

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 meeting of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers, 41 Peko Road, Tennant Creek on Thursday, 23 September 2021 at 8.30am.

Steven Moore

Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 8.38am with Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin as Chair.

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

- Mayor Jeffrey McLaughlin
- Cr. Ronald Plummer
- Cr. Jack Clubb (by phone)
- Cr. Noel Hayes
- Cr. Hal Ruger
- Cr. Dianne Seri Stokes
- Cr. Greg Marlow
- Cr. Derek Walker
- Cr. Anita Bailey
- Cr. Lennie Barton
- Cr. Pam Corbett
- Cr. Russell O'Donnell
- Cr. Heather Wilson

1.2 Staff Members Present

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

1.3 Apologies

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1.4 Absent Without Apologies

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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 26 August 2021 as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 145/21

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 and 7.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Councillor Dianne Stokes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 146/21

Councillors indicated their concerns regarding youth in the Barkly and the youth justice facility under the Barkly Regional Deal. Ben from the BRD to attend the next meeting to give an update.

ACTION ITEM: Find out if any of the organisations (eg Suncable or Beetaloo) can be approached for sponsorship for youth activities.

4. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

Nil

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 Dianne Stokes

Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 147/21

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Break for morning tea at 9.35am.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Dianne Stokes

Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 148/21

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Resume the meeting at 9.59am.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 149/21

7. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFIER UPDATE

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded: Councillor Lennie Barton

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 150/21

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 10:04 AM

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 10:08 AM

7.2 TITLE OF PRINCIPAL MEMBER

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Resolve to keep the principle member's title as Mayor.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Councillor Dianne Stokes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 151/21

7.3 ELECTION OF THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL MEMBER

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Establish a 1 year term of office for the Deputy Mayor.
- c) Elect Cr. Dianne Stokes as Deputy Mayor for 12 months.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 152/21

Nominees: Dianne Stokes

Cr. Ruger was also nominated but withdrew the nomination.

7.4 MEETING DATES AND MEETING FREQUENCY

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note report
- b) Set the schedule for the holding of ordinary meetings for the term of the council as the last Thursday of every month starting at 8.30am.
- c) Confirm a meeting date for the next 12 months as follows:
 - 28 October
 - 25 November
 - 16 December
 - 27 January
 - 24 February
 - 31 March
 - 28 April
 - 26 May
 - 30 June
 - 28 July
 - 25 August

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Anita Bailey

Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 153/21

Action Item: Review the Council meeting starting times at the December meeting.

7.5 COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND APPOINTMENTS

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Appoint elected members to the following committees:
 - Audit and Risk Committee- 5 Councillors and 1 independent member: Cr. Greg Marlow, Cr, O'Donnell, Cr. Stokes, Cr. Corbett, Cr. Ruger.

- Cultural Competency Committee- all aboriginal elected members
- Purkiss Reserve Committee – 2 elected members needed: Ronald, Dianne

c) Appoint elected members to the following sub-committees

- Procurement sub-committee – 3 councilors: Cr.O'Donnell, Cr. Marlow, Cr. Ruger
- Human Resources – 3 elected members – Cr. Marlow, Cr. Hayes, Cr. Ruger

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded:Councillor Derek Walker

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 154/21

Cultural competency committee to meet the day before the next council meeting.

7.6 CASTING VOTE POLICY

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Resolve that the Chair of any Council meeting has a casting vote in accordance with Section 95(6) of the Local Government Act 2019 and adopt the Casting Vote Policy

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Greg Marlow

Seconded:Councillor Lennie Barton

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 155/21

7.7 LOCAL AUTHORITIES

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Appoint the following members to each Local Authority
 - Tennant Creek- Dianne
 - Elliott – Lennie and Heather
 - Ali Curung – Noel and Derek
 - Alpururulam- Pam
 - Ambilatwatja- Anita
 - Alparra- Jack
 - Wutungurra- Derek
- c) Disband the current local authorities and call for nominations and encourage the current members to reapply.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

Seconded:Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 156/21

Council suggested a to amend a policy to create a fixed term of two terms for each

LA member.

Cr. Ruger arrived to the meeting at 10.36am.

7.8 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL

MOTION

That Council:

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

1. Barkly Local Community Project Fund of Barkly Regional Deal, to upgrade the existing 50 street lights to LED lights at Canteen Creek, from 15 August 2021 to 3 January 2022, between Owairtilla Aboriginal Corporation and BRC - To improve community safety and energy efficiency; and
2. Deed of variation 6 to Municipal and Essential Services, Housing maintenance services and Homelands jobs Grant Agreement - R00004S, from 2021 to 2023, between Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities and BRC.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Anita Bailey

Seconded: Councillor Derek Walker

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 157/21

7.9 BARKLY REGIONAL ELECTORAL RESULTS 2021

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Cr. Jack Clubb

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 158/21

8. CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

8.1 FINANCE REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Ronald Plummer

Seconded: Councillor Derek Walker

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 159/21

8.2 GRANTS

MOTION

That Council

- (a) Receive and note the Grants Report for the two months ended 31 August 2021.
- (b) Note and accept the attached SPG acquittals

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Lennie Barton

Seconded: Cr. Ronald Plummer

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 160/21

9. INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

9.1 INFRASTRUCTURE DIRECTORATE REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Noel Hayes

Seconded: Councillor Derek Walker

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 161/21

Action Items: Invite RISE to come to the next meeting.

10. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE

10.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUGUST 2021 REPORT

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Community Development August 2021 Report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 162/21

Action Items: Write a letter to the minister regarding the NDIS staff withdrawal from Tennant Creek.

Cr Derek Walker left the meeting, the time being 12:48 PM

Cr Ronald Plummer left the meeting, the time being 12:48 PM

MOTION

That Council:

a) Break for lunch at 1215

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Dianne Stokes

Seconded:Councillor Derek Walker

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 163/21

MOTION

That Council

a) Resume the meeting at 1253.

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Anita Bailey

Seconded:Councillor Lennie Barton

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 164/21

11. LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS

Nil

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

15. OPERATIONS

15.1 DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT

MOTION

That Council

A) Receive and note the Operations Directors Report

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded:Councillor Dianne Stokes

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 165/21

16. GENERAL BUSINESS

16.1 LGANT NOMINATIONS

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Nominate Mayor McLaughlin and Deputy Mayor Dianne Stokes to be delegated representatives for LGANT meetings and AGM's
- c) Nominate Mayor McLaughlin and Cr. Greg Marlow to nominate to the position of Executive Board member (regionals and shires)

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Lennie Barton

Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 166/21

16.2 DEVELOPMENT CONSENT AUTHORITY

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Nominate the following 4 members for the Development Consent Authority:
 - Santosh Niraula (Director of Infrastructure)
 - Cr. Hal Ruger
 - Cr. Russell O'Donnell
 - Cr. Lenny Barton

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Heather Wilson

Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 167/21

16.3 ELECTED MEMBER INDUCTION SYMPOSIUM

MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Confirm attendees at the LGANT Induction Symposium:
 - Cr Greg Marlow
 - Cr. Lenny Barton
 - Cr. Pam Corbett
 - Cr. Noel Hayes
 - Cr. Dianne Stokes
 - Cr. Heather Wilson
 - Cr. Derek Wilson

RESOLVED

Moved: Councillor Lennie Barton

Seconded: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 168/21

17. CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receives and Notes the correspondence attached.

RESOLVED

Moved: Cr. Noel Hayes

Seconded: Councillor Russell O'Donnell

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved OC 169/21

Cr. Hal Ruger will nominate as a JP.

Cr Ronald Plummer returned to the meeting, the time being 01:27 PM

18. THE REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED REGIONAL PLAN

Nil

19. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION at 1.30pm

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 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

OC 170/21 MOTION (Hayes/O'Donnell)

20. RESUMPTION OF MEETING

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council move back into open session at <<3.41pm>>

18.2 CONFIDENTIAL ACTION LIST

The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51 (c(iv)) (c(iv)) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person; AND subject to subregulation (3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

MOTION

That Council:

- a) Receive and Note the Confidential Action List.
- b) Remove completed item: 2 and 3
- c) Move this motion (without attachments) to ordinary, , with all identifying details to be redacted to protect the parties involved.

RESOLVED**Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger****Seconded: Councillor Greg Marlow****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved OCCS 171/21*

Action to recover rates against lot owners who owed council \$96,000 was successful and the debt was recovered by council.

18.4 TENDER EVALUATION - BRC 010-21 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ONE (1) DEMOUNTABLE OFFICE FOR TENNANT CREEK LANDFILL

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) Award the contract of Supply and Delivery of One (1) Demountable Office for Tennant Creek Landfill to MPH Carpentry and Constructions Pty Ltd, 46 Smith St, Alice Springs NT 0870 for the value of \$120,731.60 (incl. GST).
- c) Move the item into ordinary council

RESOLVED**Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger****Seconded: Councillor Anita Bailey****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved OCCS 172/21*

Suggestion to add a door to the office.

18.5 TENDER EVALUATION BRC 009-21 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF TWO (2) X 10' CLASS 8 DANGEROUS GOODS CONTAINERS FOR TENNANT CREEK SWIMMING POOL

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) Award the contract of Supply and Delivery of Two (2) X 10' Class 8 Dangerous Goods Containers for Tennant Creek Swimming Pool to MPH Carpentry and Constructions Pty Ltd, 46 Smith St, Alice Springs NT 0870 for the value of \$108,967.10 (incl. GST).
- c) Move the item into ordinary council

RESOLVED**Moved: Councillor Lennie Barton****Seconded: Councillor Pam Corbett****CARRIED UNAN.***Resolved OCCS 173/21*

21. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 3.41pm pm.

This page and the proceeding 12 pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday, 23 September 2021 and are confirmed .

Jeffrey McLaughlin
Council Mayor

Steve Moore
Chief Executive Officer