



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT Council Chambers Winnellie NT
ON Thursday 25 January 2024
AT 1:00 pm

The meeting was scheduled for 10:00 am but was postponed to 1:00 pm due to bad weather conditions and a flight delay.

The meeting opened at 1:12 pm.

1 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.

2 PRESENT APOLOGY AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Elected Members

Name	Title	Present	Apology	Absent
Ralph Naburup	Mayor	✓		
Wilfred Harris	Deputy Mayor	Phone		
Mark Tunmuck-Smith	Councillor	Online		
John Wilson	Councillor	✓		
Terry Sams	Councillor		✓	
Jake Clark	Councillor			Resigned

Staff

- Mark Blackburn
- Lemaki Curulala
- David Glover
- Dorothea Janczewska
- Michelle Griffin
- Renjith Kollakkombil Jose

Position

- A/Chief Executive Officer
- A/Chief Operations Officer
- Executive Director, Corporate Services
- People and Culture Manager
- Executive Officer
- Governance Officer (minute taker)

5 CEO REPORT

5.1 CEO Report

Resolution: **OCM-2024/4**

1. That Council receives and notes the A/CEO report for the period 11 December 2023 until 19 January 2024.

Moved: *Councillor John Wilson*

Seconded: *Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith*

Carried 4 / 0

6 REPORTS FOR DECISION

A/CEO Mark Blackburn declared conflict of interest and excluded himself for item 6.1.
A/CEO Mark Blackburn left the meeting at 1:30 pm.

6.1 Policy Approval

Resolution: **OCM-2024/5**

1. That Council approves GOV36 Credit Card by Chief Executive Officer policy;
and
2. That Council approves GOV37 Gifts and Benefits by Chief Executive Officer.

Moved: *Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith*

Seconded: *Councillor John Wilson*

Carried 4 / 0

A/CEO Mark Blackburn returned at 1:38 pm

7 REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

Deputy Mayor Wilfred Harris lost phone connection at 1:48 pm and back at 1:51 pm.

7.1 Finance Report for the period ended 30 November 2023

Resolution: **OCM-2024/6**

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

Moved: *Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith*

Seconded: *Mayor Ralph Narburup*

Carried 4 / 0

Deputy Mayor Wilfred Harris's phone connection was lost at 2:11 pm and reconnected at 2:11pm

7.2 Finance Report for the period ended 31 December 2023

Resolution: **OCM-2024/7**

1. That Council receives and approves the report entitled '*Financial Report for the period ended 31 December 2023*'.

8.3 Nganmariyanga Local Authority meeting scheduled on 23 November 2023 was cancelled

Resolution: **OCM-2024/10**

1. That the Council notes the Nganmariyanga Local Authority meeting scheduled on 23 November 2023 was cancelled

Moved: *Mayor Ralph Narburup*

Seconded: *Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith*

Carried 4 / 0

9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

Nil

10 CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 Correspondence Report

Resolution: **OCM-2024/11**

1. That Council notes and accepts the correspondence.

Moved: *Councillor John Wilson*

Seconded: *Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith*

Carried 4 / 0

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Feasibility study for the Peppi Hub: Once a formal letter is signed a feasibility study consultant will be engaged.

12 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

12.0 Decision to move to Closed Session

That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda:-

Moved: *Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith*

Seconded: *Councillor John Wilson*

13 NEXT MEETING

Next meeting of the Ordinary Council will be held on Thursday the 27th of March 2024.

14 MEETING CLOSE

Meeting Close

Resolution: OCM-2024/12

That Council close the Ordinary Council meeting at 3:19 pm

Moved: Councillor John Wilson

Seconded: Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith

Carried 4 / 0

This page and the preceding six pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Thursday, 25 January 2024.


/Mayor Ralph Narburip