

Mayor Wilson welcomed all in attendance and declared the meeting open at 10:37am

PRESENT

Mayor	John Wilson
Deputy Mayor	Terry Sams
Elected Member	Ralph Narburup
Elected Member	Wally Minjin (joined the meeting at 11:26am)
Elected Member	Mark Tunmuck-Smith
Elected Member	Mark Martin

Staff

Chief Executive Officer	Shaun Hardy
Director of Council and Community Services	Steve Horton
Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz)	Ramesh Pudasaini
Manager Corporate	Rebecca Purser

Guests

Department of Housing and Community Services	Amanda Haigh (Regional Manager Big Rivers Region)
Department of Housing and Community Services	Steven Kubasiewicz (Senior Planners Land Tenure Unit)
Local Government Association Of Northern Territory	Tony Tapsell (CEO)

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil apologies.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There were no declarations of interest at this Council Meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 28 March 2018

The venue for the meeting in June has been changed from Emu Point to Wadeye.

Contact details for residents of Nadirri are required so that the Department of Housing and Community Development can make contact and confirm number of residents.

The Regional Plan will include Woodycupildya, Emu Point and Peppimenarti access roads as priority roads.

053/2018 RECOMMENDATION:

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

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Cemeteries – raised by Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith;
2. Payment of Allowance for Elected Members – raised by Mayor Wilson
3. Sponsorship for Barunga Festival – raised by Mayor Wilson

REPORTS TO COUNCIL

1) Delegating functions to Local Authorities and Shared Services

Amanda Haigh conducted a presentation regarding delegation to Local Authorities and Shared Services. Any delegation given to Local Authorities is required to have a Council resolution and register of delegations must be maintained. Reference should be made to s.32 of the *Local Government Act*.

05 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the information presented from the Department of Housing and Community Development.**

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

2) Presentation from NT Police and Department of Chief Minister - Community Safety Action Plan

NT Police and Department of Chief Minister did not attend for presentation.

Motion:

- 1. That Council receives and notes the information presented from the Department of Chief Minister.**

3) Presentation from Department of Housing and Community Development regarding Remote Aboriginal Planning Framework

Steven Kubasiewicz conducted a presentation regarding Community Land Use Plans.

05 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the information from the Department of Housing and Community Development**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams
Seconded: Cr. Martin
Resolution: Unanimously

Steven Kubasiewicz left the meeting at the conclusion of his presentation.

4) **Presentation from LGANT | Elected Members Roles and Responsibilities and Code of Conduct**

Tony Tapsell conducted a presentation regarding Elected Members Roles and Responsibilities and Code of Conduct.

05 **Motion:**

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1. That Council receives and notes the information from LGANT regarding Elected Members Roles and Responsibilities

Moved: Cr. Sams

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

Tony Tapsell left the meeting at the conclusion of his presentation.

5) **Chief Executive Officer's report**

Chief Executive Officer spoke to his written report.

Matters to note:

- Stakeholders meeting with Chief Minister in Wadeye on 1 June 2018.
- Special Purpose Grant as been approved for trailer with LED Screen for use during emergencies and special events.
- Wadeye Basketball Court – Bollards and seatings quotes will be presented at the next local authority meeting for consideration.
- Project Sea Dragon Sea Farms Tour was a great success.

05 **Motion:**

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1. That Council note the Chief Executive Officer's report

Moved: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

11:00am – Ramesh Pudasaini left the meeting

11:16am – Ramesh Pudasaini returned to the meeting

6) **Homelands Report**

Director of Council and Community Services spoke to his written report.

Matters to note:

- Homelands officer is out slashing firebreaks around the outstations as a priority as it is burn off season.
- Johnathan McLeod, Manager Regional Development North, Northern Land Council will be consulting prioritised homeland communities and complete funding submissions in Early June to Late August 2018.

05 **Motion:**

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1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding Homelands

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

11:30am – Councillor Minjin joined the meeting

7) Aged Care Report

Director of Council and Community Services spoke to his written report.
Consideration regarding the liability around continuation of running the aged care facility is required.

