Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council

August Special Council Meeting Minutes

31 August 2026, 12:06 PM – 12:48 PM

Kowanyama Council Chambers

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Present

Kowanyama Chambers

Cr. Territa Dick (Mayor)
Cr. Teddy Bernard (Deputy Mayor)
Cr. Charmaine Lawrence
Cr. Coralie Lawrence
Cr. Richard Stafford

1. Opening/Welcome

Meeting commenced at 12:06pm.

Mayor Territa Dick welcomed the Councillors to the Augus Special Council Meeting and paid respects to Traditional Owners and Elders (past and present).

2. Conflicts of Interest

Cr Territa Dick left the meeting at 12:09pm. A conflict of interest was declared due to a close, personal relationship to the CEO. Cr. Teddy Bernard assumes the Chair at 12:09pm.

Apologies

No apologies received.

3. Employment Matter

RESOLUTION: That Council resolves, pursuant to clause 4.3 and 4.4 of the Contract of Employment, to terminate the employment of the Chief Executive Officer effective immediately. Council authorises the Deputy Mayor to:

- Notify the Chief Executive Officer of Council's decision in writing;
- Issue any notice required under the Contract of Employment;
- Execute any documents necessary to give effect to this resolution; and
- Finalise all separation arrangements in accordance with the contract and applicable legislation.

In accordance with Section 195 of the Local Government Act 2009, Appoint Gina Rainbird as the Acting Chief Executive Officer until further notice.

Moved: Cr. Coralie Lawrence
Seconded: Cr. Richard Stafford

CARRIED

Meeting closed: 12:48 pm