

### **OUR VISION**

We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens and empowers the people to be strong.

# The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

We will have strong policy and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.

Respect is shown in everything we do and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices through a culturally competent Council.

We are a responsible Council.

We will be a responsive Council.

We want to empower local decision making.
We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.
We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.

We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.

We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.

# MINUTES ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

# THURSDAY, 28 MARCH 2019

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, 28 March 2019 at 08:30 am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 8:42am with Steve Edgington as chair.

# 1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Steve Edgington

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Hal Ruger until 3:20Pm
- Cr. Jeffery McLaughlin
- Cr. Ricky Holmes (via video)
- Cr. Sid Vashist until 12:47 PM
- Cr. Lucy Jackson (via video)
- Cr. Jane Evans

### 1.2 Staff Members and Visitors Present

Steve Moore - Chief Executive Officer

Mark Parsons - Director of Operations

Gary Pemberton - Finance Manager

Vanessa Vukovic – EA to the Chief Executive Officer and Mayor

Andrew Scoffern - Governance and Quality Officer

Damien Ryan - Alice Springs Town Council Mayor

# 1.3 Apologies

- Cr. Ray Aylett
- Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

# 1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Cr. Jack Clubb

### 1.5 Disclosure Of Interest - Councillors And Staff

- Mayor Steve Edgington Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Institute of Managers and Leaders Associate Fellow
  - o Australian Institute of Company Directors Member
  - o Law Society Northern Territory Associate Member
  - o Tennant Creek Regional Consumer Advisory Group
  - o AFLNT Barkly Advisory Committee Member
  - o Tennant Creek Economic Development Committee Member
  - o Rotary Member
  - o Bizspeak Pty Ltd- Director
  - o Battery Hill Member
  - o Alcohol Reference Group Committee Member
  - o Regional Development Australia Chair
- Cr. Kris M. Civitarese Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Tennant Creek and District Show Society Vice President

- The Returned and Service League of Australia, Tennant Creek Sub-Branch – Vice President
- o Development Consent Authority Barkly Region Member/Delegate
- Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory Tennant Creek Committee Member
- o Rotary Paul Harris Fellow Awarded
- o T & J Contractors Senior Manager
- o Barkly Art Board Member
- Cr. Raymond E. Aylett Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Sporties Club, Tennant Creek Member
- Cr. Siddhant Vashist Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Tennant Creek Cricket Association Member
  - o Barkly Electorate Officer /Member for Barkly
  - o Battery Hill Member
  - o Barkly Arts Member
  - o Tennant Creek High School Member
  - o Tennant Creek Primary School Member
  - o Christmas Tree Committee Member
  - o Multicultural Association of Central Australia Member
  - o Australia-India Business Council Member
- Cr. Noel Hayes Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation, Tennant Creek Board Member
  - o Centre for Appropriate Technology, Alice Springs Board Member
  - o Housing Reference Group Member
- Cr. Hal A. Ruger Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Territory Generation Employee
- Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Barkly Regional Arts Member
  - o Tennant Creek Cricket Association Member
  - o Nundahraga Entertainment Sound sub-contractor
  - o Christmas Tree Committee Member
  - o First Persons Disability Network
- Cr. Ronald Plummer Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Purrutu Aboriginal Corporation Board Member
  - o Patta Aboriginal Corporation Board Member
  - o Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation Member
  - o Tennant Creek Mob Aboriginal Corporation
- Cr. Jane Evans Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Puma Elliott
- Steve Moore Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
  - o Battery Hill Director

There were no new declarations of interest at this Ordinary Council Meeting.

