



MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday, 17 June 2025

**MINUTES OF MAPOON ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE MAPOON ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON TUESDAY, 17 JUNE 2025 AT 10 AM**

PRESENT: Cr Ronaldo Guivarra, Cr Linda McLachlan, Cr Sheree Jia, Cr Maria Pitt, CEO Amanda Ewart, EO Rowena Bullio

IN ATTENDANCE: Warren McEwan (Executive Manager Finance), Victor Mills (Executive Manager Infrastructure & Services).

1 OPEN MEETING

The meeting opened at 10:54am

2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE AND APOLOGIES

Cr Justina Reid called the morning of Council Ordinary Meeting unwell.

3 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND COUNCILLOR OBLIGATIONS

Chapter 5B of the Local Government Act 2009 (the Act) requires Councillors to declare a Prescribed or Declarable Conflict of Interest. The Declaration is to be made in writing to the Chief Executive Officer, before the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Linda McLachlan declared a conflict of interest regarding the Works and Infrastructure report. The matter is in relation to the mechanics workshop.

Cr Linda McLachlan is mother of Peter Ahmat Jnr.

DECLARABLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Sections 150EN - 150ET of the Local Government Act 2009, no Declarable Conflict of Interests were made relating to this meeting.

PRESCRIBED CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to Sections 150EG - 150EM of the Local Government Act 2009, no Prescribed Conflict of Interest were made relating to this meeting.

REGISTERS OF INTEREST

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

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**4.1 MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 20 MAY 2025****RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the Minutes of the Council held on 20 May 2025 be received and the recommendations therein be adopted.

Moved: Cr Sheree Jia

Seconded: Cr Maria Pitt

CARRIED

5 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NIL

6 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Nil

7 MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS**7.1 MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS REPORT FOR APRIL 2025****PURPOSE**

THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS REPORTED ON THE FOLLOWING MEETING/EVENTS:

MAYOR RONALDO GUIVARRA

17/06/2025	COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
17/06/2025	TRUSTEE MEETING
22/05/2025	TORRES CAPE INDIGENOUS COUNCILS ALLIANCE INC. (TCICA) AFL HOUSE – MEMBERS. CAIRNS
27/05/2025	STATUE PROJECT – CULTURAL CENTRE
29/05/2025	QPS FIRST NATIONS MAYORS WORKING GROUP: TEAMS MEETING
30/05/2025	RIO TINTO – FUNDING FOR STATUE PROJECT: TEAMS MEETING
06/05/2025	TICICA – CEO SELECTION MATRIX: TEAMS MEETING
10/05/2025	NEW AMBULANCE – MAPOON PRIMARY HEALTH CARE CENTRE
10/05/2025	LOCAL THRIVING COMMUNITY EDUCATION BOARD – CHAMBERS

11/05/2025	QPS MAYORS WORKING GROUP – TEAMS MEETING
12/05/2025	TCICA EXECUTIVE – CEO SELECTION MATRIX: TEAMS MEETING
16/06/2025	PRE-COUNCIL MEETING: CHAMBERS
11/06/2025	CEQ (BOARD AND STAFF) MEETING WITH COUNCIL: CHAMBERS
09/06/2025	COUNCILLOR TRAINING / WORKSHOP: ROWENA BULLIO

INTERIM DEPUTY MAYOR SHEREE JIA

20/05/2025	COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
21/05/2025	LG LEADERS PROGRAM TRAINING
28/05/2025	RAATSICC EDUCATION
10/05/2025	LTCEB
04/06/2025	COUNCILLOR TRAINING / WORKSHOP: ROWENA BULLIO
10/06/2025	CEQ (BOARD AND STAFF) MEETING WITH COUNCIL: CHAMBERS

CR LINDA MCLACHLAN

20/05/2025	COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
21/05/2025	LG LEADERS PROGRAM TRAINING
	COUNCILLOR TRAINING / WORKSHOP: ROWENA BULLIO
	MP MEMBER FOR LEICHARDT MATT SMITH: COMMUNITY VISIT
	COUNCILLOR TRAINING / WORKSHOP: ROWENA BULLIO
	CAPEHER WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM: NAPRANUM
	CEQ (BOARD AND STAFF) MEETING WITH COUNCIL: CHAMBERS
	ELY CC REP MEETING: RIO TINTO & CC COUNCIL REPS
	PRE-COUNCIL MEETING: CHAMBERS
	COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
	TACKLE INDIGENOUS SMOKING: APUNIPIMA

