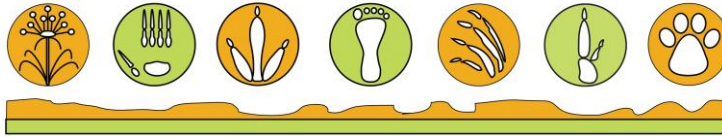


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY Held Tuesday 11th August 2015 Elliott Conference Room

1. MEETING OPENING

Chairperson Chris Neade opened the meeting at 12:46pm

2. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

2.1. Members Present

Chris Neade	Chair
Jody Nish	Deputy Chair
Wade Nish	Local Authority Member
Jen Kite	Local Authority Member
Mona Rennie	Local Authority Member
Peter Mullan	Local Authority Member
Jonas Johnson	Local Authority Member
Mary James	Local Authority Member
Cr. Bob Bagnall	Ward Councillor

2.2 Staff and Visitors

Chair welcomed visitors and thanked them for attendance.

Skye Price	Barkly Regional Council Director Communities
Hilton Logan	Barkly Regional Council Director Infrastructure
Gayle Marsden	Barkly Regional Council A/Community Coordinator
David Curtis	Department Local Government
Ginny Rabling	Local Government Association Northern Territory
Danielle Campbell	Elliott Primary School

2.3 Apologies

Joshua Jackson	Local Authority Member
Jeremy Jackson	Local Authority Member

2.4 Absent without apology

Cr. Ray Aylett	Ward Councillor
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2.5 Resignations from the Local Authority

Nil

3. CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR NOMINATIONS

3.1 NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR

MOTION

That the Authority

- Nominate Chris Neade for the position of the Local Authority Chair Person

Moved: Peter Mullan

Second: Wade Nish

CARRIED UNAN.

No further nominations

3.2 NOMINATIONS FOR DEPUTY CHAIR

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Nominate Jody Nish for the position of the Local Authority Deputy Chair

Moved: Bob Bagnall

Second: Mona Rennie

CARRIED UNAN.

No further nominations

3.3 NOMINATIONS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ON COMMUNITY COORDINATOR POSITION SELECTION PANEL

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Nominate Jen Kite to be on the selection panel for the position of Elliott Community Coordinator

Moved: Jody Nish

Second: Bob Bagnall

CARRIED UNAN.

No further nominations

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

Skye Price Director Communities guided Local Authority members through the Code of Conduct.

5. PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Accept the Minutes of the Elliott Local Authority meeting held 2 June 2015 as a true and accurate.

Moved: Peter Mullan

Second: Jody Nish

CARRIED UNAN.

5.2 ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING CONTINUING ACTION LIST

Golf Course Upgrade

30/6/15 current Memorandum of Understanding has expired. Meeting between CEO, Director Communities and Julalikari to create a new Memorandum of Understanding.

Cemetery Beautification

Acting Community Coordinator has remapped the Elliott and Newcastle Waters cemeteries. More to be done to correct anomalies. Register, graves and map are being cross referenced.

Elliott Feasibility Study

No change from last meeting. Acting Community Coordinator in the process of organising a meeting with Newcastle Waters Manager regarding removal of tanks.

6. COUNCIL REPORTS

6.1 CEO (OR REPRESENTATIVE) REPORT ON COUNCIL SERVICES IN THE AREA

Director of Communities represented the Chief Executive Officer.

Minister Local Government and Minister Aboriginal Affairs have been invited to Elliott but have not replied. Council will approach relevant Ministers office and continue to follow up this request.

Chair; Chris Neade has been invited to sit on the Aboriginal Peak Organisation Northern Territory, this will ensure Elliott and the Barkly have a voice for infrastructure.

The Chief Executive Officer is enthusiastic about progressing the Elliott Waterpark project.

The Strategic Plan and Budget were endorsed at the July Council meeting.

6.2 CEO REPORT ON ANY COMPLAINTS RECEIVED CONCERNING DELIVERY

Nil

6.3 ACTING COMMUNITY COORDINATORS REPORT

Monthly reports June and July distributed in business papers and inserted in folders for members to review.

