



MINUTES

General Meeting

Tuesday 1 May 2018
commencing at 10.36am

Redcliffe Chambers
Irene Street, Redcliffe

UNCONFIRMED

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1. OPENING PRAYER

The Mayor recited the Opening Prayer and invited Councillors to join him in the recitation of the Lord's Prayer.

2. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

Cr Allan Sutherland (Mayor) (Chairperson)
Cr Peter Flannery
Cr Adam Hain
Cr Julie Greer
Cr James Houghton
Cr Koliana Winchester
Cr Denise Sims
Cr Mike Charlton (Deputy Mayor)
Cr Matthew Constance
Cr Darren Grimwade
Cr Adrian Raedel

Apologies

Cr Mick Gillam
Cr Brooke Savige

3. MEMORIALS OR CONDOLENCES

Cr James Houghton made special mention of the late **Mr Ralph Ashby** who passed away suddenly last Monday. Mr Ashby had been an Alderman of Redcliffe City Council from 1994 to 1997 and his involvement in local affairs had continued after he concluded his term with Council. Cr Houghton reported that Mr Ashby's main love was the Mousetrap Theatre where he was involved in acting, singing, lighting and sound and also writing - his enthusiasm and energy would be greatly missed. Cr Houghton said it was unfortunate that he had not been able to attend the Memorial Service being held this morning and extended his condolences on behalf of Council.

Cr Allan Sutherland (Mayor), having served on the Redcliffe City Council at the same time as Mr Ashby, made particular mention that he was a very passionate member of the community and that passion extended to every task he undertook. The Mayor said that they had served on several committees together and recalled Mr Ashby's great sense of humour. The Mayor also conveyed his condolences to Mr Ashby's family.

Cr Koliana Winchester made special mention of the passing of local artist, volunteer and great friend, **Mr John Carr**. As an artist, Mr Carr's speciality was watercolour - having won numerous awards during the late 1970's and early 1980's, however as a committed family man, his art took second place until retirement. Some of his works such as 'Pot 'o Gold' and 'Cold Day in Moreton Bay' have become part of the Moreton Bay Regional Council's art collection. Mr Carr had an ongoing interest in promoting and extending art in the community where his contribution was offered freely and included art education, involvement in major arts projects and, public relations and he was also a volunteer at the Redcliffe Hospital - Cardiac section.

Cr Houghton also mentioned that Mr Carr was a supporter of many charities, especially the Tuesday Club, where his wife is a member, and stated that he would be sadly missed.

Cr Allan Sutherland (Mayor) referred to the sudden passing of **Mr Terry Mackenroth**, former State Government Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Sports Minister. The Mayor said that he had had many dealings with Mr Mackenroth who was a passionate rugby league fan, hard-working and fully committed to his beloved Labor Party. The Mayor conveyed his condolences, and those of Council, to Mr Mackenroth's family.

Councillors observed a moment's silence in memory of residents who had passed away, noting Council's sympathy.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1. **General Meeting - 26 April 2018**
(Pages 18/831 to 18/835)

RESOLUTION

Moved by Cr Julie Greer

Seconded by Cr Denise Sims

CARRIED 11/0

That the minutes of the General Meeting held 26 April 2018 be confirmed.

5. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

(Addressed to the Council and tabled by Councillors)

There were no Petitions for tabling.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for tabling.

7. COMMUNITY COMMENT

Cr Allan Sutherland (Mayor) opened the Community Comment session, making the required statement regarding the conduct of the Session, and invited Dr Mark Otter to address Council.

7.1. **Community Comment: Dr Mark Otter - Trial dog off-leash area at Queens Beach North, Scarborough (A16834309)**

As part of the Community Comment session, Dr Mark Otter, addressed the Council stating his objection to Council's decision to impose a trial dog off-leash area at Queens Beach North, Scarborough.

As an open-water swimmer and having been swimming in a group at Queens Beach North for the past six years, two to three days per week, Dr Otter made the following points:

- The location is ideal for swimming due to its accessibility for swimmers to be able to navigate to the open water without having to navigate around rocks.
- Dogs have been harassing swimmers attempting to enter and exit the water and interfering with belongings left on the beach.

7.1. *Community Comment: Dr Mark Otter - Trial dog off-leash area at Queens Beach North, Scarborough (A16834309) Cont'd*

- Dogs interfere with other creatures such as turtles, crabs and migrating shorebirds, who come from the Russian Far-East.
- Owners are often unable to prevent their dogs from running up the 700m long beach, quickly becoming separated, who are then unaware of their dog's actions, including the need to pick up their dog's waste from the beach.
- Owners are also often unable to prevent their dogs from running onto the footpath which is heavily used by cyclists, runners and walkers, with many family groups with small children.
- Behind the footpath is Flinders Parade and dogs have been known to run onto the road from the beach becoming a traffic hazard, having almost caused an accident last week.
- Some dogs swim at a considerable distance from the shore and dogs are known shark attractants given their rapid movements and smell.
- A possible danger is posed to guide dogs with a recent report stating that fifty percent of guide dogs had been attacked by off-leash dogs with some unable to continue to work afterwards.
- Having owned dogs for most of his life, he was not a 'dog hater' and does not wish to suggest that all dogs are untrained or that all owners are irresponsible., however many are, and this makes it difficult for others.
- To encourage community input to Council a petition has been instigated through change.org with 30 responses received so far.
- Suggests that Queens Beach North should either be a people's beach, or a dogs' beach, but cannot be both and that he hopes that Council will prohibit off-leash dogs from the beach.

8. NOTIFIED MOTIONS

There were no Notified Motions.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION (Repeal or amendment of resolutions)

(s262 of the Local Government Regulation 2012)

There were no Notices of Motion.

10. ADJOURN MEETING TO ENABLE CONDUCT OF COORDINATION
COMMITTEE MEETING

RESOLUTION

Moved by Cr Koliانا Winchester

Seconded by Cr Adrian Raedel

CARRIED 11/0

That the General Meeting be adjourned to enable the conduct of the Coordination Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 10.58am.

11. RECONVENE GENERAL MEETING

RESOLUTION

Moved by Cr Julie Greer

Seconded by Cr Matt Constance

CARRIED 10/0

That the General Meeting be reconvened.

The General Meeting reconvened at 1.52pm.

ATTENDANCE

Cr Koliana Winchester was not present when the meeting reconvened.

12. ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

**12.1. Coordination Committee Meeting - 1 May 2018
(Pages 18/863 to 18/907)**

RESOLUTION

Moved by Cr Matt Constance

Seconded by Cr Mike Charlton (Deputy Mayor)

CARRIED 10/0

That the report and recommendations of the Coordination Committee meeting held 1 May 2018 be adopted.

13. GENERAL BUSINESS OR RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

There was no General Business or Response to Questions Taken on Notice.

14. SPECIAL GENERAL BUSINESS (Closed Session)

(s275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012)

There was no Special General Business.

15. CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.57pm.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

I certify that minute pages numbered 18/857 to 18/906 constitute the minutes of the General Meeting of the Moreton Bay Regional Council held 1 May 2018.

Daryl Hitzman
Chief Executive Officer

CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATE

The foregoing minutes were confirmed by resolution of Council at its meeting held Tuesday 8 May 2018.

Daryl Hitzman
Chief Executive Officer

Councillor Allan Sutherland
Mayor