



MINUTES (PART B) OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE PIRLANGIMPI COUNCIL BOARDROOM ON WEDNESDAY, 18 DECEMBER 2013 AT 10AM

Note: Due to Cyclone Alessia the Ordinary Council Meeting scheduled for Tue 26 November 2013 at Pirlangimpi was deferred to Wednesday 11 December 2013 at Milikapiti. Then, for cultural reasons the Milikapiti 11 December 2013 Ordinary Council Meeting was deferred as well, and was finally held back at Pirlangimpi on Wed 18 December 2013.

The Agenda carried over from **Tue 26th November (Minutes Part A)** was dealt with first at the OCM held on Wednesday 18th December, and then followed the Agenda for the OCM **18th December 2013 (Minutes Part B)**.

1 Welcome & Apologies

1.1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 10:00 am

The Mayor welcomed councillors and guests.

1.2 Present

Mayor: Lynette De Santis

Councillors: Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi (10:12 am), Manyi Rioli (10:02 am), Anita Moreen, John Naden, Barry Puruntatameri, Therese Bourke, Gawin Tipiloura, Brian Tipungwuti, Crystal Johnson, Leslie Tungutalum

Officers: Alan Hudson (CEO), Brendan Cann (Chief Financial Officer), Karl Sibley (Director Infrastructure Services), Rosanna De Santis (Director Corporate & Community Services), Bill Toy (Deputy Director Corporate & Community Services), Lesley Palmer (Executive Human Resources Manager).

Visitors: Allan McGill CEO (NTG-LGR), Pauline Corpus (NTG-LGR), Peter Penley (Gov. Engagement Co-Ordinator - Dept Prime Minister & Cabinet)

Minutes: Bruce Moller (Governance Manager)

1.3 Apologies

Accepted: Nil

Not Accepted: Nil

Note : Cr Peter Rioli resigned from Council on Tue 10th December 2013.

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Nil

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Nil

2 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4 CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 LGANT EMAIL RE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMENDMENT (RESTRUCTURING) BILL 2013

Council are provided with a copy of a recent email dated 3 December 2013 from LGANT CEO Mr Tony Tapsell advising of the latest piece of NTG Legislation proposing to amend the Local Government Act (Restructuring Orders).

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the LGANT email dated 3 December 2013 in relation to the proposed amendments to the NT Local Government Act (Restructuring Orders).

4.2 2014 - TERRITORY TIDY TOWNS

Council are provided with a copy of a recent email dated 4th December 2013 from Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT outlining the 2014 Territory Tidy Towns challenge which will be officially launched in February at Parliament House Darwin.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the email from Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT and decides if it wishes to participate in the 2014 program.

4.3 PA2013/0913 - SUBDIVISION TO CREATE 1 LOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF A LEASE IN EXCESS OF 12 YEARS

Council are provided with a copy of a recent email dated 25 November 2013 from NTG Dept. Lands Planning and the Environment detailing a proposed subdivision (lease in excess of 12 years) over part of NT Portion 1640.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the NTG Dept. Lands Planning and the Environment email dated 25 November 2013, and Councils response dated 6th December 2013 objecting to the Subdivision proposal PA2013/0913, and

That the CEO writes to TITEB advising them that Council's primary concern relates to the ongoing availability of water for the Wurrumiyanga town water supply

4.4 NATIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAMME

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter received by Council on 11th December 2013 from The Hon. Warren Truss MP (Deputy Prime Minister & Minister for Infrastructure & Regional Development). The letter outlines changes to the former Governments Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF), and also advises of a new National Stronger Regions Fund to be established from 2015.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the letter from the Deputy Prime Minister The Hon. Warren Truss MP received by Council on the 11th December 2013.

4.5 2012-13 ARC FUNDING AGREEMENT VARIATION

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter dated 16th December 2013 received from NTG Dept. Sport, Recreation and Racing.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the letter from the NTG Dept. Sport, Recreation and Racing.

