



MINUTES OF THE TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN THE  
TITJIKALA COUNCIL OFFICE ON THURSDAY 21 JANUARY 2021 AT 10:40AM

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**1 MEETING OPENING**

The meeting was declared open at 10:40AM

**2 WELCOME**

2.1 Welcome to Country – Member Lisa Sharman

**TLA2021-001 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Douglas Wells)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority nominated Member Lisa Sharman as Chair for the Titjikala Local Authority meeting of 21 January 2021.**

**3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS**

**3.1 Attendance**

Local Authority Members:

Member Lisa Sharman, Member Dennis Douglas, Member Douglas Wells, Member Janie Campbell and Member Geoffrey Campbell.

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny, Deputy President Greg Sharman, Cr Lynette Ellis and Cr Susan Doolan.

Council Employees:

Ken Newman (Director Service Centre Delivery), Jeff Tan (Coordinator Communications and Engagement), Min Roebuck (Community Engagement Office), Lisa Toolin (Youth Engagement Officer), Nathan Brown (Team Leader Youth) and June Crabb (Governance Administration Officer).

Aalia Hape (Council Services Coordinator) arrived 10.55am.

Guests:

Mr William Yan MLA (Member for Namatjira),

John (Tony) Bohning (Aboriginal Liaison Officer),

Enock Menge (Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet)

Nicholas Thorpe (Senior Land Use Planner, Department Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics)

### **3.2 Apologies/Absentees**

#### Apologies:

Member Margaret Orr, Member Christine Armstrong and Cr. Annie Young.

#### Absentees:

Nil

### **Attendance, Apologies and Absentee**

**TLA2021-002 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Douglas Wells)**

That the Titjikala 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**

**TLA2021-003 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Susan Doolan)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority noted the audio version of the Council Code of Conduct.

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**TLA2021-004 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Dennis Douglas)**

That the Minutes of the Titjikala Local Authority meeting of 14 October 2020 be adopted as a resolution of the Titjikala 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**

**TLA2021-005 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Douglas Wells)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority noted 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**

**TLA2021-006 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Lisa Sharman)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted that members provided the following notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business.**

### **1. Water at Parks**

- 6.3 That members provided no notification of matters to be raised in General Non-Council Business.

## **7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

### **7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

**TLA2021-007 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Lisa Sharman)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted the audio version of the Conflict of Interest policy.**

### **7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION**

**TLA2021-008 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Lisa Sharman)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority declared no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.**

## **8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS**

### **8.1 POWER & WATER**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Jeff Adams, Technical Coordinator for Remote Power Services of Power and Water will present to the Titjikala Local Authority an explanation of the Battery Energy Solar System (Bess) Project.

**TLA2021-009 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Lynette Ellis)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority:**

- a) Noted and accepted the presentation; and**
- b) Provided their comments and feedback on the project.**

## **9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE**

### **9.1 NT TREATY COMMISSION**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The NT Treaty Commission presented information about their work to Council last year and consulted on the Treaty Discussion Paper. Council resolved to work on bringing Youth Boards together for a meeting with the NT Treaty Commissioner and to place the NT Treaty Commission Executive Summary on all future Local Authority agenda.

The Executive Summary of the Treaty Discussion Paper is attached to this report.

**TLA2021-010 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Dennis Douglas)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority:

- a) Noted and accepted the report; and
- b) Provided the following feedback to the NT Treaty Commission.
  1. Requested that the Treaty Commission organise a meeting to discuss what a Treaty is and invite the people from the communities to attend.

**9.2 CORRESPONDENCE FROM MINISTER CHANSEY PAECH**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Minister for Local Government, Chanston Paech MLA, is seeking an invitation to meet members of the Titjikala Local Authority at a mutually convenient time.

**TLA2021-011 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Douglas Wells)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority

- a) Noted the correspondence received; and
- b) Invite Minister Paech to attend the Titjikala Local Authority Meeting on 21 April 2021.

**9.3 ACTION REGISTER**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The attached register provides a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

**TLA2021-012 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Dennis Douglas)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority:

- a) Noted the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received; and
- b) Keep open Action item – Member for Namatjira, Mr William Yan to address the issues previously directed to the previous Member for Namatjira, Chanston Paech.

Member for Namatjira, Mr William Yan attended the Titjikala Local Authority meeting to address these concerns raised by the Local Authority.

