



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE HARTLEY STREET  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2020 AT 10:10 AM

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**1 MEETING OPENED – 10:10 AM**

One minute silence was observed for the loss of the child in the Kintore Pool.

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**2 WELCOME – PRESIDENT ROXANNE KENNY**

**3 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**Councillors:**

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Greg Sharman, Cr Marlene Abbott, Cr Selina Kulitja, Cr Mark Inkamala, Cr Sarah Stockman, Cr Tommy Conway, Cr Lynette Ellis, Cr Susan Doolan, Cr Braydon Williams and Cr Dalton McDonald

**Staff:**

Bhan Pratap – Acting CEO/Director Corporate Services, Luke Everingham – Acting Director Community Services, Ken Newman – Director Service Delivery, Darren Pfitzner – Manager Governance and Planning, Michelle Grant – Policy Writer, Jeff Tan – Coordinator Communications and Engagement, Robert Rabotot – Governance Officer, June Crabb – Governance Administration Officer

**Guests:**

Nil

**Apologies:**

Cr Annie Young, Jeff McLeod – Chief Executive Officer, Simon Murphy – Director Technical Services, Rohan Marks – Director Community Services

### **3.1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

**OC2020-127 RESOLVED (Braydon Williams/Mark Inkamala)**

That the Ordinary Council noted the attendance and apologies of the meeting.

## **4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### **4.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**OC2020-128 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Greg Sharman)**

That no leave of absence was declared to the Ordinary Council.

## **5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **5.1 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT**

**OC2020-129 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Selina Kulitja)**

That the Ordinary Council noted the Council Code of Conduct.

## **6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

### **6.1 MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30 OCTOBER 2020**

**OC2020-130 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Braydon Williams)**

That the minutes be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the Meeting.

## **7 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA AND NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **7.1 ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

**OC2020-131 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Dalton McDonald)**

That the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.

### **7.2 NOTIFICATIONS OF GENERAL BUSINESS AND NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS ITEMS**

**OC2020-132 RESOLVED (Braydon Williams/Greg Sharman)**

That members provided notification of matters were raised in general business as follows:

- 1. Memorial event for past Councillors.**

## **8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

### **8.1 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**OC2020-133 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Mark Inkamala)**

That the Ordinary Council noted the Conflict of Interest Policy.

**OC2020-134 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Tommy Conway)**

That members did not declare any conflict of interest.

## **9 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

*Nil*

## **10 NOTICES OF MOTION**

*Nil*

## **11 RESCISSION MOTIONS**

*Nil*

## **12 LOCAL AUTHORITY**

### **12.1 DRAFT MINUTES OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETINGS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Council considers the minutes of each Local Authority meeting or provisional meeting at the next available Ordinary Council meeting. Attached are the draft (unconfirmed) minutes of Local Authority meetings that have occurred since, or could not be prepared before, the last Ordinary Council meeting.

The Local Authority meetings covered on this report include:

- Amoonguna – 7 October 2020
- Santa Teresa – 8 October 2020
- Titjikala – 14 October 2020
- Docker River – 15 October 2020
- Hermannsburg – 21 October 2020
- Areyonga – 4 November 2020
- Kintore – 11 November 2020
- Santa Teresa – 12 November 2020
- Imanpa – 18 November 2020
- Finke – 19 November 2020
- Haasts Bluff – 25 November 2020

**OC2020-135 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Lynette Ellis)**

That Council:

- a) **Noted the unconfirmed minutes of the Amoonguna, Santa Teresa (8 October 2020), Titjikala, Docker River, Hermannsburg, Areyonga, Kintore, Santa Teresa (12 November 2020), Imanpa, Finke and Haasts Bluff Local Authority meetings; and**
- b) **Reallocated the \$4,000.00 towards Power Cards of the Finke 2019/2020 Discretionary Funds due to an MRC operational error.**

## **12.2 NOMINATIONS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES**

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Council is asked to consider the nine members nominated to fill vacancies in Amoonguna, Santa Teresa, Titjikala.