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

6.1 CREATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of how Tiwi Islands Regional Council should proceed with the creation of Local Authorities as is now required under the Local Government Act.

57 RESOLUTION

Moved: Therese Bourke

Seconded: Leslie Tungutalum

That Council approves;

- That all policies and procedures for Local Authorities be consistent with Current Council policies and procedures
- That the Council sub-committee on Local Authorities report to Council at it's Ordinary Meeting in January 2014 regarding;

A policy on Delegations from Regional Council to Local Authorities

Policies on attendance and a Code of Conduct for members of Local Authorities

A methodology / criteria for application by Council for appointment of ordinary members of Local Authorities

Suggested methodology and process for training/induction of members to Local Authorities

That Council endorses an approach to the Minister for Local Government for approval of :

A remuneration level for Local Authority Chairmen that is equivalent to the current allowance for the Deputy Mayor

Provision for ex-officio members of Local Authorities (only) to be Chairmen

Abolition of the current position of Deputy Mayor of Tiwi Islands Regional Council

CARRIED

6.2 AUSTRALIA DAY - LOCAL GOVERNMENT AWARDS 2014

The Australia Day Local Government Awards for 2014 are to be held at Wurrumiyanga for the Tiwi Islands.

This report provides a summary of the 2014 Award recipients and information in relation to the Australia Day activities that are being planned for Monday 27th January 2014.

58 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden

Seconded: Gawin Tipiloura

That Council notes the report on the 2014 Local Government Australia Day Awards, and Council approves the recommended recipients.

CARRIED

7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

7.1 CASUAL VACANCY - MILIKAPITI WARD

This report is to inform Council of the recent resignation of Councillor Peter Rioli on the 10th December 2013.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.2 HUMAN RESOURCES END OF MONTH REPORT - NOVEMBER 2013

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information

7.3 DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

This report illustrates the business conducted within the Independent Business Units, including; Office Administration, ICT, Records Management, Children's Services, Youth Diversion, Events Management, and Sports and Recreation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.4 INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT - EOM NOVEMBER 2013

This report outlines activities for the Infrastructure Directorate for the previous month.

The Infrastructure Director also provided Council with an analysis of the year to date workloads in the Housing Section. This analysis indicated that further scaling down of staffing levels needed to be undertaken to match the demonstrated workload requirements. A key element of this is for the vacant Housing Manager's position to be filled ASAP to ensure productivity of staff and to manage the workflow from the start of a job through to completion (invoicing).

Other staffing changes at Wurrumiyanga involve seeking Council's endorsement of the re-allocation of a vacant Mechanics position and substituting this with a Fleet Officer position (proposed Level 4/5 \$ 42,713 to \$48,975) depending upon experience.

59 RESOLUTION

Moved: Emmanuel Rioli

Seconded: Therese Bourke

That Council:

- (a) Notes this report for information, and**
- (b) Endorses the ongoing scaling down of the Housing Section staffing levels to match actual workloads, and**
- (c) Endorses the re-allocation of the vacant Mechanics position at Wurrumiyanga and substituting this with a Fleet Officer position (Level 4/5)**

CARRIED

AT THIS POINT OF THE MEETING (12:10 PM) A LUNCH BREAK WAS TAKEN.

THE MEETING RECOMMENCED AT 12:50 PM.

7.5 FINANCE END OF MONTH REPORT - NOVEMBER 2013

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information

60 RESOLUTION

Moved: Gawin Tipiloura

Seconded: Barry Puruntatameri

That Council notes Reports 7.1 to 7.6 for information

CARRIED

8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider a Confidential matter.

At the conclusion of the discussion on the confidential item(s), the meeting was reopened and the decision on the item(s) noted.

RECOMMENDATION

That the meeting be reopened and the decisions on the confidential item be noted.

9 Next Meeting

Wednesday, 29 January 2014

10 Closure

The meeting closed at 2:40 pm.