



MINUTES OF THE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL 2020 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:53am

2 WELCOME

AML2020-041 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority nominate Councillor Lynette Ellis as Chair for Amoonguna Local Authority meeting – 8 April 2020.

2.1 Welcome to Country – Chair Lynette Ellis

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members: attended at the Amoonguna Council office via videolink
Member Caroline Peters, Member Donna Dixon, Member Natasha Stuart and Member Glenn Dixon

Councillors: attended at their respective community Council offices via videolink
President Cr Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Cr Greg Sharman, Cr Lynette Ellis and Cr Susan Doolan

Council Employees: attended at the Alice Springs Council office via videolink
Bhan Pratap (Director Corporate Services), Keith Hassett (Area Manager) and Robert Rabotot (Governance Officer)

Guests: attended at their respective offices via videolink
Matthew Adams-Richardson (Warren Snowdon MP office), Enock Menge and Robin Hall (Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies: Member Henry Oliver

Absentees:

Attendance, Apologies and Absentees

AML2020-042 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted the attendance and apologies of the meeting.

3.3 Resignations

Nil

3.4 Terminations

Nil

3.5 Nominations

3.5.1 NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting of 29 January 2020 it was noted that there are two (2) vacancies to the Local Authority and as a consequence a call for nominations was recommended.

In the event of a vacancy, a new member is nominated and appointed in accordance with the Local Government Act, Ministerial Guidelines and (Council Policy) CP111 Local Authorities. Upon the recommendation of the Local Authority, Council appoints Local Authority members under the *Local Government Act 2008*.

AMLA2020-043 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Natasha Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority

- a) accept the nomination of Rhekita Stuart and recommend Council appoint her to the Amoonguna Local Authority**
- b) noted the one open vacancy and call for community nominations to remain open for a further 28 days**

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

AMLA2020-044 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)

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

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

AMLA2020-045 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)

That the Minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority of 29 January 2020 be adopted as a resolution of the Amoonguna 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

AMLA2020-046 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Donna Dixon)

That the Amoonguna 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

AMLA2020-047 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority provided notification of matters to be raised in

general business.

- a) Recreation Hall
- b) Youth

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

6.3 Notifications of Non-Council Business Items

AML2020-048 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority members provided notification of matters to be raised in general business as follows:

- a) Housing

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

AML2020-049 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Donna Dixon)

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

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

AML2020-050 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Donna Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority declare no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

Samantha Stuart arrived as a guest to the meeting at 11:18am

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 LOCAL AUTHORITIES AND THE NEW GUIDELINE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development is providing the Local Authorities an overview of some of the proposed changes to the Local Government Act and the Guideline relating to Local Authorities and is asking for comments and feedback of the proposed changes.

AML2020-051 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the deputation and provided comments and feedback on the proposed changes.

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

AML2020-052 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of the previous meetings as received.

AMLA2020-053 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)
Res 22 – Select to have a meeting in the public open space at Stuart Park on 8 April 2020
a) Close Resolution item 22

AMLA2020-054 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)
Res 23 – Invite the Sapphires Musical to perform in Amoonguna
a) Item to remain open until COVID-19 is resolved

9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority receive Project Funds from the NT Government Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Services for investing in local government community infrastructure projects.

There is a total un-committed balance of \$323.96 to allocate in their community. \$0 is from the 2018/19 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2020. \$323.96 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021.

AMLA2020-055 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)
That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the progress of their Local Authority projects.

AMLA2020-056 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Donna Dixon)
Picnic tables and chairs (2006)
a) Project to remain open

AMLA2020-057 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)
Plants and trees (2008)
a) Project to remain open

AMLA2020-058 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)
Fencing around parks (2134)
a) Project to remain open

AMLA2020-059 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Natasha Stuart)
Bus shelter at Clinic (2133)
a) Project to remain open
b) Amoonguna Local Authority request Amoonguna CSC to follow up with Congress

AMLA2020-060 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)
Seating and fans for the Recreation Hall (2131)
a) Project to remain open

AMLA2020-061 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)
Woodfire BBQs for Stuart Park and Ross Park (2132)
a) Project to remain open
b) Amoonguna CSC to discuss with Civil Works

AMLA2020-062 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Natasha Stuart)
Scope of works to refurbish change rooms (2136)
a) Project to remain open
b) Amoonguna Local Authority request an update from Director Technical Services

AMLA2020-063 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Donna Dixon)

Footpaths (2135)

- a) Project to remain open
- b) Amoonguna Local Authority request an update from Director Technical Services

9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY 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 to best benefit everybody. This money does not carry over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June.

AML2020-064 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority

- a) Discussed how to re-allocate their remaining 2019/20 Discretionary Funds
- b) Amoonguna Local Authority will further discuss allocation after the meeting

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

AML2020-065 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the attached report from Amoonguna Council Services Coordinator Simran Behl.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 March 2020 in the Local Authority community.

AML2020-066 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the Expenditure Report as at 31 March 2020.

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.

We are now discussing the matters raised as follow:

AML2020-067 RESOLVED (Glenn Dixon/Natasha Stuart)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority note and discuss the items raised at Item 6.2,

and request that MRC look for a grant for security options for the Recreation Hall.

NOTE: Recreation Hall has been broken into a couple of times (food and valuables stolen). Roller doors to be installed, incident reports passed onto Holly and Simran. Youth program does not have budget for this.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Housing and Community Development will be in attendance to present 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. We are now discussing the matters raised as listed below:

AML2020-068 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Glenn Dixon)

That the Amoonguna Local Authority note and discuss the Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3, and request an update from the department regarding the houses that were scoped during the Christmas period.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 22 JULY, 2020

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 12:51pm.

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