

#### **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

The meeting of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Thursday, 16 December 2021 at 8.30am.

# **Chief Executive Officer**

Meeting commenced at 8.34 am with Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin as Chair.

# 1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

# 1.1 Elected Members Present

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin
- Deputy Mayor Dianne Stokes
- Cr. Jack Clubb
- Cr. Hal Ruger (via phone)
- Cr. Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Greg Marlow (via phone)
- Cr. Derek Walker (via phone)
- Cr. Anita Bailey
- Cr. Lennie Barton (via phone)
- Cr. Russell O'Donnell

## 1.2 Staff Members Present

- Steve Moore
- Sid Vashist
- James Sanders
- Sharen Lake
- Santosh Niraula
- Troy Koch
- Millicent Nhepera
- Vanessa Goodworth

# 1.3 Apologies

- Cr. Pam Corbett
- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Heather Wilson

# 1.4 Absent Without Apologies

# 1.5 Disclosure Of Interest – Councillors And Staff – Under Section 116(1) of the Local Government Act 2019

There were no declarations of interest made at this Ordinary Council 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 25 November 2021 as a true and accurate record.

#### **RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Councillor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 215/21

# 3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

## 3.1 ACTION ITEMS

#### **MOTION**

## **That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Action Items
- b) Remove the following completed items: 6, 7, 8 and 9

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded:Councillor Derek Walker

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 216/21

# 4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

#### 4.1 SINGLETON STATION PRESENTATION

## **MOTION**

**That Council** 

a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 217/21

Singleton presented on their horticulture project which is in the approval stage and set to run over 12 years.

3500 ha of high value irrigated horticulture, developed in 4 stages over 9 years Crops including: Mandarins, table grapes, dried grapes, rock melons, jujube, fodder, onions, rock melons and other annual crops

Councillors stressed the importance of communicating with Traditional Owners & leaders in the area in the approval process, to make sure that any potential issues are addressed and ironed out.

## **MOTION**

**That Council** 

a) Move into confidential at 9.24am.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Dianne Stokes CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 218/21

## **MOTION**

That council

a) Resume the meeting at 10.33

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Deputy Mayor Dianne Stokes

Seconded: Councillor Ronald Plummer CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 219/21

# 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: Councillor Derek Walker

**Seconded:Councillor Ronald Plummer** 

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 220/21

Cr Jack Clubb left the meeting, the time being 10:33 AM

Cr Jack Clubb returned to the meeting, the time being 10:37 AM

# 7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

## 7.1 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL

## **MOTION**

#### That Council:

- a) Ratify the execution of the following documents under the Council's Common Seal:
  - Deed of settlement and release of the property used for Elliott Waste Management Facility, between Gurungu Aboriginal Land Trust, Northern Land Council and BRC; and
  - 2. Grant Agreement of Local Community Project Fund by the Barkly Regional Deal to install Solar Power Fit Out for providing ongoing service to the entire Marlinja community and households. Agreed project duration is 2021-2022 financial year.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

**Seconded:Councillor Lennie Barton** 

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 221/21

## 7.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE

#### **MOTION**

#### **That Council**

a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Ronald Plummer Seconded:Deputy Mayor Dianne Stokes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 222/21

## 8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

#### 8.1 GRANTS

# **MOTION**

## **That Council**

a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the period to November 30, 2021

**RESOLVED** 

**Moved:** Councillor Anita Bailey

Seconded:Councillor Russell O'Donnell

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 223/21

#### 8.2 DIRECTOR FOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

#### **MOTION**

**That Council** 

a) Receive and note the report from Corporate Services Directorate

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 224/21

#### 8.3 FINANCE REPORT

#### **MOTION**

**That Council** 

a) Receive and note the report.

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Anita Bailey

Seconded: Councillor Derek Walker CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 225/21

#### 8.4 2021/2022 BUDGET REVIEW

#### **MOTION**

**That Council** 

a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 226/21

## 0.0 GRANT ACQUITTAL

## **MOTION**

**That Council** 

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Acknowledge in accordance with the Local Government Priority Infrastructure grant that the expenditure shown has been actually incurred and the reports required to be submitted are in accordance with the stated purpose of this grant.

## **RESOLVED**

Moved: Councillor Derek Walker

Seconded: Councillor Ronald Plummer CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 227/21

#### 9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

#### 9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT

## **MOTION**

#### **That Council**

a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Cr. Hal Ruger

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 228/21

Councillors pointed out that they would like an update at each meeting on whether the ongoing projects will be finished on time, and deadlines and extension updates to be included in the infrastructure report.

