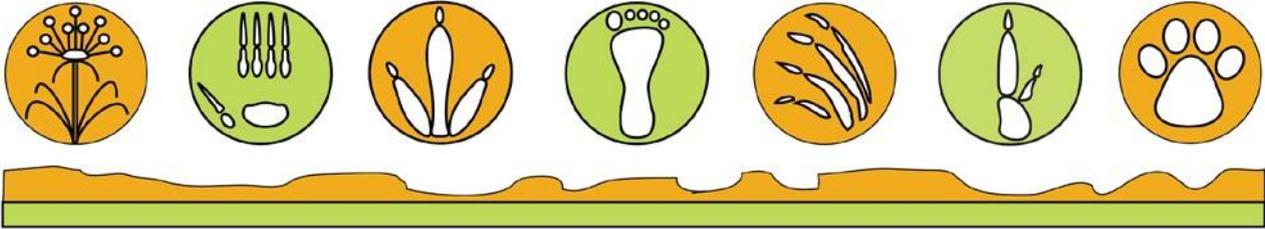


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



VISION

We are a progressive and sustainable Council who respects and listens to the people.

The Way We Will Work

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.

We are a responsible Council that meets all of its regulatory and social responsibilities.

We will be a responsive Council.

MINUTES PURKISS RESERVE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

TUESDAY 31 MARCH 2015
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 41 PEKO ROAD, TENNANT CREEK

The Purkiss Reserve Consultative Committee Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Tennant Creek on Tuesday 31 March 2015 at 10am

Edwina Marks
Chief Executive Officer

1. OPENING & ATTENDANCE

1.1 Members Present

Cr. Tony Boulter
Cr. Hal Ruger
Emma Rush
Jo Rush
Ray Wallis
Marcus Maher
Wayne Green

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

Hilton Logan; Director Operations (Chairman)
Courtney Barber; Executive Assistant to the CEO

1.3 Apologies to be accepted

Pat Brahim
Steven Edgington

1.4 Absent without Apology

Linda Renfrey

1.5 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

3. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

4. GENERAL BUISNESS AND MATTERS FOR NOTING

4.1 Swimming Pool Complex construction update

Items raised from members with concern surrounding the last time the Committee had met they included;

1. 100% plans were not received nor was a meeting convened for the 100% plans
2. The depth of the pool was requested to be 1.8m yet the construction has gone ahead with the depth of 1.5m without any notice provided to members as to why this occurred. It was mentioned that it was put as an option however the cost was estimated to be in the range of \$300,000 and this was not in the budget.
3. Grease trap and range hood
4. Plans were to be displayed around town
5. The Splash Pad design was not confirmed and the members are unsure of the final design concept.
6. Signage, noodles and kickboards were seen still outside under the veranda of the canteen; these items should have been removed and stored in the clean up before construction commenced.
7. The old skate park location was to be replaced with a half size Basketball Court and the internal fence to be removed and utilised elsewhere.

The above items will be included in the action list and reported back to members of the outcome at it's next meeting.

Hilton Logan; Director Operations provided an update on the construction of the Swimming Pool Complex. Currently the construction is at 10% completion and on track as to the program. Taylors Builders Pty Ltd will be heading off for the Easter break and therefore works will be held off for a short time. The proposed

completion date is still set to be by the end of September 2015 with the new swim season to commence in October 2015.

Barkly Regional Council has engaged a Project Manager looking after both the pool and football change room contracts.

It was raised regarding the close date and that works did not commence for another 2 weeks; it was confirmed that the contract signed date was delayed by a week and as all advertising had already been completed for the close date it still went ahead. It was noted and received of the disappointment that the pool could not have been open for an additional week.

4.2 Purkiss Reserve Football Change rooms construction update

Hilton Logan; Director Operations provided an update to the group; the construction program is on track and is to be completed at the end of May 2015.

Concerns were raised regarding the construction site was not secured when the concrete had just been laid. Marcus Maher saw kids running through the site and noted the concern for safety.

Barkly Regional Council has submitted a grant application for CCTV to be placed at the pool complex and the change rooms. Outcome of the application is yet to be advised.

4.2 Purkiss Reserve Master Plan

Barkly Regional Council received \$20,000 funding for the Master Plan of Purkiss Reserve. The confirmation of paperwork had been received last week and signed under the BRC Common Seal on 20 March 2015.

The quote that was obtained for the grant application did not include incidentals such as travel and accommodation for consultants to travel from Perth, Adelaide and Darwin. This is estimated to be an additional \$13,000.

