

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

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in on Thursday, 24 September 2020 at 8.30am.

Steven Moore
Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 8.31am with Mayor Jeffery McLaughlin as Chair.

1. **OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Mayor Jeffery McLaughlin
- Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Kris Civitarese
- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Ray Aylett
- Cr. Hal Ruger
- Cr. Sid Vashist
- Cr. Lucy Jackson
- Cr. Jennifer Mahoney
- Cr. Jane Evans
- Cr. Jack Clubb

1.2 Staff Members Present

Steve Moore
Damian Carter
Sharan Lake
Santosh Niraula
Gary Pemberton
Millicent Nhepera
Fionn Ellwood

1.3 Apologies

Cr. Ricky Holmes

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

1.5 Disclosure Of Interest – Councillors And Staff

- 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
 - Music NT – Board Member
- Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer – Affiliations, Clubs, Organisations and Memberships
 - Purrtutu 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
 - 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.

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 27 August 2020 as a true and accurate record.
- b) Confirm the Minutes from the Special Council Meeting held on 14 September 2020 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Lucy Jackson

Seconded:Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 269/20

Cr Clubb was an apology for August 27 meeting.

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: 4, 6 and 7.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 270/20

4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

4.1 DESERT FUNERALS

MOTION

That Council

- a)Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded:Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 271/20

Non-for profit business. Desert Funerals came from the need for an alternative funeral provider as there was monopoly in the space- which affected Indigenous Australians when comes to culture an cost. Families were unable to pay for these funerals and Centercorp have been putting in funds for these funerals. Centercorp want to provide a service without upselling it, and also providing a cultural sensitive service not previously available. Site found in Alice Springs- and they are waiting for sign offs from the authorities in order to commence the service. Information will be sent out to Councils, communities and LA's once they are open for business. In early days of discussion for a similar business model in the Barkly. Once the Alice Springs one is up and running and they have a business model- then they will look at rolling out in other areas in Central Australia. Arrangements for payment plans and prepaid funerals are part of their business model as well.

4.2 JULALIKARI NIGHT PATROL

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

Deferred.

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: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Jane Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 272/20

Mayor met with Circle Advisory, regarding fracking/Beetaloo Studies and they will present at the October meeting.
Youth Council meeting was held, Cr. Vashist and Cr. Ruger attended the meeting. There was a conversation regarding the youth taking the initiative to bring agenda items to Council.
Environment and Sustainability committee meeting as well where there was a good representation; discussions included tree planting and the Barkly climate action Plan.

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 09:04 AM

7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATE

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Delegate authority to the Patta Councillors to approve the Purkiss Reserve projects.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jane Evans

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 273/20

8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

8.1 FINANCE REPORT - AUGUST 2020

MOTION

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Finance Report for the two months ended 31 August 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 274/20

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 09:34 AM

8.2 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: MONTH OF AUGUST 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Expenditure Summary for the month ended 31 August 2020.
- (b) Circulate the expenditure summary electronically from the October 2020 meeting onwards.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ray Aylett

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 275/20

8.3 GRANTS REPORT - 31 AUGUST 2020

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the two months ended 31 August 2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 276/20

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Break for morning tea at 1007

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 277/20

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Resume the meeting at 1030

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 278/20

8.4 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Lucy Jackson

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 279/20

9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

9.1 DIRECTOR OF INFRASTRUCTURE'S REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 280/20

10. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE

10.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORT

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and note report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Lucy Jackson

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 281/20

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 September;
- c) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority Minutes for September
- d) TCLA has requested the cross be removed from the Chapel design;
- e) Receive and note the Alpururulam Local Authority Minutes for September;
- f) Approve the allocation of \$346.50 of local authority funds for the purchase of 200 laundry wash tokens to be purchased;
- g) Look into funding for the Alpururulam community to place signage at the community entrances in regards to alcohol.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 282/20

Regarding the removal of the cross- suggestions given about having a removable option: where religious symbols can be put up and removed.

ACTION ITEM: CEO to Speak to Father John from the Churches association regarding church regarding the cross in the chapel.

ACTION: Go back to the Alpururulam LA with the idea to get the youth/ community to create a sign in the community. Material from the skate park can be used to create the sign.

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Receive the minutes from the Audit and Risk committee meeting held on 25 August

2020.

RESOLVED

Moved: Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 283/20

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15. OPERATIONS

Nil

16. GENERAL BUSINESS

16.1 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT.

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councilor Hal Ruger

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 284/20

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 11:26 AM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 11:30 AM

16.2 DEVELOPMENT CONCENT AUTHORITY NOMINATIONS

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Nominate Cr. Vashist and Mayor McLaughlin and Cr. Ruger as the alternate member to join the DCA

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 285/20

17. CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION

That Council:

a)Receive and note the correspondence

b)

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jane Evans

Seconded:Cr. Jennifer Mahoney

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 286/20

MOTION

That Council:

a)Nominate Mayor Jeff McLaughlin for Vice President of Australian Local Government of Association

RESOLVED

Moved: Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Cr. Ray Aylett

Resolved OC 287/20

MOTION

That Council:

a)Move Mayor Jeff McLaughlin and Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer to participate in the BEETALOO Regional Reference group.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded:Cr. Jane Evans

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 288/20

MOTION

That Council:

a)Move Mayor McLaughlin to be Stakeholder Director of the Tourism Central Australian Board.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Hal Ruger

Seconded:Deputy Mayor Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 289/20

18. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

MOTION

That Council

a)Break for lunch at 1154

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Jack Clubb

Seconded:Cr. Noel Hayes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 290/20

MOTION

That Council:

a)Resume the meeting at 1232

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded:Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 291/20

19. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION:

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 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

MOTION

That council
a) Move into Confidential as 1232

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Sid Vashist

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 292/20

20. RESUMPTION OF MEETING

MOTION

That Council move back into open session at 1405.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Lucy Jackson

Seconded: Cr. Kris Civitarese

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 293/20

18.6 BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (ciii) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Approve \$2200 for the Tennant Creek Water Life Saving Group to be sponsored by Council
- c) Move item into ordinary

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Kris Civitarese

Seconded: Cr. Sid Vashist

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 294/20

18.7 TENDER APPROVAL

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 deliver the Workplace Mentoring and Skills Development Program to Central Desert Training (CDT) Alice Springs for the value of \$194,730.14
- c) Move the item into Ordinary Council

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Lucy Jackson

Seconded: Cr. Ray Aylett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OCCS 295/20

21. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 1405 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Thursday, 24 September 2020 AND CONFIRMED Thursday, 29 October 2020.

Jeffrey McLaughlin
Council Mayor

Steve Moore
Chief Executive Officer