

MINUTES OF THE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD OUTSIDE THE MOUNT LIEBIG COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 10 MAY 2023 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was postponed until 11:45am and declared open

1.1 NOMINATION OF CHAIRPERSON

MLLA2023-019 RESOLVED (Carol Peterson/Roderick Kantamara)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority nominated Member Tristan Robertson as Chairperson of the meeting held 10 May 2023.

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Member Tristan Robertson

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Member Tristan Robertson, Member Jeffrey Wheeler, Member Carol Peterson, Member Roderick Kantamara and Chairperson Neil Peterson arrived at 12:01pm

Councillors:

Councillor Dalton McDonald and Councillor Jason Minor

Council Employees:

Keith Hassett – Director Service Centre Delivery, Shae Thompson – CSC Mt Liebig and June Crabb – Governance Office

<u>Guests</u>:

Enock Menge – Community Development Office, Chief Minister and Cabinet.

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Member Audrey Turner and Member Norma Kelly

Absentees:

NIL

3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

MLLA2023-020 RESOLVED (Tristan Robertson/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That members noted the attendance and accepted the apologies received to the meeting.

3.3 Resignations

NIL

3.4 Terminations

NIL

3.5 Nominations

NIL

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

MLLA2023-021 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Jason Minor)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority noted the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MLLA2023-022 RESOLVED (Carol Peterson/Roderick Kantamara)

That the Minutes of the Mt. Liebig Local Authority meeting held 1 March 2023 be adopted as a resolution of the Mt Liebig Local Authority.

Noted: The arrival of Chairperson Neil Peterson to the meeting who resumed his duties as Chairperson.

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

6.1 PAPERS CIRCULATED AND RECEIVED

MLLA2023-023 RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Tristan Robertson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority noted the that the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting

6.2 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

MLLA2023-024 RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Tristan Robertson)

That members provided notification of the following matters to be raised in General Council Business and was discussed at this point:

- 1) Upgrades to oval Members were advised that the goal posts had been repaired.
- 2) Sealing the road to the airstrip Members were advised that this matter is currently being looked into by Council.

6.3 NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS RAISED IN GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS *MLLA2023-025* RESOLVED (Jeffrey Wheeler/Tristan Robertson)

That members provided notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business as follows:

1) Sealing the airstrip

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

MLLA2023-026 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Jason Minor)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority noted the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

MLLA2023-027 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Jason Minor)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority declared no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

Nil

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Each financial year, MRC grants a discretionary fund allocation of \$4,000.00 to the Local Authority.

The Local Authority decides how best to commit these funds that will benefit the Community and to improve Community development.

Discretionary Funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July 2022 and 30 June 2023.

MLLA2023-028 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tristan Robertson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

a) noted the spending of its 2022/2023 Discretionary funds; and

b) allocated the remainder of the funds to be spent towards flowers for Sorry Business.

9.2 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.

There is currently **\$20,897.44** unallocated funds available to spend on Community projects.

These funds must be spent (with goods received) by 30 June 2023.

MLLA2023-029 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tristan Robertson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

- a) kept open their projects as follows:
 - 2182 Solar lights, noting that some of the parts are still missing and the CSC will look into this matter further.
 - 2186 Garden Shade at the Cemetery.
 - Stage with power, allocating \$15,000.00 and requesting quotes for a generator on a trailer and designs for modular staging.

MLLA2023-030 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Neil Peterson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

a) approved the closure of their projects as follows:

- 2183 Storage/Musical equipment, returning the underspend of \$16,778.49 to unallocated funds.
- 2184 Shade Shelter at Sorry Camp, returning the underspend of \$404.88 to unallocated funds.
- 2185 Water Trailer, returning the underspend of \$890.40 to unallocated funds.
- 2234 Youth Board (Musical equipment/upgrades), returning the underspend of \$81.82 to unallocated funds.
- Replace fence at Basketball Court.

MLLA2023-031 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tristan Robertson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

a) created the a new project:

• 2 x Solar lights, allocating \$7,500.00, requesting that one light be placed at the turnoff from Kintore Rd onto the Mt Liebig sealed road and the 2nd one to be placed at the turnoff to the airstrip from Kintore Rd.

MLLA2023-032 RESOLVED (Tristan Robertson/Neil Peterson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority moved the following to the wish list,

- 1) Boundary Fencing requesting that measurements and quotes be submitted to fence around the boundary to stop feral animals from getting into community.
- 2) Basketball Stadium requesting quotes for shade and fencing on a design similar to Haasts Bluff and Papunya.
- 3) Additional Sorry Camp noting that a licence would have to be submitted once the exact location is determined.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COMMUNITY SERVICE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

MLLA2023-033 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tristan Robertson)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

- a) noted and accepted the Community Safety report; and
- b) noted that no other Community Services reports were received.

10.2 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATORS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

MLLA2023-034 RESOLVED (Jason Minor/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That the Local Authority noted and accepted the Council Service Delivery Report – Mt Liebig.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2023

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 April 2023 in the Local Authority Community

MLLA2023-035 RESOLVED (Tristan Robertson/Jason Minor)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority noted and accepted the expenditure report as at 30 April 2023.

12 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.2

12.1 GENERAL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this paper is to give members the opportunity to discuss with Council the General Business matters raised at item 6.2.

In conjunction with the Department of Education, MRC are asking members what type of Childcare facility would be more suited for their community. The survey tabled at this meeting will assist MRC in advocating for your choice.

Members are being asked to consider nominating as a Councillor for the Luritja Pintubi ward or to speak with residents who they believe would be a good candidate. Nominations open on the 8th May to the 19th May 2023 and voting is from the 5th to the 16th June 2023.

MLLA2023-036 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Neil Peterson)

That the Mount Liebig Local Authority:

- a) noted that the matters raised at item 6.2, had previously been discussed.
- b) noted the discussion on the Childcare survey, requesting Senior staff from Early Learning speak with all community on the options available and to provide more information on the required qualifications.
- c) noted and discussed the papers on the by-election for the Luritja Pintubi ward.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The purpose of this paper is to note and discuss the matters raised at item 6.3 and to be informed of any updates to the actions relating to services provided by the Northern Territory Government.

MLLA2023-037 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Jason Minor)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

- a) noted that the matter raised at item 6.3 was listed as an outstanding action and were advised that Sealing the Airstrip had been raised by Council and a proposal had been submitted to LGANT towards having all airstrips bitumised to aid in recovery, health and emergency services and supplies should a critical incident occur or the community is cut off due to severe weather.
- b) vented their frustration that there has been no response from Housing regarding their maintenance requests or their concerns relating to plumbing issues at Lots 38, 56 and 82.

Members were asked to bring their questions to the next Housing Reference Group (HRG) meeting scheduled for the 19 July 2023 and that the Representative will invite both DIPL and Territory Families Senior Management to attend.

Members also requested that posters advising of the HRG meeting be placed around community.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 30 AUGUST, 2023

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting was dismissed at 2:19 pm.

This page and the preceding 5 pages are the minutes of the Mt Liebig Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 10 May 2023 and were confirmed Wednesday, 30 August 2023.