



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE MILIKAPITI
BOARDROOM ON WEDNESDAY, 24 SEPTEMBER 2014 AT 10:00AM**

1 Welcome & Apologies

1.1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 9:45 am

The Mayor welcomed councillors and guests.

1.2 Present

Mayor: Lynette De Santis

Councillors: Manyi Rioli, John Naden, Therese Bourke, Crystal Johnson, Anita Moreen (9:48 am), Irene Tipiloura, Leslie Tungutalum, Gawin Tipiloura.

Casual Vacancy: Wurankuwu Ward (Cr Brian Tipungwuti resigned 18 July 2014).

Officers: Alan Hudson (CEO), Karl Sibley (Director Infrastructure), Rosanna De Santis (Director Community Support), Lesley Palmer (Deputy Director Corporate Services), Bill Toy (Deputy Director Community Support), Kevin Doolan (Manager Tiwi Youth & Communities), Maina Brown (Executive Assistant), Saadia Ullungura (Governance Support).

Visitors: Mayor Lothar Siebert (West Arnhem Regional Council), Deputy Mayor James Marrawal (West Arnhem Regional Council), Cr Davison Nawirridji (West Arnhem Regional Council), Cr Matthew Ryan (West Arnhem Regional Council), Brian Hylands (CEO West Arnhem Regional Council), Mrs Margie Siebert, Colvin Crowe (DLGR), Karl Miller.

Minutes: Bruce Moller (Governance Manager)

1.3 Apologies

Accepted: Cr Barry Puruntatameri, Hollie Abra (Contracts Manager & A / Finance Manager).

Not Accepted: Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi

1.4 Leave of Absence

Nil

1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Nil

1.5 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Ordinary Meeting - 27 August 2014

50 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden
Seconded: Emmanuel Rioli

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 27 August 2014 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

Special Meeting – 18 September 2014

51 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden
Seconded: Crystal Johnson

That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 18 September 2014 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

2 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4 CORRESPONDENCE

4.1 LETTER FROM DEPT. PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET RE ABA - INTER-ISLAND BARGE

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter dated 27th August 2014 from Dept. of the Prime Minister & Cabinet (received on 2 September 2014) advising that Council would not be proceeding with the purchase of the Inter-Island Barge.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the correspondence from Dept. of the Prime Minister & Cabinet in relation to the ABA Inter-Island Barge purchase not proceeding.

4.2 LETTER FROM AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT - OFFICE OF TOWNSHIP LEASING RE LOT 191 (A) MILIKAPITI

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter dated 25th August 2014 from the Australian Government Office of Township Leasing (received on 28 August 2014) advising of leasing approval to construct Water Feature on Lot 191 (A) Milikapiti.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the correspondence from Australian Government (Office of Township Leasing) (received on 28 August 2014) advising of leasing approval to construct Water Feature on Lot 191 (A) Milikapiti.

4.3 NT GRANTS COMMISSION ALLOCATIONS FOR 2014-15

The NT Grants Commission has written to Council advising of the final grant allocations for 2014/15 and has also provided additional information in relation to the various methodologies used.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

4.4 LETTER DATED 3 SEPTEMBER FROM MENZIES SCHOOL OF HEALTH RESEARCH RE RHD GENETICS PROJECT

Council are provided with a copy of a recent letter dated 3 September 2014 from Menzies School of Health Research in relation to the Rheumatic Heart Disease project.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the correspondence from Menzies School of Health Research re the Rheumatic Heart Disease Project.

4.5 EMAIL DATED 10 SEPTEMBER FROM DESILVA HEBRON RE AMSA INFRINGEMENT NOTICE

Council are provided with a copy of a recent email dated 10th September 2014 from Desilva-Hebron in relation to the withdrawal of AMSA Infringement Notice.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the correspondence from Desilva-Hebron in relation to the withdrawal of the AMSA Infringement Notice.

