

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE WURRUMIYANGA  
BOARDROOM ON WEDNESDAY, 28 OCTOBER 2015 AT 10:00AM**

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**1 Welcome & Apologies**

The meeting opened at 10:20am.

The new CEO Marion Scrymgour welcomed Councillors, staff and visitors.

The Mayor, Lynette De Santis then took over chairing the meeting.

**1.1 Present**

**Mayor:** Lynette De Santis

**Councillors:** Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi (10:50am), Barry Puruntatameri, Leslie Tungutalum, John Naden, Gawin Tipiloura, Venard Pilakui, Anita Moreen, Emmanuel Rioli (10:45am), Irene Tipiloura.

**Officers:** Marion Scrymgour (Chief Executive Officer), Vince North (A/Director Infrastructure), Bill Toy (Deputy Director Community Support), Chris Smith (ICT & Systems Manager), Maina Brown (Executive Assistant), Sally Ullungura (Governance Support).

**Visitors:** Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu (Member for Arafura), Colvin Crowe (NTG DLGCS), Rachel Dunne (Electorate Officer), Murray MacAllister (NTG Dept. Business), Mark Muller (Tiwi Enterprises).

**Minutes:** Bruce Moller (Governance & Compliance Manager).

**1.2 Apologies**

Accepted: Councillors - Crystal Johnson, Therese Bourke.

**Apologies - Ordinary Meeting - 28 October 2015**

**1 RESOLUTION**

*Moved:* Gawin Tipiloura

*Seconded:* John Naden

That the Apologies of Councillors - Crystal Johnson, and Therese Bourke be accepted by Council.

**CARRIED**

**1.3 Leave of Absence**

Nil

**1.4 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff**

Nil

**1.5 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

**Special Meeting - 22 September 2015**

**2 RESOLUTION**

Moved: John Naden  
Seconded: Gawin Tipiloura

That the minutes of the Special Meeting held on 22 September 2015 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**CARRIED**

**Ordinary Meeting - 14 October 2015 ( Deferred from 30 September )**

**3 RESOLUTION**

Moved: John Naden  
Seconded: Gawin Tipiloura

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 14 October 2015 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**CARRIED**

**2 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**2.1 PRESENTATION BY TIWI ENTERPRISES ON THE WURRUMIYANGA TOURIST PRECINCT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.**

A representative from Tiwi Enterprises Pty Ltd will be in attendance today to provide a presentation / briefing to Council on the Wurrumiyanga Tourist Precinct Development Project.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council welcomes Mark Muller from Tiwi Enterprises P/L to today's Meeting for their presentation to Council.**

**CEO Marion Scrymgour confirmed Council's willingness to work together with Tiwi Enterprises P/L for the benefit of the Tiwi people.**

**3 BUSINESS ARISING**

Nil

**4 CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil



## 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 5.1 2016 – AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS & CELEBRATIONS

Information was tabled in relation to the upcoming 2016 Australia Day Awards and Celebrations for the Tiwi Islands Regional Council.

It is proposed to have Australia Day celebrations in all three communities with some Grant Funding being made available via the Australia Day Council.

Councillors are being given advance notice of the 2016 Awards to allow for nominations to be sourced covering the following three categories:

1. Young Citizen 30 years and under
2. Citizen 31 years and over
3. Community Event

A further report will be prepared for the November Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> November at Pirlangimpi Community.

Could Councillors please discuss the nominations over coming weeks and provide all nominations via email to Council Events & Community Engagement Officer – Nicholas Lynch.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**A. That Council undertake discussions with their local community and seek suitable nominations for each award category.**

**B. That a Report for Decision will be prepared for the 25 November Ordinary Council Meeting summarising all nominations.**

### 5.2 WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY

Community Projects for Council approval.

At the WLA Meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2015 a number of new proposed community projects were recommended to Council for approval to proceed.

A listing of WLA Community Projects was tabled for Council to review and approve.