05 **Motion:**

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1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding Thamarrurr Aged Care Services

Moved: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

12:06pm – Councillor Narburup left the meeting

12:17pm – Ralph Narburup returned to the meeting

8) Financial Report - March 2018

Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz) spoke to his written report.

06 **Motion:**

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1. That Council receives the Financial Report for March 2018.

Moved: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

12:19pm – Deputy Sams left the meeting

12:21pm – Deputy Sams returned to the meeting

9) Financial Report - April 2018

Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz) spoke to his written report.

06 **Motion:**

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1. That Council receives and notes the Financial report for April 2018.

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

10) 2018/19 BUDGET - PROCESS AND TIMETABLE

Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz) spoke to his written report.

06 **Motion:**

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That Council receives and notes the draft budget, process and time table for 2018/19. Draft Budget will be the part of draft regional plan.

Moved: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

12:30pm – Mayor Wilson closed the meeting for lunch

1:04pm – Mayor Wilson reopened the meeting

11) CEO Certificate - Regulation 24(1) of Local Government (Accounting) Regulation for FY2018-19

06 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives the report.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

12) Rates Declaration - 2018/19

Councillors acknowledged the previously agreed 15% increase in line with the comparatively lower base of West Daly Regional Council's rates. Rates will be declared in June.

06 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Rates Declaration 2018/19 as part of draft Regional Plan.**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

13) Fees & Charges - 2018/19

Terms and conditions to include staff and elected member discount of 35% for tilt tray hire as per resolution 157/2017 on 25 October 2017.

06 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Schedule of Fees and Charges for the 2018/19 as part of draft Regional Plan.**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

14) Elected members Allowances 2018/19

06 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives the draft Elected Members Allowance for 2018/19 for the Regional Plan.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

15) Local Authority Allowances 2018/19

06 Motion:

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Local Authority allowance for 2018/19**
- 2. That Council receives and notes the Local Authority members allowance set by Guideline 8 for the 2018-19 financial year as: Chair: \$164 per meeting; Eligible member: \$123 per meeting**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

16) Debt Policy

06 Motion:

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- 1. That Council adopt the revised policy on Debt management.**

Moved: Cr. Sams

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

17) Policy Approval - Computer, Email, Internet and Telephone Usage Policy

06 Motion:

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- 1. That Council approves the adoption of Computer, Email, Internet and Telephone Usage Policy.**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

18) Mineral Extraction Agreement

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- 1. That Council approves the use of the Common Seal for the s.19 Mineral Extraction Lease from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

19) Variation No.2 of 2017-18 Municipal and Essential Services Special Purpose Grant Funding Agreement - Round 4

07 Motion:

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- 1. That Council approves the use of the common seal on Funding**

Agreement Variation No.2 of 2017-18 Municipal and Essential Services Special Purpose Grant Funding Agreement – Round 4 from Department of Housing and Community Development

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith
Resolution: Unanimously

20) 2018-2019 Standard Grant Agreement - Commonwealth and Home Support Programme (CHSP)

07 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council approves the use of the common seal on 2018-2019 Funding Agreement for Commonwealth and Home Support Programme (CHSP) from Department of Health.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Sams
Resolution: Unanimously

21) Northern Territory Natural Disaster Resilience Program Funding Agreement

07 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council approves the use of the common seal on Funding Agreement for Northern Territory Natural Disaster Resilience Program (NTNDRP) – Portable LED Screens project from Department of the Chief Minister.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith
Resolution: Unanimously

22) Local Authority - Nganmarriyanga

07 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council approves the recommendation from the Local Authority for the sponsorship request of \$17,707 for Education Digital Development for Nganmarriyanga School from Local Authority Funds.**
- 2. That Council approves the recommendation from the Local Authority for the sponsorship request of \$13,600 for Michael Long Learning and Leadership Centre from Local Authority Funds.**

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

23) Local Authority - Peppimenarti

07 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation that 50% of the invoice from Nth Degree Engineers be allocated for the scoping study for the walkway and elevated footbridge between the village and the shop.**

