



MINUTES
COMMUNITY MEETING AMPILATWATJA
Held on Wednesday 25th May 2016
Service Centre Conference Room

1. MEETING OPENED at 11.00 am

This meeting was held in place of a Local Authority provisional meeting or full meeting as only 50% of community or appointed members attended. Five (5) members were needed to reach quorum for it to be a provisional meeting.

2. ATTENDANCE

Local Authority Members Present

Cr. Lucy Jackson	Ward Councillor
Teresa McKeeman	Local Authority Member/Acting Chair
Patrick Ross	Local Authority Member
Ellwyn Holmes	Local Authority Member
Eldon Ross	Local Authority Member

2.1 Staff and Visitors Present

Marion Smith	CEO Barkly Regional Council
Michael White	Executive Director Central Region, (NT Housing)
David J. Curtis	NTG Dept LGCS
Peter Watton	Director of Housing, Barkly Region (NT Housing)
Danny Curtis	DPM&C
Enock Menge	Community Coordinator (Ampilatwatja)
Michael Davis	Waste Management Coordinator (Central Australia)
Wayne Davis	Remote Community Contractor (Envirobank)
Tim Hema	Barkly Regional Council (Night Patrol)
Chris Loder	Community member

2.2 Local Authority members not present

Jeffrey Nelson, Leslie Morton, Andrea Morton, Ronald Palmer Cr. Ada Beasley

3. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- i) Invitation to the Chief Minister to be handled by the Barkly Regional Council
- ii) Invitation to the Executive Director, Central (NT Housing) was sent.
- iii) Invitation to Hon Warren Snowdon to be sent for the June 2016 LA meeting.

4. LOCAL AUTHORITY ISSUES

4.1 REPORT ON LOCAL AUTHORITY FUNDED PROJECTS

All present were informed that the plumbing contractor who is to repair the ablutions at the Windy Oval had been engaged and was expected on site to start renovations shortly.

5. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS



5.1 HOUSING IN AMPILATWATJA

Mr Michael White informed the meeting that the Government uses the waiting list as evidence that there was need for more houses. In Ampilatwatja, there were only 16 people on the waiting list. The meeting was also updated on the creation of new Housing Authorities where community members will take control of housing maintenance in their communities.

The Community members will be invited to make their views known during the formation of the Remote Housing authorities.

5.2 RECYCLING

Mr Wayne Davis from Envirobank made a presentation on the advantages of recycling plastic bottles, and promoted it as a good source of funding that could go back to deserving community initiatives. Bags were left for the purpose of collecting empty bottles for return to the depot in Alice Springs.

6. COUNCIL REPORTS

5.1 CEO REPORT ON COUNCIL SERVICES IN THE AREA

The CEO Marion Smith:

- i) Addressed the meeting and explained that the Council was focused on stabilising staffing and service delivery. Financial reporting is also going to be more detailed to ensure that key performance indicators can be easily matched with the dollars spent.
- ii) Informed the meeting that the Regional Plan was ready for review, and that three copies would be availed at the Ampilatwatja Council Office. The closing date for submission of feedback is **1st July 2016**.

6.2 COMMUNITY COORDINATOR'S REPORT

A successful Community clean-up was conducted the week of 16th to 20th of May.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Water troughs. My Pathway offered to deliver the water trough project as an activity with resources funded by the grant. My Pathway reported on the activities that they are planning to conduct within the Community as part of their program. They offered to deliver the water troughs as an activity with support from the Barkly regional Council.

CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting closed at 1.10 pm Local Authority meeting 3 & 4 will be held on 22 June 2016.