

#### **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.

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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, 6 May 2020 at 7.30am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

# 1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Steve Edgington

Deputy Mayor Cr. Hal Ruger

- Cr. Kris Civitarese
- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Ray Aylett
- Cr. Jeffery McLaughlin
- Cr. Ricky Holmes
- Cr. Sid Vashist
- Cr. Lucy Jackson
- Cr. Jennifer Mahoney
- Cr. Jane Evans
- Cr. Jack Clubb

# 1.2 Staff Members Present

Steve Moore - CEO

Vanessa Goodworth – Executive Assistant to the CEO and Mayor Millicent Nhepera- Governance Officer

- 1.3 Apologies
- 1.4 Absent Without Apologies
- 1.5 Disclosure Of Interest Councillors And Staff
  - Mayor Steve Edgington Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
    - o 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
    - 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
    - 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

- o 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
  - o Battery Hill Member
  - o Barkly Arts Member
  - o Tennant Creek High School Member
  - o Tennant Creek Primary School Member
  - o Christmas Tree Committee Vice President
  - 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
  - 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
  - o 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
  - Purrutu Aboriginal Corporation Board Member
  - Patta Aboriginal Corporation Board Member
  - o 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.

# 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 22 April 2020 as a true and accurate record.

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 147/20

### 3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### 3.1 ACTION LIST

#### **MOTION**

# **That Council:**

- a) Receive and Note the Action List; and
- **b)** Endorse the removal of all completed items:6, 10, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21,22, 23, 24

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 148/20

Safety concerns raised regarding Fazaldeen Road bridge, over drain- audit to be conducted.

Community Consultation Plan: Should be reviewed. It needs to reference the Policy to make sure that it is consistent.

### 3.2 FIVE YEAR INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

#### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Five Year Infrastructure Plan.
- **b)** Circulate the 5 year Infrastructure plan to each LA for consideration and confirmation.

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 149/20

The BMX track and Women's Centre at Wutunugurra needs to be added to the plan.

# 4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

# 4.1 PRESENTATION FROM TERRITORY FAMILIES

#### **MOTION**

#### **That Council:**

a) Receive and Note the presentation from Barb Kelly about the Youth Action Plan.

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Jane Evans

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett CARRIED UNAN.

### Resolved OC 150/20

Management of Youth Action Plan- There is a Youth Department within Territory Families (TF) that has oversight of Youth Action Plans (YAP) across the Territory. Each YAP is based on local development and input, reflecting its specific needs. A Tennant Creek Youth Action Group was formed and has agencies from across the Barkly, including BRC, Police, Catholicare, BRADAAG, Anyinginyi and others.

The YAP is about improving outcomes for 10-25 year olds, based on early intervention and prevention measures.

The Youth Action group convened to conduct consultations with the young people in Tennant Creek in order to gather information about their own needs. However, they have not been able to do this due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

Once the consultation has been completed, the information will be collated and a draft plan created.

TF stated that the Draft Plan will be provided to Council when it is done and council will have an opportunity to provide feedback on it.

Concern was raised on the timing of the YAP as it was promised two years ago. TF stated that implementation was on a rollout basis across the NT, with the YAPs for other areas having already been completed.

TF to formulate a revised timeline for the YAP.

Cr Hal Ruger left the meeting, the time being 09:10 AM

Cr Hal Ruger returned to the meeting, the time being 09:18 AM

#### **MOTION**

#### **That Council**

a) Break for morning tea at 9.52am

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 151/20

### **MOTION**

# **That Council**

a) Resume Ordinary Council Meeting at 10.15am

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 152/20

#### 4.2 UPDATE FROM SPORTS COORDINATORS FOR REGIONAL DEAL

### **MOTION**

#### That Council:

a) Receive and note the verbal update from Regional Deal Sports Coordinators Chris Combridge and Tom Machin.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 153/20

Sports Coordinators 's have been working on a report that details the ground work for developing sports in Barkly region, which includes the following recommendations:

- 1) Building up sports club and camps through developing affiliated sports teams.
- 2) Identifying groups already involved in sports and use them in facilitating sport activities in the region.
- 3) Possibility of developing a sports association which would act as a governing body. This will comprise of engaged citizens who will be a steering group for sport around the Barkly. This would also allow for harmonisation/centralisation for all things sport around the Barkly. With a website detailing what they will be doing.

They also found that people would like to play a wider variety of social sports. This will be done by creating a sports camps which will run two sports every three months.

Looking at the Sport in Schools grant to pay for coaches to come and run training sessions in the region.

Also looking at programs that will train some students to become coaches in future, to eventually run sports programs in the Barkly.

Looking into current clubs and how they can assist them. This includes helping them in terms of governance. Looking at courses that can be done to teach this.

The Report is currently with Sports Australia, when they give feedback, the report will be finalised and then given to stakeholders in the Barkly.

Council feedback was that these programs should also benefit the communities in the same way in order for them not to lose out of any of these opportunities.

# 5. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

# 6. MAYOR'S REPORT

### 6.1 MAYOR'S REPORT

# **MOTION**

#### **That Council**

a) Receive and note the Mayor's report.

# **RESOLVED**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 154/20

The Mayor visited Barkly Arts and noted that there are musical instruments going out to the communities to start the music program.

The Mayor also attended the Youth Justice Facility meeting noting that the project is moving along. Working with the land council to finalise its location.

Cr Lucy Jackson left the meeting, the time being 08:38 AM

# 7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

### 7.1 BARKLY REGIONAL DEAL DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

### **MOTION**

#### **That Council:**

- a) Receive and Note the report; and
- **b)** Provide feedback on the Draft BRD Progress update.

### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 155/20

Councillors to contact the CEO to give any feedback they have on the Draft.

Cr. McLaughlin discussed a potential conflict as he has been working on video and sound for the Barkly Regional Deal.

# 7.2 RECONCILITATION ACTION PLAN (RAP) UPDATE

### **MOTION**

### That Council:

a) Receive and Note this report

### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 156/20

Once we have the stamp of approval from Reconciliation Australia, then we can move to the second stage of the RAP.

A lot of what is in the RAP are things that Council has already implemented into its function.

#### 7.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT

### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

a) Receive and Note the report from the Chief Executive Officer.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded:Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 157/20

Current restrictions: DCM have stated all information and recommended changes have been sent to the Australian Government. Still awaiting Health Minister to remove restrictions from areas including Mary-Anne Dam- there has been no response as yet.

Sharen Lake has now commenced with the Council as Community Development Director.

### 8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

### 9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

# 10. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE

Nil

# 11. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

Nil

### 12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

# 13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

# 14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

# 15. GENERAL BUSINESS

### 15.1 PUBLIC BENEFIT CONCESSIONS POLICY: COVID-19

#### **MOTION**

### **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the Public Benefit Concessions Policy for Commercial Ratepayers
- b) That Council adopt this policy as the Barkly Regional Council policy for financial hardship due to Covid-19

### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 158/20

Cr Sid Vashist left the meeting, the time being 11:15 AM

# 16. CORRESPONDENCE

# **16.1 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **MOTION**

### **That Council:**

- a) Receive and Note the correspondence.
- b) Instruct the CEO to contact Centerfarm clarify the request they are making to Council

### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 159/20

Cr Jack Clubb left the meeting, the time being 11:28 AM

# 17. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

# **MOTION**

### **That Council**

a) Move out of the Ordinary Meeting at 11:37am

### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 160/20

# 18. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 12:27 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 6 May 2020 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 20 May 2020.

Steven Edgington Steve Moore
Council Mayor Chief Executive Officer