



**Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council  
1 Main Street, PALM ISLAND Q 4816**

**GENERAL MEETING Held at the Council Chambers on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2011.**

**The Chairperson declared the Meeting open at 9.56am**

**PRESENT**

**Chairman** Mayor Alfred Lacey  
**Councillors** Cr Raymond Sibley  
Cr Hal Walsh  
Cr Ruth Gorringe

**Officers** Ross Norman CEO  
Andrea Kyle – Sailor Director Corp. Servs.  
Serina James – Executive Assistant

**Observers** Nil

**Apologies/absent:** Cr Zina Prior

**Condolences:** Robertson/Coutts/ Rosser/Castors/Nuggins

**Noted flowers for Coutts & Robertson families funerals**

**Congratulations:** Nil

**Welcome:** Nil

**Proceedings:**

**Standing Orders Suspended 10.05am**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded: Cr Sibley

**Standing Orders Re-opened 12.35pm**

Moved: Cr Gorringe

Seconded: Cr Sibley

**1. PALM ISLAND GENERAL MEETING MINUTES 1<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2011**

Move: Cr Gorringe

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

PIASC accepts the General Meeting Minutes held 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011.

**CARRIED**

**2. PALM ISLAND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2011**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Lacey

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

PIASC accepts the Special Meeting Minutes held 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011.

**CARRIED**

**3. PIASC ACTION REPORT – NOVEMBER 2011**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

PIASC accepts the Action Report for November 2011.

- No assets to be written off until a resolution has been made by Council
- CEO to follow up the removal of the cut trees at the sides of the dam wall

**CARRIED**

**4. PALM ISLAND PLANNING SCHEME THE WAY FORWARD –  
THE PROGRAM OFFICE**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

Council resolves to accept the policy and planning implications described in the “Palm Island Planning Scheme –The Way Forward Report” and advises the planning consultant to consider these implications in the preparation of the new draft planning scheme.

- Another meeting to be organised to discuss a mapping of the family blocks

**CARRIED**

CR Walsh left meeting 12.34pm

**5. PLANNING & OPERATIONAL WORKS APPROVAL FOR UPPER LAMA LAMA & KITCHENER BLIGH SUBDIVISIONS.**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

Council resolves to issue Decision Notices for planning approval and operational works approval for Upper Lama Lama and Kitchener Bligh subdivisions.

**CARRIED**

Councillor Walsh returned to meeting 12.39pm

**6. PLANNING APPROVAL FOR RECONFIGURATION OF A LOT FOR 40 YEAR EXISTING SOCIAL HOUSING LEASES**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

Council resolves to issue a Decision Notice for planning approval for 40 year social housing leases over the identified 64 sites.

**CARRIED**

**7. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING HELD 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2011**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

Items raised at Technical Working Group Meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> December 2011:

- Endorse plans of public toilet block, delegate authority to CEO
  - Lots requiring a change of Purpose of Reserve – 11 lots identified and the Program Office will provide the appropriate paperwork for the next General meeting 2012
  - Day Care Flats – Resolution required that the PIASC supports the transition of the Day Care Flats to Social Housing
  - New Social Housing next to ESQ Wallaby Point Road – According to the PIASC's draft Planning Scheme, this Lot falls within the Industrial Zone. In order for the PIASC to place social housing/transitional housing, the PIASC will need to amend the Planning Scheme to allow for residential zone. Resolution required
  - 2011/2012 NPARIH Butler Bay Road New Constructions – PIASC approval required for the designs attached – 1 x 4 bedroom and 2 x 2 bedroom units
  - Lot 333C Gribble Street – PIASC supports the relaxation setback from the kerb on Lot 333C
  - Mossman Street New Construction –
  - Instructions to Housing to issue information on fencing boundaries for houses – Andrew Kerr to draft legal letters to residents with objects outside the house boundaries
  - All EOI's to be copied and sent to the Program Office – CEO to arrange for staff member to be allocated to this task as a priority
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- Cataloguing of Leases to be completed

**CARRIED**

## **8. FINANCE REPORT – FINANCE MANAGER**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the Financial Report for November. CEO presents Finance Report as Finance Director on leave. The following to be actioned:

- Expression of Interest for Gas Delivery Service
- Barge Freight Costs - Council to have discussions with Pacific Marine regarding a weekly service to Palm Island
- Expansion to Palm Island Motel & Stinger Enclosure as the two options decided on by Council

**CARRIED**

## **9. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT – ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH MANAGER**

Move: Cr Gorringe

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the Environmental Health Report for November. The following to be actioned:

- CEO to follow up Council hearse car to have a full service and maintenance check
- CEO to follow up fencing & and lockable gate at the main entrance to the Cemetery due to the horses trampling gravesites.

**CARRIED**

## **10. APPROVAL FOR GUN LICENCE REPORT – DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

Move: Cr Gorringe

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence, and that it be noted:

- Director of Corporate Services to advise in writing the application has been approved.

**CARRIED**

## **11. APPOINTED HOLIDAYS FOR 2012 REPORT – DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence and that it be noted. CEO advised

dates have been approved as outlined in the report.

CARRIED

Councillor Walsh left meeting 2.46pm

**12. INDIGENOUS HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS PROGRAMS – TENANCY MANAGEMENT SUMMARY & REPORTS**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the Tenancy Management Report, and that it is noted.

CARRIED

**13. APPLICATION FOR NAIDOC SCREEN PRINTING PROJECT 2012 – BERNDADETTE BOSCACCI**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence, and that it is noted.

- CEO to follow up with Sue Prior as more information is required for the request.

CARRIED

**14. EMAIL REQUEST RE: PERSONAL SAFETY PRESENTATIONS BY BRUCE & DENISE MORCOMBE**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence, and that it is noted.

