

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE DARWIN OFFICE
ON WEDNESDAY, 20 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 10:00AM

Mayor John Wilson declared the meeting open at 10:07am and welcomed all in attendance.

PRESENT

John Wilson	Mayor
Terry Sams	Deputy Mayor
Wally Minjin	Councillor
Ralph Narburup	Councillor
Mark Martin	Councillor
Mark Tunmuck-Smith	Councillor
Shaun Hardy	Chief Executive Officer
Steve Horton	Director of Council and Community Services
Rebecca Purser	Manager Corporate
Steve Loring	Community Services Manager Peppimenarti
Ramesh Pudasaini	Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz)

Guests

Anjali Palmer	Department of Local Government Housing and Community Development
Amanda Leach	Menzies School of Health Education and Research

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE - Nil

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 23 October 2019

136/2019 RECOMMENDATION:

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

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

Rebecca Purser, Manager Corporate called for a late Item regarding Accommodation – Matter to be discussed under Confidential Agenda.

REPORTS

1) Presentation - Hearing for Learning

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- 1. That Council endorses the Hearing for Learning Initiative for Wadeye, Nganmarriyanga and Peppimenarti.**

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

2) Presentation - Boundless Possible Small Grants Opportunities

13 **Motion:**

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding small grant opportunities for Boundless Possible and request that an application for 'Welcome Signs' for Wadeye, Nganmarriyanga, Peppimenarti and Emu Point be submitted.**

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

3) Chief Executive Officer's Report

CEO spoke to his written report.

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- 1. That Council receives and notes the Chief Executive Officer's report.**

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

4) Director of Council and Community Services Report

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

Matters to note:

- Funding is available for operational purposes for remote passenger transport services;
- Representative from the Department of Local Government Housing and Community Development advised that if there are grant opportunities available to purchase a community bus then we should submit an application.

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1. That Council receives and notes Director of Council and Community Services.

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

5) Financial Report - October 2019

Senior Financial Consultant spoke to his written report.

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Motion:

1. That Council receives and notes the Financial Report - October 2019.

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

6) EOI - Audit Services

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Motion:

1. That the Council receives and notes the Draft EOI – Audit services documents.

2. That the Council nominates, Shaun Hardy, Steve Horton and Ramesh Pudasaini as the evaluation committee for EOI – Audit services.

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

7) NT Treaty

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Motion:

1. That Council notes the plans regarding an NT Treaty.

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

8) Uniform Companion Animal Management Legislation

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Motion:

1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding the

9 **Uniform Companion Animal Management Legislation.**

2. **That Council requests draft submissions be brought back to a future Council meeting noting that Council would prefer to draft their own policy and not introduce By-Laws.**

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

9) **Electoral Arrangements**

Councillors were advised that with changes to the draft legislation, Electoral Reviews will be conducted by an independent panel.

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1. **That Council approves the report with no changes recommended to Council's electoral arrangements.**

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

10) **Variation 3 of 2019-2020 Municipal and Essential Services, Housing Maintenance Services and Homelands Jobs - Grant Agreement R00052C**

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1. **That Council accepts the Deed of Variation and approves the use of the common seal on Deed of Variation 3 of 2019-20 Municipal and Essential Services (MES), Housing Maintenance Services (HMS) and Homelands Jobs – Grant Agreement R00052C from Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development.**

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

11) **2019-2020 Municipal and Essential Services Special Purpose Grant Funding Offer**

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1. **That Council accepts the 2019-20 MESSPG funding and approves the use of the common seal on the 2019-2020 Municipal and Essential Services Special Purpose Grant (MESSPG) Agreement NR00087H-MESSPG.**

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

12:08pm – Mayor Wilson closed the meeting for lunch

12:52pm – Mayor Wilson re-opened the meeting.

12) Tender Committee - Road works for Council's Priority Roads

DOCC's advised that although we were successful in the exemption request for Wadeye Internal Roads works to proceed, due to the variation of the quotation received regarding mobilisation costs, it is recommended that the internal roads for Wadeye be included in Council's Priority Roads Tender.

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1. That Council nominates Steve Horton, Steve Loring and Ramesh Pudasaini as the tender committee members for the road works for Council's Priority Roads.
2. That Council confirms the Priority Roads are:
 - a. Peppimenarti Creek Crossing;
 - b. Emu Point Creek Crossing;
 - c. Merrepen Creek Crossing; and
 - d. Wadeye Internal Roads.
3. That Council advertise for tender submissions through TenderLink and the local newspaper.

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

13) Tender Committee – Irrigation for the Football and Softball Ovals at Peppimenarti

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1. That Council nominates Steve Horton, Steve Loring and Ramesh Pudasaini as the tender committee members for the supply and installation of irrigation for the football and softball ovals at Lot 87 and Lot 97 Peppimenarti.
2. That Council advertise for tender submissions through TenderLink and the local newspapers.

