



MINUTES OF THE TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE
TITJIKALA BASKETBALL COURT ON THURSDAY 6 AUGUST 2020 AT 10:30AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 11:08 AM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Margret Orr

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Chair Margaret Orr, Helen Katatuna, Dennis Douglas, Douglas Wells

Councillors:

Cr Susan Doolan

Council Employees:

Jeff MacLeod (CEO), Lou Bloom (EA to CEO), CT Fraser (Area Manager), Aalia Hape (CSC Titjikala), Cristiano Castro (Coordinator Community Safety), Jeff Tan (Coordinator, Communications and Planning), Robert Rabotot (Governance Officer)

Guests:

Enock Menge (Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development), Dow Airen (PowerWater), Chanari Alaharuwan (Catholic Care), Nick Thorpe (NTG - Senior Land Planner), John Dovernen (Catholic Care)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Greg Sharman, Cr Lynette Ellis, Heather Armstrong

Absentees:

Nil

Attendance, Apologies and Absentee

TLA2020-076 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Douglas Wells)

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

Note: Quorum not met, this meeting was conducted as a Provisional Meeting.

3.3 Resignations

Nil

3.4 Terminations

Nil

3.5 Nominations

3.5.1 NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the Titjikala Local Authority Meeting of 26 September 2019, it was noted that there are now two (2) vacancies to the Local Authority, and consequently, a call for nominations was recommended.

TLA2020-077 RESOLVED (Susan Doolan/Margaret Orr)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note that no nomination were received and kept the call for community nominations open for a further 28 days in order to fill the remaining two vacancies.

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

TLA2020-078 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Susan Doolan)

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

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

That the Titjikala Local Authority meeting minutes of 23 April 2020 be adopted as a resolution of the Titjikala Local Authority.

This item was not discussed as this meeting was conducted as a Provisional Meeting.

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

TLA2020-079 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Margaret Orr)

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

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

6.2 Notification of General Business Items

TLA2020-080 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Margaret Orr)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note that members did not provide notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.

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

6.3 Notifications of Non-Council Business Items

TLA2020-081 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Margaret Orr)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note that members did not provide notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

TLA2020-082 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Susan Doolan)

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

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

TLA2020-083 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Susan Doolan)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note that no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda were declared.

Helen Katatuna arrived at the meeting at 11:27 AM.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 POWER AND WATER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Introduction of the Titjikala Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project.

Power and Water Corporation is advising the Local Authority about a new Power and Water project; a new battery energy system that will be installed in the existing power station compound.

TLA2020-084 RESOLVED (Susan Doolan/Margaret Orr)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note and accept the presentation from Power and Water Corporation.

8.2 DRAFT COMMUNITY LAND USE PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Senior Land Use Planner is providing information by presenting the Draft Community Land Use Plan and is seeking support from the Local Authority to present the plan to the Traditional Owners and the Central Land Council.

TLA2020-085 RESOLVED (Helen Katatuna/Dennis Douglas)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note and accept the information provided by the Department and provide support to present the plan to the Traditional Owners and the Central Land Council.

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.

TLA2020-086 RESOLVED (Helen Katatuna/Douglas Wells)

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

- a) Note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received;
- b) Keep Action Item 1 open and replace 'Lisa Sharman' by 'CSC Titjikala';
- c) Keep Action Item 2 & 3 open; and
- d) Keep Action Item 4 open until the project is completed.

9.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REPORT

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 \$21,090.00 to allocate in their community. \$0 is from the 2018/19 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2020. \$21,090.00 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021.

TLA2020-087 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Margaret Orr)

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

- a) Note and accept the progress of their projects; and
- b) Keep all projects open.

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.

TLA2020-088 RESOLVED (Margaret Orr/Dennis Douglas)

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

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

9.4 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority receive a Discretionary Fund from the Council to spend each financial year on enhancing the community. Local Authorities decide how to best spend this money to broadly benefit the community.

There is a current balance of \$4,000.00 to spend before 30 June 2020.

That the Titjikala Local Authority:

- a) **Note the spending of their 2019/20 Discretionary Funds; and**
- b) **Note and discuss the spending of their 2020/21 Discretionary Funds.**

This item was not discussed as this meeting was conducted as a Provisional Meeting.

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.

TLA2020-089 RESOLVED (Susan Doolan/Helen Katatuna)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made 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.**

9.6 COUNCIL ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Toward the end of the Council term the NT Electoral Commission seeks comment on the effectiveness, or not, of the MacDonnell Regional Council boundary and the four ward boundaries within. The Local Authority is invited to record its comments to inform Council's response to the electoral commission about the current electoral structure and whether it provides the most effective possible representation for constituents.

TLA2020-090 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Dennis Douglas)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note and accept the report and provide their comments to Council as:

The Local Authority was satisfied with the current level of electoral representation and recommended no change to the ward boundary.

9.7 COVID19

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

COVID-19 is a respiratory illness caused by a new virus. Symptoms include fever, coughing, a sore throat and shortness of breath. The virus can spread from person to person, but good hygiene can prevent infection. MRC in response to the COVID-19 outbreak has identified and is managing various risk through guidelines and regular communication with staff to ensure compliance.

TLA2020-091 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Susan Doolan)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note and accept the report on COVID-19.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COMMUNITY SERVICE TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

TLA2020-092 RESOLVED (Susan Doolan/Margaret Orr)

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

10.2 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report is an update of Council delivered services in Titjikala across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

TLA2020-093 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Dennis Douglas)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note and accept the attached report prepared by Donelle (CT) Fraser, Manager Service Centre Delivery.

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 community.

TLA2020-094 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Margaret Orr)

That the provisional meeting of Titjikala Local Authority, by majority of vote, made recommendation to Council to note and accept 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 item 6.2, members of the Local Authority have an opportunity to provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

We are now discussing the matters raised as follow:

RECOMMENDATION

That the Titjikala Local Authority note and discuss the items raised at Item 6.2.

No notification of matters were raised at item 6.2.

13 NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS AS RAISED AT ITEM 6.3

13.1 OTHER NON-COUNCIL BUSINESS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development will be in attendance to provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

TLA2020-095 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Helen Katatuna)

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

- a) Note and accept the following updates and progress on actions from the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development; and
- b) Close the Action Item, Your Voice, Your Community.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER, 2020

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 1:18 PM.

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