Director stated that some projects have asked for an extensions and the details will be included in the Director of Infrastructure's report going forward.

ACTION ITEM: Follow up the potential damage to sacred tree in Ali Curung.

# 10. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE

## 10.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT NOVEMBER REPORT

#### **MOTION**

**That Council** 

a) Receive and Note report

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

**Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey** 

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OC 229/21

# 11. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

Nil

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15. **OPERATIONS** 

## 15.1 DECEMBER DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

## **MOTION**

## **That Council**

a) Receive and note the report

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

**Seconded: Deputy Mayor Dianne Stokes** 

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 230/21

Council wishes to thank Robert Smith for his 8 years of service to Barkly Regional Council

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin left the meeting, the time being 11:39 AM

## 16. GENERAL BUSINESS

# 16.1 BRC AMINAL WELFARE/CONTROL MANAGEMENT PLAN PETITION

#### **MOTION**

# **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report
- **b)** Commence work to develop a Barkly wide animal management plan
- c) Thank the petition organisers for their hard work and assistance on this matter

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded:Councillor Derek Walker

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 231/21

## **16.2 GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **MOTION**

#### **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Sponsorships for community members to be presented by Councillors when it is awarded.

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 232/21

ACTION ITEM: Write to the chemist to request them to put sliding doors at the entrance to help citizens who physically struggle opening the doors (due to disability, for example).

Cr. O'Donnell suggested that councillors present money for sponsorship to the community that is awarded sponsorships.

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin returned to the meeting, the time being 11:51 AM

Cr Derek Walker left the meeting, the time being 12:03 PM

# 17. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

#### 18. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

# 19. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION at 1204pm

#### **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 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019:-

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

**Seconded:Councillor Anita Bailey** 

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 233/21

## 20. RESUMPTION OF MEETING

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council move back into open session at 1429.

# **18.3 TENNANT CREEK STREETSCAPE PROJECT**

The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 (c(i)) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

## **MOTION**

## **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report
- **b)** Endorse the early works package less the painting of the poles, and the left over money to spend on additional banners for Peko road and carry on project 3, 6.1 and 6.2
- **c)** Artwork to be the additional project if funds allow, and council to approve the artwork first.
- d) Move into ordinary

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Councillor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 234/21

Council suggested adding the history of Tennant Creek into this project.

# 18.5 LOCAL AUTHORITY NOMINATIONS

The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 (b) (d) (b) (d) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer; AND information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

## **MOTION**

# **That Council**

a) Receive and note the report;

**Elliott** 

- b) Accept the appointment of Kevin Neade to the Elliott Local Authority
- c) Move to ordinary

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Councillor Lennie Barton

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 235/21

# 18.6 BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 (d) (d) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

#### **MOTION**

## **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Approve the application from the Barkly Voices 8CCC and Barkly Arts
- c) Approve the application from the Tennant Creek Christmas Tree Committee
- d) Approve the application from the RSL
- e) Approve the application from the Tennant Creek Markets
- f) Approve the application from the WMC
- g) Approve the application from the Tennant Creek Community garden.
- h) Move item into ordinary

#### **RESOLVED**

Moved: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded:Councillor Greg Marlow

**CARRIED UNAN.** 

Resolved OCCS 236/21

# 1.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 (c(i)) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

## **MOTION**

## **That Council**

- a) Receive and note the report;
- **b)** Receive and note the minutes from the Ali Curung Local Authority December Meeting;
- **c)** Approve the allocation of \$5877.36 of local authority funds for the purchase of a Key Cutting Machine and Blank Keys.
- **d)** Approve the allocation of \$15,400.00 of local authority funds for the purchase of a BBQ Trailer.
- e) Move item to ordinary.

**RESOLVED** 

**Moved:** Councillor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 237/21

## 18.7 ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE UPDATE

The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 (d) (d) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

## **MOTION**

# **That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the report.
- b) Approve the recruitment of an accountant
- c) Suspend the management accountant position
- d) Move item into ordinary

**RESOLVED** 

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Councillor Russell O'Donnell CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 238/21

# 21. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 1429.

This page and the proceeding 10 pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday, 16 December 2021 and are confirmed.

Jeffrey McLaughlin	Steve Moore
Council Mayor	Chief Executive Officer