Moved: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

14) Action Items Updates

Matters to note:

Action:

Additional speed humps required for Peppimenarti and Nganmarriyanga

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1. That Council receives and notes the Action Items Update.

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

15) Upcoming Meetings, Events and Travel Arrangements

Action:

That the Peppimenarti Christmas Party be changed to 29 November 2019 and that there be a special event to acknowledge 10 year service award for Councillor Wally Minjin.

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1. That Council receives and notes the remaining meeting dates and approves associated travel and accommodation costs for attendance at meetings and workshops scheduled for November and December 2019.

2. That Council decline the invitation to attend the 2019 Annual Sustainable Community Tidy Town Forum & Awards on 29 November 2019

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Martin

Resolution: Unanimously

16) 2020 Meeting Dates - Ordinary, Audit and Local Authority

Mayor requested that meeting dates to coincide with pay week.

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1. That Council approves the proposed meeting dates for the year 2020 as follows and authorises for the dates to be placed on Council Website which will constitute as notice of meetings as per requirements under legislation:

Date	Event/Meeting	Location	Time
JANUARY 2020			
Wednesday 29 January	Ordinary Council Meeting	Darwin	9:30am
FEBRUARY 2020			
Tuesday 11 February	Nganmarriyanga Local Authority	Nganmarriyan ga	9:30am
Tuesday 11 February	Peppimenarti Local Authority	Peppimenarti	1:30pm
Wednesday 12	Wadeye Local Authority	Wadeye	10:00am

February			
Wednesday 26 February	Ordinary Council Meeting	Darwin	9:30am
MARCH 2020			
Tuesday 24 March	Risk Management Workshop	Darwin	9:30am
Tuesday 24 March	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	Darwin	2:00pm
Wednesday 25 March	Ordinary Council Meeting	Darwin	9:30am
APRIL 2020			
Tuesday 7 April	Nganmariyanga Local Authority	Nganmariyanga	9:30am
Tuesday 7 April	Peppimenarti Local Authority	Peppimenarti	1:30pm
Wednesday 8 April	Wadeye Local Authority	Wadeye	10:00am
Wednesday 22 April	Ordinary Council Meeting	Wadeye	10:00am
MAY 2020			
Wednesday 20 May	Ordinary Council Meeting	Nganmariyanga	10:00am
JUNE 2020			
Tuesday 2 June	Nganmariyanga Local Authority	Nganmariyanga	9:30am
Tuesday 2 June	Peppimenarti Local Authority	Peppimenarti	1:30pm
Wednesday 3 June	Wadeye Local Authority	Wadeye	10:00am
14-17 June	National General Assembly of Local Government	Canberra	TBA
Wednesday 17 June	Ordinary Council Meeting	Peppimenarti	10:00am
JULY 2020			
Wednesday 29 July	Ordinary Council Meeting	Wadeye	10:00am
AUGUST 2020			
Tuesday 11 August	Nganmariyanga Local Authority	Nganmariyanga	9:30am
Tuesday 11 August	Peppimenarti Local Authority	Peppimenarti	1:30pm
Wednesday 12 August	Wadeye Local Authority	Wadeye	10:00am
Wednesday 26 August	Ordinary Council Meeting	Nganmariyanga	10:00am
SEPTEMBER 2020			
Wednesday 23 September	Ordinary Council Meeting	Peppimenarti	9:30am
OCTOBER 2020			
Tuesday 20 October	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	Darwin	2:00pm
Wednesday 21 October	Ordinary Council Meeting	Darwin	10:00am

NOVEMBER 2020			
Wednesday 18 November	Ordinary Council Meeting	Darwin	9:30am
DECEMBER 2020			
Tuesday 1 December	Nganmariyanga Local Authority	Nganmariyan ga	9:30am
Tuesday 1 December	Peppimenarti Local Authority	Peppimenarti	1:30pm
Wednesday 2 December	Wadeye Local Authority	Wadeye	10:00am
Wednesday 16 December	Ordinary Council Meeting	Darwin	10:00am

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

17) Elected Members Attendance Records

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 9 **1. That Council receives and notes the information regarding Elected Members Attendance Records.**

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

18) Human Resources Report

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 9 **1. That Council receives and notes the Human Resources update.**

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

COMMUNITY REPORTS

19) Community Services Manager's Report - Nganmariyanga

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 9 **1. That Council receives and notes the Community Service Manger's report, Nganmariyanga.**

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

20) Community Services Manager's Report – Peppimenarti

Action:

Fire trailer gifted by Deewin Kirrim is to be registered and added to the assets register.

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

Moved: Deputy Mayor Sams

Seconded: Cr. Narburup

Resolution: Unanimously

21) CNP Regional Report

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

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

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:-

22 Wadey Pool - *The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (f) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains Under Part 4 of the Local Government Regulations 8 (c) (i) "cause commercial prejudice to or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person".*

23 CEO Professional Membership and Contract - *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 2:20pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 8 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Meeting of Council HELD ON Wednesday, 20 November 2019 AND CONFIRMED 11 December 2019