



MINUTES OF THE WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE WURRUMIYANGA OFFICE ON MONDAY, 25 JANUARY 2016 AT 10:00 AM

1 **Welcome & Apologies**

1.1 **Welcome**

The meeting opened at 10:10 am.

The Chairperson welcomed the Mayor, Councillors, members and staff.

1.2 **Present**

Chairperson: John Ross Pilakui

Local Authority Members: Cr Barry Puruntatameri, Cr Venard Pilakui, Cr John Naden, Richard Tungutalum, Marie Frances Tipiloura, Kevin Doolan, Richard Tipuamantumirri, Jane Puautjimi (10:20 am), Miriam Tipungwuti, Mavis Kerinauia, Bonaventure Timaepatua, Teresita Puruntatameri, Francisco Babui, Ronald Tipungwuti.

Visiting Councillors: Lynette De Santis (Mayor) (11:15 am), Pirrawayingi (Deputy Mayor) (10:35 am).

Visitors: Colvin Crowe (NTG- DLGCS), Sister Anne Gardiner, Luana Cormac (NTG DCM), Wesley Kerinauia (Traditional Owner), Maryclaire Milikins (PM&C), Peter Penley (OTL), Dale Alfred (Red Cross), Mark Muller (Tiwi Enterprises), Mike Owen (Top End Heritage Services), Mary Williams (KABC NT), Kevin Baxter (Catholic Care).

Officers: Marion Scrymgour (CEO), Vince North, (A/Director Infrastructure), Maina Brown (Executive Assistant), Sally Ullungura (Governance Support), Nick Lynch (Community Engagement),

Minutes: Bruce Moller (Governance & Compliance Manager).

1.3 **Apologies**

Accepted: Cr Gawin Tipiloura, Cr Leslie Tungutalum, Cr Crystal Johnson,

Not Accepted: Nil

1.4 **Leave of Absence**

Nil

1.5 **Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff**

Cr John Naden advised members (for information) that he had been having preliminary discussions with the various parties in regard to the broader tourism aspects of the Foreshore Development Project.

1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Wurrumiyanga Local Authority - 27 October 2015

RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden

Seconded: Richard Tungutalum

That the minutes of the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority held on 27 October 2015 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED

2 BUSINESS ARISING

2.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Business arising from previous minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority accepts these discussions and reports.

3 GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 WURRUMIYANGA - FORESHORE AREA - UPDATE ON THE PONTOON & WELCOME CENTRE PROJECTS

Representatives from the NTG Dept. of Chief Minister and Tiwi Enterprises will be providing an update for members on the current status of the Wurrumiyanga Foreshore Development Projects (Pontoon & Welcome Centre).

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority welcomes the representatives and listens to the briefings in relation to the Wurrumiyanga Foreshore Development Project.

Briefing by Luana Cormac from the NTG Dept. Chief Minister

Luana provided an in depth briefing to members of the latest design proposals for the Wurrumiyanga Foreshore Development Project. Luana tabled for members information the latest concept designs for the 2 x public pontoons (Wurrumiyanga & Paru), site engineering details, plus a general layout for the Wurrumiyanga Visitor Centre.

Design models had also been created to test the final pontoon designs.

Three leases will be required to cover the land tenure arrangements (2 x Crown Leases + 1 (TLC Lease for Paru).

Luana also advised that 2 funding applications had been lodged for the overall project at \$ 5 Million (one to NTG Dept. of Transport + one to ABA). Discussions were also underway with Sealink (Tiwi Ferry Operator) to seek a contribution towards the project.

Discussions were also underway with (RDA NT) Stronger Regions Fund to see if any additional funding could be made available as well.

Luana advised that the NTG had provided additional funding of \$ 30K to undertake an overall cost benefit analysis for the entire project.

Final siting of the pontoons and Visitor Centre was still under discussion.

The tourism beautification would also be part of the Foreshore Development with the signage already installed for the Tiwi Trail.

Mark Muller from Tiwi Enterprises provided members with a short update on their involvement with the overall project.

Vince North (TIRC) provided members with a short update on the Regional Council Foreshore Drainage Project. Clearing of the drain area had commenced (subject to wet season), and a 400 metre spoon drain would be surveyed and constructed. This would improve the overall amenity of the area with grassed areas and BBQ's planned for later installation.

Sister Anne Gardiner also spoke to members about the opportunities coming up for Tiwi Training and Employment. New jobs will be created as part of this project and Tiwi people will need to be encouraged to grasp these opportunities.

3.2 WURRUMIYANGA - PRESENTATION BY KAB ON COMMUNITY CLEAN UP AND LITTER

Mary Williams from KAB NT will be providing an update for members on community engagement for clean-ups and general discussions around litter and community education programs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority welcomes Mary Williams from Keep Australia Beautiful Council Northern Territory and considers some actions for community clean-ups and litter education.

Mary was happy to work with the community to assist with planning / co-ordinating community clean ups. Some ideas suggested were Tidy Yard, Tidy Street, and Tidy Suburb.

Members suggested that the Skin Groups would be the appropriate forum to organise and advise community members for a clean-up day.

3.3 2015 - MEETING ATTENDANCE REGISTER

As an ongoing record keeping requirement, members will be provided with an updated meeting attendance listing at the beginning of each meeting. Member's attendance is based on the official minutes of each WLA meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority members note the updated 2015 meeting attendance register.

3.4 AUSTRALIA DAY 2016 - PROGRAM OF EVENTS AND AWARD NOMINATIONS

This report is provided to the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority for information which outlines the Australia Day Celebrations on the Tiwi Islands.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority notes the Tiwi Islands 2016 Australia Day Celebrations and Award recipients.

