

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 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, 29 October 2020 at 8.30am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

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

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin
- Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Kris Civitarese
- Cr. Ray Aylett
- Cr. Ricky Holmes
- Cr. Sid Vashist
- Cr. Jennifer Mahoney
- Cr. Jack Clubb

1.2 Staff Members Present

- Steve Moore
- Damian Carter
- Mark Parsons
- Sharen Lake
- Gary Pemberton
- Santosh Niraula
- Vanessa Goodworth
- Millicent Nhepera

1.3 Apologies

- Cr. Lucy Jackson
- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Jane Evans
- Cr. Hal Ruger

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

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1.5 Disclosure Of Interest – Councillors And Staff – Under Section 74(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008

- Mayor 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
 - First Persons Disability Network
 - Tennant Creek Primary School – Teacher
 - Tennant Creek High School – Teacher
 - Music Northern Territory – Board Member
- Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships

- Purrtu Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
 - Patta Aboriginal Corporation – Board Member
 - Papulu Apparr-Kari Aboriginal Corporation – Member
 - Tennant Creek Mob Aboriginal Corporation
 - Member for Barkly- Employee
- Cr. Kris M. Civitarese – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - The Returned and Service League of Australia, Tennant Creek Sub-Branch – President
 - Electorate Officer- Senator for the Northern Territory
 - Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory – Tennant Creek Committee Member
 - Rotary – Paul Harris Fellow Awarded
 - T & J Contractors
 - Tennant Creek Pistol Club- Member
 - Senator for the Northern Territory – Employee
 - 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
 - Barkly Arts – Member
 - Tennant Creek High School - Member
 - Multicultural Association of Central Australia – 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. Jane Evans - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Puma Elliott
- Steve Moore - Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Battery Hill – Director
 - Tennant Creek Pistol Club – Secretary

There were no declarations of interest made at this.

4.3 CIRCLE ADVISORY PRESENTATION

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 296/20

Circle Advisory baseline studies will be used as the “baseline” to measure change in the area in future.
For 2020 Circle Advisory is preparing a scope of works.
Looking at the Social, cultural and economic effects of the project and how they will specifically affect the Barkly region.

4.2 JEMENA PRESENTATION

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 297/20

17 people came to undertake work at Jemena from Victoria and were operating under quarantine rules. Everyone working at the plant was separated according to where they came from (state-wise).
They all adhered to an approved Jemena Covid-19 management plan. All the people who were working at Jemena were found to have complied to this management plan. The last person from the interstate hotspot team left TC on Tuesday 20 October.

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 24 September 2020 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded: Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 298/20

Remove Kris Barkly Arts Board.

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 7 and 8.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 299/20

Action item 1 Update: Mayor to facilitate the painting laneways and CEO to look at getting lights in the laneways and permission sought from the neighbours.

4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

4.1 REGIONAL DEAL UPDATE

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 300/20

Barkly backbone team gave an update from the BRD governance table meeting. Change in representation: new reps are Tony Miles from Anyingny and Linda Turner from Julalikari.

Territory Families looking to open the tender process for service providers in the region to provide services to the Youth Justice Facility. Facility will not be run by Territory Families.

Land Council CEO's are going to be joining the governance table.

Youth Training centre near Jajikari café- suggested location for the emergency accommodation for youth. A working group will be set up for this reason.

ACTION ITEM: Mayor to write to the Land Councils regarding fast tracking the ILUA for the youth justice facility, as there are increased concerns regarding the rise in youth crime in Tennant Creek.

Cr Ray Aylett left the meeting, the time being 12:22 PM

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 Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 301/20

The mayor expressed his gratitude to the staff who have been accommodating so far in his tenure- it has really made a difference for him.

IGA plans discussed and noted that there was a suggestion from Council staff suggested that children be given free fruit as in Woolworths stores..

Christmas tree AGM- Council Staff and Regional deal staff are part of the board.

Discussion took place regarding the youth roaming the streets at night and what can be done about that. Cr. Plummer suggested creating a plan to get the youth who are misbehaving to be taken to the homelands as a way of addressing the matter.

MOTION

That Council

- a)Break for morning tea at 1015am

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded:Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 302/20

MOTION

That Council

- a)Resume the meeting at 1031

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 303/20

7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Ratify the execution of the following document under the Council's Common Seal:

1. Grant Agreement – “MyBarkly Discount Voucher Program” for small business support, between Department of Chief Minister and BRC from 1 August 2020 to 31 December 2020; and
2. Deed of variation 4 to Municipal and Essential Services, Housing maintenance services and Homelands jobs Grant Agreement - R00004S from 2018 to 2023, between Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and BRC.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 304/20

7.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 305/20

Cr Kris Civitarese left the meeting, the time being 10:36 AM

7.3 TENNANT CREEK LANDFILL UPDATE

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 306/20

Cr Kris Civitarese returned to the meeting, the time being 10:41 AM

Cr Kris Civitarese left the meeting, the time being 10:52 AM

Cr Kris Civitarese returned to the meeting, the time being 10:54 AM

8.1 GRANT ACQUITTALS: LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Report detailing:
 - Certifications of 2019-2020 Local Authority Project Funding for:
 - Tennant Creek Local Authority;
 - Elliott Local Authority;

- Ali Curung Local Authority;
- Ampilatwatja Local Authority;
- Alpurrurulam Local Authority; and
- Arlparra Local Authority.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 307/20