4.6 EMAIL DATED 16 SEPTEMBER FROM NTG - DEPT. HOUSING RE UPCOMING EVENT AT WURRUMIYANGA

Council are provided with a copy of a recent email dated 16 September 2014 from Mr Darren Johnson NTG Dept. Housing in relation to an upcoming event at Wurrumiyanga.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the correspondence from NTG Dept. Housing re their upcoming event at Wurrumiyanga promoting "Home Ownership".

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

Please refer to the Other Business Agenda Section (after Section 7 – Reports for Information).

6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

6.1 LOCAL AUTHORITIES - ORDINARY MEMBER APPOINTMENTS

Nominations were approved to be called by Council on the 30th July 2014 for the filling of the three (3) Ordinary Member Local Authority vacancies (Pirlangimpi x 2), and (Milikapiti x 1). Nominations were open for a 28 day period and closed on Tuesday 2nd September 2014. Vacancies were placed up across the Tiwi Islands on Council Notice Boards, Community Notice Boards, and on Council's website.

52 RESOLUTION

Moved: *Crystal Johnson*

Seconded: *John Naden*

That Council:

1. Unable to accept the nomination of Deanne Rioli for the vacancy on the Pirlangimpi Local Authority representing the (Miyartuwi Skin Group) due to the incorrect skin group nomination (subsequently withdrawn),
2. Accepts the nomination of Ebony Williams-Costa for the vacancy on the Pirlangimpi Local Authority representing the (Non-Skin Group)

CARRIED

6.2 2014 TERRITORY TIDY TOWNS FORUM & AWARDS DINNER (DARWIN) 23 - 24 OCTOBER 2014

The Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT has recently emailed Council to advise that they are holding their Keep Australia Beautiful Tidy Towns and Australia Day combined Conference in Darwin on 23 & 24 October 2014. Council are being asked to confirm if they wish to nominate any Councillors to attend this important event.

53 RESOLUTION

Moved: *Emmanuel Rioli*

Seconded: *Crystal Johnson*

That Council confirms Tiwi Islands Regional Council attendance at the 2014 Territory Tidy Towns Forum on 23 – 24 October 2014 and nominates some Councillors to attend.

Councillor nominations:

Mayor Lynette De Santis, Cr Therese Bourke, Cr Leslie Tungutalum.

CEO to nominate staff.

CARRIED

6.3 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL REPRESENTATION

Council is provided with an update on progress of the review of Electoral Representation which needs to be completed by no later than 31 March 2015.

54 RESOLUTION

Moved: *John Naden*

Seconded: *Anita Moreen*

That Council :

1. Endorses the progress report to 24 September 2014 , and
2. Approves for a discussion paper to be prepared and advertised in accordance with the timelines above
3. Approves for a final Report to be prepared for the 17 December 2014 Ordinary Council Meeting.

CARRIED

7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

7.1 2014 - LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPLIANCE REVIEW (7 TO 9 OCTOBER)

This report is provided to Council for information and outlines the upcoming Dept. Local Government Compliance Review visit to Council next month.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.2 TIWI CULTURAL BOOT CAMP PROJECT PROPOSAL

Seeking Council endorsement and advice on developing a Tiwi Boot Camp Project proposal.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council :

1. Endorses the need for these concepts to be pursued;
2. Provides further direction on developing a Tiwi Boot Camp Project Proposal;
3. Liaise with West Arnhem Regional Council to work together.

At this stage of the Meeting a break was called at 11:07 am.

The Meeting resumed at 11:38 am.

7.3 TIWI DRUG & ALCOHOL CULTURAL REHABILITATION CENTRE PROJECT PROPOSAL

Seeking Council endorsement and advice on developing a Tiwi Drug & Alcohol Cultural Rehabilitation Centre Project proposal.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council :

1. Endorses the need for these concepts to be pursued;
2. Provides further direction on developing a Tiwi Drug & Alcohol Cultural Rehabilitation Centre Project Proposal;
3. Liaise with West Arnhem Regional Council to work together.

