

# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE WURRUMIYANGA OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 27 JANUARY 2016 AT 10:00 AM

# 1 Welcome & Apologies

# 1.1 Welcome

The meeting opened at 10:15am.

The CEO Marion Scrymgour welcomed Councillors, staff and visitors.

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

#### 1.2 Present

Mayor: Lynette De Santis

**Councillors:** Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi, Lesley Tungutalum (10:30 am), Barry Puruntatameri, John Naden, Venard Pilakui, Irene Tipiloura, Emmanuel Rioli, Therese Bourke (10:28 am), Anita Moreen.

Officers: Marion Scrymgour (Chief Executive Officer), Vince North (A/Director Infrastructure), Bill Toy (Deputy Director Community Support), Bruce Mann (A/Senior Accountant), Maina Brown (Executive Assistant), Sally Ullungura (Governance Support).

Visitors: Colvin Crowe (NTG DLGCS), Allan McGill.

Minutes: Bruce Moller (Governance & Compliance Manager).

# 1.3 Apologies

Accepted: - Nil

Not Accepted: Councillors Crystal Johnson, Gawin Tipiloura.

# 1.4 Leave of Absence

Staff - Rosanna De Santis (Director Community Support).

# 1.5 Declaration of Interest of Members or Staff

Nil



#### 1.6 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

# Ordinary Meeting - 16 December 2015

## 1 RESOLUTION

Moved:

Barry Puruntatameri

Seconded:

John Naden

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 16 December 2015 (with amendments) be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Note: The only amendment to the draft minutes was to confirm that Council did not accept the apologies of Councillors Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi, Lesley Tungutalum, and Crystal Johnson and that the draft minutes be amended to read as follows:

# Accepted: Nil

# Not Accepted: (Councillors Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi, Lesley Tungutalum, and Crystal Johnson).

Therefore, as of todays meeting due to Cr Crystal Johnson not providing an acceptable apology to Council for the last two consecutive Council Ordinary Meetings (Pursuant to Section 39(1)(d) of the Act), Cr Crystal Johnson ceases to be a member of Council.

Note: If a Council member misses two consecutive ordinary council meetings without permission of the Council, the member automatically ceases to hold office after the second of those two meetings. If this date is more than 18 months before the next general election, a by-election must be held to fill the vacancy.

CARRIED

# 2 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

#### 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

# 5.1 WURRUMIYANGA LOCAL AUTHORITY

Community Projects for Council approval.

At the WLA Meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2016 a new proposed community project was recommended to Council for approval to proceed.

# 2 RESOLUTION

Moved:

Leslie Tungutalum

Seconded:

John Naden

# That Council approves the additional project to proceed as per the listing below:

Wurrumiyanga	WLA 15 -6	Est \$ 58,000
Sister Anne Gardiner – Cultural History Project		

**CARRIED** 



#### 5.2 COUNCILLORS PORTFOLIOS

Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi raised the question if Councillors Portfolios could be put up again on Council Noticeboards and Community Noticeboards.

A Council Report will be prepared for the February 2016 Meeting which will provide an up to date listing of the various Councillor Portfolios.

# FOR ACTION

- A. That the Governance Manager emails a copy of the Councillors Portfolios to each Office Co-Ordinator and that these be placed up on Council & Community Notice Boards in each community.
- B. That a Report for Information be prepared for the 24 February 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting summarising all Councillor portfolios.

#### 5.3 CENTRELINK – FUNERALS ASSISTANCE

General discussion was raised by Council Members in relation to whether there was any assistance available to Tiwi families from Centrelink to help with Funeral expenses.

Bill Toy suggested that he could contact Centrelink on Council's behalf and make some initial enquiries as to what forms of assistance may be available and what the application processes were.

## **FOR ACTION**

That the Manager Community Support makes enquiries with Centrelink in relation to possible assistance with Funeral Expenses.

# 5.4 CEO TO INVITE DLGCS STAFF TO FEB 24 COUNCIL MEETING – BRIEFING ON CEMETERIES & PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE LG ACT

The CEO advised members that following discussions with the Dept. Local Government that we invite Dept. Officers Lee Williams & Hugh King to provide a briefing session to Council at the February 24<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting at Pirlangimpi.

