



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM -
DOCKER RIVER ON WEDNESDAY 28 MAY 2025 AT 9:30 AM

1 MEETING OPENED at 9:39am via Teams

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2 WELCOME – President Roxanne Kenny

3 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

ITEM NUMBER:	3.1
TITLE:	Attendance and Apologies

Councillors:

Attending from the Alice Springs Council Office:

President Roxanne Kenny, Councillor Mark Inkamala, Councillor Abraham Poulson and Councillor Tommy Conway.

Attending from Docker River Council Office:

Deputy President Dalton McDonald, Councillor Lisa Sharman, Councillor Maryanne Malbunka, Councillor Andrew Davis, Councillor Jason Minor and Councillor Patrick Allen.

Staff:

Attending from the Alice Springs Office:

Belinda Urquhart – Chief Executive Officer, Keith Hassett – Director Community Services, and Sheree Sherry – Chief Financial and Information Officer.

Attending from the Docker River Office:

Ken Satour – Acting Director Council Services, Damien Ryan – Area Manager and June Crabb – Coordinator Governance.

Guests:

Nil

Apologies:

Councillor Marlene Abbott

Minute Note: A minute's silence was held in memory of President Roxanne Kenny's father.

OCM2025-065 RESOLVED (Patrick Allen/Lisa Sharman)

That the Special Council:

- a) notes the attendance to this meeting;
- b) accepts the apology tabled at the meeting from Councillor Marlene Abbott; and
- c) revokes the apology received from Councillor Patrick Allen for the previous Council Meeting, noting that he was away on medical leave.

4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

ITEM NUMBER:	4.1
TITLE:	Requests for Future Leave of Absence

OCM2025-066 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Lisa Sharman)

That the Special Council: noted the Request for Future Leave of Absence as follows:

- a) receives and notes the request for future leave of absences received from President Roxanne Kenny for the period 29th May to 18th June 2025; and
- b) notes that Keith Hassett, Director Community Services, will be on leave from 2nd June to 16th June, with Ainsley Roscrow acting as Community Services Director during his absence.

5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

ITEM NUMBER:	5.1
TITLE:	MacDonnell Council Code of Conduct

OCM2025-067 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Abraham Poulson)

That the Special Council notes the Council Code of Conduct.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

ITEM NUMBER:	6.1
TITLE:	Confirmation of Previous Minutes

OCM2025-068 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Andrew Davis)

That the Special Council confirms the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Council meeting held on the 15 April 2025 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

7 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

ITEM NUMBER:	7.1
TITLE:	Acceptance of Agenda

OCM2025-069 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Tommy Conway)

That the agenda papers for this Special Council meeting as presented be received for consideration at this meeting.

8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ITEM NUMBER:	8.1
TITLE:	Conflict of Interest

OCM2025-070 RESOLVED (Jason Minor/Andrew Davis)

That the Special Council:

- a) notes the Conflict of Interest Policy; and
- b) notes that members did not declare any conflicts of interest.

9 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

ITEM NUMBER:	9.1
TITLE:	2025 Local Government Elections
AUTHOR:	June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Every four years, people living in the Northern Territory elect representatives to serve on their Local Government Council. Local Government is the level of government most connected to your community, and the 2025 Local Government Elections will be your chance to stand up and represent your local area.

OCM2025-071 RESOLVED (Maryanne Malbunka/Andrew Davis)

That the Special Council:

- a) urges all eligible residents to ensure that they are enrolled to vote;
- b) encourages community members to consider nominating as candidates; and
- c) notes that nominations open Friday 11 July to Thursday 31 July.

10 NOTICES OF MOTION – Nil

11 RESCISSION MOTIONS – Nil

12 LOCAL AUTHORITY – Nil

13 STANDING ITEMS REPORT

ITEM NUMBER:	13.1
TITLE:	Correspondence Report
AUTHOR:	Barbara Newland, Manager Governance and Strategy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides Council with an update on correspondence received and sent by the President and CEO in the period following the previous Council meeting.

