



DRAFT MINUTES OF THE AMOONGUNA  
LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD  
ON TUESDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER, 2014

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## **1. MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 10.08am

## **2. WELCOME**

### **2.1 Welcome to Country – Lynette Ellis**

### **2.2 Attendance – Members**

Local Authority Members: Lynette Ellis (nominated Chair), Henry Oliver, Sharon Stuart, Joylene Williams, Michael Ellis

Councillors: Richard Doolan, Greg Sharman

### **2.3 Attendance – staff and visitors**

Council Employees: Simon Murphy (Dir Tech. Services), Ken Newman (Area Man.), Helen Smith (Man.Governance & Planning), Levina Phillips (Gov.Officer)

Others: Eric Turner (DLG)

## **3. APOLOGIES / ABSENTEES / RESIGNATIONS**

**3.1 Apologies:** Theresa Alice, Kevin Stuart, Cnr Jacob Hoosan,

**Absent:** Cr Louise Cavanagh

**3.2 Resignations:** Nil Received

## **4. COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT (MEETING RULES)**

### **4.1 MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct**

**Motion:**

(a) The Local Authority notes and accepts the MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct.

MOVED: Lynette Ellis

SECONDED: Richard Doolan

**CARRIED**

## 4.2 Conflict of Interest

### Motion:

- (a) The Local Authority noted and accepted the Local Authority Conflicts of Interest Procedure.

MOVED: Michael Ellis  
SECONDED: Henry Oliver

**CARRIED**

**NOTE: No conflicts of interest were declared at this meeting.**

## 5. DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

### 5.1 ICTV – Rita Catoni, Manager, Elizabeth Kantawarra, Warren H.Williams (10:15am)

- ICTV seeking permission to film a drama series called 'Our Place' in Amoonguna.
- if allowed workshops will begin in the community for anyone wanting to participate
- there will also be work opportunities available for locals.

### Resolution:

- (a) Amoonguna Local Authority give permission for ICTV to film in Amoonguna.

MOVED: Lynette Ellis  
SECONDED: Henry Oliver

**CARRIED**

**ACTION:** Amoonguna Local Authority request that MRC write a letter of support to ICTV.

*Left the meeting at 10:32am*

### 5.2 Ken Newman – MRC Area Manager

Ken Newman gave a presentation to the Local Authority on options for a shade structures, grand stand seating and scoreboards with quotes provided.

Local Authority are asked to discuss the best option for Amoonguna and advise MRC.

### Motion:

- (a) Amoonguna Local Authority authorise purchase of grandstands and shade shelters for their football oval for the following quotes provided;

- 1) Grandstands – 3 metre wide x 3 tiered with back rest on top  
\$2,500 each incl. GST.  
manufactured locally by Alice Springs Correctional Centre
- 2) Shade Shelters for Grandstands  
- 4 metres wide x 3 metres x 2.7 metres high  
\$2.083 each incl. GST  
manufactured locally by Alice Sheds & Structures

Local authority agree and authorise MRC to arrange the purchase of the above mentioned Grandstand and Shade Shelters.

## 6. TRAINING

### 6.1 Policies & Procedures

Training Session conducted by Helen Smith on the following;

- Code of Conduct
- Local Authority Policy
- Councillors & LA Members Accommodation & Travel Reimbursement Policy
- Local Authority Member Allowance Payments
- Local Authority Guidelines

## 6.2 Further Training Needs

- Governance
- Finance
- Chairperson training
- Meeting Rules

## **7. MINUTES OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS**

### 7.1 Confirmation of the minutes of the last Local Authority Meeting.

#### **Motion:**

- (a) The minutes of the Local Authority Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2014 are taken as read and accepted as a true record of the meeting.