Governance Manager to contact Lee Williams & Hugh King to check on their availability and invite them to the February Ordinary Council Meeting.

## FOR ACTION

That the Governance Manager contacts Lee Williams and Hugh King to invite them to the 24 February Ordinary Council Meeting at Pirlangimpi.



# 5.5 TRIAL OF PRE-AGENDA MEETING AS PART OF EACH MONTHLY ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING ( PIRLANGIMPI – TUE 23<sup>RD</sup> FEB AT 1:30 PM )

Councillor Naden suggested to members that it would be a good governance process to look at reinstating the Pre Agenda Meetings during the afternoon prior to Council Ordinary Meetings. Councillors agreed that a trial would be arranged for the Pirlangimpi Meeting.

The standard practice at present is to hold the Local Authority Meeting Tuesday mornings (10am to approx.1pm), and then the following day at 10am the Ordinary Council Meeting would be held.

Reinstating the Pre Agenda Council Meeting could be done from approx. 1:30pm to 3:30 pm on the Tuesday afternoon (immediately following the Local Authority Meeting). This would allow time for Councillors to discuss as a group prior to the formal Council Meeting any issues or concerns that they may have.

There would be additional costs to Council for overnight accommodation and meals for visiting Councillors + Senior staff.

The positive side to this would be a good forum and opportunity each month for Council Members to get together (prior to the formal meeting) for general discussions, and for the CEO / General Managers to be available to answer any questions if required.

## FOR ACTION

- A. That the Governance Manager makes the necessary arrangements to include a Pre Agenda Council Meeting at Pirlangimpi on the Tuesday afternoon 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 (approx. 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm) including accommodation and meals, plus Transport arrangements to include bringing Councillors to Pirlangimpi on the Tuesday morning.
- B. Note that an additional Council planning workshop day is to be held at Pirlangimpi on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February and additional bookings for accommodation and meals will need to be arranged in conjunction with the previous 2 days (Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> & Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Feb).

#### 5.6 TIWI ISLANDS STAKEHOLDERS MEETING

Deputy Mayor Pirrawayingi raised the question of whether the Council could coordinate the calling of a stakeholders meeting.

The CEO Marion Scrymgour responded and suggested that this was a good idea but would prefer that this be arranged at a future point in time. The CEO would send out an invitation letter to all service providers down the track.

# **FOR ACTION**

That the CEO would at an appropriate point in the future contact all stakeholders to arrange a stakeholders meeting.



#### 6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

#### 6.1 FINANCE END OF MONTH REPORT - DECEMBER 2015

#### 3 RESOLUTION

Moved: Anita Moreen Seconded: John Naden

That Council notes this report for information and accepts the Finance Report for the Reporting period to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.2 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. Subject to the Wurrumiyanga Local Authority recommending the additional costs (from \$ 5,000 to \$11,100), the Council is being asked to approve the additional \$ 6,100 for the full scope of works to be completed.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Council did not approve the increase in WLA Project 15-4 from \$ 5,000 to \$11,100.00.

#### 6.3 FINANCIAL DELEGATIONS POLICY # 13 - UPDATED VERSION 2

This report provides Council with the latest updated version # 2 of the Financial Delegations Policy # 13 as at 14 January 2016 and seeks Council approval to adopt the new version of this existing policy. This new version incorporates some minor amendments to reflect the new organisation structure (December 2015) and amended financial delegation levels.

# 4 RESOLUTION

Moved: Irene Tipiloura Seconded: Emmanuel Rioli

That Council endorses and adopts Version 2 of the Financial Delegations Policy # 13.

CARRIED

# 6.4 DRAFT TIWI ISLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL PLAN & BUDGET 2016/17

This report provides Council with the first cut preliminary draft of the Draft Tiwi Islands Regional Council Plan and Budget for 2016/17 for further discussion.

## **5 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Barry Puruntatameri Seconded: Therese Bourke

That Council notes this report and agrees to set some tentative dates for the scheduling of the various workshops and meetings from February 2016 to June 2016.

