



**Minutes of Special Council Meeting
Held Wednesday 25 September 2019**

*Held in the Simeon Lord Room
Library / Museum Building
Redbank Street, Esk*

Present

Cr G D Lehmann	(Mayor)
Cr D Hall	(Deputy Mayor)
Cr H Brieschke	(Councillor)
Cr C Gaedtke	(Councillor)
Cr M Ogg	(Councillor)
Cr B Whalley	(Councillor)
Mr R Holmes	(Acting Chief Executive Officer)
Mrs S Pitkin	(Minute Secretary / Executive Assistant)

Apology

Cr S Choat	(Councillor)
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Opening of Meeting

The Mayor, Cr Graeme Lehmann, opened the meeting 3.10 pm.

Leave of Absence

Cr Choat was granted leave of absence from today's meeting.

Confidential Closed Meeting

In accordance with Section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council may close a Council meeting. Section 275 reads A local government or committee may resolve that a meeting be closed to the public if its councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting to discuss -

- (a) the appointment, dismissal or discipline of employees.

Resolution

Moved – Cr Whalley

Seconded - Cr Hall

"THAT Council move into a closed session at 3.11 pm to discuss the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer."

Carried

Vote - Unanimous

Subject:	CEO Recruitment
File Ref:	Personnel
Action Officer:	ACEO

Background/Summary

Following the resignation of the previous Chief Executive Officer in July 2019, the Council entered into a contract with Leading Roles, a recruitment consulting firm, to undertake the recruitment project. Attached is a copy of the Recruitment Brief submitted by Leading Roles following discussions with the Council.

As a result of that process some 75 applications were received with approximately 14 considered having met the brief for further review in a 'long list' for more detailed consideration by the Council.

This report is submitted for the Council's formal consideration of the appointment or otherwise for the position of Council's CEO. Further information on candidates was presented to the meeting for consideration.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – Chief Executive Officer Recruitment Brief submitted by Leading Roles
Attachment 2 – Reference Feedback Report
Attachment 3 – Reference Feedback Report

Recommendation

Council direction requested.

Resolution

Moved – Cr Whalley

Seconded - Cr Hall

“THAT Council move out of the closed session at 4 pm, and that the meeting be once again open to the public.”

Carried

Vote - Unanimous

Resolution

Moved – Mayor Lehmann

Seconded – Deputy Mayor Hall

“1. THAT Mr Andrew Johnson be appointed to the position of Chief Executive Officer of the Somerset Regional Council with such appointment to be effective from 10 December 2019.

2. THAT Mr Robert Holmes remain as the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Somerset Regional Council pending the commencement of Mr Johnson in the role and remain for a period in a transition/mentoring role subject to negotiation with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.”

Carried

Vote - Unanimous

Closure of Meeting**Summary**

There being no further business, the Mayor, Cr Graeme Lehmann closed the special meeting at 4.02 pm.