#### **4 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Emmanuel Rioli*

*Seconded: John Naden*

**That Council approves the 3 additional projects to proceed as per the listing below:**

Wurrumiyanga Set up new Community Public Meeting Area in Gsell Park (Stage 1 – commence site selection, and design seating, signage, shade, power, water, bbq facilities etc.).	WLA 15 -3	Est \$ 20,000
Wurrumiyanga Recreation Hall New 24 Hour Door to be installed for Gym access (plus swipe fobs).	WLA 15 -4	Est \$ 5,000
Bush Holidays – June-July 2016 Assistance with transport and logistics support.	WLA 15 -5	Est \$ 20,000

**CARRIED**



## 6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

### 6.1 GRANT ACQUITTALS (VARIOUS GRANTS X 3)

Financial Grant Acquittals covering a number of various grants (Local Authorities & SPG) are required to be endorsed by Council. Listed below are three (3) grant acquittals that require endorsement.

#### 5 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden  
Seconded: Gawin Tipiloura

**That Council endorses the acquittal of the first (2) grants listed below in Table 1 for the reporting period ending 30 June 2015.**

**Table 1 - Various Grant Acquittals for Reporting Period Ended 30 June 2015 – Department of Local Government and Community Services**

	TIRC Ref:	Description
1.	1479	\$184,858 – Strengthening of Local Authorities Funding 2014-15. Grant Ref: LGR2014/00081
2.	1527	CTG - \$27,102 Purchase and installation of two 12,000 litre bunded fuel tanks with own bowsers and electronic dispensers at Milikapiti. Grant Ref: 2012/05669

**The third Grant (Library Services 14/15) Grant listed below in Table 2 was deferred by Council to the 25 November 2015 Meeting to allow for additional information to be provided.**

**Table 2 - Various Grant Acquittals for Reporting Period Ended 30 June 2015 – Minister for Arts & Museums**

	TIRC Ref:	Description
1.	1215	\$63,165 – Provision of Library Services 2014/15 Grant Ref: N/A

**CARRIED**

## 7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

### 7.1 FIRST REPORT TO TIWI ISLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL BY CEO MARION SCRYMGOUR - OCTOBER 2015

This report is provided to Council as an introduction by the new CEO.

#### 6 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden  
Seconded: Emmanuel Rioli

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

**B. That the CEO writes a letter to the Chief Minister, Minister for Local Government, and the Dept. Local Government in relation to the possible writing off of the \$ 667,000 Loan debt,**

**C. That the CEO seeks further advice from the Dept. Local Government & Community Services with regard to the possibility of the future re-introduction of “Service Fees”.**

**CARRIED**

**7.2 ELECTED MEMBERS - FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING - TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2015 - WURRUMIYANGA**

This report provides Council with the proposed date of Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at Wurrumiyanga Council Office for the 1<sup>st</sup> Session of the Financial Management Training.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. That Council notes the above report and requests that each Councillor confirm their individual attendance for the Financial Management Training on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2015 by contacting Sally Ullungura on or before Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015.**
- B. That Council requested for the LGANT Trainer to provide a feedback form as part of the first training session.**

**7.3 COMMUNITY SUPPORT END OF MONTH REPORT SEPTEMBER 2015**

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.**

**General Community Support discussion items:**

- A. Cr Pirrawayingi – Need to broaden our discussions with all stakeholders about employing more Tiwi.**
- B. CEO – The biggest stakeholders for Council are our communities – we need to re-focus our efforts on communities first with more community meetings.**
- C. Rosanna De Santis – discussion with Tiwi College re students that are finishing this year as to possible jobs with Council. Some students may wish to apply for vacant Council positions next year.**
- D. Cr John Naden – Question re Library Facilities at Wurrumiyanga ? – what access is there for Wurrumiyanga residents to go to a Library ?  
Does the School receive NTG Library funding for a Wurrumiyanga Library Service ?**

**Action : CEO and Director Community Support to follow this matter up.**

**7.4 HUMAN RESOURCES END OF MONTH REPORT SEPTEMBER 2015**

**7 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Anita Moreen*  
*Seconded: Barry Puruntatameri*

- A. That Council notes the content of this report for information;**
- B. That Council approves for all future Staff Recruitment Interview Panels to include an Elected Member, or a Local Authority Member (as appropriate).**
- C. That more detail is required by Council for the demographics graphs.**

**CARRIED**



**8 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Pirrawayingi  
Seconded: Anita Moreen

- A. That Council notes the content of this report for information;
- B. That Council requests the CEO to write a letter to the Tiwi Bombers to clarify the matters in relation to the naming rights of the Council controlled Stanley Tipiloura Oval, proper consultation, and the level of Council financial support for Tiwi Football;
- C. That the CEO also contacts the Office of Township Leasing (OTL) to investigate current Council held leases on the Stanley Tipiloura Oval precinct, and all Tiwi Islands Airports and Cemeteries as to the current cost of these leases and the potential for lower cost peppercorn leases.
- D. That the next edition of the Council newsletter includes a feature on the Tiwi Football and for Council to publish information on the current level of financial & in kind support provided to the Tiwi Bombers & the Tiwi Islands Football League (TIFL).

