr Tamu accepts and Cr Trinkoon seconds the nomination

Cr Stephen declined his acceptance of the nomination to provide opportunity for other Councillors.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Trinkoon

**That Council call for the nomination and appoints Cr Dimas Toby and Cr Kabay Tamu as proxy member to the Council's Audit Committee.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

27. 2:05pm – 3:01pm OCEO – Fuel Project Update – Late

Acting Chief Executive Officer spoke to the report.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Noah

**That Council note this report.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ACTION:** Mabuiag temporary shelter – ACEO to take offline with Cr Fell

**ACTION:** Diesel at Kubin – ACEO to take offline with Cr Trinkoon.



28. 3:01pm – 3:24pm OCEO – Councillor Remuneration Policy – Late

Acting Chief Executive Officer spoke to the report.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Noah; Second: Cr Tamu

**That Council resolves to:**

1. **Amend the Torres Strait Island Regional Council’s Councillor Remuneration, Reimbursement and Facilities Provision Policy previously endorsed by Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 28 April 2020, and 16 November 2020 in the terms presented to Council at today’s Ordinary Meeting and endorse the same by adding the following;**

If the CEO consider it an operational advantage or that savings can be achieved by hiring a car of a higher class, this is at the CEO’S discretion. In exceptional circumstances where there is no Council vehicle or taxi service reasonably available, a hire car may be approved, for travel periods of less than 3 days, at the CEO discretion.

2. **Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to exercise the functions and powers assigned to the Chief Executive Officer under the amended and endorsed policy, including the power to make any further minor administrative amendments to the policy as they arise.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**AFTERNOON TEA 3:00pm – 3:20pm**

29. 3:24pm – 3:47pm PEOPLE & WELLBEING – People and Wellbeing Policies

Chief Financial Officer spoke to this report.

**RESOLUTION:**

Moved: Cr Pearson; Second: Cr Gela

**That Council resolves to:**

1. **Endorse the following Torres Strait Island Regional Council policies:**
  - **Work Health and Safety Policy**
  - **Workers Compensation and Rehabilitation Policy**
  - **Domestic and Family Violence Policy and;**
2. **Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to exercise the functions and powers assigned to the Chief Executive Officer under the endorsed policies, including the power to make any further minor administrative amendments to the policies as they arise.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

30. 3:47pm – 3:48pm Next COM Meeting Date – 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 – VC

Mayor confirmed the next Council Ordinary Meeting will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 via video conference.

31. **3:48pm – 4:30pm** **Strategic Matters**

Mayor – moving the TSIRC Cairns office footprint back into the Region

Cr Tabuai – Qld Health Team next visit

Cr Fell – Housing - \$14m – requested a paper for the June 2021 OM and to include methodology and design.

Cr Fell – Sea Rescue – Action – Adeah and Matt Brodbeck are checking with the relevant authorities and the legality around sharing information (AMSA, MSQ, QPS etc.)

Cr Pearson – Provide a letter of recognition to the International ship that rescued the two men from Warraber. Make other ships cautious when using our shipping lane.

**ACTION:** CEO to send a letter to the Shipping company in recognition of the rescue.

Cr Stephen – Community Funding – provide procedure, subsidy reduces to 3 pax needs review.

**ACTION:** Review the Community Funding Policy and workshop at the June SARG meeting. Secretariat to add to agenda – June SARG. Change the cap amount and delegation for the CEO approved amount.

Cr Elisala – Feedback on Federal Budget – grants officer. BSU report – Ilario and Peter – the Matrix reported doesn't reflect what's happening on ground. My house is not up to liveable standard. COO and Head of BSU to take offline for further discussion and attention.

**ACTION:** COO and Head of BSU to make contact with Cr Elisala regarding the liveable standard of his house.

Cr Dorante – Information to Councillors on the 5 priorities list update and how to progress. Trustee – information on the amount and access to Councillors. (CFO sent through an email)

**ACTION:** CFO to resend the email with the Trustee amounts for each community and access process.

**ACTION:** CFO provide update on Grant pipeline – 5 priorities

Cr Lui – Future CEO

Cr Lui – TSIRC Intranet – naming should have come to council for endorsement. Doris represent gossip/carry yarn. It is insulting and culturally inappropriate. Our Elder Women folks are custodian of knowledge and nurturers.

32. **4:30pm – 4:35pm** **DOGIT Transfer**

**RESOLUTOIN:**

*Moved: Cr Gela; Second: Cr Elisala*

**Council resolves to support the DOGIT transfer in the Torres Strait Region from Torres Strait Island Regional Council to the appropriate island community organisation in principle, however this support is conditional upon the State providing appropriate Financial and other support both prior and post transfer to both Torres Strait Island Regional Council and the proposed Community organisation.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

33. 4:34pm – 4:40pm Community Grants – Ann Pau

Chief Financial Officer spoke. The application is received from Ann Pau for travel expense for family members to attend a funeral on Thursday Island.

It was noted during the deliberations of the below resolution, that the Chief Financial Officer strongly advised of this resolutions failure to meet Council Policy and procedure. Cr Stephen supports the application.

**RESOLUTION:**

*Moved:* Cr Fell; *Second:* Cr Tabuai

**Council endorses the grant of \$8000 to cover the family travel expenses to attend the funeral of the late Elizabeth Loban on Thursday Island and notes that the grant is outside of Councils Community Grants Procedure, but due to extenuating circumstances and Ailan Kastom, makes this grant as a one-off exception to the Policy.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

34. 4:40pm – 5:00pm Closing Remarks and Prayers

Mayor Mosby thanked David Baldwin, the Acting Chief Executive Officer and his executive staff and Councillors for all their work. Mayor also acknowledged some Councillors will travel for sorry business and pass on condolences to the families

Mayor welcomed Senior Sergeant Jamie Horn to present and provide Council with an update on the Saibai Island joint facility.

Mayor closed the meeting in prayer.

**MEETING CLOSED – 5:00pm**



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Acting Chief Executive Officer  
Torres Strait Island Regional Council  
29<sup>th</sup> June 2021



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