8.2 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Expenditure Summary for the month ended 30 September 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 308/20

8.3 FINANCE REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2020

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Finance Report for the quarter ended 30 September 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 309/20

8.4 GRANTS REPORT - 30 SEPTEMBER 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the quarter ended 30 September 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 310/20

MOTION

That Council

- a) Break for lunch at 1222

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 311/20

MOTION

That Council

- a) Resume the meeting at 1247

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 312/20

7.4 ANNUAL REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Approve the 2019-2020 Annual Report
- c) Approve the Audited for the 2019- 2020 financial statement

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 313/20

16.4 LIQUOR COMMISSION CORRESPONDANCE

MOTION

That Council

- a) That Council receive and note the report
- b) Finalise the letter in response to the correspondence from the Liquor commission received on 27 October 2020

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 314/20

Issues with buying alcohol when you are at a different place in the NT when you don't have a permanent address there. Eg- restricted from buying alcohol in Alice Springs if your ID has a Tennant Creek address on it.
Support of expansion of trading hours..

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 01:20 PM

16.3 VISITOR PARK LOCATION

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Endorse the location of the TC visitor park and the BRADAAG facility

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 315/20

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 01:25 PM

Cr Ray Aylett returned to the meeting, the time being 01:27 PM

8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

MOTION

That council

- a) Move into the confidential session at 1.45pm

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 316/20

MOTION

That Council

- a) Move back into the ordinary session 1522

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 317/20

8.6 POLICY APPROVAL

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

- b) Adopt the Attendance at meetings via Conferencing system Policy
- c) Adopt The Caretaker Policy
- e) Adopt the Shared Services Policy
- f) Adopt the Sufficient Interest in the Assessment of Record policy
- g) Adopt the Breach of Code of Conduct (all options)

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 318/20

ACTION ITEM: Attendance via video: notice of 1 day.

8.5 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 319/20

9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report of activities within the Infrastructure Directorate

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 320/20

9.2 TENNANT CREEK CEMETERY CHAPEL

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Approve the conceptual design (without the cross) to go for request for tender

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 321/20

10. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE

10.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REPORT

MOTION

That Council Receive and not the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 322/20

11. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

11.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report;
- b) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Local Authority Minutes for October;
- c) Note Tennant Creek Local Authority has expressed strong objection to having a cross at the cemetery chapel;
- d) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority Minutes for October,
- e) Approve the allocation of \$24,354.00 of Ali Curung local authority funds for the purchase of portable toilet trailers;

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 323/20

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15. OPERATIONS

Nil

16. GENERAL BUSINESS

16.1 OPERATIONS DIRECTORS REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Operations Directors Report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 324/20

16.2 REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Sponsor the Carols by Candlelight 2020 event
- c) Nominate the mayor to open the event.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 325/20

17. CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 OCTOBER CORRESPONDENCE

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note the correspondence for the month of October 2020.
- b) Did not forward a nominee to represent LGANT on the NT Heritage Council
- c) Nominate CR. Ray Ayett represent LGANT on the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

ACTION ITEM: Write back to TC Family church approving their request.

18.3 COMPLIANCE REVIEW

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) Move out of confidential

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 326/20

18.5 TENDER EVALUATION - DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF TENNANT CREEK YOUTH CENTRE

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) Award the contract of Design and Construct Tennant Creek Youth Centre to Remote Industries Australia, Tennant Creek for the value of \$2,757,150.00 (incl. GST) with an additional condition that the contractor engage HIGHGATE GROUP, NSW to supply and install the Ninja Course who have provided us with a quote of \$399,000.00 (Ex. GST). Subject to BBRF approval of variations.
- c) Move the item into Ordinary Council

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 327/20

18.6 TENDER EVALUATION -BRC2020CIVIL/01 - AMPILATWATJA BITUMEN RESEAL AND SHOULDER COMPACTION

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) Award the contract to NT Bitumen & Asphalt Pty Ltd, Palmerston NT 0831 for the value of \$588,766.77 (Incl. GST)
- c) Move the item into ordinary council.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ricky Holmes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 328/20

18.7 PATA WARD COUNCILLOR NOMINATION

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) Appoint Karan Hayward subject to confirmation from the Department of Local Government that the majority of those present was enough to validate the vote, and subject to her completing induction.
- c) Move into ordinary

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitaresse

Seconded: Councillor Hal Ruger.

For: Crs Aylett, Civitaresse, Holmes, Mahoney, McLaughlin and Ruger

Against: Cr Vashist

Abstained: Cr Plummer

Cr Vashist- voted against the motion.

Cr Plummer declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 2.26pm and returned as 2.48pm

Hal Ruger phoned in and was present for this report. 2.26 and left at 2.48pm.

18.8 LOCAL AUTHORITY NOMINATIONS

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (a) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual; 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 appointment of Rochelle Bonney to the Wutunugurra Local Authority;
- c) Approve the appointment of Shirley Beasley to the Wutunugurra Local Authority.
- d) Approve the appointment of Andrew Rae to the Alparra Local Authority
- e) Move into Ordinary

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 329/20

18. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

19. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 1558 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 15 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Thursday, 29 October 2020 AND CONFIRMED Thursday, 26 November 2020.

Jeffrey McLaughlin
Council Mayor

Steve Moore
Chief Executive Officer