

# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



## 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, 30 March 2023 at 8:30am.

**Russell Anderson**  
Acting Chief Executive Officer

### 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.**

Meeting commenced at 8.48 am with Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin as Chair.

## **1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

### **1.1 Elected Members Present**

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin
- Deputy Mayor Cr. Russell O'Donnell
- Cr. Jack Clubb
- Cr. Greg Marlow
- Cr. Anita Bailey
- Cr. Lennie Barton
- Cr. Pam Corbett
- Cr. Heather Wilson

### **1.2 Staff Members Present**

- Russell Anderson – Acting Chief Executive Officer
- Romeo Mutsago – Chief Financial Officer
- Gillian Molloy – Director of Community Development
- Liza Taylor (Minutes)

### **1.3 Visitors Present**

- Jacqueline Bethel

### **1.4 Apologies**

- Cr Dianne Seri Stokes

### **1.5 Absent Without Apologies**

Nil

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

Item 5.1 Questions From Members of the Public

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin – In relation to complaint.

Item 16.2 Tennant Creek RSL Request for ANZAC Day Sponsorship

- Councillor Greg Marlow – Tennant Creek RSL Sub-Branch membership. Did abstain from conversation and voting participation
- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin – Tennant Creek RSL Sub-Branch membership. Did abstain from conversation and voting participation

### **1.7 Review of disclosure of interests – Councillors and Staff (to be done at each council meeting)**

## 2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the Minutes of the meeting February 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council as a true and accurate record of that Meeting.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 24/23*

## 3. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 3.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTION ARISING FEBRUARY 2023

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the actions arising update.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Councillor Jack Clubb

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 25/23*

## 2. MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor conveyed sincere condolences, on the recent passing of former Councillor, to the Plummer Family. The Council Meeting observed a minute's silence in acknowledgment of the contributions and dedication made by the former Councillor.

### 6.1 MAYOR'S REPORT - MARCH 2023

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the Mayor's report for the period to March 2023.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Jack Clubb

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 26/23*

## 6.1A MAYOR'S REPORT – MARCH 2023

### MOTION

That Council endorse Barkly Regional Council in the writing of a letter to the Police Minister supporting the Alpurrurulam community's application for a joint Police Station.

### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Jack Clubb

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 27/23*

**Action:** BRC to write letter of support for Alpurrurulum Community application of joint Police Station.

Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin left the meeting, the time being 9.11am

Meanwhile, the meeting was chaired by Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

## 3. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

### 5.1 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

#### MOTION

That Council  
a) receive and note complaint.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Jack Clubb

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 28/23*

**Action:** Copy of complaint received by BRC staff at meeting, to be lodged through BRC complaints register for follow up through complaints process.

Councillor Jack Clubb left the meeting at 9.34am

## 7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

### 7.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT TO COUNCIL

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note this report.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Anita Bailey

Seconded: Councillor Heather Wilson

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 29/23*

## 8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

### 8.1 ASSET REPLACEMENT

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) receive and note the report.
- b) Approve commencement of tender process for curbside pickup in Tennant Creek.
- c) Investigate the purchase of purpose built trailer for rubbish collection.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Lennie Barton

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 30/23*

#### Actions:

- 1) BRC to initiate tender process for Tennant Creek Curb-side pickup contract.
- 2) BRC to investigate options for council to procure custom trailer.

### 8.2 FINANCE DIRECTORATE REPORT – YEAR TO DATE 28 FEBRUARY 2023

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the Finance Report for the year-to-date 28 February 2023.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 31/23*

## 9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT

### 9.1 REPORT ON BARKLY COUNCIL PROCURING 2 CCTV TRAILERS THROUGH DISR GRANTS TO AID NTFPES CATER FOR COMMUNITY SAFETY

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the procurement of CCTV trailers from Department of Industry, Science and Resources grant funding.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 32/23*

## 9.2 REQUIREMENT FOR SECURITY UPGRADE IN COUNCIL ASSETS

### MOTION

That Council authorizes the \$100,000 funding to upgrade security systems in Council Assets within Tennant Creek.

### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 33/23*

**Action:** BRC to initiate procurement process for the purchase of security system upgrade.

## 10. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE

### 10.1 SAFE HOUSE SERVICE AGREEMENT EXPIRTION JUNE 2023

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Approve notification to Northern Territory Government of the continuation of the Safe Houses Agreement.
- b) Request additional funding for Ali Curung Safe House

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Heather Wilson

Seconded: Councillor Lennie Barton

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 34/23*

**Action:** BRC to negotiate Safe houses agreement with NTG, including additional funding.

### 10.2 ADOPT A DOG SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

#### MOTION

That Council endorses the Adopt-a-Dog program and implementation of the campaign from 7<sup>th</sup> April 2023

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Lennie Barton

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 35/23*

### 10.3 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FEBRUARY 2023 REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the Community Development Directorate report for February 2023.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Heather Wilson

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

CARRIED UNAN.

