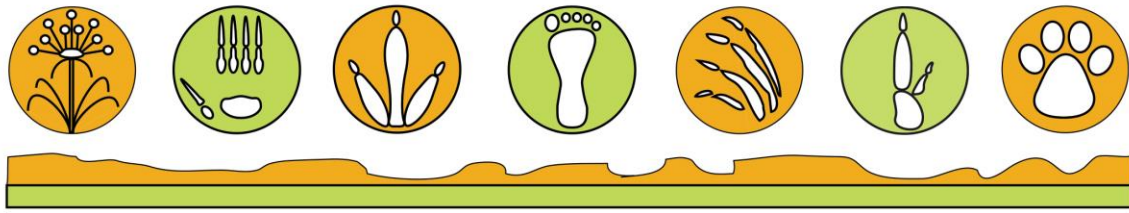


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



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

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Wednesday, 22 April 2020 at 7:30am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 7.36am with Mayor Steve Edgington as Chair.

1. **OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Steve Edgington
Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger
Cr. Noel Hayes
Cr. Ronald Plummer
Cr. Ray Aylett
Cr. Kris Civitarese
Cr. Jeffery McLaughlin
Cr. Ricky Holmes
Cr. Sid Vashist
Cr. Jane Evans
Cr. Jack Clubb

1.2 Staff Members Present

Steve Moore
Vanessa Goodworth
Millicent Nhepera
Gary Pemberton (via phone)

1.3 Apologies

Cr. Jennifer Mahoney
Cr. Lucy Jackson

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest – Councillors And Staff

- Mayor Steve Edgington – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Institute of Managers and Leaders - Associate Fellow
 - Australian Institute of Company Directors - Member
 - Law Society Northern Territory - Associate Member
 - Tennant Creek Regional Consumer Advisory Group
 - AFLNT Barkly Advisory Committee - Member
 - Tennant Creek Economic Development Committee – Member
 - Rotary – Member
 - Bizspeak Pty Ltd– Director
 - Battery Hill – Member
 - Alcohol Reference Group - Committee Member
 - Regional Development Australia – Chair
 - Remote Concrete NT
- Cr. Kris M. Civitarese – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - The Returned and Service League of Australia, Tennant Creek Sub-Branch – President
 - Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory – Tennant Creek Committee Member
 - Rotary – Paul Harris Fellow Awarded
 - T & J Contractors
 - Barkly Art - Board Member

- KNC (NT) – Managing Director
- Cr. Raymond E. Aylett – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Sporties Club, Tennant Creek – Member
- Cr. Siddhant Vashist – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Tennant Creek Cricket Association - Member
 - Barkly Electorate Officer /Member for Barkly
 - Battery Hill – Member
 - Barkly Arts – Member
 - Tennant Creek High School - Member
 - Tennant Creek Primary School – Member
 - Christmas Tree Committee – Vice President
 - Multicultural Association of Central Australia – Member
 - Australia-India Business Council - Member
- Cr. Noel Hayes – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation, Tennant Creek – Board Member
 - Centre for Appropriate Technology, Alice Springs – Board Member
 - Housing Reference Group – Member
- Cr. Hal A. Ruger – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Territory Generation – Employee
- Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Barkly Regional Arts - Member
 - Tennant Creek Cricket Association – Member
 - Nundahraga Entertainment – Sound sub-contractor
 - Christmas Tree Committee – President
 - Music NT – Board Member
- Cr. Ronald Plummer – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Pururutu Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
 - Patta Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
 - Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation – Member
 - Tennant Creek Mob Aboriginal Corporation
- Cr. Jane Evans - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Puma Elliott
- Steve Moore - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Battery Hill – Director
 - Tennant Creek Pistol Club – Committee Member

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Confirm the Minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 8 April 2020 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 124/20

3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

4. **ADDRESSING THE MEETING**

Nil

5. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Nil

6. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

6.1 MAYOR'S REPORT- APRIL 2020

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the Mayor's Report for April 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 125/20

The Mayor has been making visits to businesses in town to assess if and how business have been affected by Covid-19.
There will be no services or marches to be held on ANZAC day due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

7. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

7.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the Report from the CEO.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 126/20

7.2 PEOPLE & CULTURE REPORT - APRIL 2020

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 127/20

The Director of Community Services has now been appointed
The Project Manager role has been readvertised.
Feedback is that training conducted via video and phone has been well received.

WHS-

More diligent reporting of WHS since the new WHS manager commenced his work.
2 incident reports resulted in two work cover claims- both were minor and were investigated to identify areas for improvement for Council.

WHS Officer is currently in the process of creating a toolbox training programme to be implemented to all communities when the Covid-19 restrictions are lifted.

Reports involving the police include break-ins and vandalism. Police and Council monitor the CCTV after the events occur and not during. The Mayor raised concerns about the CCTV is not monitored and 24/7, meaning that these cameras may not be an effective security feature.

Cr. Vashit suggested free online courses for career development for council staff to be facilitated by the HR Manager.

7.3 COVID-19 UPDATE

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the Report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jane Evans

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 128/20

Corella Creek and Wogyala Station are no longer considered a designated area under the Covid-19 restrictions so that residents from there can come in and out of Tennant Creek as it is their service centre.

Concerns were raised about the amount of people in Tennant Creek receiving fines for breaching the Covid-19 restriction about gatherings, but concluded that this number is decreasing and the police are managing this.