# 2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

# 2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

# **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Confirm the Minutes from Council Meeting held 28 February 2019 as a true and correct with 12.2e removed from previous minutes.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 76/19

# 3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

# 3.1 ACTION LIST

### **MOTION**

# **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the action list; and

b) Note the removal of action items 10, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26 and 28 from the action list.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Lucy Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 77/19

Item 9 - Consult with Palmerston Council

**ACTION ITEM:** Conduct a Staff wage comparison with other Councils regarding

**EBA** 

ACTION ITEM: Establish Communication Plan regarding the dates bins are emptied

in Town Camps

**ACTION ITEM:** Raise line marking in Elliott with DIPL

# 3.2 YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATE

### MOTION

# **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the update to the establishment of a Youth Advisory Council.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 78/19

# 3.3 COMMON SEAL CONFIDENTIALITY QUERY

# **MOTION**

# **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the clarification regarding the confidentiality of Common Seal documents.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 79/19

ACTION ITEM: Undertake audit of what is in Confidential that should be moved.

Cr Sid Vashist left the meeting, the time being 09:22 AM Cr Sid Vashist returned to the meeting, the time being 09:28 AM

# 4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

### 4.1 TERRITORY FAMILIES PRESENTATION

### RECOMMENDATION

### That Council:

a) Receive and note the presentation from Territory Families.

Deferred until next meeting

5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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6. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil

7. MAYOR'S REPORT

# 7.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the Mayor's Report.

# **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 80/19

CEO to organise public forum on Monday 8 April for 5:30pm to address high level of property crime in Tennant Creek.

# **MOTION**

### That Council:

a) Break for Morning Tea at 10:16am.

# **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 81/19

### **MOTION**

### That Council:

a) Resume Ordinary Council Meeting at 10:40am.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Cr. Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 82/19

# 8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

### 8.1 COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the report; and

b) Adopt the Communications strategy for implementation.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 83/19

**ACTION ITEM:** CEO to schedule an Elected Member session to discuss relevant aspects of the communications strategy the Wednesday prior to the next Council Meeting.

### 8.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE - MARCH 2019

# MOTION

### That Council:

a) Receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's report.

# **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 84/19

# 8.3 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT - MARCH 2019

# **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the Human Resources report.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. J Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 85/19

Cr McLaughlin and Mayor Edgington nominated with Deputy Mayor Civitarese as the According to the control of the cont to attend the Domestic Violence Working Group.

> ACTION ITEM: Add additional clause into proposed EBA to ensure that once document has expired, the pay increases will freeze but will be backdated once a new document has been approved.

# 8.4 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL

### MOTION

### That Council:

- a) Ratify the execution of the following documents under the Council's Common Seal:
- 1. Lease agreement Lease of Lot 2084 ANZAC Hill TC Masters Family Trust Lease between - BRC - Saret Super Fund;
- 2. Lease agreement Commercial Lease of Part of the land 41 Peko Road Lease between -BRC -Barkly BMX Club; and
- 3. Lease agreement Commercial Swimming Pool Kiosk Lease Tennant Creek Lease between - BRC - AQA Group.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved:

Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 86/19

### 9. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

### 9.1 GRANTS REPORT: FEBRUARY 2019

### MOTION

### That Council:

a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the eight months to 28 February 2019.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Noel Haves

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 87/19

### 9.2 FINANCE REPORT - FEBRUARY 2019

### **MOTION**

# That Council:

a) Receive and note the Finance Report for the eight months ended 28 February 2019.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Lucy Jackson

Resolved OC 88/19

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 11:30 AM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 11:35 AM

# 10. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

### 10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019

### MOTION

### That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report of activities within the Infrastructure Directorate; and
- b) Delegate authority to approve Epenarra Basketball Court Tender to the Procurement Sub-Committee.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 89/19

Cr Hayes to attend Procurement Sub-Committee Meeting regarding the approval of the Epenarra Basketball Court Tender to ensure representation from a Ward Councillor.

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 12:00 PM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 12:03 PM

### MOTION

### That Council:

a) Request the CEO to investigate the viability of Council commencing utilising the Diligent software program to provide greater efficiency in the creation of Council Minutes and Agendas.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 90/19

# **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Break for lunch at 12:07pm.

# **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

Resolved OC 91/19

CARRIED UNAN.