4 REPORTS FOR DECISION

4.1 WURRUMIYANGA GYM - 24 HOUR ACCESS DOOR

This report illustrates the costs associated with the installation of a 24/7 access door to the Wurrumiyanga Gym.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Bonaventure Timeapatua

Seconded: Francisco Babui

That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority does not support the increased expenditure from \$ 5,000 to \$11,100.00.

CARRIED

4.2 WURRUMIYANGA - COMMUNITY PROJECTS LISTING

At the last meeting (27th October 2015) members discussed and reviewed a number of possible community projects. We have now prepared an updated list of proposed projects for further discussion at today's meeting.

RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden

Seconded: Barry Puruntatameri

1. That the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority reviews and updates the Community Projects Listing,
2. Notes the additional funding allocation for 15/16,
3. Recommends any projects to Council for approval to proceed.

A. Project ID WLA 15-6 Wurrumiyanga – Sister Anne Gardiner - Cultural History

\$ 58,000 funds to undertake a cultural history project thru the Wurrumiyanga Museum.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Finance Reports

The CEO tabled a number of cash / expenditure reports for information (extracted from the January 2016 Council Finance Reports) to provide members with an introduction and overview of the Regional Council Finance Reports.

Council's Finance Section are arranging for a new expenditure report for each Local Authority (commencing February 2016) which is in line with Section 13 of Ministerial Guideline # 8 (Regional Council budgets and financial reports to Local Authorities).

ACTION Governance & Compliance Manager to arrange for copies of Council Finance Reports to go up on Council Noticeboards after each meeting.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

ACTION ITEMS

See separate listing of the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority Action Items and Community Projects Listing (A3 size document) which has been updated as part of these Minutes.

The Regional Council must respond to Local Authority Action Items in a timely manner so that members can relay this information back to their local communities.

At this point of the meeting a lunch break was called at 12:20pm, the meeting resumed at 12:50 pm.

WLA - MEMBERS FORUM

6.1 WURRUMIYANGA – PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Vince North provided an update to members on some alternative cost effective options to consider for repairing damaged / broken swings in various playgrounds. Some quotes were also being obtained for the building of see / saws which were up to code but were a much cheaper option than equivalent off the shelf playground equipment.

6.2 WURRUMIYANGA – INVITE CATHOLIC EDUCATION OFFICE TO NEXT WLA MEETING

CEO Marion Scrymgour suggested to members that the WLA extend an invitation to the Catholic Education Office in Darwin to discuss public access to Library Facilities in Wurrumiyanga, and possible access to the School Basketball Courts for local children (after school hours).

ACTION Governance & Compliance Manager to contact the Catholic Education Office in Darwin to invite a representative to the 26th April 2016 WLA Meeting.

Kevin Doolan re-joined the meeting at 1:20 pm, and Ronald Tipungwuti re-joined at 1:25 pm.

6.3 WURRUMIYANGA – NEW SIGNAGE FOR STANLEY TIPILOURA OVAL

Members asked on the progress of the new signage for the Stanley Tipiloura Oval.

Vince North provided a response to say that he has obtained the draft quotes / layout for the proposed signage and this was ready to go. Members confirmed that the signage needs to go up before the Tiwi Islands Grant Final, and that the signage wording needs to clearly show sponsored by the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority, Tiwi Islands Regional Council.

ACTION Acting GM Infrastructure Vince North to arrange for the new signage to be in place before the Tiwi Islands Grand Final on Sunday 20th March 2016.

6.4 TIWI - STRONGER CULTURAL AUTHORITY

The Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi was invited to today's meeting to provide members with an important briefing covering the rebuilding and re-strengthening of Tiwi Cultural Authority.

Pirrawayingi provided a strong message on the current lack of respect being shown by some community members. By losing culture you are losing respect so over the next 10 to 20 years a stronger and more vibrant Tiwi Culture needs to be rebuilt. Elders Authority needs to be respected and listened to. Good positive things are happening in our communities.

Community people need to listen to their Elders and play a more active part in their skin groups and need to focus on and rebuild community pride.

TIWI COMMUNITY & TIWI RESPECT are two important values of our culture.

Under the new CEO Marion Scrymgour the Tiwi Islands Regional Council has commenced rebuilding relationships and cultural respect with community members.

Tiwi Culture works hand in hand together with Western Culture by having open and thoughtful discussions and be mutually respectful of each others cultural values.

6.5 TIWI ISLANDS – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ACTION PLAN

Kevin Baxter from (Catholic Care) asked members if he could give a short briefing on the important issue of domestic violence and provide some information on new measures that were being put forward.

Under the " NO MORE " Domestic Violence a series of Action Plans were being developed utilising Football Clubs as a proposed method of raising the profile and gaining greater awareness of this issue. An example of a NO MORE Domestic Violence Action Plan was tabled for information covering the Pumaralli Football Club.

It was suggested that an initial meeting be held early in February 2016 with the various service providers on the Tiwi Islands like the Regional Council, Police, Football Clubs, Red Cross, Correctional Services, etc.

6.6 TIWI ISLANDS – “ WHERE ARE THE LEADERS ”

Richard Tungutalum raised the issue that our leaders need to be more involved with the Community. By being more involved it will have a positive effect and make things better.

We need our leaders to step in and “ Stop the Trouble.”

Need to be talking with community members and be constantly trying to resolve community issues at the grass roots level and make the peace.

7 Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is set down for Tuesday 26th April 2016.

8 Closure

The meeting closed at 2:45 pm.