The Local Authority meeting at Amoonguna approved the nomination of Marina Alice to the Amoonguna Local Authority.

The Local Authority meeting at Santa Teresa approved the four nominations of Robert Kopp, Kumantjay Alice, Emma Hayes and Nora Hayes Wheeler to the Santa Teresa Local Authority.

The Local Authority meeting at Titjikala approved the four nominations of Lisa Sharman, Christine Armstrong, Geoffrey Campbell and Janie Campbell to the Titjikala Local Authority.

### **OC2020-136 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Dalton McDonald)**

#### **That Council:**

- a) Noted and accepted this report;**
- b) Endorsed the nomination of Marina Alice to the Amoonguna Local Authority;**
- c) Endorsed the nominations of Robert Kopp, Kumantjay Alice, Emma Hayes and Nora Hayes Wheeler to the Santa Teresa Local Authority;**
- d) Endorsed the nominations of Lisa Sharman, Christine Armstrong, Geoffrey Campbell and Janie Campbell to the Titjikala Local Authority.**

## **13 STANDING ITEMS REPORT**

### **13.1 ACTION REGISTER**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Council regularly reviews this report which summarises actions that have been raised at previous Ordinary Council meetings and provides the status and/or updates of each action.

### **OC2020-137 RESOLVED (Selina Kulitja/Tommy Conway)**

**That Council noted the progress on the actions in the register.**

### **13.2 USE OF COMMON SEAL**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Section 26(2) of the Local Government Act (LGA) states that “the affixing of the Common Seal to a document must be authorised or ratified [endorsed] by resolution of Council”. This report requests Council to ratify [endorse] the use of the Common Seal on the listed documents.

### **OC2020-138 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Marlene Abbott)**

**That Council ratified the use of the Common Seal on the following documents:**

- PWC Token & E-Token Service Agreement
- Titjikala Youth Excursion Project

### **13.3 CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides Councilors with an update on correspondence sent and received by the Council/President in the period following the past Council meeting.

#### **OC2020-139 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Mark Inkamala)**

**That Council:**

- a) Noted the correspondence received; and**
- b) The CEO, Jeff McLeod has been asked to bring a report to the next Ordinary Council Meeting with an appropriate recommendation on sponsorships.**

### **14 PRESIDENT AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

#### **14.1 PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

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

This report details the activities of President Kenny for the months of October and November 2020.

#### **OC2020-140 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Dalton McDonald)**

**That Council received the President's report for the months of October and November 2020.**

### **15 OFFICERS' REPORTS**

#### **15.1 1ST QUARTER PROGRESS ON THE 2020/21 MRC REGIONAL PLAN**

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

This report presents the 1st quarter progress on the 2020-21 Regional Plan to ensure that Council is aware of the organisation's progress and any issues that arise.

#### **OC2020-141 RESOLVED (Braydon Williams/Greg Sharman)**

**That Council:**

- a) Noted and accepted the report on progress against the 2020-21 Regional Plan; and**
- b) Resolved that Covid-19 had a significant impact on operations to the 2019/2020 Regional Plan that all KPI's were carried over to the 2020/2021 financial year.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM

Meeting resumed at 11:35 AM

#### **15.2 2021-22 REGIONAL PLAN CONSULTATION**

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

As MacDonnell Regional Council prepares for the development of the 2021-22 Regional Plan, Councillors are asked to provide strategic direction for the MRC.

**OC2020-142 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Mark Inkamala)**

**That Council provided guidance on the strategic direction of the MacDonnell Regional Council in preparation for the 2021-22 MRC Regional Plan.**

**15.3 BRIEFING ON THE REPEAL OF THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT (LITTER) BY-LAWS 1988**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides a briefing on the repeal of the Wallace Rockhole Community Government (Litter) By-law 1988 and makes a recommendation to Council.

