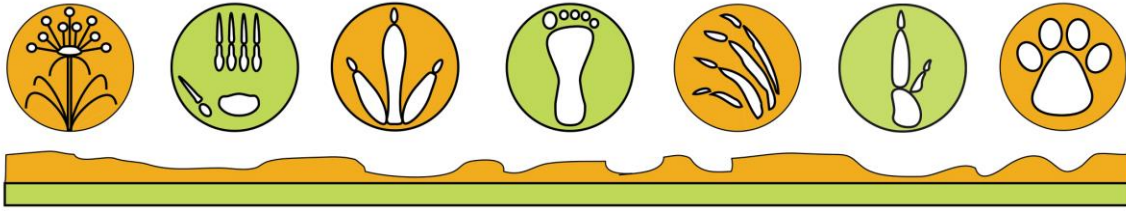


# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



## 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

**THURSDAY, 2 MAY 2019**

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, 2 May 2019 at 8:30 am.

**Steven Moore**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

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Ordinary Council Meeting commenced at 8:36am with Mayor Steve Edgington as Chair.

**1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Steve Edgington  
Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese  
Cr. Noel Hayes  
Cr. Ronald Plummer  
Cr. Ray Aylett  
Cr. Hal Ruger – left at 12:18pm  
Cr. Jeffery McLaughlin  
Cr. Ricky Holmes  
Cr. Lucy Jackson (via videoconference)  
Cr. Jennifer Mahoney (via phone) – arrived at 8:56am  
Cr. Jane Evans

1.2 Staff Members Present

Steve Moore – Chief Executive Officer  
Gary Pemberton – Finance Manager  
Robert Smith – Acting Director of Operations  
Andrew Scoffern – Governance and Quality Officer  
Jenna Walker – Executive Administration Officer

1.3 Apologies

Cr. Sid Vashist

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

Cr. Jack Clubb

Cr Clubb Absent without Apology for two consecutive meetings. The Area Manager to request reasons for these absences to give Cr Clubb opportunity to respond.

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
- Cr. Kris M. Civitarese – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships

- Tennant Creek and District Show Society – Vice President
- The Returned and Service League of Australia, Tennant Creek Sub-Branch – Vice President
- Development Consent Authority – Barkly Region Member/Delegate
- Chamber of Commerce Northern Territory – Tennant Creek Committee Member
- Rotary – Paul Harris Fellow Awarded
- T & J Contractors – Senior Manager
- Barkly Art - Board Member
- 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 - Member
  - 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 – Member
  - First Persons Disability Network
  - Tennant Creek Primary School – Teacher
  - Tennant Creek Secondary School - Teacher
- 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

Cr McLaughlin noted his interests in the Tennant Creek Primary School and Tennant Creek High School and Deputy Mayor Civitarese noted his interest in KNC Pty Ltd. The Disclosures of Interest were updated accordingly.

## 2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### MOTION

#### That Council:

- a) Confirm the Minutes from Council Meeting held 28 March 2019 as a true and accurate record with below changes noted.

#### RESOLVED

**Moved:** Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

**Seconded:** Cr. Ronald Plummer

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 85/19*

On page 13 of the previous Minutes, Deputy Mayor Civitarese noted it should read McLaughlin as 'alternate', not replacement nominee for item 8.3 HR Report.

## 3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 3.1 ACTION LIST

#### MOTION

#### That Council:

- a) Receive and note the action list; and
- b) Note all actions completed and removed items 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24, 25 and 26 from the action list.

#### RESOLVED

**Moved:** Cr. Ray Aylett

**Seconded:** Cr. Ricky Holmes

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 86/19*

Item 3: Discussions were had regarding the 'Welcome to the Barkly region' sign just after Barrow Creek. Concerns were around the size and location of the signage. Jurisdictional boundaries were an issue.

Item 6: CEO to chase up progress from the High School.

