



**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE
WURRUMIYANGA OFFICE ON THURSDAY, 9 APRIL 2015 AT 10:00 AM**

1 Welcome & Apologies

1.1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 10:07 am.

The Official Manager Mr Allan McGill welcomed staff.

1.2 Present

Council: Mr Allan McGill (Official Manager)

Officers: Garry Lambert (A/CEO), Karl Sibley (Director Infrastructure), Rosanna De Santis (Director Community Support), Lesley Palmer (Director Corporate Services), Bill Toy (Deputy Director Community Support) and Bruce Moller (Governance and Compliance Manager)

Minutes: Bruce Moller (Governance and Compliance Manager)

1.3 Apologies

Nil

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Nil

2 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

3 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

4 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION – ANNUAL REPORT 13/14

The meeting noted that following extended delays in the preparation of the Financial Statements and the submission of the Annual Report for 13/14, Merit Partners completed the audit process on 8 April 2015. The Audited Financial Statements, Audit Report, Management Letter and the Annual Report were tabled at the meeting.

5.1 AUDITED ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 13/14

1. RESOLUTION

Official Managers Determination

- A. That the audited financial statements for the year ending 30 June, 2014, as presented by the Acting CEO be noted.**
- B. That it be noted that the Acting CEO, Garry Lambert, signed the CEO certification forming part of the Statements but was not the Acting CEO or an employee of the Council during the year to which the statements relate.**
- C. That a copy of the audited Financial Statements be included in the Council's Annual Report for 13/14.**
- D. That a copy of the Financial Statements be forwarded to the NT Grants Commission in accordance with Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations.**

CARRIED

5.2 ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT

2. RESOLUTION

Official Managers Determination

- A. That, the Council receive and note the Audit Report from Merit Partners for the year ending 30 June 2014.**
- B. That the contents of the Audit Report and Management letter be referred to the Acting CEO for action in conjunction with the Official Manager.**
- C. That given the current and critical cash flow issues facing the Council, the Audit Report and related documents be provided to all funding agencies as a matter of urgency to ensure all outstanding grant funding is released to the Council without further delay.**

CARRIED

3 RESOLUTION

Official Managers Determination

- A. That, noting the provisions of Section 199 of the Local Government Act, 2014, and Notwithstanding the statutory deadline outlined in that Section, the Council hereby adopts the Annual Report for the financial year ending 30 June 2014 (document number 157586).
- B. That a copy of the Annual Report be delivered to the Minister and following that a copy be published on the Council's website and public notification given in accordance with Section 199 (4) of the Local Government Act, 2014.

CARRIED

5.4 RATES – INTEREST WRITE OFF

The meeting noted that due to an administrative process, interest on a number of paid rates accounts was calculated in error after the rates had been paid. The total amount of interest incorrectly charged was \$ 1,051.41. The Council was asked to write off this amount of interest to correct the calculation error.

4 RESOLUTION

Official Managers Determination

That in order to rectify an administrative error in the calculation of interest on rates the following be written-off (as per document number 157900).

CARRIED

5.5 TIWI LEADERS FORUM

The meeting noted that the Tiwi Leaders Forum, an informal forum of Councillors from the Regional Council and elected and appointed members of the Tiwi Land Council, had met three times during 2014, to discuss greater levels of collaboration and co-operation.

The forum had identified a number of issues that both Councils could collaborate on.

5 RESOLUTION

Official Managers Determination

- A. That the Council note that the Tiwi Leaders Forum has held three productive meetings.
- B. That in order to further advance the level of collaboration, the A/CEO enter into discussions with the CEO of the Tiwi Land Council to develop joint projects on the maintenance of Roads, the Inter Island Ferry service and the complex issue of funerals, cemeteries and mortuary facilities.

CARRIED



6 Closure

The meeting closed at 10:32am.

These Minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 27th April 2015.

Signed:

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Official Manager

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