**OC2020-143 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Lynette Ellis)**

**That Council:**

- a) Noted and accepted the briefing as provided by Ken Newman, Director Service Centre Delivery;**
- b) Noted the process as provided by the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet;**
- c) Approved for both the Repeal By-laws and the public information paper to be released for public consultation; and**
- d) Resolved to consult with Wallace Rockhole and other Council residents on the Repeal By-laws and the Public Information paper.**

**15.4 FINANCE REPORT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Regulation 18 of the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations (LGA Regs), states that a finance report must be laid before Council or a Committee tasked with reviewing the finance report each month. The report set out:

- financial year-to-date income and expenditure to the end of the previous month;
- forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year;
- details of all cash and investments held (including money held in trust);
- statement of debts owed to council including aggregated amount by category and general age of debt; and
- other information required by council.

The attached report is the finance report for Council as at 30 November 2020.

**OC2020-144 RESOLVED (Marlene Abbott/Lynette Ellis)**

**That Council noted and accepted the Finance Report as at 30 November 2020.**

Meeting did break for lunch at 12:15 PM

Meeting resumed at 13:20 PM

**15.5 FINANCE AND RISK COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Council have delegate to the Finance and Risk committee the necessary powers to carry out, on behalf of council, council financial functions in the months the council does not hold an ordinary meeting.

**OC2020-145 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Greg Sharman)**

**That Council noted and received the minutes including any resolutions from Finance & Risk Committee.**

**15.6 AUDIT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Pursuant to the Local Government (Accounting) Regulations (the Regulations) councils are required to establish an audit committee as part of their internal control framework. Specifically the Regulations provide that an audit committee is to monitor compliance by the council to:

- proper standards of financial management; and
- regulations and the Accounting Standards.

**OC2020-146 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Sarah Stockman)**

**That Council noted and received the minutes of Audit Committee.**

**15.7 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2020**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on the activities and the services of the Director of Corporate Services for the months of October to November 2020

**OC2020-147 RESOLVED (Selina Kulitja/Greg Sharman)**

**That Council noted and received the Corporate Services Report for the months of October and November 2020.**

**15.8 DIRECTOR SERVICE CENTRE DELIVERY REPORT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

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

**OC2020-148 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Sarah Stockman)**

**That Council noted and accepted the attached report prepared by Ken Newman, Director Service Centre Delivery.**

**15.9 COMMUNITY SERVICE COUNCIL REPORT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

**OC2020-149 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Greg Sharman)**

**That Council noted and accepted the Community Services report.**

**15.10 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report details recent activities in the Technical Services Directorate

**OC2020-150 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Marlene Abbott)**

That Council noted and accepted this report.

## **16 GENERAL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 7.2**

### **16.1 GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

At the beginning of the meeting, under item 7.2, the Elected Members of the MacDonnell Regional Council have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

**OC2020-151 RESOLVED (Braydon Williams/Dalton McDonald)**

That Council:

- a) **Noted and discussed the item raised at Item 7.2;**
  - 1. **Memorial event for past Councillors, to hold at the first OCM of 2021.**
    - **Requested the CEO, Jeff McLeod:**

**On the day of the Finance meeting, (29 January 2021), discuss with the President and the Vice-President in holding a memorial event that will acknowledge former MRC Councillors, Abbott, Wilyuka, Abbott and Anderson.**

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM

Meeting resumed at 2:46 PM

### **DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

**OC2020-152 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Dalton McDonald)**

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

**17.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes - Confidential -** *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (a) (ci) (ciii) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.*

**17.2 CEO Performance Appraisal -** *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (a) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual.*



**17.3 Critical Incident - Kintore** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (ciii) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.*

**DECISION TO MOVE TO OPEN SESSION**

**OC2020-153 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Braydon Williams)**

**That the Ordinary Council moved back to an open meeting.**

**17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 26 FEBRUARY 2021**

**18 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 3:05 PM.

This page and the preceding 8 pages are the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting Held on Friday, 18 December 2020 and were confirmed on Friday, 26 February 2021.

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President