



**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE WURRUMIYANGA SHIRE BOARDROOM / TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY, 24 APRIL 2024 AT 10.40AM**

**1 Welcome & Apologies**

**1.1 Welcome**

The meeting opened at 10.40am.

The Mayor welcomed councillors and guests.

**1.2 Present**

<b>COUNCILLORS</b>	
Mayor Lynette DeSantis	Milikapiti Ward
Councillor Jeffrey Ullungura	Milikapiti Ward
Councillor Pius Tipungwuti	Milikapiti Ward
Councillor Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu	Bathurst Ward - Teams
Councillor John Ross Pilakui	Bathurst Ward
Councillor Luke Tipuamantumirri	Bathurst Ward
Councillor Deanne Rioli	Pirlangimpi Ward – Teams
<b>STAFF</b>	
Gina McPharlin	Chief Executive Officer
Bala Donepudi	Chief Financial Officer
Bill Toy	Community Services Manager
David Ciosmak	Town Services Manager
Jayesh Vasandani	Management Accountant
Gavin Ackland	Acting Operations Manager Bathurst Island
Kristy Mills	Acting Projects and Contract Manager
Kesara Scrymgour	Acting Governance Coordinator
<b>GUESTS</b>	
Millicent Rushwaya	Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet
Doreen Alusa	Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

**Minuter: Kesara Scrymgour**

**1.3 Apologies**

<b>Apologies from members who were absent from the meeting</b>	
Jennifer Clancy	Bathurst Ward
<b>15 RESOLUTION</b>	
<i>Moved: John Ross Pilakui</i>	
<i>Seconded: Pius Tipungwuti</i>	
<b>That members</b>	
<b>1. Accept the acknowledgement from the members that they were unable to</b>	

**attend the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**Apologies from members who were absent from the meeting**

Theresa (Wokay) Bourke

Pirlangimpi Ward

**16 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Jeffrey Ullungura*

*Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri*

**That members**

- 1. Accept the acknowledgement from the members that they were unable to attend the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**Apologies from members who were absent from the meeting**

Joseph Pangiraminni

Pirlangimpi Ward

**17 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: John Ross Pilakui*

*Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri*

**That members**

- 1. Accept the acknowledgement from the members that they were unable to attend the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

**Members absent without reason**

Leslie Tungatulum

Bathurst Ward

**18 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Jeffrey Ullungura*

*Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri*

**That members**

- 1. Agreed that Deputy Mayor Leslie Tungatulum be recorded as absent without reason.**

**Members absent without reason**

Stanley Tipiloura

Bathurst Ward

**19 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu*

*Seconded: Pius Tipungwuti*

**That members**

- 1. Agreed that Councillor Stanley Tipiloura be recorded as absent without reason.**

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

**1.5 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

**Ordinary Meeting - 21 February 2024**

**20 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Pius Tipungwuti

Seconded: Francis Xavier Kurrupuwu

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 21 February 2024 as circulated, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

**CARRIED**

**2 Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

**3 VISITORS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Millicent Rushwaya and Doreen Alusa from Department of Chief Minister & Cabinet.

**4 CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil

**5 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

**S.1 UPDATED FAQs - COUNCIL MEMBER ALLOWANCES**

This report provides information for Councillors from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet regarding frequently asked questions on changes to Council and Local Authority Allowances.

**21 RESOLUTION**

Moved: John Ross Pilakui

Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri

**That Council  
Acknowledge receipt of the document FAQ's 2024-2025 Council Member Allowances.**

**CARRIED**

**S.2 TIRC SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY**

This report provides Council with a draft Social Media Policy to review.

**221 RESOLUTION**

Moved: Jeffrey Ullungura

Seconded: Luke Tipuamantumirri

**That Council review the draft TIRC Social Media Policy.**

**CARRIED**

**5.1 TOWN SERVICES REPORT**

Melville Island Town Services, Aerodrome, Civil Works and Outstations  
March 2024 Report

**232 RESOLUTION**

Moved: John Ross Pilakui  
Seconded: Jeffrey Ullungura

That Council notes this report for information.

CARRIED

## 5.2 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT END OF MONTH REPORT

This report illustrates the business within including; Youth Diversion, Sports and Recreation, Libraries, Community Safety, Centrelink, Broadcasting, Animal Management, By laws and Administration.

### 243 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Ross Pilakui  
Seconded: Jeffrey Ullungura

That Council receive and note this report as information.

CARRIED

## 5.3 FINANCE REPORT

### 254 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Ross Pilakui  
Seconded: Jeffrey Ullungura

That Council notes this report for information.

CARRIED

## 6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

### 6.1 MANDATORY TRAINING FOR COUNCILLORS

#### 265 RESOLUTION

Moved: John Ross Pilakui  
Seconded: Jeffrey Ullungura

That Council:

1. Request the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet to facilitate the Code of Conduct training at the May Ordinary Council Meeting.
2. Request ALL Councillors attend the Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest training delivered by the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet.

CARRIED

### 6.2 COMMUNITY POLICING

#### 276 RESOLUTION

Moved: Jeffrey Ullungura  
Seconded: Pius Tipungwuti

**That Council:**

- 1. Invite the Tiwi Islands Community Police Sergeants to attend the next Ordinary Council Meeting on the 15 May 2024**

**CARRIED**

**S.3 RENEWAL SISTER CITY AGREEMENT PROPOSAL**

To endorse the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the establishment of a Sister City relationship between City of Darwin and Tiwi Islands Regional Council.

**287 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: Luke Tipuamantumirri*

*Seconded: Pius Tipungwuti*

**That Council**

**Endorse the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the establishment of a Sister City relationship between City of Darwin and Tiwi Islands Regional Council.**

**CARRIED**

**7 Business Arising from Local Authorities**

Nil

**8 General Business**

Nil

**9 Confidential Items**

*Adjournment of open meeting and moved to Confidential at 1.50pm*

**29 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: John Ross Pilakui*

*Seconded: Pius Tipungwuti*

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**

At the conclusion of the discussion on the confidential item(s), the meeting was reopened and the decision on the item(s) noted.

**30 RESOLUTION**

*Moved: John Ross Pilakui*

*Seconded: Pius Tipungwuti*

That the meeting be reopened and the decisions on the confidential item be noted.

**CARRIED**

## **CONFIDENTIAL ITEM DECISIONS**

### **9.1 CONFIRMATION OF ABORIGINALITY FORMS**

*The report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) (51(e)) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 (s.51). It contains subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.*

### **9.2 WLA - MIYARTUWI SKIN GROUP APPLICATIONS**

*The report will be dealt with under Section 293(1) (51(d)) (51(e)) of the Local Government Act 2019 and General Regulation 2021 Part (3) Administration - Division 2 (s.51). It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity; AND subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.*

## **10 Next Meeting**

Wednesday 15 May 2024.

## **11 Closure**

The meeting closed at 2.30pm.