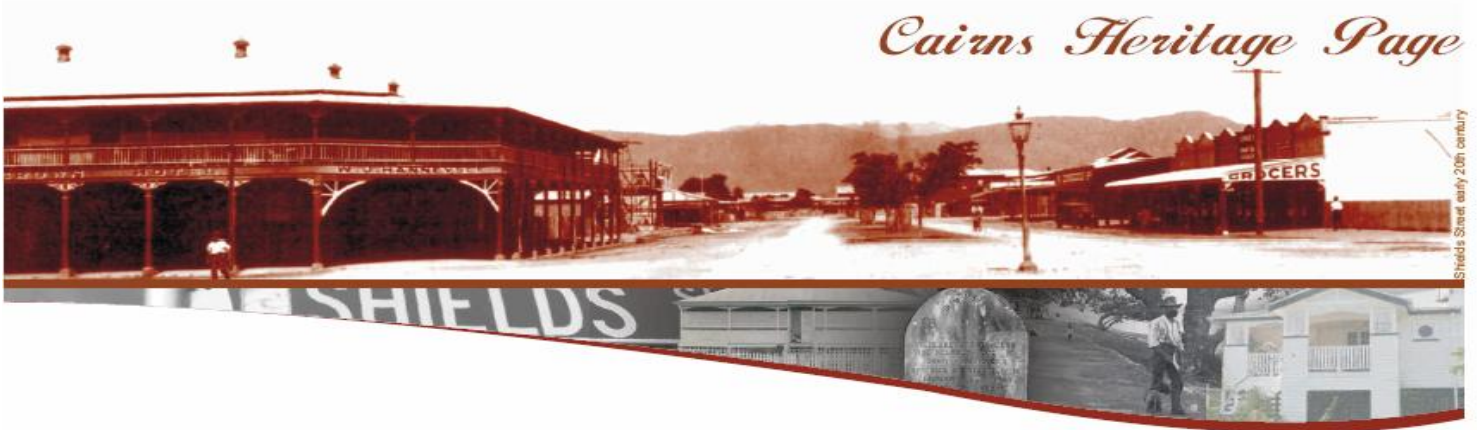


Mayors of the Douglas Divisional Board

Douglas Divisional Board 1880 – 1903	
Mayor	Term
R. A. Donnelly	
Andrew Jack	1900
James Reynolds	1901-02

Mayors of the Douglas Shire Council

Douglas Shire Council 1903 – 2008	
Mayor/Chairman	Term
James Reynolds	1903
R. A. Donnelly	1904-05
W. Mackay	1906
D.J. Kirwan	1907
R.D. Low	1908
R. Walsh	1909
R.P. Tunnie	1910, 1914
Fred Thompson	1911-12
J.P. Reynolds	1913, 1915-21
John Quill	1921-27
S.B. Andreassen	1927-33
R.D. Rex	1933-55
E.W. Berzinski	1955-64
G. Quaid Jr	1964-67
J.S. Allen	1967-70
O.R. Andrews	1970-81
A. Mijo	1982-91
M Berwick	1991-2008



Andrew Jack
1900 Douglas Divisional Board

Andrew Jack was the Chairman of the Douglas Divisional Board in 1900 and was a member of the Douglas Shire Council from 1903-1905 and 1909-11. A prominent early pioneer of Mowbray, Jack died in March 1911 in a cyclone, while still a member of the Council.

James Reynolds
1901-1903 Douglas Divisional Board
1903 Douglas Shire Council

Born in 1838 James Reynolds came to Australia at age three in 1841 from Fermanagh, Ireland. After growing up in the southern states he began working bullock teams and made his way to the Darling Downs and then to Charters Towers. In 1869 he set up a butchering business in Townsville and also spent time as a hotel keeper at Caper River Goldfield. He brought his carrying business to Cooktown working the Palmer and Hodgkinson fields before arriving in the Douglas district in 1883 where he grew maize and fruit before turning to sugar cane when the Mossman Mill opened. Reynolds was elected to the Douglas Divisional Board in 1899 and was chairman from 1901, remaining in the position when the Divisional Board became the Douglas Shire Council in 1903. He passed away in 1905 aged 64, after 22 years in the Douglas area.