Item 8: The Item is in essence complete but further clarity will be sought and more information will be presented to Council at the May 30 Meeting.

Item 10: Acting Director of Operations Robert Smith confirmed that the audit of the dark spots in the communities has progressed

Item 15: Still issues regarding lack of funding on progressive the essential services on the road

Item 19: To remain on the Action List until actually completed, CEO to write to DIPL.

### 3.2 JUNO BRIEFING

#### MOTION

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the update to Juno; and
- b) Request the CEO to provide a report at the next Council meeting and to provide feedback to Brian Coleman and Georgina Bracken regarding their concerns raised during this meeting.

#### RESOLVED

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese**

**Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 87/19*

Add Juno to the Action List as a standing item

CEO to draft a more complete report to be drafted by the next Council meeting

Cr Ruger noted the former Barkly Shire Council's intention was to purchase the largest portion of freehold land in Tennant Creek. Owned by private organisation, funded by Council

CEO to source further information regarding Juno. CEO to ask Department of Education about concerns brought forth by members of the public regarding their usage of the Juno site

Concerns were raised about the issues around members of the public sourcing the Juno program when it is a Council asset. Council will obtain Brian Coleman's receipts regarding Juno and identify the applicability of his support and consider compensation if necessary

Mayor to circulate issues raised to all Councillors and relevant staff

## 4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

### 4.1 TERRITORY FAMILIES PRESENTATION

#### RECOMMENDATION

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the presentation by Territory Families.

*Did not present.*

### 4.2 INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION PRESENTATION

#### RECOMMENDATION

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the presentation from the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC).

*Did not present.*

**4.3 PRESENTATION FROM LIA FINOCCHIARO**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Note the presentation from Lia Finocchiaro.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett**

**Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 88/19*

Comments were made regarding the lack of transparency and quantifiable and statistical evidence for the distribution of money across the region.

Concerns were raised about the recidivism and reduction of youth crime in the region. Similar questions were raised about the lack of policing across the region, particularly in Alpururulam which has been unmanned for at least a year.

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin left the meeting, the time being 10:07 AM

Cr Ray Aylett left the meeting, the time being 10:12 AM

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin returned to the meeting, the time being 10:14 AM

Cr Ray Aylett returned to the meeting, the time being 10:14 AM

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

*Nil*

**6. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

*Nil*

**7. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**7.1 MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Mayor's verbal update.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett**

**Seconded: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 89/19*

The Mayor expressed the desire to showcase the awards and certificates that Council or Councillors have received on behalf of their association with Council. This would provide a more positive visual display of Council to the general public and visitors to Council.

Standing Item on Agenda progress on the Regional Deal. Council to be kept regularly updated and informed. Add a new item in the Agenda template 'Barkly Regional Deal Update/Progress'.

Mayor expressed his satisfaction of the ANZAC Day commemorations and congratulated the RSL and all relevant parties on their efforts in ensuring the events ran smoothly.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- a) Break for morning tea at 10:44am.

### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 90/19*

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- a) Resume Ordinary Council Meeting at 11:11am.

### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese**

**Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 91/19*

## **8. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS**

### **8.1 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT APRIL 2019**

#### **MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Human Resources Manager's report for the month of April 2019.

### **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes**

**Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 92/19*

## 8.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APRIL UPDATE

### MOTION

#### That Council:

- a) Receive and note the Chief Executive Officer's report for the month of April 2019.

### RESOLVED

**Moved:** Cr. Hal Ruger

**Seconded:** Deputy Mayor Kris Civitaresse

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 93/19*

Workforce Management Plan and Draft Budget will be put before the Council at the May 30 meeting

Guard rails over the drain on Fazaldeen Road, DIPL maintains ownership but CEO will investigate

Cr Evans noted their continuing concerns about the inaction from DIPL on the line markings in Elliott; this was first raised in November 2017. CEO to investigate

Public notice reminding people of By-Laws coverage and not to post any political signs or else fines will be enforced under our existing By-Laws

## 9. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

### 9.1 GRANTS REPORT: MARCH 2019

### MOTION

#### That Council:

- a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the nine months to 31 March 2019.