Cr Sid Vashist left the meeting, the time being 12:47 PM

### MOTION

### **That Council:**

a) Resume Ordinary Session at 12:48AM.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 92/19

# 4.2 Youth Program Presentation

### **MOTION**

# That Council:

Receive and note the presentation by Brian Coleman and instruct the CEO to commence negotiations with Mr Coleman to establish a land usage agreement.

# **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. J Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 93/19

Cr Lucy Jackson left the meeting, the time being 01:02 PM Cr Lucy Jackson returned to the meeting, the time being 01:07 PM

# 11. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

# 11.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT FOR MARCH 2019

# **MOTION**

### That Council:

a) Receive and note the reports for the Community Services Directorate for the month of March 2019.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 94/19

# 12. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

### 12.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING REPORTS

### MOTION

### That Council:

- a) Receive and note the minutes from the Ali Curung Local Authority meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019:
- **b)** Receive and note the minutes from the Alpurrurulam Local Authority meeting held on the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019;
- c) Request the CEO to look into the viability of Ali Curung Night Patrol operating during the day at the request of the Ali Curung Local Authority;
- d) Draft a letter to be sent to the Northern Territory Government in regards to questions raised about the housing issues at Ali Curung; and
- e) Receive and note the minutes from the Tennant Creek Local Authority meeting held on the 5th March 2019.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 95/19

# 13. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

14. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

15. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

16. GENERAL BUSINESS

### 16.1 POLICY REVIEW

# **MOTION**

### That Council:

a) Receive and approve the revised Records Management Policy and Employee Grievance and Dispute Resolution Policy and reframed Probation Policy.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 96/19

### **16.2 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT**

### MOTION

### **That Council:**

a) Receive and note the Operations Director report.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved:

Cr. J Evans

Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 97/19

# 16.3 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the call for nominations for the Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee; and
- b) Approve the nomination of Council's Finance Manager as a LGANT Finance Reference Group representative on the Local Government Accounting Advisory Committee (LGAAC).

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 98/19

# 16.4 LGANT CALL FOR NOMINATIONS AND AGENDA ITEMS

### MOTION

# That Council:

- a) Endorse the nomination of Mayor Edgington as Vice President Regional and Shires on the LGANT Executive:
- b) Receive and note the call for Agenda Items; and
- c) Call for Agenda Items for the Regional and Shires Forum.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese** 

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 99/19

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 01:59 PM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 02:01 PM

### 16.5 GENERAL BUSINESS

### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Raise any observations they have noticed in the preceding month; and

b) Support the recommendation made by Damien Ryan regarding the restoration of the national value of Financial Assistance Grants from the Commonwealth Government to an amount equal to at least 1% of Commonwealth Taxation revenue.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

**Mayor Steve Edgington** 

Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 100/19

# 17. CORRESPONDENCE

# 17.1 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MARCH 2019

### MOTION

# That Council:

a) Receive and note the correspondence for the month of March 2019; and

b) Instruct the CEO to draft a response to the letter by the Place Names Committee.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved:

Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 101/19

**Action Item:** Invite the Fracking Implementation Taskforce (Hayley Richards) to present to Council regarding implementation of the Taskforce's recommendations.

# 17.2 BARKLY BEEF DINNER SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL

### **MOTION**

### That Council:

a) Receive and note the sponsorship proposal by Barkly Beef Dinner; and

b) Instruct the CEO to source further information from the event organisers and to report back at the next Council meeting.

### RESOLVED

Moved:

Cr. J Evans

Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 102/19

### MOTION

# **That Council:**

a) Break for afternoon tea at 2:54PM.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 103/19

Cr Hal Ruger left the meeting, the time being 03:20 PM

# 18. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

### **MOTION**

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act 2008.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 104/19

# 19. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 3:34 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Thursday, 28 March 2019 AND CONFIRMED Thursday, 2 May

2019.

Steven Edgington

Council Mayor

Steve Moore

Chief Executive Officer

