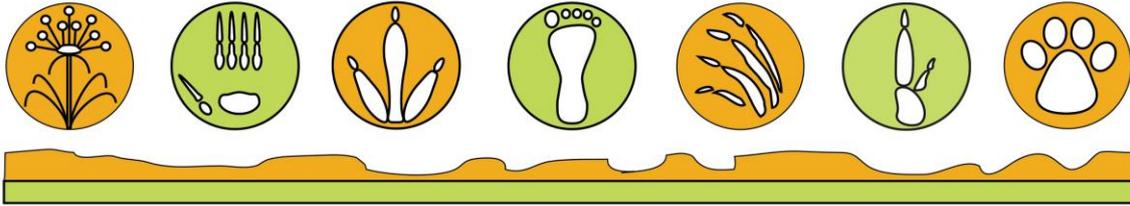


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



Vision

A strong, cohesive Barkly Shire working as one to champion regional development to provide sustainable economic growth and community capacity where people embrace cultural diversity and are treated equitably and with respect.

Mission

Leading the Barkly Region to realize an organisation that achieves excellence in its governance and operational responsibilities and with a community service ethic and is co-operative, innovative and efficient.

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT TENNANT CREEK

30th January, 2014

Moved Cr Boulter

Seconded Cr Ruger

4.2 Conditional Rating Policy

The Committee recommends to Council to adopt the Conditional Rating Policy for 2014/15 as a valuation based levy using the most recent Australian Valuation Office valuations of conditional rateable land and the 2013/14 differential increased by the appropriate CPI rate as determined by the Department of Local Government.

Moved Cr Boulter

Seconded Cr Ruger

5. OPERATIONS

The ED Operations presented a verbal update on projects:

5.1 Update on \$3.6 Purkiss Reserve Upgrade.

The Regional Development Australia Funding for this project is now being administered by the Commonwealth Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development. The new reference number for the project is CDG096. The Department wrote to Council on the 23 December 2013, advising that funding agreement negotiations are to be completed within six months of the date of the letter, being 30 June 2014.

The Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development has assigned a contract manager to the Tennant Creek Sporting Facility Upgrade project. The Council funding submission is currently being assessed and any additional information will be provided. A preliminary design and construction programme has been prepared based on a 30 June 2014 funding allocation date. The letter from the Department advises that any work on the project which is undertaken without a properly executed contract is at the Council's risk. (Attachment: Preliminary design and construction programme)

5.2 Update on Elliott and Ali Curung Waterparks.

The expression of interest for the design and construction of waterparks at Elliott and Ali Curung resulted in 12 company responses. In assessing the expression of interest received the acceptance was based on the quality of response to the details contained in the original ad.

Three companies have been selected for the second stage of the expression of interest process. Companies will be asked to submit a general waterpark layout, showing size, number of features, security fencing details, shade structure details, water treatment details, warranty information along with estimates of maintenance costs and typical annual operational costs. Details of the operating capacity of the waterpark features. The companies will be asked to make allowance for community consultation during the design stage and a formal presentation of the design to council.

The companies will be supplied with:

- Proposed site details
- AAPA site certificates for each community
- Water, power and sewer details.
- Budget
- Specific council and community design requirements

The AAPA Certificates for the Ali Curung have been received and the Elliott community Certificates are being prepared.

The Second stage expression of interest package is scheduled for delivery to companies by mid February. The second stage tender call to be completed by early March, with selection of the successful company by the end of March. Detailed design completed by the end of May with construction scheduled for June, July, August 2014 in preparation for the 2014 summer season.

5.3 Update on Garbage Compactor delivery

The most recent delivery advice on this vehicle is 7 March 2014. A letter of complaint is being drafted to be sent to MacDonald Johnston. The following details the delays experienced to date;

- Original order placed 30 October 2013. Delivery of built unit to Melbourne ready for shipment ex factory on 16 December 2013. (8 week fabrication). Allowing 1 week for the delivery period to Tennant Creek, delivery was expected by 23 December 2013. The details of the order were quite clear especially in relation to the Hino Dual Control component being required on the ordered Garbage Compactor.
- On 9 December Council was advised by MacDonald Johnston that a delay in delivery would result because of the unavailability of the "Dual Control Component". This advice was received 5 weeks after the order had been placed. The new delivery date advised was 21 February 2014. (7 weeks delay from the original delivery date of 23 December 2013. Part of the delay being the Christmas closure period).
- On 16 January MacDonald Johnston further advised that following the unit delivery the cab chassis pre-delivery and inspection of the completed unit and final arrangement for freight from Melbourne to Tennant Creek, would be completed within a two week period following the 21 February fabrication date. This would result in delivery of the unit to Tennant Creek by 7 March 2014. (Total delay in delivery of 9 weeks)

5.4 Environmental Management and Operational Plan.

The Barkly Regional Council has submitted a 43 page document to the Department of Lands Planning and the Environment for checking and approval. Feedback to date has been good. The submission will result in the issue to the Barkly Regional Council of a "Landfill Operational Licence" for the Tennant Creek landfill operation.

6. GRANTS

The Grants Report was received and noted.

7. RISK & FRAUD

Nil known.

8. INVESTMENT & BORROWING

No decisions to be made.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 Development & Consent Authority

Cr Ruger advised that there was a development being considered for a car wash and shops to be built in Standley Street. A meeting was set for the end of February and

he was seeking Council's input. The relevant documents will be circulated to Councillors for comment.

12. CLOSE OF MEETING

Meeting was closed at 11.30am.

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