



MINUTES OF THE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
HAASTS BLUFF COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY 21 JULY 2022 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:52AM as a provisional meeting due to Quorum not being met.

1.1 NOMINATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITY CHAIR

HBLA2022-023 RESOLVED(Dalton McDonald/Jason Minor)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and nominated Member Simon Dixon as Acting Chair of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority Meeting.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Members present were Welcomed to the meeting

**3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS /
NOMINATIONS**

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Derek Egan, Simon Dixon and Roseranna Larry joined at 11:27am

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Dalton McDonald via zoom from Alice Springs office and Councillor Jason Minor via zoom from Mt Liebig council office

Council Employees:

Simon Murphy, Director Technical Services, Donelle Fraser (CT) Area Manager Service Delivery, Simon Walmbey CSC and Gaurab Ghimire, Governance Administration

Guests:

Nil

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Nil

Absentees:

Member, Kieran Multa, Douglas Multa, Randall Butler and Member Martin Jugadai

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

HBLA2022-024 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Dalton McDonald)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting held 10 March 2022 be adopted as a resolution of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority.

Minutes note: Minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting held 10 March 2022 was not discussed as the provisional meeting cannot confirm the meeting held with full quorum.

6 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA AND NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

HBLA2022-025 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

HBLA2022-026 RESOLVED(Dalton McDonald/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted that the members have provided notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business as follows:

- Early learning centre is closed for a long time

In response, Director of Technical Services updated to the authority that the new staff member has been recruited for early learning who is going to start the centre up and running from the 2nd of August 2022.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

HBLA2022-027 RESOLVED(Dalton McDonald/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted that the members have not provided notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business .

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

HBLA2022-028 RESOLVED(Simon Dixon/Jason Minor)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

HBLA2022-029 RESOLVED(Simon Dixon/Jason Minor)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and declared no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 LUTHERAN CARE SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Lutheran Care is seeking to provide an explanation on their services available to the remote communities of the NT. It provides financial capability & financial wellbeing, hence the organisation is looking to establish workshop delivery and how community can potentially benefit from the organisation.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Haasts Bluff Local Authority notes and accepts the presentation by the Lutheran Care representatives.

Minutes note: The deputation wasn't discussed as there were no one in attendance from the Lutheran Care Services.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this paper is to provide a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

HBLA2022-030 RESOLVED (Jason Minor/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted the progress report on actions from the minutes of previous meetings and closed all action items as follows;
 - Action item 1- Telstra services, no time limits are predicted and it is out of control for MRC to continue following up on this.
 - Action item 2- Basketball court, project is almost completed with a very minimal left to do.
 - Action item 3- Provide Materials, component relating to church.
 - Action item 4- Consider reassigning Atji Creek Outstation to Haasts Bluff
 - Action item 5- Relocate public phone, no timeline has been predicted by Telstra.

- b) noted that in relation to 'Action - Atji Creek Outstation', Council endorsed the request from the Authority to assign Atji Creek Outstation back to Haasts Bluff Community.

9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING GRANT ACQUITTAL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The attached certificate for NT Local Authority Project Funding is required to be laid before the Authority for noting.

HBLA2022-031 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Dalton McDonald)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted the certification for use of the 2018-19 expired funds for the Local Authority Project funding.

9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Funding for Local Authority projects is part of a grant received from The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet (DCM&C) and invested in projects to benefit and improve the community.

Examples of *acceptable* purposes for expenditure include:

- Repairs and maintenance of community assets controlled or owned by the council. For example - office upgrades, fencing, solar lighting, road repairs and ablution facilities.
- Acquisition of plant and equipment directly related to local government service delivery. For example - trailers, garden maintenance equipment such as brush

- cutters, lawn mowers and pressure cleaners, rubbish bin enclosures /stands.
- Upgrade/enhancement of community sporting facilities. For example upgrade of community ovals, basketball courts and playgrounds, shade structures, picnic areas, seating and park furniture, tree planting and irrigation.
- Festivals or other events – but must only be conducted within a council’s own Local Authority area.

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet withheld the entire Haasts Bluff Community’s 2021/2022 project grant of \$22,000 because grant funding for 2017/2018 & 2018/2019 was not spent within the specified timeframe.

This funding has since been acquitted as per the Department’s requirements and in anticipation of the funds being released, the full amount was allocated to Project 2142, however there is an over-commitment of \$5,101.00 which will need to be recovered.

HBLA2022-032 RESOLVED (Roserranna Larry/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted that the 2021/2022 project grant funding has been fully allocated;
- b) noted and accepted the progress of their projects as follows;
 - Project 2142 – Outdoor fitness equipment, orders are being organized and it is on its way, kept the project open until completed
 - Project 2143 – kept it open noting that the deficit of \$5,101.00 would be covered from this project
- c) noted the deficit in overall project funding of \$5,101.00;
- d) considered the re-allocation of funds from Projects 2143 to cover the deficit;
- e) approved the closure of projects 2144 noting that new projects have been created to complete this in smaller segments and moved the funds back in to unallocated
- f) created new project named Church Pews from the attached quote and accepted quote for 75C – galvanized seating and back rest for 6 of them costing \$5,500.00 (may include transport)
- g) decided to name the Church carpark as “TREVOR carpark” and created new project, committed \$3000.00 for logo, design and 3 disability signage
- h) created new project for Church Pulpit oil works and Spencer Coffin trolley and committed \$1000.00 to the project
- i) created new project for Church Lectern and committed \$1000.00

9.4 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is granted \$4,000 from the Council every new financial year to spend on enhancing the community and decisions about how to spend this money must benefit everybody.

This money cannot be carried over from year to year and it must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

HBLA2022-033 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Roserranna Larry)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote,

made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted and discussed the spending of their 2021/2022 Discretionary fund;
- b) accepted that the PO raised on 30 June 2022 will carry over to the 2022/2023 Discretionary funds as the due date to receive the invoice had expired; and
- c) noted the spending of the 2022/2023 funds will be discussed at the next meeting.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report is an update of Council delivered services in Haasts Bluff across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

HBLA2022-034 RESOLVED(Derek Egan/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted and accepted the report on Council delivered services across the Haasts Bluff area.

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

HBLA2022-035 RESOLVED(Roseranna Larry/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and noted and accepted the Community Services report.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2022

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 April 2022 in the Local Authority Community.

HBLA2022-036 RESOLVED(Derek Egan/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation and:

- a) noted and accepted the expenditure report as at 30 April 2022;
- b) Member Roseranna Larry raised a question why the Manage Project section were in red colours and what they meant, in response CT clarified that the project for Slab was completed within short period of time but the budget is within the allocation. They appeared red as overspending because the report are generated when required to show the expenses instead of yearly report. No further feedbacks.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.2, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

HBLA2022-037 RESOLVED(Simon Dixon/Roseranna Larry)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and;

- a) noted that the General Business items raised at Item 6.2 was discussed at item 6.2; and**
- b) noted the update and approved the closure of action item from the previous meeting, employment.**

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 6.3, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

HBLA2022-038 RESOLVED(Simon Dixon/Dalton McDonald)

That the provisional meeting of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to council and:

- a) noted that the DCMC representative were absent at the meeting;**
- b) did not discuss the Non-Council Business on the register from the previous meeting; and**
- c) noted that no new items were raised at Item 6.3.**

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER, 2022

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12:55 pm.

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Chairperson

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