

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE HARTLEY STREET, ALICE SPRINGS COUNCIL OFFICE ON FRIDAY 26 JUNE 2020 AT 10:00AM

1 MEETING OPENED 10:02 AM

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2 WELCOME - President Roxanne Kenny

3 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Greg Sharman, Cr Selina Kulitja, Cr Mark Inkamala, Cr Sarah Stockman, Cr Tommy Conway, Cr Braydon Williams and Cr Dalton McDonald

Apologies:

Cr Lynette Ellis, Cr Susan Doolan and Cr Marlene Abbott arrived (12:38 PM)

Staff:

Jeff McLeod – Chief Executive Officer, Ken Newman – Director Service Delivery, Simon Murphy – Director Technical Services, Rohan Marks – Director Community Services, Bhan Pratap – Director Corporate Services, Darren Pfitzner – Manager Governance and Planning, Robert Rabotot - Governance Officer

Guests:

Nil

3.1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

OC2020-052 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Sarah Stockman)

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

Cr Mark Inkamala arrived at the meeting at 10:04 AM.

4 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

5 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

5.1 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

OC2020-053 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Selina Kulitja)

That the Ordinary Council noted the Council Code of Conduct.

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 29 May 2020

OC2020-054 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Tommy Conway)

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 That the papers circulated are received for consideration at the meeting.
- 7.2 That members provide notification of matters to be raised in general business.
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OC2020-055 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Dalton McDonald)

- 7.1 That the papers circulated were received for consideration at the meeting.
- 7.2 That members provided notification of matters to be raised in general business as listed below:
 - 1. Desert Funerals Limited

8 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

8.1 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

OC2020-056 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Selina Kulitja)

That the Ordinary Council:

- a) Noted the Council Code of Conduct; and
- b) 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:

Haasts Bluff – 25 March 2020

Kintore - 1 April 2020

Amoonguna – 8 April 2020

Docker River – 15 April 2020

Mt Liebig – 22 April 2020

Titjikala – 23 April 2020

Wallace Rockhole – 7 May 2020

Areyonga – 13 May 2020

Imanpa - 20 May 2020

Finke – 21 May 2020

OC2020-057 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Mark Inkamala)

That the Ordinary Council noted:

- a) The confirmed minutes of the Mt Liebig Local Authority meeting; and
- b) The unconfirmed minutes of the Haasts Bluff, Kintore, Amoonguna, Docker River, Titjikala, Wallace Rockhole, Areyonga, Imanpa and Finke Local Authority meetings.

12.2 NOMINATIONS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council is asked to consider the member nominated to fill a vacancy in Amoonguna.

The Local Authority meeting at Amoonguna approved the nomination of Rhekita Stuart to the Amoonguna Local Authority.

OC2020-058 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Braydon Williams)

That the Ordinary Council:

- a) Noted and accepted this report; and
- b) Endorsed the nomination of Rhekita Stuart to the Amoonguna 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.

OC2020-059 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Mark Inkamala)

That the Ordinary Council noted the progress on the actions in the register and the progress between NPYWC and Council.

Note: Director Community Services will arrange meeting date and advise members for time and date for a meeting in the Council Chambers with a videolink organised as necessary.

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 [endorse] the use of the Common Seal on the listed documents.

OC2020-060 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tommy Conway)

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

- Deed of Variation to Home Support;
- Deed of Variation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program

Cr Sarah Stockman left the meeting, the time being 10:33 AM

Cr Sarah Stockman returned to the meeting, the time being 10:34 AM

Cr Greg Sharman left the meeting, the time being 10:35 AM

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.

OC2020-061 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Braydon Williams)

That the Ordinary Council;

- a) Noted the correspondence received; and
- b) Noted:
- Nil nomination to LGANT Executive Nominations and Elections;
- Nil nomination to the Local Government Disciplinary Committee:
- The change of Guideline 8; and
- Approved sponsorship of \$10,000.00 to the AFL/CAFL for sponsorship of the CAFL Community Under-18 Junior Men's Competition.

Cr Greg Sharman returned to the meeting, the time being 11:47 AM

14 PRESIDENT AND COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Nil

15 OFFICERS' REPORTS

15.1 REVIEW COMMENTS, ADOPT REGIONAL PLAN AND DECLARE RATES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Council approved the Draft 2020-21 Regional Plan at the Special Council meeting of 29 May 2020 which was then made available for public comment for 21 days as per section 24(2) of the *Local Government Act 2008*.

Council must consider and make revisions (if it deems appropriate in light of submissions made in response) to the draft, or not, and once adopted declare its Rates and Charges for the financial year 2020/21.