### RESOLVED

**Moved:** Cr. Noel Hayes

**Seconded:** Cr. Ricky Holmes

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 94/19*

Council noted an error regarding Night Patrol funding

CEO will investigate the dull lights in the Elliott park

Monitor and draft all agreements with external parties who utilise Council's assets, particularly musical acts. Council should take ownership of content that is created and by virtue belongs in the region

Cr McLaughlin will forward a template policy to all relevant Councillors and Council staff

### 9.2 FINANCE REPORT - MARCH 2019

### MOTION



**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Finance Report for the nine months ended 31 March 2019.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin**

**Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 95/19*

Itemise the budget for each community to create greater visibility and clarity. This will be done by sorting the budget for next financial year and then establishing a breakdown for each community.

Comments were raised about the Committee membership from the new financial year and the environmental concerns if the Dam dries and there would be dead fish

Cr Hal Ruger left the meeting, the time being 12:18 PM

**10. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS**

**10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2019**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

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

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes**

**Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 96/19*

Elliott Councillors and Elliott LA Members are to be invited to the barbecue opening of the Elliott football oval. Grants are to be sourced as soon as the opportunity arises.

Investigate the liability attached to not having defibrillators at reasonable buildings

Look into land acquisition of the landfill site, requires further investigation.

Cr Ray Aylett left the meeting, the time being 12:33 PM

Cr Jennifer Mahoney left the meeting, the time being 12:33 PM

Cr Lucy Jackson left the meeting, the time being 12:33 PM

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 12:34 PM

Cr Ray Aylett returned to the meeting, the time being 12:35 PM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 12:38 PM

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Break for lunch at 12:44pm.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett**

**Seconded:Cr. Jane Evans**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 97/19*

Cr Lucy Jackson returned to the meeting, the time being 12:46 PM  
Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 01:33 PM  
Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 01:37 PM

## **MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Move out of lunch at 1:38PM.

## **RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett**

**Seconded:Cr. Ronald Plummer**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 98/19*

## **11. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE**

*Nil*

Council were introduced to the Acting Director of Community Services Gina Rainbird who gave a quick overview of her experience within the Community Services area across the Northern Territory. Gina has had extensive experience across a wide range of community services.

## **12. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS**

### **12.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS**

#### **MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the minutes of the Ali Curung Local Authority held on the 1<sup>st</sup> April as a true and accurate record;
- b) Receive and note the minutes of the Wutunugurra Local Authority held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April as a true and accurate record;
- c) Receive and note the minutes of the Alpururulam Local Authority held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> April as a true and accurate record;
- d) Receive and note the minutes of the Ampilatwatja Local Authority held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April as a true and accurate record;
- e) Receive and note the minutes of the Elliott Local Authority held on the 4<sup>th</sup> April as a true and accurate record;
- f) Accept the following projects to be included in the Wutunugurra 5 year infrastructure plan:
  - Scoreboard for the football oval;
  - Native Trees to be planted around community centre;
  - Softball oval;
  - Skate park;
  - Toilets and showers to be added to the tin sheds;

- Add swings and other play equipment to existing playground;
  - Fencing around the football and softball ovals; and
  - Footpath around the community;
- g)** Accept the adding of washing machines and ablution blocks with showers onto the 5 year infrastructure plan for Ampilatwatja;
- h)** Draft a letter on behalf of the Elliott Local Authority to be sent to the Department of Health in regards to what the plan for the old clinic building will be and request that the community be allowed input into its future use; and
- i)** Investigate the viability and possible pursuit of funding of a sobering up shelter in Elliott and if possible pursue funding to establish one in Elliott.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes**

**Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 99/19*

The CEO informed Council of the inactivity of the Arlparra Local Authority. Attempts have been made to ensure the LA is functional in due course.

