



MINUTES OF THE PAPUNYA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
PAPUNYA MAKU SHED ON THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 10:50AM

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**1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 10:50 AM

**2 WELCOME**

2.1 Welcome to Country – Karen McDonald

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

**3.1 Attendance**

Local Authority Members:

Chair Karen McDonald, Sammy Butcher, Taralyn Major

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Cr Tommy Conway, Cr Dalton McDonald, Cr Sarah Stockman

Council Employees:

Jeff MacLeod (CEO), Lou Bloom (EA to CEO), Keith Hassett (Area Manager), Michelle Perry (CSC Finke), Alexander Marcus (Coordinator MacYouth), Lawrence Geoghegan (Youth Engagement Officer), Kaylee Mitchison Team Leader MacYouth), Jeff Tan (Coordinator Communications and Engagement), Min Roebuck (Community Engagement Officer), June Crabb (Governance Administration Officer) and Robert Rabotot (Governance Officer)

Guests:

Katherine O'Donoghue (Ngurratjuta), Enock Menge (NTG Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet), Pastor Graham Poulson, Cheryl Wirtanen (Manager Papunya Clinic)

**3.2 Apologies/Absentees**

Apologies:

Linda Anderson

Absentees:

Punata Stockman, Deannie Egan, Isobel Gorey, Terence Abbott

**Attendance, Apologies and Absentees**

**PLA2020-065 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Tommy Conway)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority noted the attendance, apologies and absentees of the meeting.**

### 3.3 Resignations

Nil

### 3.4 Terminations

**PLA2020-066 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway /Dalton McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority revokes Member Deannie Egan from the Papunya Local Authority membership.

**PLA2020-067 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority requested Council to increase the membership of the Papunya Local Authority to eight (8) members.

### 3.5 Nominations

**PLA2020-068 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority received the nomination by unanimous vote for Graham Poulson as a member.

## 4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

### 4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

**PLA2020-069 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority note the Council Code of Conduct.

## 5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**PLA2020-070 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tommy Conway)**

That the Minutes of the Papunya Local Authority of 11 June 2020 be adopted as a resolution of Papunya Local Authority.

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

6.1 That the papers circulated are received for consideration at the meeting.

### 6.1 Acceptance of the Agenda

**PLA2020-071 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher /Taralyn Major)**

That the Papunya Local Authority received the papers circulated for consideration at the meeting.

6.2 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.

### 6.2 Notification of General Business Items

**PLA2020-072 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Taralyn Major)**

That the Papunya Local Authority provided notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business as follow:

#### 1. Outstation

- 6.3 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

### **6.3 Notifications of Non-Council Business Items**

**PLA2020-073 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Taralyn Major)**

That the Papunya Local Authority members provided notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business as follow:

1. Kintore Road
2. Water Pressure

## **7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

### **7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

**PLA2020-074 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tommy Conway)**

That the Papunya Local Authority noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

### **7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION**

**PLA2020-075 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tommy Conway)**

That the Papunya Local Authority did not declare any conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

## **8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS**

### **8.1 POWER AND WATER**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Power and Water will present to advise the Local Authority:

- Of excessive leaks putting pressure on sewer ponds
- Help the Local Authority and community recognise the impact of water leaks and encourage prompt reporting of leaks
- Of what Power and Water is doing to assist.

**PLA2020-076 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority agreed to defer the presentation from Power and Water to the next meeting.

### **8.2 NT HEALTH'S COVID-19 HYGIENE PROJECT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Papunya Clinic Manager will be in attendance to speak with the Local Authority on gauging the interest of the community in building temporary wash stations through the CDP Program to aid in the prevention of COVID-19 and other infectious diseases.

**PLA2020-077 RESOLVED (Karen McDonald/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the deputation and provided comments and feedback on the constraints and opportunities for development within the community as follow:

1. The Papunya Community would like to have the 1000L wash stations on their community.
2. The Local Authority specified the following locations for the wash stations as at the sports ground, the art centre, the school, the clinic, the Maku Shed, the Rec Hall, the shop, the Council office, the renal clinic and the police station.
3. The community will be happy to have the signage/artwork developed by the art centre.
4. Ngurratjuta will take consideration and MacDonnell Regional Council is happy to work with Ngurratjuta to take and achieve the responsibilities as listed under item 4: a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h and i as listed on page 21 of the meeting agenda.

## **9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

### **9.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Papunya Local Authority receive Project Funds from the NT Government Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet for investing in local government community infrastructure projects.