7.4 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report from Director of Community Development.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jane Evans

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 129/20

Youthlinks meals and initiatives may change or be removed when students go back to school so the service does not deter them from attending school.

Youth Action Plan- looking for someone to lead the initiative on this in Tennant

Creek- as Peter Scrivener is Darwin based.
Concerns were raised over this initiative being led by an individual who is in Darwin.
Barbara Kelly suggested as a possible TC based alternative.
Suggested that the head of this initiative should be someone who is local.

Sports and Rec officers recommended to work more on the consultative measures within sports and rec including a suggestion for them to create a consultative group, while the restrictions are in place.

7.5 TENNANT CREEK YOUTH CENTRE

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report; and
- b) Endorse in Principle the bowling Club to be the location for the Youth Center.
- c) Instruct the CEO to investigate the Bowls Club location further and report back to council.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 130/20

Letter from 4 Purkiss Reserve Committee members stated that they would prefer the Bowls Club as the location for the Youth Centre.

Cr Jane Evans left the meeting, the time being 09:30 AM

8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

8.1 FINANCE REPORT - MARCH 2020

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Finance Report for the nine months ended 31 March 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 131/20

Cr Jane Evans returned to the meeting, the time being 09:37 AM

Cr Hal Ruger left the meeting, the time being 09:46 AM

8.2 PAYMENTS LISTING - MONTH OF MARCH 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Payment Listing for the month ended 31 March 2020.
(b) Instruct the CEO to bring a report back on the payments to Ronin Security and a copy of the purchase order of the costs incurred in order to confirm whether Council has been compliant.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 132/20

Regarding payment to Ronin Security:

Cr. Civitarese raised concerns over whether we have breached our internal policy and LGA for procurement as there was nothing sent out for procurement.

8.3 GRANTS REPORT - 31 MARCH 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the eight months ended 31 March 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 133/20

MOTION

That Council

- A) Break for morning tea at 10.12am.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 134/20

MOTION

That Council

- A) Resume meeting at 10.37am.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 135/20

9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

9.1 FORTNIGHTLY INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT - LATTER PART OF APRIL 2020

MOTION

That Council

- a) receive and note the report.
- b) CEO to contact DIPL to deliver a presentation regarding the subdivision timelines.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 136/20

Recommendation from LGANT to adopt Subdivisional guidelines as policy, which also apply to any construction in Tennant Creek. (NT Subdivision Development Guidelines).

10. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

Nil

11. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

11.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report;
- b) Receive and note the minutes of the Wutunugurra Local Authority;
- c) Receive and note the minutes of the Ali Curung Local Authority;
- d) Approve advertising the 2 vacancies on the Ali Curung local authority;
- e) Remove the installation of a water tank to the cemetery and add the purchase of a water cart to the 5 year infrastructure plan for Ali Curung;
- f) Approve the allocation of \$4439.36 of Ali Curung Local Authority funds to the purchase of an Air Compressor and attachments based upon the quotation provided by Normist, being the preferred quotation received;
- g) Approve the allocation of \$2288.00 of Ali Curung Local Authority funds to the purchase of an Flag poles and Flags based upon the quotation provided by National Flags, being the preferred quotation received;
- h) Approve the allocation of \$10,773.95 of Ali Curung Local Authority funds to the purchase of Solar lights based upon the quotation provided by Ozlite, being the preferred quotation received;
- i) Approve the allocation of \$2515.92 of Ali Curung Local Authority funds to the purchase of poles for solar lights based upon the quotation provided by B.J. Trading & Hire, being the preferred quotation received
- j) Receive and note the minutes of the Arlparra Local Authority;
- k) Receive and note the minutes of the Elliott Local Authority; and
- l) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Local Authority Minutes from the 14 April 2020.
- m) Approve advertising the 3 vacancies on the Alparrurulum local authority

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded:Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 137/20

Newcastle Waters Road in Elliott will be in the 21/22 financial year.

Cr Hal Ruger returned to the meeting, the time being 10:59 AM

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 PURKISS RESERVE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the minutes from the Purkiss Reserve Committee Meeting held on the 25 March 2020; and

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded:Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 138/20

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15. GENERAL BUSINESS

15.1 OPERATIONS DIRECTOR REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a)Receive and Note the Director of Operations Report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded:Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 139/20

16. CORRESPONDENCE

16.1 CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the correspondence for the month of April 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 140/20

MOTION

That council

- a) **Close the ordinary session at 11:47am**

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 141/20

3.3 COVID-19 RATES HARDSHIP EXEMPTIONS

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the report.
- b) Authorize the attached change to the Rates Concession Policy to allow a 3 month rate waiver to be given to business and individuals have or may suffer financial hardship due to by Covid-19.
- c) Authorise the delegation of authority to approve rate wavers to the CEO
- d) Give in principle support to the Public Benefit Concessions Policy for Commercial rate payers and instruct CEO to get back to the NTG that there is a Small Business Survival Fund, and a small businesses exemption that will be used as a criteria for the rates exemption.
- e) Move to the ordinary minutes

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 142/20

Council discussed possible conflict of interest for Councillors with regard to rate payers as per section 73(2)(c).
No conflict of interest was found.

17. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

18. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 13:30 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 22 April 2020 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 6 May 2020.

Steven Edgington
Council Mayor

Steve Moore
Chief Executive Officer