MOVED: Joylene Williams  
 SECONDED: Henry Oliver **CARRIED**

### 7.2 Issues / Actions arising from Minutes

**Discretionary funds** – Local Authority request that \$4,000 of their funds to be used on a Community Christmas party to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

\$1,000 – DJ                      \$3,000 – food, drinks and decorations

MOVED: Lynette Ellis  
 SECONDED: Sharon Stuart **CARRIED**

**Local Authority Plan funds** – Local Authority agree to use the funds on the below items and any remaining funds for shade and seating at the softball oval;

- scoreboard on wheels
- grandstand
- shade structure

MOVED: Henry Oliver  
 SECONDED: Michael Ellis **CARRIED**

## **8. COUNCIL LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

### 8.1 Standing Items Report – Actions Register

#### **Item 1: Tip trench – ONGOING**

- boundary maps have been submitted to Dept. Lands & Planning
- clearance application to be submitted to CLC

**ACTION:** MRC to follow up with CLC for a clearance.

#### **Item 2: Night Patrol – CLOSED**

- all positions are currently filled
- women are encouraged to apply when vacancies become available

**Item 3: Truancy Officer – ONGOING**

- MRC advised the Local Authority that if and when positions become available community members are welcome to apply.

**NOTE:** Local Authority would like the Truancy Officers to visit more often and have more contact with the residents.

**Motion:**

- (a) The Local Authority notes and accepts the Standing Items Report – Action Register.

MOVED: Richard Doolan

SECONDED: Greg Sharman

**CARRIED**

**8.2 Complaints received**

**Motion:**

- (a) The Local Authority notes that no complaints have been received about MRC Service Delivery in Amoonguna.

**NOTED**

**8.3 Council Services Coordinator Report**

- parks are cleaned and maintained regularly
- fire breaks were completed in September
- Titjikala & Amoonguna Civil Works Teams continue their Cert II in Rural Operations.

**Motion:**

- (a) The Local Authority notes and accepts the Council Services Coordinator Report.

MOVED: Greg Sharman

SECONDED: Michael Ellis

**CARRIED**

**8.4 Community Services Report**

**Home Care**

- all positions currently filled
- a day trip with 12 St Josephs Learning Centre students & 2 clients to a family outstation north of Alice Springs
- 4 staff attended First Aid Training through Tangentyere RJCP

**Community Safety**

- all positions currently filled
- services were momentarily disrupted due to staff leave
- Zone coordinator continues to mentor and up-skill the NP team.
- Accredited Night Patrol Training has now been secured and expected to begin in February 2015.

**Youth Services**

- 400 youth participated in programs this reporting period
- Youth team are focussing on achieving Cert II and Cert III in community Services.

The Youth team have also partnered with 8CCC Radio Program, Gap Youth Centre sports competition, Yirara College sports competition, ICTV physical fitness video, Catholic Care for the delivery of healthy lifestyles programs, and ongoing partnership with CDU for the delivery of training for Cert II, III and IV in Community Services.

**Motion:**

- (a) The Local Authority notes and accepts the Community Services Report.

MOVED: Lynette Ellis  
SECONDED: Joylene Williams

**CARRIED**

**9. FINANCE**

**9.1 Expenditure Report as at 30 September 2014**

**ACTION:** Local Authority request MRC to follow-up with the Night Patrol manager to find out who the replacements are when staff take extended leave (during the reporting period).

**Motion:**

- (a) The Local Authority notes and accepts the Expenditure Report as at 30 September 2014.

MOVED: Greg Sharman  
SECONDED: Michael Ellis

**CARRIED**

**10. OTHER BUSINESS**

**10.1 MacDonnell Regional Council 2013/14 Annual Report**

**ement with** Helen Smith discussed the MRC Annual Report and spoke about the following;

- Ratings & Score
- Key Achievements
  - planning turned into actions
  - improvement in quality of service delivery
  - establishment of Local Authorities
  - development of Youth Boards
  - joint projects with RJCP
- Audited General Purpose Financial Report

**10.2 Communications Strategy and Community Engagement Plan**

Helen Smith asked a series of questions as part of a survey into improving communications between Council, Communities, Local Authorities and MRC staff.

**10.3 Discussion – number of LA meetings per year**

Amoonguna Local Authority agree to keep their number of meetings at 6 per calendar year.

**11. NEXT MEETING**

2015 – with dates to be approved and confirmed

**12. MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting closed at 1:10PM.

**NOTE:** Lynette Ellis on behalf of the Amoonguna Local Authority wishes all MRC staff and members a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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