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

24) Local Authority - Wadeye

07 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council approves the recommendations from the Local Authority that the amount of \$28,992.70 be allocated for the Wadeye Softball Oval Drainage works.**
- 2. That Council approves the recommendations from the Local Authority that 50% of the invoice from Nth Degree Engineers be allocated for the Scoping Study for the walkway and elevated footbridge between Manthathpe and Wadeye.**
- 3. That Council approves the recommendations from the Local Authority that an amount of \$50,000 be allocated for the purchase and installation of water bubblers along the main street and around the main oval.**
- 4. That Council approves the recommendations from the Local Authority that an amount of \$6,297.50 be allocated for the purchase of 20 aluminium bench seats around the main oval with an additional \$1,000 to be allocated for concrete for installation purposes.**
- 5. That Council approves the recommendations from the Local Authority that an amount of \$2,475 be allocated for the purchase of shade trees around the main oval and the community.**
- 6. That Council approves the recommendations from the Local Authority that an amount of \$50,000 be allocated for the installation of concrete speed humps around Manthathpe, Nilinh, Creek Camp, Bem Street and Banthan Street.**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

25) Local Authority Membership Nomination

07 **Motion:**

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8 **1. That Council accepts the nomination form from John Paul Wodidj seeking Local Authority membership for Nganmarriyanga.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Minjin
Resolution: Unanimously

26) Community Night Patrol Manager's Report

Community Night Patrol Manager spoke to his written report.

07 **Motion:**

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8 **1. That Council receives and notes the Community Night Patrol Manager's report.**

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith
Resolution: Unanimously

COMMUNITY REPORTS

27) Wadeye Community Services Manager's Report

Wadeye Community Services Manager spoke to his written report. It was noted that there is a need to identify a weekly rubbish schedule regarding rubbish as it is not being regularly collected.

07 **Motion:**

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8 **1. That Council receives and notes the Wadeye Community Services Manager's Report**

Moved: Cr. Sams
Seconded: Cr. Narburup
Resolution: Unanimously

28) Nganmarriyanga Community Services Manager's Report (Acting)

Acting Community Services Manager spoke to his written report.

08 **Motion:**

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8 **1. That Council receives and notes the Nganmarriyanga Community Services Manager's Report (Acting)**

Moved: Cr. Narburup
Seconded: Cr. Martin
Resolution: Unanimously

29) Peppimenarti Community Services Manager's Report (Acting)

Acting Community Services Manager spoke to his written report.

08 **Motion:**

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- 01 **1. That Council receives and notes the Community Services**

8 **Manager's Report for Peppimenarti.**

Moved: Cr. Martin
Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith
Resolution: Unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE IN & OUT

30) Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

08 Motion:

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1. That Council accept the correspondence

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams
Seconded: Cr. Martin
Resolution: Unanimously

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Cemeteries – raised by Councillor Tunmuck-Smith

- Councillor Tunmuck-Smith advised that
 - Grave sites are too close and there is a lack of space available;
 - We need to start planning for a better future;
- CEO advised that
 - 1.2 meters apart is the standard requirement;
 - Council can investigate the possibilities of expanding the s.19 lease;
 - Council will liaise with Traditional Owners regarding expansion.
 - The proposed Cemeteries Act will have new reporting requirements;
 - Strategic Local Government Infrastructure Fund includes scope for cemetery upgrades which include fencing, water supply and shade structures.

2. Payment of Allowance for Elected Members – raised by Mayor Wilson

Mayor Wilson requested that payment of allowances be processed on the same week that any travel is required.

3. Sponsorship for Barunga Festival – raised by Mayor Wilson

Mayor Wilson asked if Council could sponsor Peppimenarti Bulldogs to go to Barunga Festival. Senior Financial Consultant advised him that Sport and Recreation Money was transferred to Deewin Kirim and Mutchirr Association who should be the appropriate contacts for sponsorship.

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION:

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* as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

- 31 Palumpa Airport Road Repairs, Upgrade & Sealing - Contract Variation - The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (ci) 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 cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person.

- 32 Staff and Accommodation Matters** - *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.*
- 33 Tenancy Sublease** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (ci) 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 cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person.*
- 34 CCTV Licence Deed** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (e) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential.*

The meeting closed at 4:05pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 10 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Meeting of Council HELD ON Friday, 18 May 2018 AND CONFIRMED 20 June 2018.