1. Remove category rating 6 from Titjikala so dialysis can be considered in the community.  
Mr Yan explained that the rating (Modified Monash Model) was used to determine eligibility for a range of health workforce programs. Alice Springs is classified the same category as Titjikala (MM6) and it was more likely for Alice Springs to have the rating lowered before Titjikala.
2. Keep open item 2 – Local Authority voiced their concern around healthy eating and the need for a community awareness campaign.  
Mr Yan suggested a plan implementing visual aids to raise awareness on healthy eating options and was happy to provide posters and information to the community.
3. Keep open item 3 – Levels of diabetes and sickness in the community so action could happen.  
As the Shadow Minister for Health, Mr Yan advised the community that he could look into the Health Statistics for Titjikala and report back to the Local Authority at a later date.
4. Keep open item 4 - Raise a resolution to write to the Minister about the Road.  
Mr Yan advised the Local Authority that grading the roads is on the agenda, however due to limited funding, not all roads would be done.

5. **Keep open item 5 - Room to Breathe Program.**  
Mr Yan was keen to hear from the Local Authority if there had been any progress on houses being built or updated.
6. **Keep open item 6 – Raise with NT Police that the community has concerns with drugs being bought into community and request that Member for Namatjira, Mr William Yan discuss with Police the possibility of bringing a Drug Detection Dog to the Community.**

Break for lunch at 12.22pm.  
Meeting resumed at 1.07pm.

#### **9.4 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REPORT**

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

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

There is a **total un-committed balance of \$62,301.78** to allocate in the community. \$55,401.78 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021. \$6,900.00 is from the 2020/21 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2022.

##### **TLA2021-013 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Janie Campbell)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority noted and accepted the progress of their projects.

- a) Kept open Project 2118, Titjikala Youth Board;
  1. Approved the commitment of \$4,000.000 to go towards painting a mural on the White House.
- b) Kept open Project 2350, Upgrade to Public Rest Area on Store Lot and Bus Stop Shade Shelter;
- c) Kept open Project 2351, Lighting for Black Spots within community;
- d) Kept open Project 2352, BBQ Trailer;
- e) Create new Projects from the following Wishlist items:
  1. Rejuvenation of Cemetery and commit \$20,000.00
  2. Basketball Court Area and commit \$5,000.00
  3. Park Rejuvenation and commit \$20,000.00
  4. Carpark resurfacing and commit \$10,000.00; and
- f) Remove Wishlist item – Legacy Waste

#### **9.5 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.

##### **TLA2021-014 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Susan Doolan)**

That the Titjikala Local Authority:

- a) Noted and accepted the report; and
- b) Provided feedback towards the Titjikala Infrastructure Plan.

#### **9.6 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 \$1,491.09 to spend before 30 June 2021.

**TLA2021-015 RESOLVED (Susan Doolan/Dennis Douglas)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted and discussed the spending of their 2020/21 Discretionary Funds.**

## **9.7 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.

**TLA2021-016 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Janie Campbell)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority:**

- a) **Noted and accepted the report; and**
- b) **Provided 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 Titjikala across the area of Local Government Service Delivery.

**TLA2021-017 RESOLVED (Douglas Wells/Greg Sharman)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted and accepted the attached report prepared by Aalia Hape, Council Services Coordinator, Titjikala.**

### **10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICE TITJIKALA LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORT**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

This report provides an update on Community Services program delivery.

**TLA2021-018 RESOLVED (Lynette Ellis/Susan Doolan)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted and accepted the Community Services report.**

## **11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS**

### **11.1 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 December 2020 in the Local Authority community.

**TLA2021-019 RESOLVED (Dennis Douglas/Lisa Sharman)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted and accepted the Expenditure report as at 31 December 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.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority noted that the following item raised at Item 6.2. Water bubblers at Parks was discussed and will be included in the Rejuvenation of Parks Local Authority Project.**

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

#### **TLA2021-020 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Susan Doolan)**

**That the Titjikala 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.**

**The Chair accepted the impromptu presentation from Nicholas Thorpe, Senior Land Use Planner, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.**

#### **TLA2021-021 RESOLVED (Greg Sharman/Susan Doolan)**

**That the Titjikala Local Authority:**

- a) **Noted the presentation and,**
- b) **Provided feedback towards the Land Use Plan.**

## **14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 28 JANUARY, 2021**

## **15 MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting terminated at 4:03 pm.

This page and the preceding 6 pages are the minutes of the Titjikala Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday 21 January 2021 and were confirmed Wednesday, 14 July 2021.