Members suggested that old Master Plans be collated and distributed from Tennant Creek Town Council and Barkly Shire Council Days. It was also highlighted about the "Ray Norman Report"

Surveying was completed last year of the area but is missing details; Hilton will follow this up and report back to the Committee.

Three (3) quotes are to be obtained for the Master Plan to be conducted and that the Committee to meet monthly to start discussing the Master Plan layout before it goes out to public consultation.

4.3 Skate park; lighting, Ford Gates relocation and graffiti vandalism.

Various items were raised regarding the skate park which included;

- Bike racks are to be installed; this is currently underway. Completion date to be advised.
- Water fountain has been installed however vandalism has already occurred.
- Graffiti; numerous ideas were put forward about how to go about having local kids take ownership and provide graffiti art they included; Matthew McKinlay and the youth he has been working with regarding art workshops and also Barkly Regional Arts and the Desert Harmony Festival. It was also highlighted about the possibility of applying for artisan grants.
- Shade options to be looked at; this was not in the original budget. Native trees could be put along the fence line that are 3metres high rather than shade clothes as this will be expensive and more prone to vandalism.
- The Ford Gate entry sign is to be moved before then end of May 2015.
- Turf along the edge of the skate park to be laid to help minimise debris onto the skate park.

- Lighting; a lot of displaced drinking and sleeping in the area. The Committee requested that an audit be conducted of the lighting of the whole Purkiss Reserve.

4.4 **Youthlinx Building**

Marcus Maher highlighted that the Youthlinx building has been broken into a few times of late and Anyinginyi items have been stolen. The user agreement was enquired regarding this and the CEO is to report back.

4.5 **Management of Facilities – keys, fees, maintenance**

All locks across the Purkiss Reserve area will be replaced and new keys will be issued to relevant stakeholders only with a thorough key register implemented.

New booking procedure for Purkiss Reserve to be implemented by Barkly Regional Council.

All user agreements to be looked into and reviewed if applicable.

Lighting at the football oval – card system or other option. Investigate the cost involved for the card system. Solar LED Lighting will be looked at.

Barkly AFL (BAFL) have never received a power bill; Hilton to provide a copy of the last 12 months.

BAFL to provide Barkly Regional Council the 2015 Schedule of training dates and games.

5. **ITEMS FROM MEMBERS**

5.1 **Care and maintenance of playing services and Insurance Requirements.**

The oval and the surrounding areas including the fencing, stands, potholes, dead branches on trees and trip hazards are of concern. If the NTAFL game day checklist is not met the game is not able to go ahead.

Week beginning April 13th Hilton Logan, BRC WHS Manager and Wayne Green to meet on site for a visual inspection including the softball diamond.

The Committee recommended that quarterly risk assessments take place and that a procedure be implemented for users to lodge any risks that arise.

5.2 **Children's Crossing on Ambrose Street**

There are large numbers of children each day that utilise the Sport and Rec facility on Purkiss Reserve and the concern was raised regarding the need and possibility for a pedestrian crossing to be located just outside the gate towards the pool.

Hilton advised that investigations need to occur in the first instance regarding meeting Australian Standards and ensure that it is regulated. This request is required to go through Council for endorsement.

It was highlighted that a Road Safety Audit grant had been applied for with no outcome advised as yet.

5.3 **Sport and Rec Veranda**

Marcus Maher presented a plan for a veranda to be erected on the front of the Sport and Rec gym. It will decrease the heat of the direct afternoon sun and assist with coverage during the wet season.

Members also discussed the original location of Sport and Rec was to be in front of the Basketball courts so it could be a fully enclosed facility.

Ray Wallis stated that AHAC have a 99 year lease on the land that the Sport and Rec gym is located including a 5 metre perimeter if the facility. It was also noted that it was unconfirmed if AHAC had an MOU with BRC regarding the Basketball Courts.

5.4 **Cricket Pitch on Main Oval**

Marcus Maher brought to the attention of members that there is a large interest in Cricket matches with ages ranging from 12 to 16 years old. Currently there is no facility that can be used to undertake the matches and that they are currently rolling out a pitch on the Football Oval.

It was suggested that a concrete pitch be erected in the softball diamond. However Marcus noted that the cricket matches would also like to be able to played “under the lights”. It was advised that Cricket Australia is keen to invest money into it and therefore no large cost to Council.

Marcus is to complete a detailed proposal and report back to the Committee.

5.5 **Playground and BBQ facilities within Purkiss Reserve**

A part of the Master plan

6. **VISITOR PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

7. **CLOSE OF MEETING**

Meeting closed at 11:35am with the next meeting to be held on Tuesday 28 April 2015 and every last Tuesday of each month there after.