OC2020-062 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Mark Inkamala)

That the Ordinary Council adopted the tabled 2020-21 Regional Plan for the MacDonnell Regional Council and:

(a) noted and accepted the Rates Assessment Record Certification made by the CEO on 27 May 2020 as presented within the 2020-21 Regional Plan;

OC2020-063 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Mark Inkamala)

(b) adopted the Budget for the 2020/21 financial year and the Fees and Charges as presented within the 2020-21 Regional Plan;

OC2020-064 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Mark Inkamala)

(c) the Rates and Charges Declaration for the 2020/21 financial year as presented in the 2020-21 Regional Plan;

OC2020-065 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Tommy Conway)

(d) noted the MacDonnell Regional Council Member Allowances as within policy GS02-CP Elected Members Allowances as approved at the 29 May 2020 Special Council meeting and presented in the 2020-21 Regional Plan:

OC2020-066 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Selina Kulitja)

- (e) noted the receipt and early release of the 2020/21 FAA for the following:
 - i) FAA General Purpose \$922,644.00
 - ii) FAA Roads \$524,675.00

As a result of AASB1004, this will be recorded as income for the 2019/20 financial year. However, because it will be carried forward into the 2020/21 financial year as a brought forward it will not affect the overall income line in the 2020-21 Regional Plan; and

OC2020-067 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Tommy Conway)

- (f) noted the comments received and the content amendments to the draft plan as described in the attached documents;
 - i) Department of local Government, Housing and Community Development comments on the draft plan
 - ii) MacDonnell Regional Council notes to designer on typos and amendments

Cr Braydon Williams left the meeting, the time being 11:13 AM

15.2 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 31 May 2020.

OC2020-068 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Mark Inkamala)

That the Ordinary Council noted and accepted the Finance Report as at 31 May 2020.

The Ordinary Council Meeting did break at 11:14 AM Cr Braydon Williams returned to the meeting, the time being 11:35 AM The Ordinary Council Meeting resumed at 11:35 AM

15.3 CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on the activities and the services of the Directorate of Corporate Services for the months of April to May 2020.

OC2020-069 RESOLVED (Braydon Williams/Dalton McDonald)

That the Ordinary Council noted and received the Corporate Services Report for the months of April and May 2020.

15.4 GUIDELINE 8 UPDATE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Minister for Housing and Community Development has issued an amended Guideline 8, which came into effect on 05 June 2020. The amended guideline includes a revision to the Provisional Meeting rules for Local Authorities so that a provisional meeting quorum is now one third, or more, of the number of appointed members, whether those actually present are elected or appointed members.

OC2020-070 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Selina Kulitja)

That the Ordinary Council noted and accepted the updated version of Guideline 8 - Regional Councils and Local Authorities

15.5 POLICY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report recommends amendments to the Council Policy: GS01-CP Policy Development and Review Policy

OC2020-071 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Mark Inkamala)

That the Ordinary Council approved the amended GS01-CP Policy Development and Review Policy.

Cr Greg Sharman left the meeting, the time being 12:00 PM Cr Greg Sharman returned to the meeting, the time being 12:05 PM

15.6 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.

OC2020-072 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Braydon Williams)

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

15.7 COMMUNITY SERVICE COUNCIL REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

OC2020-073 RESOLVED (Braydon Williams/Mark Inkamala)

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

Cr Marlene Abbott arrived at the meeting at 12:38 PM Cr Dalton McDonald left the meeting, the time being 12:41 PM

15.8 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report will inform Council of recent activities within the Technical Services Directorate

OC2020-074 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Greg Sharman)

That the Ordinary 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 8, the Elected Members of the MacDonnell Regional Council have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

OC2020-075 RESOLVED (Tommy Conway/Braydon Williams)

That the Ordinary Council:

- a) Noted and discussed the items raised at Item 8; and
- b) Authorised the CEO to provide Desert Funerals Limited with a letter of support from Council for the proposal.

Cllr Dalton McDonald returned to the meeting, the time being 12:46 PM

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

OC2020-076 RESOLVED (Dalton McDonald/Tommy Conway)

That the Ordinary Council moved the meeting into a closed Confidential meeting.

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) (ciiii) 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.

DECISION TO MOVE TO OPEN SESSION

OC2020-077 RESOLVED (Sarah Stockman/Greg Sharman)

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

- 17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 28 August 2020
- 18 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 1:03 PM.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting Held on Friday 26 June 2020 and were confirmed on 28 August 2020.

President		