



## MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE WURRUMIYANGA OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 31 JULY 2013 AT 10AM

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### 1 **Welcome & Apologies**

#### 1.1 **Welcome**

The meeting opened at 10:30am  
The Mayor welcomed councillors and guests.

#### 1.2 **Present**

**Mayor:** Lynette De Santis

**Councillors:** John Naden, Barry Puruntatameri, Gawin Tipiloura, Brian Tipungwuti, Leslie Tungutalum, Crystal Johnson, Anita Moreen.

**Officers:** Alan Hudson CEO, Rosanna De Santis Director of Corporate & Community Services, Daniel Lesperance Human Resources Manager, Marilyn Harris (Acting Human Resources Manager), Maina Brown (Executive Officer / Records Manager).

**Visitors:** Kate Wheen (NTG-LG).

**Minutes:** Bruce Moller (Governance Manager)

#### 1.3 **Apologies**

Accepted: Cr Therese Bourke (Medical Certificate provided), Brendan Cann CFO (on ARL).

Not Accepted: Cr Peter Rioli, Cr Manyi Rioli, Cr Marius Puruntatameri.

#### 1.4 **Leave of Absence**

Nil

#### 1.5 **Swearing in Protocol of Newly Elected Member**

The newly elected Councillor for the Milikapiti Ward Anita Moreen read the Statement of Commitment and was duly welcomed by the Mayor and all Councillors.

#### 1.6 **Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff**

Nil

## **1.7 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

### **Special Meeting - 15 May 2013**

#### **38 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Crystal Johnson*

*Seconded: John Naden*

That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 15 May 2013 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

### **Ordinary Meeting - 26 June 2013**

#### **39 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Crystal Johnson*

*Seconded: John Naden*

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 26 June 2013 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**CARRIED**

### **Confidential Council Meeting - 26 June 2013**

#### **40 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Crystal Johnson*

*Seconded: John Naden*

That the minutes of the Confidential Council Meeting held on 26 June 2013 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**CARRIED**

### **Special Meeting - 08 July 2013**

#### **41 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Crystal Johnson*

*Seconded: John Naden*

That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 08 July 2013 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

## **2 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS**

### **2.1 PRESENTATION BY TRADITIONAL CREDIT UNION**

TCU has approached the CEO requesting to provide a short presentation to Council and discuss their expansion of operations across the Tiwi Islands.

**Unfortunately, representatives from the Traditional Credit Union were unable to attend and provided their apologies to Council on this occasion.**

### **3 BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

### **4 CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **4.1 LETTER TO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT DATED 16 JULY 2013**

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter dated 16 July 2013 sent to the CEO of the Department of Local Government in relation to the repayment of debt of \$ 1M.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes the letter dated 16 July 2013 sent to the CEO Department of Local Government.**

#### **4.2 CORRESPONDENCE FROM LGANT**

Council are provided with copies of two recent letters dated 10 June and 13 June 2013 received on the 29<sup>th</sup> July from LGANT.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes the two letters dated 10 June and 13 June 2013 received from LGANT for information**

#### **4.3 CORRESPONDENCE TO TIWI LAND COUNCIL**

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter dated 09 July 2013 sent to the Tiwi Land Council in relation to changes to Council Fees and Charges for the 2013/14 financial year.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes the letter dated 09 July sent by the CEO to the Tiwi Land Council.**

### **5 GENERAL BUSINESS**

See later section.

### **6 REPORTS FOR DECISION**

Nil

### **7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

#### **7.1 MILIKAPITI WARD - BY-ELECTION RESULTS**

This report is to inform Council of the final results of the casual vacancy for the Milikapiti Ward following the recent resignation of Councillor Andrew Tipungwuti. The NT Electoral Commission has now confirmed the declaration of the poll and our new Councillor is Anita Moreen.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes and welcomes the newly appointed Councillor Anita Moreen representing the Milikapiti Ward**

**7.2 MINUTES - MILIKAPITI LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING HELD ON 25 JUNE 2013**

Minutes of the Milikapiti Local Advisory Board Meeting held on 25 June 2013.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes the Minutes of the Milikapiti Local Advisory Board Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**7.3 HUMAN RESOURCES END OF MONTH REPORT - JUNE 2013**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes this report for information**

**7.4 CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES**

This report outlines the business performed in this Directorate for the month of June. The Directorate encompasses the business units of Office Administration (in each community), ITC, Records Management, Fleet Administration, Motor Vehicle Workshops, Children's Services, Youth Diversion, Events Management, Sports and Recreation and Facilities Management.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes this report for information.**

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH AT 12:07 PM.**

**THE MEETING REOPENED AFTER LUNCH AT 1:00 PM.**

**NOTE : CR CRYSTAL JOHNSON RETURNED TO THE MEETING AT 1:09 PM.**

**7.5 FINANCE END OF MONTH REPORT - JUNE 2013**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes this report for information**

**7.6 GOVERNANCE MANAGERS REPORT - END OF MONTH - JUNE 2013**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council notes this report for information**

## **7.7 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT**

Report of the functions of the Directorate of Infrastructure for the last month.

### **42 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Barry Puruntatameri

Seconded: John Naden

That Council notes Reports 7.1 to 7.7 for information

**CARRIED**

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **1. REPLY FROM MINISTER JENNY MACKLIN RE VARIOUS ISSUES**

The Mayor tabled a letter dated 17 July 2013 that had just arrived from Minister Jenny Macklin for Councillors information. The letter was discussed at length by Council and the CEO was asked to clarify a couple of points and respond back to Minister Macklin as soon as possible.

Action: CEO to reply on behalf of Council to clarify some points raised in the Ministers reply letter.

### **2. MILIMIKA TIWI ISLANDS FESTIVAL – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> August 2013**

An updated outline of events was provided to all Councillors for information for the upcoming Festival.

### **3. MEETING ATTENDANCE – DRAFT POLICY**

The CEO discussed with Council the important issue of Meeting attendance by Councillors covering Ordinary, Special, and Local Board Meetings.

It was discussed and agreed by Council that the CEO would prepare a new draft policy to guide Councillors by clearly defining what are acceptable apologies, and what types of apologies would not be accepted.

The CEO agreed to prepare a new draft policy for tabling at the next Council Meeting.

The CEO has also agreed to design a Table Of Attendances which would show attendances by Councillors at all Ordinary, Special and Local Board Meetings. The Table of Attendances would be updated regularly and be made available as part of the Agenda at each Ordinary Meeting of Council.

### **8 Next Meeting**

Wednesday, 28 August 2013 at Pirlangimpi Community, Melville Island.

### **9 Closure**

The meeting closed at 2:45 pm.