



MINUTES OF THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD
IN THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE COUNCIL OFFICE ON
THURSDAY, 18 MARCH 2021 AT 10:48AM

1 MEETING OPENING

The meeting was declared open at 10:48AM

2 WELCOME

2.1 Welcome to Country – Chair Ken Porter

3 ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / RESIGNATIONS / TERMINATIONS / NOMINATIONS

3.1 Attendance

Local Authority Members:

Chair Ken Porter and Member Terry Abbott

Councillors:

President Roxanne Kenny and Cr Mark Inkamala

Council Employees:

Ken Newman (Director Service Centre Delivery), Ada Williams (Council Services Coordinator), Jeff Tan (Coordinator Community and Engagement), Robert Rabotot (Governance Officer) and June Crabb (Governance Officer)

Guests:

Enock Menge (Community Development Officer, Chief Minister and Cabinet) and Steven Kubasiewicz (Senior Planner, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics)

3.2 Apologies/Absentees

Apologies:

Member Bobby Abbott and Member Pamela Abbott

Absentees:

Member Colleen Abbott and Member Whitney Abbott

Attendance, Apologies and Absentees

WLA2021-001 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority

vote made a 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

WLA2021-002 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Mark Inkamala)

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

- a) Note and accept the revocation of Colleen Abbott and Whitney Abbott from the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority membership; and**
- b) Call for Community Nominations to open.**

3.5 Nominations

Nil

4 COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 CODE OF CONDUCT

WLA2021-003 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority, by majority vote made a recommendation to Council and noted the Council Code of Conduct.

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority of 7 May 2020 be adopted as a resolution of Wallace Rockhole Local Authority.

Note: The meeting held on the 18 March 2021 was conducted as a Provisional Meeting. (A Provisional Meeting cannot resolve the previous minutes of a Meeting that was held with a full quorum).

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

WLA2021-004 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Mark Inkamala)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a 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

WLA2021-005 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note the following notification of matters to be raised in General Council Business:

1. Tidy Towns

A video highlighting Wallace Rockhole for the Australian Sustainable Tidy Towns Awards was played to the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority at the conclusion of the Local Authority Meeting.

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

6.3 Notifications of Non-Council Business Items

WLA2021-006 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note the following notification of matters to be raised for Non-Council Business.

7 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

7.1 CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

WLA2021-007 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note the Conflict of Interest policy.

7.2 MEMBERS DECLARATION

WLA2021-008 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to declare no conflict of interest with the meeting agenda.

8 DEPUTATIONS / GUEST SPEAKERS

8.1 LAND TENURE UNIT - DEPT INFRASTRUCTURE, PLANNING AND LOGISTICS NT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In consultation with NTG departments and with the support of the Commonwealth Government the Land Tenure Unit of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics have developed a Remote Community Planning Framework (the Framework) that applies to the development of 50 remote Aboriginal communities.

The purpose of the Framework is to provide a responsive planning regime that provides for the orderly development and use of “unzoned land”. It does not replace any of the current provisions of the Planning Scheme that apply to “unzoned land”, nor does it have any legislative backing.

The primary component of the Framework is the Community Land Use Plan (CLUP). These plans are developed in consultation with the land owners, the communities and various government agencies and once adopted will form the basis of future development, both in built form and infrastructure, in the relevant community.

WLA2021-009 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

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

- a) Note and accept the deputation; and**
- b) Provide comments and feedback on the constraints and opportunities for development within the community.**

9 LOCAL AUTHORITY REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 CORRESPONDENCE FROM MINISTER CHANSEY PAECH

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2021-010 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Terry Abbott)

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

- a) Note the correspondence received; and**
- b) Support Council sending Minister Paech a letter and calendar of meeting dates inviting him to attend forthcoming Local Authority meetings.**

9.2 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.

WLA2021-011 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the report and provided no feedback to the NT Treaty Commission.

9.3 ACTION REGISTER

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides a running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

WLA2021-012 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

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

- a) Note the progress reports on actions from the minutes of previous meetings as received; and
- b) Note completion and close Action 'Repair Potholes and Verges'.

9.4 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

There is a total un-committed balance of \$18,982.80 to allocate in the community \$2,582.80 is from the 2019/20 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2021. \$16,400.00 is from the 2020/21 Project Fund and must be expended before 30 June 2022.

WLA2021-013 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

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

- a) Note and accept the progress of their projects and close completed projects;
- b) Commit an additional \$3,460.00 to Project 2127 – Replace sliding doors at Community Rec Hall;
- c) Open a new project named 'Signs', and commit \$7,500.00 towards signage in relation to Tidy Towns;
- d) Commit the balance of the remaining funds towards four (4) Stealth type Solar lights and to upgrade the BBQ at Abbott Park.

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.

WLA2021-014 RESOLVED (Terry Abbott/Mark Inkamala)

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

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

9.6 DISCRETIONARY FUNDS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Local Authority is granted \$4,000 from the Council every new financial year to spend on enhancing the community. The Local Authority must decide how to commit the funds to best benefit everybody. Discretionary Funds cannot be carried over from year to year and must be spent (with goods received) between 1 July and 30 June of that financial year.

WLA2021-015 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Terry Abbott)

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

- a) Note and discuss the spending of their 2020/2021 Discretionary Fund; and
- b) Reinstate \$3,181.82 from the 2019/2020 Discretionary funds owing to an MRC operational error.
- c) Request the balance of the Discretionary Funds go towards travel expenses to the Australian Sustainable Tidy Towns Awards in Victoria in June 2021.

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.

WLA2021-016 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Ken Porter)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a 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.

10 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 COUNCIL SERVICES COORDINATOR'S REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

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

WLA2021-017 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the attached report prepared by Ada Williams, Acting Council Services Coordinator, Wallace Rockhole.

Break for lunch – 12:25pm

Meeting resumed – 12:58pm

Area Managers Service Delivery, Donelle Fraser and Kathleen Abbott attended the meeting.

11 FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE REPORTS

11.1 CONCLUDING CONSULTATION ON THE REPEAL OF THE WALLACE ROCKHOLE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT (LITTER) BY-LAWS 1988

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides a briefing on the consultation for the repeal of the Wallace Rockhole Community Government (Litter) By-law 1988.

WLA2021-018 RESOLVED (Mark Inkamala/Ken Porter)

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

- a) Note and accept the report; and
- b) Request Council complete the repeal of the Wallace Rockhole Community Government (Litter) By-law.

11.2 EXPENDITURE REPORT AS AT 31 JANUARY 2021

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The expenditure report shows spending until 31 January 2021 in the Local Authority's community.

WLA2021-019 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Mark Inkamala)

That the provisional meeting of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority by majority vote, made a recommendation to Council to note and accept the Expenditure Report as at 31 January 2021.

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 Wallace Rockhole Local Authority note and discuss the General Business items 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 Chief Minister and Cabinet, provide any necessary updates in regards to Northern Territory Government services.

WLA2021-020 RESOLVED (Ken Porter/Terry Abbott)

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

- a) Note and accept any updates and progress on actions from the Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet;
- b) Reassign Action 'Community Development' from Non-Council Business to the Action Register;
- c) Keep open Action 'Chief Ministers Representative';
- d) Keep open Action - Information regarding fencing around Clinic; and
- e) Close Actions 'Water Security during power outages' and 'Old Power Water Compound'.

14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY 20 MAY, 2021

15 MEETING CLOSED

The meeting terminated at 1:28 pm.

This page and the preceding 7 pages are the minutes of the Wallace Rockhole Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday 18 March 2021 and were confirmed Thursday, 20 May 2021.

CONFIRMED MINUTES