- All firebreaks completed. Rubbish and Landfill services completed
- All programs operating with Staff attendance improving
- Safe House has had double the number of clients using the service during July
- Nine (9) staff members completed 4WD training
- Golf Course project / partnership with Julalikari is progressing very slowly
- Marlinja community has been slashed and whipper snipped

7. LOCAL AUTHORITY ISSUES AND PROJECTS

7.1 SAFETY PADDING FOR BASKETBALL COURTS

Quotations were presented for the purchase of Safety Padding \$3950 and freight \$550.

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Accepts quotations, purchase the basket ball court safety padding and confirm delivery of the padding, up to the value of \$4,500.00, with funds from the 2014/15 Local Authority budget.

Moved: Jen Kite

Second: Peter Mullan

CARRIED UNAN.

7.2 COMMUNITY ENTRY SIGNS - UPDATE

Director of Infrastructure Hilton Logan advised that this project will be funded through rebadging funding. A sample sign was presented for the Local Authority to review. The sample featured a photograph of Longreach Waterhole (generously donated from David Curtis (Northern Territory Department of Local Government and Community Services). The phrase *Welcome to Elliott.... In the middle of everywhere ...* is the preferred message to be included on the sign.

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Recommends the Community Coordinator show the sample sign to Traditional Owners. If Traditional Owners endorse the sign, the Local Authority recommends that Council order the signs.

Moved: Mona Rennie

Second: Peter Mullan

CARRIED UNAN.

Jody Nish left meeting, the time being 1:35pm

7.3 WATERPARK UPDATE

Director of Infrastructure Hilton Logan advised that the Waterpark project could only proceed if the Local Authority contributed a total of \$87,500 (from 2014/2015 carry over funds; and the current 2015/2016 budget).

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Endorse expenditure of \$87,500.00 from the 2014/15 and 2015/16 Local Authority budget for Elliott Waterpark Project.

Moved: Wade Nish

Second: Jen Kite

CARRIED UNAN.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 NAMING OF THE NEW CLINIC

It has been suggested that the new clinic be named after Margaret McLean a nurse who was in Elliott from the mid 1980's, until 2012. Margaret advocated for a new clinic. The Community Coordinator undertook community consultation with Traditional Owners and family groups, prior to the meeting, at the request of the Local Authority Chair. All agreed that naming the clinic in her honour would be a fitting tribute to Margaret McLean for her advocacy and contributions towards the clinic..

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Request a draft letter be written to the Department of Health requesting that Margaret McLean be acknowledged in the naming of the Clinic;
- b) That the Department of Health be asked to extended a formal invitation to Margaret McLean, as guest of honour, for a formal opening event;
- c) Request the Director Communities submit the draft letter for Barkly Regional Council endorsement, during the August 20, 2015 Council meeting.

Moved: Peter Mullan

Second: Jonas Johnson

CARRIED UNAN.

8.2 NEW HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE COMPLAINTS COMMISSIONER

Media release tabled giving information regarding the New Commissioner

8.3 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM LAZARUS JONES

Correspondence from Lazarus Jones, a Secondary School student, was tabled for members' information. Mr Jones, highlighted the Elliott Housing Crisis in his letter and wanted to share his concerns and thoughts with Elliott residents. Chief Executive Officer Edwina Marks has sent a reply to Mr Jones providing him with an update on the status of the Elliott Housing Crisis and actions which have taken place, to date.

8.4 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM DANIELLE CAMPBELL

Letter from Danielle Campbell was read by Miss Campbell, for the Local Authority's consideration. Miss Campbell requests that a Community bus be purchased to help the Elliott Community. The letter will be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer.

9. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Community Coordinator advised that a telephone call had been received from the Brain Injury Network of South Australia Inc., 10 August 2015, advising they could not attend the meeting.

10. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 6 October 2015 at 10.30am

11. CLOSE OF MEETING

Chris Neade closed the meeting at 2:28pm