There is a total un-committed balance of \$89,282.16 to allocate in this community. \$25,382.16 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021. \$63,900.00 is from the 2020/21 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2022.

#### **PLA2020-078 RESOLVED (Sammy Butcher/Dalton McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) Noted and accepted the progress of their projects;
- b) Kept open Project 2096, Softball Diamond, and put the second softball location on hold until approval from Central Land Council to extend the boundaries of Lot 333 for the Papunya Sports Ground.
- c) Kept open Projects: 2310 - Water at Oval, 2311 - Cracker Dust for Cemetary, 2312 – Roof for Stage and 2315 – Oval Cracker Dust;
- d) Kept open Project 2313 – Securing Scoreboards, allocated an additional \$900.00 to the project and approved the quotation from 'CASH';
- e) Kept open Project 2314 – Fence around the Church, allocated an additional \$15,000.00 to the project and approved quotation from A.J. Nichols for the fence without concrete plinth; and
- f) Noted the completion and closed Project 2316 – MacYouth and credited the unspent funds of \$648.50 to the fund.

### **9.2 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Regional Plan is developed every year after consultation with the MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) community and directs how we will deliver our vision, mission and goals. The Regional Plan guides MRC staff to deliver on our mission *to improve the lives of Council residents by delivering valued and relevant services.*

An important strategy in the Regional Plan asks each Local Authority to guide the input into their Community Infrastructure Plan to meet a 2020-21 Regional Plan objective that MRC's infrastructure meets community needs.

#### **PLA2020-079 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) Noted and accepted the report; and
- b) Provided feedback towards the Papunya Infrastructure Plan.

### **9.3 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.

**PLA2020-080 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Sarah Stockman)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) Noted the spending of their 2019/20 Discretionary Funds; and
- b) Noted, discussed and allocated \$2,000.00 to a Football Barbeque and \$2,000.00 for Trophies from their 2020/21 Discretionary Funds; and
- c) Requested to assign the expenditure of \$1,337.02 to Project 2316 – MacYouth.

#### **9.4 LOCAL AUTHORITY ASSISTANCE WITH THE REGIONAL PLAN**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Regional Plan is developed every year after consultation with the MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) community and directs how we will deliver our vision, mission and goals. The Regional Plan guides MRC staff to deliver on our mission *to improve the lives of Council residents by delivering valued and relevant services.*

The Local Authority is asked to guide and support MRC staff to meet the objectives of the 2020-21 Regional Plan.

**PLA2020-081 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Sammy Butcher)**

That the Papunya Local Authority:

- a) Provided guidance and support for MRC staff to meet the objectives of the MRC 2020-21 Regional Plan; and
- b) Noted and accepted the report.

### **10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS**

#### **10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

**PLA2020-082 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Dalton McDonald)**

That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the attached report prepared by Shelli Perry, Council Services Coordinator, Papunya.

#### **10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE PAPUNYA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

**PLA2020-083 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Taralyn Major)**

That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the Community Services report.

### **11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS**

#### **11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2020**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 June 2020 in the Local Authority community.

**PLA2020-084 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tommy Conway)**

That the Papunya Local Authority noted and accepted the Expenditure Report as at 30 June 2020.

## **12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2**

### **12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

At the beginning of the meeting, under 6.2, members of the Papunya Local Authority were given the opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business 12.1

#### **PLA2020-085 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Dalton McDonald)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority note and discuss the General Business Items raised at Item 6.2.**

##### **1. Outstation**

The Chair requested signs to slow down the traffic going to outstations.

The Local Authority was advised that MRC had just received the funding and contracts for the outstation last week, that NTG is in the middle of a big review and a report on how the outstations will be looked after is still to be released.

The vacancies for two (2) Grader Drivers were announced and residents from the community are encouraged to apply.

## **13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3**

### **13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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The Department of the 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 Papunya Local Authority were given the opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business 13.1.

#### **PLA2020-086 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Tommy Conway)**

**That the Papunya Local Authority;**

- a) Noted and discussed the Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3 as below; and,**
- b) Noted and accepted any updates and progress on actions from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet.**

##### **1. Kintore Road**

No update received from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

##### **2. Water Pressure**

The Local Authority advised of the low water pressure coming out of the taps.

The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet representative agreed that water is becoming a problem across the whole Central Australia.

The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet representative informed the Local Authority of the visit of National Partnership for Remote Housing NT (NPRHNT) on 12 October 2020 in Papunya.

## **14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER, 2020**

## **15 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 2:15 PM.

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