*Resolved OC 36/23*

## 4. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

### 11.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MINUTES

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note the report.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Pam Corbett

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

CARRIED UNAN.

*Resolved OC 37/23*

### 11.2 ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) receive and note the report.
- b) Endorse Elliott Local Authority to procure one diesel ATV vehicles with helmets.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Pam Corbett

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

CARRIED UNAN.

*Resolved OC 38/23*

11.00am: the meeting adjourned for lunch

11.25am: the meeting resumed

### 11.3 ARLPARRA LOCAL AUTHORITY NOMINATIONS

#### MOTION

That Council receive and note report.

#### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Anita Bailey

**Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 39/23*

**5. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Nil*

**6. NOTICES OF MOTION**

*Nil*

**7. RESCISSION MOTIONS**

*Nil*

**8. OPERATIONS**

**15.1 ALPURRURULAM AREA MANAGER REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council receive and note the report for the months of February/March.**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow**

**Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 40/23*

**15.2 ELLIOTT AREA MANAGER REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council receive and note the report for the months of February/March.**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Councillor Lennie Barton**

**Seconded: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 41/23*

**15.3 ALI CURUNG AREA MANAGER REPORT**

**MOTION**

**That Council receive and note the report for the months of February/March.**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Councillor Anita Bailey**

**Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 42/23*



**9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**16.1 GIFTING OF PAINTING TO COUNCIL**

**MOTION**

**That Council**

- a) acknowledges and gratefully accepts the gift of a painting from Emily James, and resolves to have it added to the gift register.

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Councilor Greg Marlow**

**Seconded: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 43/23*

**Action:**

- 1) Write a letter to Emily James with thanks and gratitude for the gift.
- 2) Staff to add to gift register.

**16.2 TENNANT CREEK RSL REQUEST FOR ANZAC DAY SPONSORSHIP**

**MOTION**

**That Council agrees to sponsor Tennant Creek RSL sub-Branch's 2023 Anzac Day events, for an amount of \$2000.**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Councillor Pam Corbett**

**Seconded: Councillor Lennie Barton**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 44/23*

**Action:** For finance department to arrange donation of \$2000.

**16.3 BARKLY TOURISM ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN**

**MOTION**

**That Council endorses the Barkly Tourism campaign, and agrees to contribute \$3000 at the request of Tourism Central Australia.**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Councilor Pam Corbett**

**Seconded: Councillor Heather Wilson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 45/23*

**Action:** BRC to contact Tourism Central Australia to arrange payment.

#### 16.4 INTRODUCTION OF WORKSHOP DAY AND MOVEMENT OF APRIL MEETING

##### MOTION

That Council

- a) approve the movement of the April Council meeting to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023
- b) Approve the introduction of a Councillor workshop for the day prior to council meetings.

##### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 46/23*

#### 16.5 VEHICLES AND PLANT

##### MOTION

That Council approved a program to order six replacement vehicles and four replacement ride-on mowers.

##### RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 47/23*

**Action: BRC**

#### 16.6 CHILDREN'S DISCO

##### MOTION

That Council approve Civic Hall use for disco, and waive costs of hire.

##### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 48/23*

#### 4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

##### 4.1 AAPOWERLINK PROJECT UPDATE 1300

###### MOTION

That Council receive and note the presentation

###### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 49/23*

#### 10. CORRESPONDENCE

##### 17.1 BARLKY BMX TRACK

###### MOTION

###### RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 50/23*

###### Actions:

- 1) BRC respond to Limitless Tracks
- 2) BRC to confirm current public liability conditions.

##### 17.2 ANIMAL WELFARE IN ALPURRURULAM

###### MOTION

That council

- a) Receive and note the correspondence
- b) Support the Alpururulam community in their complaint.

###### RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Pam Corbett

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 51/23*

**Action:** BRC to write a letter of support

**11. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN**

*Nil*

**CLOSURE OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MOTION**

**That council moves into confidential session**

**RESOLVED**

**Moved: Deputy Mayor Russell O'Donnell**

**Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved OC 52/23*

**12. CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 3.17pm.

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Jeffrey McLaughlin

Council Mayor

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Russell Anderson

Acting Chief Executive  
Officer

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