



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE MIRAMBEENA RESORT - DARWIN ON THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2014 AT 10:30 AM

1 Welcome & Apologies

1.1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 11:40 am. The Mayor welcomed councillors and staff.

1.2 Present

Mayor: Lynette De Santis

Councillors: Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi, Anita Moreen, Therese Bourke, Irene Tipiloura, John Naden, Barry Puruntatameri, Leslie Tungutalum, Crystal Johnson, Brian Tipungwuti, Gawin Tipiloura, Manyi Rioli.

Officers: Alan Hudson (CEO), Rosanna De Santis (Director Community Support), Maina Brown (Executive Assistant / Records).

Public: Nil

Minutes: Bruce Moller (Governance Manager)

1.3 Apologies

Nil.

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil.

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Nil.

1.6 Election of Chairperson

The Mayor was automatically appointed as Chairperson.

1.7 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Nil

2 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

3 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

4 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

5 REPORTS FOR DECISION

5.1 TIRC - PLANNING & DISCUSSION FOR APPROACHES TO VARIOUS MINISTERS

This report is prepared to assist Councillors to formally discuss a number of current issues and to prepare and plan for future approaches to Government Ministers.

RESOLUTION

Moved: *Therese Bourke*

Seconded: *Crystal Johnson*

That Council prepares a list of important issues and schedules appointments for approaches to various Government Ministers.

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION POINTS / ISSUES

PRIORITY 1

- Review of Local Government Act to incorporate Tiwi Traditional Laws and Customs / Governance and to reduce red tape
- Investigate possible break away organisation (Tiwi Islands Tribal Council)

PRIORITY 2

- Respect (Important to respect each other, and to respect cultural positions held in each community)
- Cultural Issues (be sensitive to family issues / problems)

PRIORITY 3

- Promote Tiwi employment (support, nurture and mentor) whilst meeting Community Expectations
- Sourcing additional funding for Training and Development opportunities for all Tiwi including training for the new Local Authority Chairpersons.
- Primary focus to be on Education (Literacy & Numeracy)

PRIORITY 4

- Invite the Member for Arafura – Mr Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu MLA to all Regional Council and Local Authority Meetings

PRIORITY 5

- Conduct a review of Ward Boundaries

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6 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Nil

7 Closure

The meeting closed at 11:45 am.