R. A. Donnelly
1904-05 Douglas Shire Council

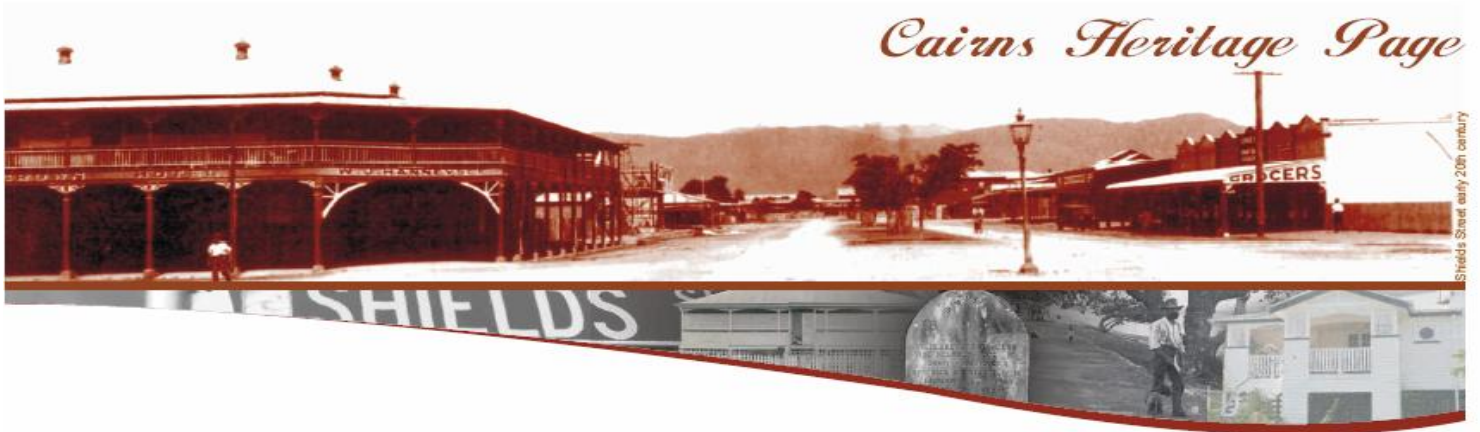
Richard Augustine Donnelly was Chairman of the Douglas Shire Council 1904-05 and was a member of the Council 1906-07, 1910 and 1927-29. An early pioneer of the Port Douglas district, Donnelly came to the area as a packer carrying food and goods inland with his team of horses and mules, and bringing ore and metals back to port. Donnelly served on both the Douglas Divisional Board and the Douglas Shire Council, spending time as chairman on both.

W. Mackay
1906 Douglas Shire Council

D.J. Kirwan
1907 Douglas Shire Council

R.D. Low
1908 Douglas Shire Council

Retired from chair on 2 February 1909.



R. Walsh
1909 Douglas Shire Council

R.P. Tunnie
1910, 1914 Douglas Shire Council

Fred Thompson
1911-12 Douglas Shire Council

J.P. Reynolds
1913, 1915-21 Douglas Shire Council

James Patrick Reynolds, son of James Reynolds, was born in Thornborough on the 24th March 1878. He served on the Council for many years being appointed to Chairman in 1913 and 1915-21. Starting out working on his father's farm, he spent a couple of years on the Tramway staff before selecting his own block of land and becoming a mill supplier.

John Quill
1921-27 Douglas Shire Council

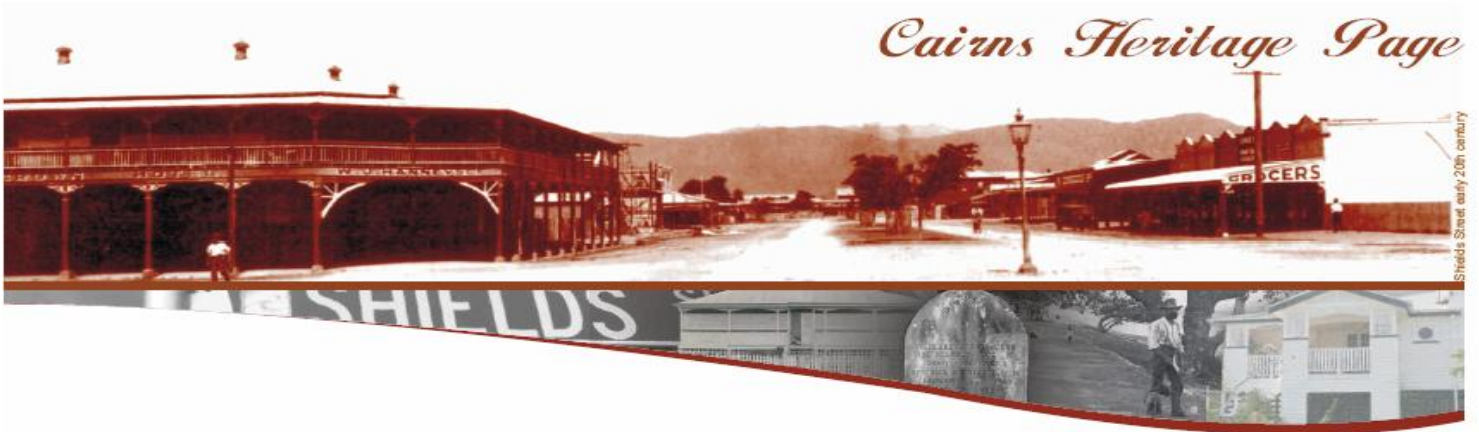
Resigned from Council in March 1929.

S.B. Andreassen
1927-33 Douglas Shire Council

S.B. Andreassen was a member of the Council from 1912-1933, serving as Chairman from 1927-33.

R.D. Rex
1933-55 Douglas Shire Council

Raymond D. Rex came to North Queensland as a young man and got a job with Jodrell and Martin in the Goondi area and paid them £200 to learn how to grow sugar cane for two years. In 1895 Rex came by sea to Port Douglas on his way to Mossman to take up sugar cane farming. Rex passed away in Mossman at the age of 93.



E.W. Berzinski
1955-64 Douglas Shire Council

G. Quaid Jr
1964-67 Douglas Shire Council

J.S. Allen
1967-70 Douglas Shire Council

O.R. Andrews
1970-81 Douglas Shire Council

A. Mijo
1982-1991 Douglas Shire Council

A. Mijo was a member of the Council from 1970 until 1991. He became the acting Chair in 1981 when then Chairman O. R. Andrews passed away. Mijo was officially appointed as Chairman in 1982 and remained in the role until 1991.

M. Berwick
1991-2008 Douglas Shire Council

Mike Berwick was Chairman and then Mayor of Douglas Shire Council from 1991 until the amalgamation with Cairns City Council in 2008.