**CARRIED**

A lunch break was called at 12:10pm, and the Meeting recommenced at 12:53 pm.

Cr Gawin Tipiloura re-joined the meeting at 12:55 pm.

**7.6 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES - END OF MONTH - SEPTEMBER 2015**

The following summary is a report of activity, issues and initiatives taken for September 2015.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes this report for information.

General Road & Civil Works discussion items:

- A. Cr John Naden – Could the road area in front of the concrete corner slab ( opposite Wurrumiyanga Aged Care ) be checked as it was breaking up ?
  - B. Cr Leslie Tungutalum – Area in front of NUA Store – could this have some additional gravel placed in low areas ?
  - C. Cr Manyi Rioli – Dust on Pirlangimpi Road (First section currently under the responsibility of Tiwi Plantations Corporation) drivers need to be cautious due to trucks and large dust clouds – this is a continuing safety issue for local drivers.
- Action : A/Director Infrastructure and CEO to draft a letter to Tiwi Plantations Corporation raising the dust issue and potential ongoing road safety concerns.
- D. Cr Pirrawayingi – raised the issue of maximising Tiwi Employment opportunities on Council Road Crews and Civil Works projects.



No Mechanic in Pirlangimpi at present – Can the Council please let community members know when the visiting mechanic is due to be in Pirlangimpi as there are quite a few car repair jobs waiting ?

E. Cr John Naden – Well done on the current work being done on the Council Roads. All drivers need to take care on dirt roads as all road users have a duty of care.

Road Safety Grants are currently available and the Council needs to investigate all additional funding opportunities that relate to Road Safety.

#### **7.7 FINANCE END OF MONTH REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2015**

##### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. That Council notes this report for information.
- B. That the Council notes the written response provided by the Dept. Local Government & Community Services in relation to reviewing the Financial Statements for 30 September 2015
- C. That the Senior Accountant attends all future Council Meetings.
- D. That the format and content of Council's Monthly Financial Reports be reviewed to allow for better presentation and be easier to understand.

#### **7.8 GOVERNANCE & COMPLIANCE MANAGERS REPORT - END OF MONTH - SEPTEMBER 2015**

##### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes this report for information.

#### **7.9 MINUTES - MILIKAPITI LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON 29 SEPTEMBER 2015**

Minutes of the Milikapiti Local Authority Meeting held on 29 September 2015.

##### **9 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Gawin Tipiloura

Seconded: John Naden

**That Council notes the Minutes of the Milikapiti Local Authority Meeting held on 29 September 2015.**

**That Council accepts all the Reports for Information 7.1 to 7.9**

**CARRIED**



## 8 Confidential Items

2:45 pm

### 10 RESOLUTION

*Moved: Many Rioli*  
*Seconded: John Naden*

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.

**CARRIED**

### **ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN MEETING**

2:45 pm

### 11 RESOLUTION

*Moved: Many Rioli*  
*Seconded: John Naden*

That the open section of the meeting be adjourned to allow the confidential section of the meeting to commence.

**CARRIED**

***The Closed Session of Council was completed at 2:50 pm, and the Mayor re-opened the Council Meeting to record those resolutions that may be made public as follows:***

It was confirmed that at the conclusion of the discussion on the confidential item(s), the meeting was reopened and the decision on the item(s) noted.

### **CONFIDENTIAL ITEM DECISIONS**

#### **8.1 RATES BALANCES TO BE WRITTEN OFF**

### 12 RESOLUTION

*Moved: Many Rioli*  
*Seconded: John Naden*

**That Council requested for this Confidential Report 8.1 to be deferred to the next Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015**

**CARRIED**

## 9 Next Meeting

Wednesday, 25 November 2015 at Pirlangimpi Community, Melville Island.





**10 Closure**

The meeting closed at 2:55 pm.

**These Minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015.**

Signed:  .....

**Mayor**