The first planning workshop is to be held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at Pirlangimpi community (day after Feb 2016 OCM).

**CARRIED** 



## 6.5 CEO REPORT FOR COUNCIL MEETING 27 JANUARY 2016

This report is provided to Council as an update of meetings and important issues to the end of December 2015.

## 6 RESOLUTION

Moved: Emmanuel Rioli Seconded: Anita Moreen

That Council notes this report and the progress of various areas across the Regional Council area.

CARRIED

## 7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

# 7.1 AUSTRALIA DAY 2016 - PROGRAM OF EVENTS AND AWARD NOMINATIONS

This report is provided for information to the Council which outlines the 2016 Australia Day Celebrations on the Tiwi Islands. As this is to be held the day before the Council Meeting (Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016) this report is provided as a record of the activities planned for the 2016 Australia Day Public Holiday.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council notes this report for information.

#### 7.2 AUSTRALIA DAY 2017 - PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR

This report is provided to Council for information and to commence preliminary discussions in relation to the future planning for the 2017 Australia Day Celebrations on the Tiwi Islands.

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Council notes this report for information and considers some preliminary planning for the 2017 event.

#### 7.3 HUMAN RESOURCES END OF MONTH REPORT DECEMBER 2015

# RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the content of this report for information.

# 7.4 CORPORATE SERVICES END OF MONTH REPORT - DECEMBER 2015

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the content of this report for information.



#### 7.5 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES - END OF MONTH - DECEMBER 2015

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

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes this report for information.

At this point of the meeting a break was called for lunch at 12:55 pm.

The meeting recommenced at 1:30 pm.

#### 7.6 COMMUNITY SUPPORT END OF MONTH REPORT DECEMBER 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.

# 7.7 GOVERNANCE & COMPLIANCE MANAGERS REPORT - END OF MONTH - DECEMBER 2015

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes this report for information.

# 7.8 MINUTES - MILIKAPITI LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2015

Minutes of the Milikapiti Local Authority Meeting held on 15 December 2015.

## 7 RESOLUTION

Moved:

Barry Puruntatameri

Seconded:

Pirrawayingi

That Council notes the Minutes of the Milikapiti Local Authority Meeting held on 15 December 2015.

That Council notes reports 7.1 to 7.8 for information.

**CARRIED** 

## 8 Confidential Items

## 2:45 pm



## 8 RESOLUTION

Moved: Therese Bourke Seconded: Emmanuel Rioli

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

## 9 RESOLUTION

Moved: Therese Bourke Seconded: Emmanuel Rioli

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 3:25 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

Confirmation of Previous Minutes

- Confidential Special Council Meeting 22 September 2015
- Confidential Council Meeting 16 December 2015

# 8 MINUTES – CONFIDENTIAL SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 SEPTEMBER 2015

# 10 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Naden Seconded: Emmanuel Rioli

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

CARRIED



## 8 MINUTES - CONFIDENTIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 16 DECEMBER 2015

## 11 RESOLUTION

Moved:

John Naden

Seconded:

Therese Bourke

That the minutes of the Confidential Council Meeting held on 16 December 2015 as circulated be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**CARRIED** 

## CONFIDENTIAL ITEM DECISIONS

# 8.1 PORT MELVILLE ACCOMMODATION VILLAGE - APPLICATION FOR LIQUUR LICENCE

## SUPPRESSED AS CONFIDENTIAL

## 8.2 CEO VARIOUS CORRESPONDENCE

Various correspondences out and initial response from late November 2015 to mid January 2016 to various departments and stakeholders for Councils information.

## SUPPRESSED AS CONFIDENTIAL

#### 8.3 UPDATE ON COURT MATTER - JANUARY 2016

This confidential report is provided to Council as a further update on the legal matter. Mr Allan McGill will be coming to today's meeting to provide a further briefing to Council on this matter.

## SUPPRESSED AS CONFIDENTIAL

# 9 Next Meeting

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at Pirlangimpi Community, Melville Island.

# 10 Closure

The meeting closed at 3:30 pm.

These Minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

Signed: PG/XSom

Mayor