- PIASC approves the visit request for a Personal Safety Presentation

CARRIED

Councillor Walsh returned to meeting 2.51pm

Councillor Gorringe left meeting 2.52pm

**15. PALM ISLAND AERODROME – AERODROME SAFETY INSPECTION**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence, and that it is noted.

CARRIED

**16. ENVIREN – SOLAR FUNDING**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and that it is noted. Approval from Council that the Application be submitted. The following action to be taken:

- CEO and Director of Corporate Services to follow up Application/submission requirements

**CARRIED**

**17. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION & TRAINING – APPROVAL OF WORKS FOR PRE PREP**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and noted.

**CARRIED**

**18. ATTORNEY GENERAL OFFICE – RELEASE OF THE DRAFT AMENDMENT TO VERSION 2.0 OF THE QLD PLANNING PROVISIONS**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and that it is noted.

- Correspondence to be forwarded to ARUP

**CARRIED**

**19. MINISTER FOR POLICE, CORRECTIVE SERVICES & EMERGENCY SERVICE – NATURAL DISASTER RESILIENCE PROGRAM ROUND THREE**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and noted.

- CEO and Director of Corporate Services to follow up Application/submission requirements

**CARRIED**

**20. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS – ASSISTANCE IN IDENTIFYING & SYSTEMATICALLY ASSESSING THE SUITABILITY OF BUILDINGS IN THE COMMUNITY/PLACES OF REFUGE**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and that it is noted.

- CEO to follow up & action

**CARRIED**

**21. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AGEING – NOTICE OF THE APPOINTMENT OF A NURSE ADVISOR**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and that it is noted. The following action to be taken:

- The Department to be advised to appoint a qualified nurse ASAP

**CARRIED**

**22. DEPARTMENT OF FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS – PALM ISLAND AGREEMENT HOUSING CLARIFICATION**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and that it is noted.

**CARRIED**

**23. LGAQ – ELECTED MEMBERS WORKSHOP & POLICY UPDATE (2012)**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and that it is noted. The following action to be taken:

- Elected Members Workshop – May 2012 New Council to consider

**CARRIED**

**24. SWIM & SURF FUND – INVITATION TO SUPPORT**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

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That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and it is noted.

- CEO to follow up costs and requirements

CARRIED

**25. MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES, HOUSING AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN – HOME OWNERSHIP UPDATE**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and it is noted.

CARRIED

**26. SENATOR THE HON JAN MACLUCAS – MONTHLY NEWSLETTER**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and it is noted.

CARRIED

**27. HEART FOUNDATION – COMMUNITY AWARD WINNER FOR 2011**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Walsh

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and is noted.

CARRIED

**28. NATIONAL AWARDS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT – ENTRIES OPEN SOON**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and is noted. The following action to be taken:

- Nomination to be submitted for Asset and Financial Management Award
- CEO and Director of Financial Services to follow up Nomination process

CARRIED

**29. DISASTER PREPAREDNESS & BUSINESS CONTINUITY DURING NATURAL DISASTERS – ERGON ENERGY**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and is noted.

- Invitation to attend Local Disaster Management Group Meeting

CARRIED

**30. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED RE: ALLAN PALM ISLAND PAINTING TO PURCHASE – IRENE THAIDAY**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Lacey

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received. PIASC approves of the following:

- Purchase and ownership of painting for \$1,000
- Painting to be framed & added to the Arts Centre exhibit

CARRIED

**31. OFFICE SPACE REQUEST – CATHY FREEMAN FOUNDATION**

Move: Cr

Seconded Cr:

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received. The following action to be taken:

- Expression of Interest to be completed and submitted to the Land Trust Meeting in January 2012

CARRIED

**32. THE MARY TWADDLE TRIP - REPORT**

Move: Cr Sibley

Seconded Cr: Lacey

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received and it is noted.

- Letter to be forwarded to all participants advising Oni Kirwan is not Bwgcorman, and is only affiliated with this community through Church relationships
- Director of Corporate Services to follow up the Rani Lind Report.

CARRIED

Councillor Gorringe returned to meeting 3.27pm

**33. TOWNSVILLE DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICE – PREFERRED SITE FOR NEW HACC FUNDED BUILDING**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Sibley

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the correspondence received.

- Recommendation that Site B is the preferred option
- The naming has been agreed as the Mrs Beryl Castors HACC Centre. Community Elders agreed on this naming as Mrs Beryl Castors was the

founder of HACC on Palm Island

CARRIED

**34. COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION REPORT - CEO**

Move: Cr Walsh

Seconded Cr: Gorringe

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

That the PIASC accepts the Councillor Remuneration Report received from the CEO.

1. That Council notes the findings of the Local Government Remuneration and Discipline Tribunal and, in particular, the establishment of a single remuneration level for Mayors, Deputy Mayors for each category of Council from 1 January 2012.
2. That the Council notes that the Tribunal has not recommended any changes in categorization of Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council, which remains a Special Category Council.
3. Resolves that, from 1 January 2012, the remuneration of Councillors for carrying out their duties as Councillors to Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council is as follows:

Mayor	\$89,147
Deputy Mayor	\$51,431
Councillors	\$44,573

4. That the Council publishes the revised remuneration rates in the Townsville Bulletin and the Palm Island Voice.

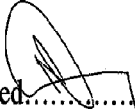
CARRIED

**MEETING CLOSURE**

The Meeting concluded at 3.57pm

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true record of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Meeting held this Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2011.

Submitted to the Meeting of Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council General Meeting

Signed.....  
  
**Alfred Lacey**

**MAYOR**  
**Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council**