



MINUTES OF THE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
MOUNT LIEBIG TJANGALA NANGALA ON
WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 12:10PM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 12:10 PM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Neil Peterson

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Member Neil Peterson (Chair), Member Audrey Turner, Member Jeffrey Wheeler, and Member Roderick Kantamara, Member Norma Kelly

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Cr Tommy Conway, Cr Sarah Stockman

Council Employees:

Jeff MacLeod (CEO), Lou Blom (EA to CEO and President), Keith Hassett (Manager Service Delivery), Stuart Miller (CSC Mt Liebig), Jeff Tan (Coordinator Communications and Engagement), Min Roebuck (Community Engagement Officer), Alexander Marcus (MacYouth Coordinator), Katie Hicks (MacYouth), Robert Rabotot (Governance Officer) and June Crabb (Governance Administration Officer)

Guests:

Patricia Johnson (Acting Manager Mt Liebig Primary Health Care), Nicholas Thorpe, (Senior Land Use Planner, Department Territory Families, Housing and Communities), Enock Menge (Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Cr. Dalton MacDonald, Member Carol Peterson and Member Pete Turner

Absentees:

Nil

Attendance, Apologies and Absentees

MLLA2020-039 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority noted the attendance, apologies and absentees of the meeting.

3.3 Resignations

Nil

3.4 Terminations

Nil

3.5 Nominations

Nil

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

MLLA2020-040 RESOLVED (Norma Kelly/Neil Peterson)

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

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MLLA2020-041 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That the Minutes of the Mt Liebig Local Authority of 10 June 2020 be adopted as a resolution of Mt Liebig 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

MLLA2020-042 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tommy Conway)

That the Mt Liebig 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

MLLA2020-043 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tommy Conway)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority provided notification of matters to be raised in general business.

1. Grading of roads within the Community.

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

6.3 Notifications of Non-Council Business Items

MLLA2020-044 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Tommy Conway)

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

1. Grading of roads outside the Community

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

MLLA2020-045 RESOLVED(Norma Kelly/Audrey Turner)

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

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

MLLA2020-046 RESOLVED(Norma Kelly/Audrey Turner)

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

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 NT HEALTH - PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Mt Liebig's Primary Health Care Acting Manager, Patricia Johnson, will be in attendance to speak with 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.

MLLA2020-047 RESOLVED(Norma Kelly/Audrey Turner)

That the Mount Liebig Local Authority:

- a) **Noted and accepted the report; and**
- b) **Provided comments and feedback for the opportunities of future development within the Community, in relation to the questionnaire listed on page 17 of the meeting Agenda as follows:**
 1. **The Mt Liebig Community would like to have the 1000L wash stations in their community.**
 2. **The Local Authority specified that the wash stations be placed at the Community Store, the Church, the Art Centre, the School, the Clinic and the Aged Care facility.**
 3. **The Community was happy to have the signage/artwork developed by the local artists**
 4. **MRC would look at the possibility of collaborating with CDP in starting the project.**

DEPUTATION – DEPT TERRITORY FAMILIES, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES

The Chair accepted the deputation from Nicholas Thorpe, Senior Land Use Planner from the Dept Territory Families, Housing and Communities to speak with Local Authority on the future development for the Mt Liebig Community.

MLLA2020-048 RESOLVED(Norma Kelly/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That the Mount Liebig Local Authority:

- a) **Noted and accepted the deputation; and**
- b) **Provided comments and feedback on the constraints and opportunities for development within the community.**

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS

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 \$34,310.18 to allocate in this community. \$7,210.18 is from the 2019/2020 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021. \$27,100.00 is from the 2020/2021 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2022.

MLLA2020-049 RESOLVED (Roderick Kantamara/Norma Kelly)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

- a) Noted and accepted the progress of their projects;
- b) Combine funds and Incorporate Project 2087 (Solar Lights) with Project 2086 (Stage);
- c) Agreed that the location of the Stage be moved to lot 99, beside the park;
- d) Requested a plan and quote to having a store room/shed with shade built near the stage;
- e) Requested a quote to have power installed to the stage and store room;
- f) Seek quotations on erecting a 1.8 metre high fence with 3 gates around lot 99;
- g) Keep open Project 2290 – Shade for Tyre Changing; and
- h) Create a new project named 'Speakers for the Church' and allocate \$3000.00 for 2 x speakers.

Item - 9.2 Local Authority Assistance with the Regional Plan - has been moved to another part of the document.

9.4 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.

MLLA2020-050 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

- a) Noted and accepted the report; and
- b) Provided feedback towards the Mt Liebig 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

MLLA2020-051 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Sarah Stockman)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority

- a) Noted the spending of their 2019/20 Discretionary Fund;
- b) Noted and discussed the spending of their 2020/2021 Discretionary Fund;
- c) Allocated \$2000.00 for the Community Christmas BBQ; and
- d) Allocated \$2000.00 for the Community New Year's BBQ

Item - 9.4 Community Infrastructure Plan - has been moved to another part of the document.

9.2 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.

MLLA2020-052 RESOLVED (NORMA KELLY/AUDREY TURNER)

That the Mount Liebig 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 Mt Liebig across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

MLLA2020-053 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Audrey Turner)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority noted and accepted the attached report prepared by Stuart Millar, Council Services Coordinator, Mt Liebig.

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE MT LIEBIG LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

MLLA2020-054 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Roderick Kantamara)

That the Mt Liebig 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's community.

MLLA2020-055 RESOLVED (Audrey Turner/Sarah Stockman)

That the Mt Liebig 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 Mount Liebig Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business 12.1.

MLLA2020-056 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Jeffrey Wheeler)

That the Mount Liebig Local Authority noted and discussed the following General Business Items raised at Item 6.2:

1. Grading of Community roads

Discussions were held on the condition of the roads within the Community and how soon the roads would be graded. Response provided by MRC CEO Jeff MacLeod was that due to staffing shortages, there were no Grader Drivers and until the vacancies were filled, it would be some time before the roads are graded. Advertisements for the positions would be posted within the Community and that residents with suitable qualifications were strongly encouraged to apply.

2. Community Entrance Road

Due to the corrugations and large rocks, The Local Authority requested if the Community Entrance Road could be upgraded. MRC CEO Jeff MacLeod responded that Technical Services Director, Simon Murphy and his team, would look into the upgrade and determine the feasibility of improving the road.

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 Mount Liebig Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business 13.1.

MLLA2020-057 RESOLVED (Neil Peterson/Roderick Kantamara)

That the Mt Liebig Local Authority:

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

1. Grading of Roads outside the Community

Enock Menge; Representative from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet informed the Local Authority that he would follow up on when grading of the Kintore Road was likely to occur.

2. Additional Housing/Room to breathe program

Enock Menge advised that the week starting from the 26th October 2020, National Partnership for Remote Housing will be visiting Mt Liebig and will address the housing needs of the community.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER, 2020

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 3.10 PM.

This page and the preceding 5 pages are the minutes of the Mt Liebig Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 23 September 2020 and were confirmed Wednesday, 7 April 2021.