



MINUTES

PROVISIONAL MEETING OF ARLPARRA LOCAL AUTHORITY

Held Tuesday 12 April 2016

Barkly Regional Council, Arlparra Service Centre

1. MEETING OPENING

The meeting opened at 1.55 pm and was declared a provisional local authority meeting as the majority of appointed members were in attendance (three out of five appointed members). The A/ Community Coordinator, asked permission of the members to chair the meeting in the absence of a chairperson.

2. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

2.1 **Members Present**

Brenda Inkamala	Local Authority Member
Susan Chalmers	Local Authority Member
Edward Jones	Local Authority Member

2.2 **Staff and Visitors Present**

Dianne Nona	Barkly Regional Council A/Community Coordinator
Barb Dalloway	Barkly Regional Council, Governance (on the phone)
David Curtis	Department of Local Government and Communities
Rebecca Moore	Office Aboriginal Affairs
Rose Gust	Land Tenure, Dept Local Government and Communities
Leanne Evans	Land Tenure Dept Local Government and Communities
Graham Gust	Dept of Infrastructure
Ryan Coppola	Dept of Infrastructure

2.3 **Apologies**

Marion Smith	CEO, Barkly Regional Council
Cr. Hayes	Elected Member, Barkly Regional Council
Cr. Price	Elected Member, Barkly Regional Council
Cr. Jackson	Elected Member, Barkly Regional Council
Cr. Beasley	Elected Member, Barkly Regional Council

2.4 **Absent without Apology**

Jack Club	Local Authority member
Stevie Loy	Local Authority member

2.5 **Resignation From Local Authority**

Esau Nelson formally resigned by letter from the Local Authority and his role as Chairperson on 21 October 2015.

2.6 **Update on nominations to fill Vacancies**

Barkly Regional Council staff advised that four (4) vacancies remain unfilled on the Local Authority and asked members to please promote the work of the Authority to other members of the community.

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

This item held over till the next meeting to enable more members to be in attendance. Members agreed, at the request of the A/ Community Coordinator that Dianne Nona chair this meeting.

4. PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Under new rules (updated *Guideline 8, clause 13.4, Regional Councils and Local Authorities*) Provisional Local Authority meetings cannot endorse Local Authority Minutes. The minutes from 16 June 2015 will be held over to the next Local Authority meeting.

4.2 ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Night Patrol Office – possible location

Members confirmed the location as next to the baseball court which is a fenced area as the best place for a night patrol office. Before Barkly Regional Councils staff can apply for funds, site clearance must be assured to enable digging for services.

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Recommend Mr Graham Gust investigate the current site clearance on Lot 18 and report back to the next Local Authority meeting.
- b) Confirm the action list of the Local Authority meeting of 16 June 2015 as true and correct.

Moved: Brenda Inkamala

Seconded: Susan Chalmers

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 1/16

5. LOCAL AUTHORITY ISSUES

5.1 Promoting the work of the Local Authority

Members agreed to talk to community members and promote the work of the Local Authority to fill four (4) vacancies.

5.2 REPORT ON LOCAL AUTHORITY FUNDED PROJECTS

As of December 2015, \$ 141, 234 was available to fund projects identified by the Local Authority (funds from 2014/15 and 15/16). In August 2015, Council approved spending up to \$ 25,000 for five (5) sets of park seating, and Jerseys for sports players. The Park seating has been purchased at a cost of \$ 6,810 and is expected to arrive in late April. The sports jerseys have been purchased by the Arlparra store.

Members then discussed a range of projects and agreed to make a recommendation to Council to approve funding to make the oval “family friendly”. A firm quote for the ablution block upgrade is currently being sought.

MOTION

That the Authority

- a) Recommend to Council to allocate funds to:
- Purchase, freight and install two (2) grandstands to seat up to 40 people each at a cost of \$13,000
 - Purchase, freight and install five (5) pergolas to give shade over park seatings at a cost of \$ 20,000
 - Upgrade the ablution block next to the basketball court by adding new toilets so that the community does not have to hire portable toilets each year for the sports carnival, the approx. cost will be approximately \$ 100,000
 - Buy materials to build BBQs around the oval at a cost of \$ 850.00
 - The total amount to be approved by Council is \$ 135,850.

Moved Edward Jones

Seconded Brenda Inkamala

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 2/16

6. REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

5.1 CEO REPORT OR REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

- Barb Dalloway, Governance officer reported on behalf of Barkly Regional Chief Executive Officer, Marion Smith who has started as the new CEO and looks forward to meeting Local Authority members.
- Regional Plan and Budget will be available for public comment and members are invited to view the draft in the Service Centre Office. Public consultation will start at the beginning of May 2016.
- No complaints were received on Council services.
- A Quarterly finance report will presented to the next meeting
- A sports voucher scheme is available from the NT government to provide to schools.

That the Authority

Recommend that the school sports voucher scheme be put on the Local Authority Action List for follow up for softball and football.

Moved Edward Jones

Seconded Susan Chalmers

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 3/16

5.2 COMMUNITY COORDINATOR REPORTS

Dianne Nona, Barkly Regional Council's Acting Community Coordinator, reported that the Aged Care services are running well; a new Night Patrol Zone manager has started; two bores have not been functioning as well, rubbish is collected every Tuesday morning and a mechanic is needed to work on the community.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 WATER PARKS

Edward Jones asked about a water park and Barb Dalloway explained the cost is approx. \$ 600,000 and water needs to be sufficient to support this additional use. Council does not have funds for this project.

7.2 ADDITIONAL ITEMS RAISED

7.2.1 Edward Jones raised the need for fencing to be put around occupied hoses in the homelands to keep out cattle and horses. Members agreed,

That the Authority

Recommend investigation of fencing around occupied houses on homelands be added to the Action List so advice can be given to the Authority on the feasibility of the possible project.

Moved: Edward Jones

Seconded: Susan Chalmers

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved 4/16

7.2.2. NAIDOC funding was raised and the A/ Community Coordinator will request information from Barkly Regional Council on the available funds for events in 2016.

8. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT VISITORS

8.1 Graham Gust, Department of Infrastructure

Graham will visit the community on a regular basis as he is the project director of the major infrastructure project announced by the Chief Minister. Graham highlighted the need to fast track a building for the elderly in the community.

At the next Local Authority meeting on 10 May 2016, Graham will work with the Authority on placement of traffic signs on the roads that are to be repaired/ made as part of the project.

8.2 Rebecca Moore, Aboriginal Affairs, will visit the community on a regular basis and spoke about a range of projects/ funding for economic development, school nutrition programs (installing a new kitchen at the school). Projects under the Remote Aboriginal Development Fund are large infrastructure projects. Note funds are not available for staff or vehicles.

9. **CLOSE OF MEETING** – Meeting closed at 2.31pm and the next meeting is **Tuesday 10 May 2016.**