CR MARIA PITT

20/05/2025	COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
21/05/2025	LG LEADERS PROGRAM TRAINING: COUNCIL
22/05/2025	EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING: COUNCIL
29-30/05/2025	RFDS MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING
03/06/2025	MP MEMBER FOR LEICHARDT MATT SMITH: COMMUNITY VISIT

05-06/06/2025 CAPEHER WOMEN'S HEALTH FORUM: NAPRANUM
10/06/2025 ECQ MEETING: COUNCIL
16/06/2025 PRE-COUNCIL MEETING
17/06/2025 COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

CR JUSTINA REID

08/04/2025 TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG): COUNCIL
28/04/2025 INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM (ILF) – LOCAL COUNCILS
14/05/2025 WCCCA BOARD
20/05/2025 WCCCA BOARD
06/05/2025 HEALTH FORUM: CAIRNS
09/06/2025 COUNCILLOR TRAINING / WORKSHOP: ROWENA BULLIO
17/06/2025 ABSENT – COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

RESOLUTION

MOVED: CR LINDA MCLACHLAN

SECONDED: CR SHEREE JIA

THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLOR REPORTS BE RECEIVED AND NOTED.

CARRIED

7 OPERATIONAL REPORTS**8.3 CEO MEETINGS FROM MAY 2025**

INTERIM CEO AMANDA EWART TABLED CEO REPORT OUTLINING SIGNIFICANT MEETINGS.

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- LOCAL THRIVING COMMUNITIES
- PRESTON LAW
- MEMBER FOR LEICHARDT MP MATT SMITH MEETING WITH COUNCILLORS
- DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND ATTORNEY GENERAL
- JOINT OPERATIONS MEETING – PROGRESS WITH QBUILD
- BLACK AND MOORE MEETING WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
- LOCAL THRIVING COMMUNITY EDUCATION BOARD
- COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE
- NATIONAL INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN AGENCY
- MAPOON EVENTS COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION

That Council endorses the Financial Report for the period May 2025

8.1 CEO MEETINGS**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To outline the CEO meetings on behalf or as a representative of or as a representative of Council.

Interim CEO Amanda Ewart tabled CEO report outlining significant meetings.

- Local Thriving Communities
- Preston Law
- Member for Leichardt MP Matt Smith meeting with Councillors
- Department of Justice and Attorney General
- Joint Operations Meeting – Progress with QBuild
- Black and Moore meeting with Executive Director for Works and Infrastructure
- Local Thriving Community Education Board
- Community Enterprise
- National Indigenous Australian Agency
- Mapoon Events Committee

RRECOMMENDATION

That the CEO Grants be noted.

8.2 CEO GRANTS 2024-2025 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT MAY 2025**PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To present to Council the Grants update 2024-2025

RECOMMENDATION

That the CEO Grants be noted.

8.2 Executive Finance Manager

Executive Finance Manager, Warren McEwan tabled Finance Report

At 11:42am, Cr Maria Pitt left meeting

At 11:45am, Cr Maria Pitt returned to meeting

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Sheree Jia

Seconded: Cr Ronaldo Guivarra

That the Executive Finance Manager Report be received and noted.

CARRIED

8.5 EXECUTIVE MANAGER OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND WORKS REPORT

Executive Director of Works and Infrastructure, Victor Mills tabled Works and Infrastructure Report.

At 12:11pm Cr Linda McLachlan left meeting

At 12:16pm Cr Linda McLachlan returned to meeting

At 12:22pm Cr Sheree Jia left meeting

At 12:25pm Cr Sheree Jia returned to meeting

Cr Ronaldo Guivarra called a 5 minute break

Meeting reopened by Cr Ronaldo Guivarra at 12:34pm

Resumed with Director of Works and Infrastructure Report

At 12:49pm Cr Ronaldo Guivarra left meeting

At 12:51pm Cr Ronaldo Guivarra returned to meeting

RESOLUTION

MOVED: CR LINDA MCLACHLAN

SECONDED: CR MARIA PITT

THAT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT BE RECEIVED AND NOTED.

CARRIED

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

NIL

9 CORRESPONDENCE IN

Nil

10 CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Nil

11 NEXT MEETING DATE

Proposed date for next meeting: 15 July 2025

12 CLOSE MEETING

The Meeting closed at 1:18PM.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15 July 2025.

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CHAIRPERSON