



MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE WEST DALY REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WINNELLIE NT
ON THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2023
AT 10:00 AM

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

West Daly Regional Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners and custodians of the lands on which we live and work, paying our respect to Elders past, present and in the future

Deferred Meeting Time

The meeting time was deferred to 10:20 AM due to technical difficulties.

Meeting opened at 10:23 am.

PERSONS PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Apology</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ralph Narburp	Mayor	X		
Wilfred Harris	Deputy Mayor	X Via teleconference		
Mark Tunmuck-Smith	Councillor	X		
John Wilson	Councillor	X		
Terry Sams	Councillor	X		
Jake Clark	Councillor		X	

OFFICERS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Apology</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Matthew Eastham	Chief Executive Officer		X	
Andrew Everingham	Acting Chief Executive Officer	X		
Lemaki Curulala	Acting Chief Operating Officer	X		
David Glover	Executive Director Corporate Services	X		
Dorothea Janczewska	Manager People and Culture	X		

Michelle Griffin	Executive Officer to the CEO and Mayor	X		
Caitlyn Moulds	Corporate Services Officer	X		

GUESTS

Nil

APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

111/2023 **RECOMMENDATION:**

That an apology be received and accepted for the non-attendance of Councillor Jake Clark

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

QUORUM

Quorum was achieved for this meeting with 5 members present.

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There were no declarations of interest at this Council Meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5 October 2023

112/2023 **Motion:**

That Council approve the Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes of 5 October 2023 as a true and correct record of the meeting.

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

CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

MAYORAL REPORT

Nil

CEO REPORT

Nil

REPORTS

2) **Capital Projects Update**

Cr. Wilson noted his disappointment with the unsatisfactory works that have been completed at the bridge sites of Peppimenarti Bridge and Emu Point. He noted that gravel was used and there is a concern that this will be washed away during the wet season and works will have to be re-done. Cr. Wilson requested these works be done using concrete.

The Acting Chief Executive Officer took this matter on notice

Cr Tunmuck-Smith noted that Fossil Head road has been graded incorrectly.

Acting Chief Operating Officer, Lemaki Curulala noted that these works are ongoing.

113/2023 **Motion:**

- 1. THAT Council receive and note the update on the delivery of the capital projects.**

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

3) **Homelands Project Update**

114/2023 **Motion:**

- 1. THAT Council receive and note the update on the Homelands projects**

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

4) **Service Delivery**

Cr. Wilson noted in remote communities where there are no pools, locals swim in the creeks and there is no water safety knowledge or community members with water lifesaving knowledge. Cr. Wilson requested that further training occur in Palumpa and Peppimenarti to assist in keeping community members safe.

Acting Chief Executive Officer, Andrew Everingham to action and advise the council when the training is scheduled in.

ACTION

Run additional training course through Royal Life Saving NT and invite members from the surrounding communities.

115/2023 **Motion:**

1. **That Council receive and note the Service Delivery report.**

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Cr. Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

Cr John Wilson left the meeting, the time being 11:03 AM

Cr John Wilson returned to the meeting, the time being 11:06 AM

5) **Finance Report - October 2023**

116/2023 **Motion:**

1. **That Council receives and approves the West Daly Regional Council Financial report for October 2023.**

Moved: Cr Wilson

Seconded: Cr. Sams

Resolution: Unanimously

6) **Recruitment, Selection, and Onboarding Policy**

117/2023 **Motion:**

1. **That Council has receive and note and approve the PC09 Recruitment, Selection, and Onboarding Policy.**

Moved: Cr. Sams

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

Cr Terry Sams left the meeting, the time being 11:27 AM

Cr Terry Sams returned to the meeting, the time being 11:29 AM

7) **Nomination of Deputy CEO**

118/2023 **Motion:**

1. **THAT Council endorses and approves the nomination of the Chief Operations Officer, as the Deputy CEO for a period not exceeding two years.**

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

8) **Acting CEO Report**

119/2023 **Motion:**

1. **That Council receives and notes the a/CEO report for the period 12/10/23 to 24/11/23.**

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

Cr Ralph Narburup left the meeting, the time being 11:48 AM

Cr Ralph Narburup returned to the meeting, the time being 11:55 AM

7) **Elected Member Vehicle Allowances**

120/2023 **Motion:**

1. **That Council note the update provided in this paper.**
2. **That Council request for a meeting with the Northern Territory Remuneration Tribunal to be provided with an update on the inquiry into its Determination of Allowances for Members of Local Government.**

Moved: Deputy Harris
Seconded: Cr. Sams
Resolution: Unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE IN & OUT

9) **Correspondence Report**

121/2023 **Motion:**

1. **That Council notes and accepts the correspondence report for the period September to November 2023.**

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

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council breaks for 20 minutes before moving to the closed portion of the meeting. Council to reconvene at 12:30 pm.

Moved: Deputy. Harris

Seconded: Cr. Wilson

Resolution: Unanimously

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:-

- 10 CEO Recruitment RFQ** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(s99(2) (a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains the public may be excluded while business of a kind prescribed by regulation as confidential business is being considered.; AND 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 (Confidential).*
- 11 Final Compliance Report** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii) (d) (e) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.; AND information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest. (Confidential).*
- 12 Deed of Termination for Duplicate Housing, Municipal and Essential Services** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest. (Business and Financial Included).*
- 13 Proposed Appointment of Interim CEO** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. 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 (Confidential Employment Information).*
- 14 Confirmation of Previous Minutes** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(s99(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains the public may be excluded while business of a kind prescribed by regulation as confidential business is being considered. (Confidential Minutes).*

- 15 Deed of Variation FY 2023-2025 for Safety and Wellbeing Programme** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(e) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest. (Financials included).*
- 16 Peppimenarti Swimming Pool Closure Outcome** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(s99(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains the public may be excluded while business of a kind prescribed by regulation as confidential business is being considered. (Confidential Internal Business).*
- 17 Confirmation of Special Council Meeting Minutes** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(s99(2) (c)(i) (a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains the public may be excluded while business of a kind prescribed by regulation as confidential business is being considered.; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person.; AND 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 (Confidential).*

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

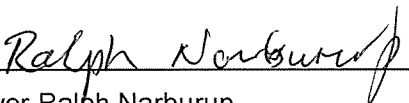
RECOMMENDATION:

That the council resumes the meeting and formally closed the meeting at 1:34 pm

Moved: Cr. Wilson

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously



Mayor Ralph Narburup