Concerns about Wutunugurra Cemetery as it is on a pastoral land and the viability of constructing toilets and showers to be added to the tin sheds. The Cemetery noted on the inclusion into the 5 Year Infrastructure Plan is to be removed until further information regarding the pastoral lease is obtained.

**ACTION ITEM:**

- i) Send the Alcohol Management Plan to the Liquor Commission.

**12.2 TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a)** Receive and note the minutes from the Tennant Creek Local Authority meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April 2019;
- b)** Draft a letter to DIPL in regards to installing of a bike rack in front of the hub;
- c)** Obtain quotes for the installation of a 15x20m steel roof structure for the playground area at Lake Mary Ann Dam by the next Tennant Creek Local Authority meeting;
- d)** Note the request from Tennant Creek Local Authority members in regards to a maintenance schedule at Lake Mary Ann Dam; and
- e)** Instruct the CEO to commence the investigation of the transfer of leases over the Tennant Creek Showgrounds precinct from the Jubilee Trust; and
- f)** Instruct the CEO to follow up with the Department of Tourism and Culture regarding the reallocation of \$250,000 for Lake Mary Ann Dam.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Lucy Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 100/19*

Finance Manager briefed the Council on the rationale for the steel roof structure under b) - Prior surveys indicated that the current format was not particularly

beneficial during the harsh weather. Potential for reallocation of the mining heritage funding.

Several Councillors spoke about the behaviour at some Local Authority Meetings and emphasised the need for the Code of Conduct to be communicated.

Deputy Mayor Civitarese noted a declaration of interest regarding his association with the Show Society. Deputy Mayor Civitarese noted his interest regarding item e).

Cr Ricky Holmes left the meeting, the time being 02:24 PM

Cr Ricky Holmes returned to the meeting, the time being 02:28 PM

**13. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Nil*

**14. NOTICES OF MOTION**

*Nil*

**15. RESCISSION MOTIONS**

*Nil*

**16. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**16.1 POLICY REVIEW**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and approve the Media Consultation Policy and the new Aged Care Services Policy.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 101/19*

Children in the Workplace Policy was the incorrect attachment; reformat and attach the right Policy for the next meeting.

**ACTION ITEM:** Social Media Policy changes – page 4 define more clearly and include ‘for Council business’.

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin left the meeting, the time being 02:46 PM

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin returned to the meeting, the time being 02:51 PM

**16.2 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT FOR APRIL 2019**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the Operation Directors Report.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

**Seconded:** Cr. Ricky Holmes

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 102/19*

**17. CORRESPONDENCE**

**17.1 BARKLY BEEF DINNER SPONSORSHIP PROPOSAL**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the sponsorship proposal by Barkly Beef Dinner; and
- b) Support the sponsorship of the Barkly Beef Dinner at a level commensurate with last years support.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Cr. Jeffrey McLaughlin

**Seconded:** Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 103/19*

**17.2 CORRESPONDENCE APRIL 2019**

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

- a) Receive and note the correspondence for the month of April 2019.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Deputy Mayor Kris Civitarese

**Seconded:** Cr. Lucy Jackson

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 104/19*

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 03:06 PM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 03:13 PM

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That Council:**

- a) Delegate the authority to the Patta Ward Councillors to open Options A and B for public consultation.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved:** Cr. Lucy Jackson

**Seconded:** Cr. Jane Evans

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

a) Move out of Ordinary at 3:20PM

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Lucy Jackson**

**Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 105/19*

**MOTION**

**That Council:**

a) Break for Afternoon Tea at 3:20pm.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer**

**Seconded: Cr. Ricky Holmes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 106/19*

**18. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Ordinary Council meeting terminated at 3:20pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 13 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Thursday, 2 May 2019 AND CONFIRMED Thursday, 30 May 2019.

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Steven Edgington  
Council Mayor

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Steve Moore  
Chief Executive Officer