7.4 MINUTES - WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON 12 AUGUST 2014

Minutes of the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting (deferred from 29 July 2014, and 5th August 2014) held on 12 August 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Minutes of the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 12 August 2014.

7.5 MINUTES - PIRLANGIMPI LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON 26 AUGUST 2014

Minutes of the Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting held on 26 August 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Minutes of the Pirlangimpi Local Authority Meeting held on 26 August 2014.

7.6 MINUTES - SPECIAL WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON 22 AUGUST 2014

Minutes of the Special Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 22 August 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Minutes of the Special Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Meeting held on 22 August 2014.

7.7 HUMAN RESOURCES END OF MONTH REPORT - AUGUST 2014

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.8 CORPORATE SERVICES END OF MONTH REPORT - AUGUST 2014

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.9 DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SUPPORT - EOM REPORT FOR AUGUST

This report illustrates the business within units including; Children's Services, Youth and Community, Sports and Recreation, Community Safety, Centrelink and Libraries.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.10 FINANCE END OF MONTH REPORT - AUGUST 2014

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

7.11 INFRASTRUCTURE - EOM REPORT FOR AUGUST 2014

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

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information

7.12 GOVERNANCE MANAGERS REPORT - END OF MONTH - AUGUST 2014

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes this report for information.

A lunch break was called at 12:35 pm.

The meeting resumed at 1:25 pm.

Cr Anita Moreen re-joined the meeting at 1:32 pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 VISIT BY WEST ARNHEM REGIONAL COUNCIL

The Mayor of West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) Cr Lothar Siebert thanked the Mayor and Councillors for the invitation to attend the Tiwi Islands Regional Council (TIRC) Ordinary Council Meeting today.

As both Councils were located within the Arafura Electorate, and that there were similar issues and problems currently being faced by both Councils it was agreed that it would be beneficial for both Councils to work together in the future.

The two Mayors & CEO's agreed they would meet on a regular basis and combine resources for joint approaches to Ministers.

Action : The Mayors of TIRC and WARC plus both CEO's agreed to meet on a regular basis.

5.2 REQUEST FOR UPDATED LISTING OF MOTOR VEHICLE DISPOSALS

Cr Manyi Rioli asked if an updated listing of disposal of motor vehicles could be provided to the next meeting. Information is to include the prices realised and the date when Council received the proceeds from sale.

Action : CEO to request the Fleet Manager to prepare the required information for the next Ordinary Council Meeting (29 October 2014).

5.3 COUNCIL MOTION – PROPOSED CHANGES TO LGANT’S CONSTITUTION

Council was provided with a short briefing from Mayor Lothar Siebert of West Arnhem Regional Council in relation to a recent meeting held in Darwin with the CEO of LGANT Mr Tony Tapsell.

The background to this meeting was that the LGANT Executive currently has eight (8) members and West Arnhem Regional Council (WARC) were supportive of recommending a change to the LGANT Constitution (membership structure).

WARC passed a Council Resolution on the 10th September 2014 recommending an increase by one (1) member to nine (9) members on the LGANT Executive. This would provide a majority of (50% plus one) of LGANT’s membership of 17 Councils.

The rationale Mayor Siebert gave for this proposal was that a democracy is meant to operate on the basis of the above majority and this simple change would render the LGANT Executive as being truly democratic on the basis of this principle.

The key element of the proposed change to the membership structure lies in the representation for the new position. Mayor Siebert said it should be open to either Municipal or Regional and Shire Councils which means then it would have an election like that for the President, a position all Councils would vote for.

MOTION

55 RESOLUTION

Moved: Gawin Tipiloura

Seconded: John Naden

That the Tiwi Islands Regional Council supports the motion by West Arnhem Regional Council:

1. That membership of the LGANT Executive Committee be increased from 8 to 9 members
2. That LGANT provides an explanation to members as to how authority is vested in the Executive Committee

CARRIED

8 Next Meeting

Wednesday, 29 October 2014

9 Closure The meeting closed at 2:20 pm.