



**MINUTES OF YARRABAH ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE YARRABAH ABORIGINAL SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ON THURSDAY, 20 JUNE 2019 AT 10:00 AM**

**PRESENT:** Cr Ross Andrews (Mayor), Cr Michael Sands (Deputy Mayor), Cr Nadine Cannon, Cr Colin Cedric, Cr Ian Patterson

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Richard Wright (Human Resource Manager)

**1 WELCOME**

Mayor Andrews declared the meeting open at 10.00 am.

The councillors and staff members present were welcomed to the meeting.

One minute silence was observed to respect those who have passed away.

**2 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCIL / REGISTER UPDATES**

The Mayor reminded the councillors of the need to declare their conflicts of interest as required for items in the meeting.

Cr Michael Sands declares he may have a perceived conflict of interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to his personal friendship/ relationship with the recommended candidate. Cr Ian Patterson declares he may have a perceived conflict of interest in this matter (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009) due to his personal friendship/relationship with the recommended candidate.

The Human Resource Manager advised Council that as the recommended candidate was from community and would be known to all Councillors, inquiries have been made with the Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs and advice had been received that it could be expected Councillors would know / have friendship with the candidate. As long as there was not an immediate family relationship or close friendship, Councillors could be expected to make a decision based on the recommendation of the Selection Panel.

All Councillors determined that their personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it will lead them to making a decision on this matter that is contrary to the public interest. They will best perform their responsibility of serving the overall public interest of the whole of Council's area by participating in the discussion and voting on this matter.

**4 MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION - RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER****RESOLUTION 14:20/06/2019**

Moved: Cr Ross Andrews  
Seconded: Cr Nadine Cannon

That Council considers the confidential report(s) in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Clause 275 of the Local Government Regulations 2012 and Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with the appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees.:

**CARRIED****5. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council moves out of Closed Council into Open Council.

Moved: Cr Ross Andrews  
Seconded: Cr Colin Cedric

**RESOLUTION 15:20/06/2019**

Moved: Cr Colin Cedric  
Seconded: Cr Nadine Cannon

That Council resolve to endorse the recommendation of the Selection Panel and appoint Leon Yeatman to the position of Chief Executive Officer, Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council.

In Favour: Cr Ross Andrews, Michael Sands, Nadine Cannon, Colin Cedric and Ian Patterson

Against: Nil

**CARRIED 5/0****5 CLOSE OF MEETING**

Date for the next Council Ordinary Meeting is Wednesday 26 June 2019.

Councillors note their appreciation to the Selection Panel for a thorough process in preparing their recommendation.

The Mayor thanked the councillors and staff for their participation and attendance at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 10.20 am.



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**Mayor Ross Andrews**