



MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE  
PEPPIMENARTI ON WEDNESDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER 2019 AT  
10:00AM

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Mayor Wilson declared the meeting open at 10:25am and welcomed all in attendance.

**PRESENT**

Mayor	John Wilson
Deputy Mayor	Terry Sams
Councillor	Wally Minjin
Councillor	Ralph Narburup
Councillor	Mark Martin

**Staff:**

Steve Horton	Director of Council and Community Services
Rebecca Purser	Manager Corporate
Steve Loring	Community Services Manager Peppimenarti
Michael Fitisemanu	Community Services Manager Wadeye
Damian Blair	Acting Community Services Manager Nganmarriyanga
Georgie Barnett	Aged Care Manager
Deanne Nankivell	Homelands Coordinator

**Apologies and Leave of Absence**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That** Council accepts the apology received from Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith and notes that Shaun Hardy, CEO is on annual leave.

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

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF**

Rebecca Purser, Manager Corporate declared an interest in services currently being undertaken by Active Tree Services.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 21 August 2019**

**117/2019 RECOMMENDATION:**

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

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

## **CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS**

Rebecca Purser, Manager Corporate, called for two late items:

1. Asset Disposal – CD58XI and CD22IZ
2. Confidential Item, CEO Matters

## **REPORTS TO COUNCIL**

### **1) Director of Council and Community Services Report**

DOCCS spoke to his written report

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Director of Council and Community Services report.**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

### **2) Financial Report - August 2019**

DOCCS spoke to the Senior Financial Consultant's written report.

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- 1. That the Council receives and notes Financial Report for August 2019.**

Moved: Cr. Minjin

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

### **3) Human Resources Report**

Manager Corporate spoke to her written report.

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Human Resources report.**

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

### **4) Local Authority Minutes and Recommendations**

Manager Corporate spoke to her written report.

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1. That Council receives and notes the minutes from the Local Authorities for Nganmariyanga and Peppimenarti on 3 September 2019 and Wadeye on 4 September 2019.

**Wadeye Local Authority Project Recommendations:**

2. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation for allocation of an amount of \$175,000 for road repairs through Pindi Pindi Ward and Council seek an exemption from the Department of Local Government Housing and Community Development from going to tender.
3. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation for allocation of an amount of \$36,000 for the purchase of a Road Sweeper
4. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation for allocation of an amount of \$10,200 for the purchase of a Mosquito Fogger Machine
5. That Council ratifies the Local Authority recommendation for allocation of an amount of \$1,691.80 for trophies and medallions for the AFL Grand Final.

**Peppimenarti Local Authority Project Recommendations:**

6. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation that the playground equipment be sourced through available grant funding.
7. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation for the co-contribution of the cost of travel of \$774.50 for Food Ladder consultation visit when funds become available.
8. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation for the co-contribution of up to \$500 to the cost of repairing the firefighting trailer.
9. That Council approves the Local Authority recommendation for the cost of repairs to the sewerage pits for the ablution blocks when funds become available of \$5500.00

**Nganmariyanga Local Authority Project Recommendations:**

10. That council notes there were no recommendations for Nganmariyanga Local Authority Projects.

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

**5) NTG's Draft Aboriginal Affairs Strategy**

Corporate Manager spoke to her written report.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Draft Aboriginal Affairs Strategy Everyone Together 2019-2029 and at this stage, no feedback is required.**

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

**6) Northern Territory Grants Commission Allocations 2019-20**

Corporate Manager spoke to the Grants Manager's written report.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council accepts the Northern Territory Grants Commission Allocations for 2019-20 financial year.**

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

**7) Strengthening Rural Communities Program - Community Tree Planting in Wadeye, Peppimenarti and Nganmarriyanga**

Corporate Manager spoke to the Grants Manager's written report.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council accepts the grant funding from Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal for Community Tree Planting in Wadeye, Peppimenarti and Nganmarriyanga amounting to \$4,946.**

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

**8) Homelands Coordinator's Report**

Homelands Coordinator Spoke to her written report.

**Action:** Homelands Coordinator to arrange next Homelands Residents Meeting on either Monday 21 or Tuesday 22 October 2019 (date to be confirmed) at Peppimenarti Club.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Homelands Coordinator's Report.**

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

**9) Aged Care Manager's Report**

Aged Care Manager spoke to her written report. Councillors congratulated the Manager on all her hard work and efforts over the last 12 months and wished her well in her future endeavours.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Aged Care Manager's report.**

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

**10) Action Items Update**

Manager Corporate spoke to her written report.

**Action:** Invitation be forwarded to Johnathon McLeod to attend the Homelands Residents Meeting in October.

**Action:** Invitation to be forwarded to NLC CEO and Chairperson to attend the October meeting to be held in Darwin.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the action items update.**

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

**11) Attendance Records**

Manager Corporate spoke to her written report.

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Elected Members attendance records.**

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

**12) Mayor and CEO Upcoming Travel Arrangements**

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**Motion:**

- 1. That Council notes upcoming meetings and events and approves travel and associated costs and allowances for Elected Members attendance at the Homelands Workshop in September 2019.**
- 2. That Council approves the dates for the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting and Ordinary Council Meeting to be changed to 29 and 30 October respectively and approves the associated costs and allowances for Elected Members in attending same.**

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

## **COMMUNITY REPORTS**

### **13) Regional CNP report**

DOCCS spoke to the Senior Team Leader for Night Patrol's written report.

**Action:** Inquiries to be made with regards to implementing random drug testing for WDRC staff.

#### **13 0/2 01 9 Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Senior Team Leader Night Patrol's report.**

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

### **14) Community Services Manager's Report, Peppimenarti**

CSM Peppimenarti spoke to his written report.

**Action:** Night Patrol Staff to have a greater presence around the school during school hours in an attempt to reduce student unrest.

#### **13 1/2 01 9 Motion:**

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

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

### **15) Community Services Manager's Report, Thamarrurr/Pindi Pindi Ward**

Community Services Manager Wadeye spoke to his written report.

#### **13 2/2 01 9 Motion:**

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

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

### **16) Community Services Report, Nganmariyanga**

Acting Community Services Manager Nganmariyanga spoke to his written report.

#### **13 3/2 Motion:**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE IN & OUT**

**17) Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence**

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**1. That Council receives and notes correspondence**

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

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

**LATE ITEMS:**

**18) Asset Disposal – CD58XI and CD22IZ**

Insurance Company has advised that the claims for the above vehicles were accepted that they have been deemed as write offs. Council approval sought as to disposal of assets.

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**1. That Council approves the disposal of vehicles CD58XI and CD22IZ and that they be removed from the assets register.**

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

**DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Wilson closed the public meeting and moved to confidential agenda.

**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:-

**Late Item (Confidential)**

*CEO 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.*

The meeting closed at 1:00pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 6 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Meeting of Council HELD ON Wednesday, 25 September 2019 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 30 October 2019.