OCM2025-072 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Patrick Allen)

That Council notes the correspondence received and sent and resolved to:

- a) support the sponsorship of Libby Taylor in association with the Redtails Pinktails Right Track Foundation (RPRTF), with an amount to be determined by the CEO of MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC);
- b) correspond with RPRTF to identify any MRC community-based female players within Council's wards who have been selected to play for the South Australian League; and
- c) notes that any names of these community-based players will be presented to Council for consideration towards potential sponsorship.

14 PRESIDENT, COUNCILLORS' AND CEO'S REPORT – Nil

15 OFFICERS' REPORTS

ITEM NUMBER:	15.1
TITLE:	Review of Procurement Policy V6
AUTHOR:	Clare Newland, Coordinator Policy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for the revision of Procurement Policy v6. The policy was revised to decrease the number of quotes required if the cost of the supplies or services is over \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, from two (2) written quotes to one (1) written quotation.

OCM2025-073 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Andrew Davis)

That Council adopts the Procurement Policy v6 as a policy of Council.

ITEM NUMBER:	15.2
TITLE:	Finance Report as at 30 April 2025
AUTHOR:	Osman Kasseem, Finance Manager

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report is tabled to provide the Council with the Finance Report for the period ended 30 April 2025.

OCM2025-074 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Patrick Allen)

That Council notes and accepts the Finance Report as at 30 April 2025.

Minute note – Belinda Urquhart left the meeting at 10.20am and returned at 10.23am.

ITEM NUMBER:	15.3
TITLE:	Draft Regional Plan 2025-26
AUTHOR:	June Crabb, Coordinator Governance

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Further to section 35(3) of the *Local Government Act 2019* (the Act), Council needs to approve a Draft Regional Plan for the 2025/26 year, prior to the plan being released to the public for comment.

OCM2025-075 RESOLVED (Lisa Sharman/Patrick Allen)

That the Special Council:

- a) reviews and approves the proposed Draft 2025/26 Regional Plan; and
- b) places the Draft 2025/26 Regional Plan on display for public comment for a period of at least 21 days.

16 COUNCIL BUSINESS – Nil

17 CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE DISCUSSION OF CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

ITEM NUMBER:	17.1
TITLE:	Closure to the Public for the Discussion of Confidential Items
AUTHOR:	Barbara Newland, Manager Governance and Strategy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Pursuant to section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019* and clauses 51 and 52 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, the meeting is to be closed to the public to consider confidential matters.

OCM2025-076 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Jason Minor)

That the Special Council approves the closure of the meeting to the public as confidential items are about to be discussed.

Minute note: The Open Section of the meeting was closed at 10:40am.

18 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

19 DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL RESOLUTIONS AND RE-ADMITTANCE OF THE PUBLIC

ITEM NUMBER:	19.1
TITLE:	Disclosure of Confidential Resolutions and Re-Admittance of the Public
AUTHOR:	Barbara Newland, Manager Governance and Strategy

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Pursuant to section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and regulations 51 and 2 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, this is to be opened to the public following the consideration of confidential matters. Resolutions will be transferred to the open meeting upon the determination of Council.

OCM2025-080 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Patrick Allen)

That Council discloses motions from the confidential section of this meeting in the open section of the meeting and opens the meeting to the public. Motions to be disclosed are:

OCM2025-077 RESOLVED (Andrew Davis/Tommy Conway)

That the Special Council confirms the Minutes of the previous Confidential Meeting held on the 15 April 2025 as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

OCM2025-078 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Andrew Davis)

That the Special Council:

- a) accepts and notes the report;*
- b) approves the acceptance of the tender provided by Complete Constructions to the value of \$204,039.00 including GST;*
- c) moves the resolution into Open Council; and*
- d) adds the confidential report on the Tender Submissions received onto the Confidential matters register with a review date set as 30 years.*

OCM2025-079 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Mark Inkamala)

That the Special Council notes the report regarding the MacDonald Regional Council's Organisational Structure.

Minute note: The Confidential Section of the meeting was closed at 10:50am.

17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 20 June 2025

18 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 10:50am.

This page and the preceding 5 pages are the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Wednesday 28 May 2025 and are unconfirmed.

President