



MINUTES OF THE AMOONGUNA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
AMOONGUNA COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY 21 JULY 2021 AT 10:32AM

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## **1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 10:32 AM.

A minutes silence was observed for the recent passing of the Chair of Amoonguna Local Authority, Kumantjay Dixon.

### **1.1 NOMINATION OF THE CHAIR**

**AMLA2021-039 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Natasha Stuart)**

**That Amoonguna Local Authority nominated Councillor Lynette Ellis as Chair of the Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting.**

## **2 WELCOME**

2.1 Welcome to Country – Councillor Lynette Ellis

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

### **3.1 Attendance**

#### Local Authority Members:

Member Henry Oliver, Member Caroline Peters, Member Donna Dixon and Member Natasha Stuart

#### Councillors:

Cr Lynette Ellis, Deputy President Greg Sharman and Cr Annie Young

#### Council Employees:

Keith Hassett (Acting Director Service Delivery), Simran Behl (CSC Amoonguna), Tethloach Ruey (Community Safety Coordinator) and June Crabb (Governance Administration Officer)

#### Guests:

Bruce Fyfe (Department Chief Minister and Cabinet), Jody Nobbs (Superintendent, NT Police), Alphonsus Shields (Senior Constable, NT Police), Peter Cowley (Team Leader,

Lutheran Care), Fraser Chapman (Lutheran Care) and Lisa Sharman (Titjikala Local Authority Member)

### **3.2 Apologies/Absentees**

#### Apologies:

President Roxanne Kenny and Councillor Susan Doolan

#### Absentees:

Member Rhekita Stuart and Member Marina Alice

### **3.1 & 3.2 ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/ABSENTEES**

**AMLA2021-040 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Donna Dixon)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) Noted the attendance, apologies and absentees of the meeting; and**
- b) Noted that Member Marina Alice had not attended any Local Authority Meetings since being endorsed at the Council Meeting held 18 December 2020.**

### **3.3 Resignations**

Nil

### **3.4 Terminations**

#### **3.4 TERMINATIONS**

**AMLA2021-041 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Natasha Stuart)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority unanimously agreed to revoke the membership of Marina Alice for being absent from two consecutive Local Authority meetings.**

### **3.5 Nominations**

#### **3.5.1 NOMINATIONS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY**

##### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

A vacancy was created following the passing of Mr Dixon, Chair of the Amoonguna Local Authority.

A second vacancy occurred at the meeting held 21 July 2021 when the Amoonguna Local Authority unanimously agreed to revoke the membership of Marina Alice for being absent from two consecutive Local Authority meetings.

New members are nominated and appointed in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2019*, Ministerial Guidelines and Council Procedure MC02-P2 Local Authority Meeting Procedure.

Council appoints Local Authority members under the Local Government Act.

**AMLA2021-042 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Natasha Stuart)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) **Noted the two vacancies; and**
- b) **Called for community nominations to open for 21 days.**

## **8 Deputations/Guests Speakers**

Item 8 - Deputations/Guest Speakers was moved from between item 7.2 and item 9

Councillor Lynette Ellis accepted the impromptu presentation from Jody Nobbs, Superintendent, NT Police and Alphonsus Shields, Senior Constable, NT Police.

### **8.2 NT POLICE**

**AML2021-043 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Caroline Peters)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) **Accepted the presentation**
- b) **Agreed to support the engagement of the NT Police working together to improve relations with the Community.**

### **8.1 LUTHERAN CARE**

Lutheran Care was founded 50 years on the principles of the Lutheran Church. Lutheran Care believes that communities are stronger when each and every person feels included and cared for.

**AML2021-044 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Henry Oliver)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) **Noted the presentation; and**
- b) **Agreed to support and encourage strategies that improves the service Lutheran care provides.**

## **4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT**

**AML2021-045 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Henry Oliver)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted the Council Code of Conduct.**

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**AML2021-046 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Caroline Peters)**

**That the Minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority 5 May 2021 be adopted as a resolution of 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**

**AMLA2021-047 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Henry Oliver)**

**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 COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**AMLA2021-048 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Henry Oliver)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority provided the following matter to be raised in General Council Business.**

#### **1. Wrecked cars**

Members of the Local Authority advised that rubbish was not collected because broken down cars were parked in the way of the bins. MRC Council stated that cars could not be removed without the owners permission and will explore alternative options to notifying the owners.

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

### **6.3 NOTIFICATION ON GENERAL NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**AMLA2021-049 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Donna Dixon)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority provided no notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.**

## **7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

### **7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

**AMLA2021-050 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)**

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

### **7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION**

**AMLA2021-051 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)**

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

Item 8 – Deputations/Guest Speakers was moved to between item 3.5 and item 4.

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

### **9.1 AMOONGUNA YOUTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

MacDonnell Regional Council (MRC) Regional Plan Objective 3.1 (Goal 3) is for young people to be empowered to be engaged representatives in their communities.

**AML2021-052 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Henry Oliver)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) Noted and accepted the minutes of the Youth Board Meeting held 27 May 2021; and**
- b) Provided feedback and support to the Youth Board.**

### **9.2 ACTION REGISTER - AMOONGUNA LA**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

**AML2021-053 RESOLVED (Natasha Stuart/Donna Dixon)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) Noted and accepted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of the previous meeting as received; and**
- b) Kept open Action 'Design and fix lights at Basketball Court' until completed.**

### **9.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REPORT**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

The 2019/2020 Project funds was fully expended before 30 June 2021.

The 2020/2021 Project funds was fully expended before 30 June 2022.

**AML2021-054 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Henry Oliver)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) Noted and accepted the progress of the Local Authority projects;**
- b) Kept open Project 2008 – Plants and Trees and request the CSC seek quotations;**
- c) Keep open Project 2133 – Bus Shelter at the Clinic and was advised that the Shelter was in Community awaiting installation;**
- d) Keep open Project 2136 – Scope of works to refurbish Change Rooms;**
- e) Keep open Project 2137 – Security options for the Recreation Hall;**
- f) Keep open Project 2138 – Fence around Ross Park and currently awaiting quotes;**
- g) Keep open Project 2139 – Community Park/Sports Area. Technical Services will initiate proceedings with CLC with a request that Councillor Ellis also speak with CLC to achieve a timely response.**

## **9.4 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.

**AMLA2021-055 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Natasha Stuart)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority:**

- a) Noted the spending of their 2020/21 Discretionary fund; and**
- b) Noted and discussed the spending of their 2021/2022 Discretionary fund.**

## **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.

**AMLA2021-056 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Henry Oliver)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the attached report prepared by Simran Behl, Council Services Coordinator, Amoonguna**

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

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

**AMLA2021-057 RESOLVED (Caroline Peters/Natasha Stuart)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the Community Services report.**

## **11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS**

### **11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 MAY 2021**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 May 2021 in the Local Authority Community.

**AMLA2021-058 RESOLVED (Donna Dixon/Caroline Peters)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted and accepted the Expenditure Report as at 31 May 2021.**

## **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.

**AMLA2021-059 RESOLVED (Henry Oliver/Caroline Peters)**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority noted that the item 'Wrecked Cars' was discussed at Item 6.2.**

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

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

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

A Representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet, (DCMC) 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Amoonguna Local Authority note and discuss the Non-Council Business items raised at Item 6.3.**

This item was not discussed as no Non-Council Business items was raised.

## **14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 10 NOVEMBER, 2021**

### **15 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 1:31 pm.

This page and the preceding 6 pages are the minutes of the Amoonguna Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 21 July 2021 and were confirmed Wednesday, 10 November 2021.