

MINUTES OF THE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE HAASTS BLUFF COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 9 JUNE 2021 AT 11:04AM

# **1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 11.04AM

## 1.1 NOMINATION OF THE CHAIR

# HBLA2021-022 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority vote made a recommendation to Council and nominated Simon Dixon as Chair of the meeting, 9 June 2021.

## **2 WELCOME**

2.1 Welcome to Country - Chair Simon Dixon

# 3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

#### 3.1 Attendance

## **Local Authority Members:**

Member Derek Egan and Member Simon Dixon

## Councillors:

Cr Tommy Conway

# Council Employees:

Simon Murphy (Director Technical Services), Keith Hassett (Manager Service Centre Delivery), Natalie Fong-Yip (Council Service Coordinator Haasts Bluff), Min Roebuck (Engagement Officer) and June Crabb (Governance Administration Officer).

## Guests:

Robin Hall (Community Development Officer, Department Chief Minister and Cabinet), Mathew Adams-Richardson (Office of Warren Snowden), Roseranna Larry (Local Authority Nominee), Douglas Multa (Local Authority Nominee) and Kieran Multa (Local Authority Nominee)

# 3.2 Apologies/Absentees

## Apologies:

President Roxanne Kenny, Councillor Sarah Stockman and Councillor Dalton McDonald

## Absentees:

Suparkra Jugadai (Chair), Francis Marshall, Billy Pareroultja, Sonia Jugadai and Jeffrey Zimran.

# 3.3 Resignations

Nil

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

# HBLA2021-023 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority vote made a recommendation to Council to note the attendance, apologies and absentees of the meeting.

#### 3.4 Terminations

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# HBLA2021-024 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority vote made a recommendation to Council to revoke the membership of Suparkra Jugadai, Francis Marshall, Billy Pareroultja, Sonia Jugadai and Jeffrey Zimran for being absent from two consecutive Local Authority Meetings.

#### 3.5 Nominations

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# HBLA2021-025 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority vote made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the nominations from Roseranna Larry, Kieran Multa and Douglas Multa to the Haasts Bluff Local Authority.

# 4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

# 4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

# HBLA2021-026 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Tommy Conway)

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

# 5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### 5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

# **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority meeting:

- a) 25 March 2020 be adopted as a resolution of Haasts Bluff Local Authority;
- b) 25 November 2020 held as a Provisional Meeting be adopted as a resolution of

the Haasts Bluff Local Authority; and

c) 24 March 2021 held as a Provisional Meeting be adopted as a resolution of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority.

Note: As this meeting was conducted as a Provisional Meeting and no members able to confirm the minutes were present this item was not discussed.

# 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.

## **6.1.1 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

HBLA2021-027 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Tommy Conway)

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

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

## 6.2 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL BUSINESS

HBLA2021-028 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to Council to note that the following notification of matters were raised in General Business

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

## 6.3 NOTIFICATION OF NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

HBLA2021-029 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note that no notification of matters were raised in Non-Council Business.

## 7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

# 7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

HBLA2021-030 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to inform Council that the Conflict of Interest policy was noted.

#### 7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

# HBLA2021-031 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to Council to note that the members of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority did not declare any conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

# 8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

#### 8.1 LG ELECTIONS 2021

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet's plan is to inform Council and Local Authorities that the Local Government election is taking place on 28 August 2021.

The Department will be talking with community members to raise awareness, encourage people to enrol on the electoral roll, encourage people to vote in the election, encourage people to nominate for office, and encourage people to vote in the election.

# HBLA2021-032 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to inform Council that the presentation was noted and accepted.

# 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.

# HBLA2021-033 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Derek Egan)

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

- a) Note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received;
- Keep open Action Connection of Telstra Services and await a follow up from the Representative of the Office of Warren Snowden who will seek clarification from Telstra on behalf of the Local Authority;
- c) Keep open Action Basketball Court; and
- d) Keep open Action Material to complete Projects.

#### 9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

There is a total un-committed balance of \$23,000.00 to allocate in their community. \$1,000.00 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021. \$22,000.00 is from the 2020/21 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2022.

## HBLA2021-034 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

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

- a) Note and accept the progress of their projects;
- b) Keep open Project 2045 Church and request that Service Delivery liaise with Pastor Simon on what needs to be done;
- c) Keep open Project 2046 Sorry Camp Facilities, commit an additional \$12,000.00 for a trailer, mounted with a 500 litre tank for drinking water;
- d) Keep open Project 2047 Outdoor Fitness Equipment; and
- e) Create a new project from the wishlist item named 'Solar Lights for Sorry Camp' and commit \$11,000.00, being the balance of the 2020/2021 project funds.

#### 9.3 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.

# HBLA2021-035 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Derek Egan)

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

- a) Note and accept the report; and
- b) Provide feedback towards the Haasts Bluff Infrastructure Plan.

#### 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.

There is a current balance of \$3,029.61 to spend before 30 June 2021.

# HBLA2021-036 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to inform Council that the 2020/2021 Discretionary Funds was noted.

# 9.5 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.

# HBLA2021-037 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Tommy Conway)

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

- a) Note and accept the report; and
- b) Provide guidance and support for MRC staff to meet the objectives of the MRC 2020-21 Regional Plan.

# 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.

# HBLA2021-038 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the attached report prepared by Natalie Fong, Council Services Coordinator, Haasts Bluff.

# 10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE HAASTS BLUFF LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

# HBLA2021-039 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the Community Services report.

# 11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

## 11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 30 APRIL 2021

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The expenditure report shows spending until 30 April 2021 in the Local Authority Community.

## HBLA2021-040 RESOLVED (Derek Egan/Simon Dixon)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the expenditure report as at 30 April 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.

# HBLA2021-041 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Derek Egan)

That the provisional meeting of Haasts Bluff Local Authority, by majority of vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and discuss the General Business items raised at Item 6.2.

# 1. Employment for Locals.

The Local Authority asked if first aid training could be available to the Civil Team and if more locals could be employed.

Director Technical Services informed the Local Authority to speak with the CSC who would be able to let them know of any employment opportunities arising in the Community.

The Local Authority was advised that training for first aid was provided to employees where their position required it.

## 2. Roads

The Local Authority have requested that the roads within Community be graded. Director Technical Services advised that all the roads in Community would be graded in the coming weeks.

# 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.

# HBLA2021-042 RESOLVED (Simon Dixon/Tommy Conway)

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

- a) Note that no Non-Council Business items was raised at Item 6.3; and,
- b) Note and accept any updates and progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet: and
- c) Close Action Sewage/Septic Tanks
- 1. The Local Authority have asked what would be the chances of their clinic reopening. Currently it is open twice a week for a few hours as the Nurses attending have to travel to and from Haasts Bluff.

The Representative from the Department of Chief Minister advised that due to staff shortages within the Department of Health and depending on the size of the Community, it may not be possible to have a full time clinic open.

# 14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 4 AUGUST, 2021

# 15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 2:57 pm.

This page and the preceding 8 pages are the minutes of the Haasts Bluff Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 9 June 2021 and were confirmed Wednesday, 24 November 2021.

