

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
3, 4 ALBATROSS STREET, WINNELLIE ON
WEDNESDAY, 16 DECEMBER 2020 AT 9:30AM

Deputy Mayor Sams declared the meeting open at 9:55am and welcomed all in attendance.

PRESENT

Terry Sams	Deputy Mayor
Wally Minjin	Councillor
Ralph Narburup	Councillor
Mark Tunmuck-Smith	Councillor
Mark Martin	Councillor – arrived at 10:40am

Staff

Steve Horton	Acting CEO
Rebecca Purser	Manager Corporate
Ramesh Pudasaini	Senior Financial Consultant (CouncilBiz)
John Harpley	Community Services Manager Nganmariyanga
Kristen Munckton	Community Services Manager Peppimenarti

Guests

Jocelyn Nathaniel-Waters Department of Chief Minister and Cabinet

Apologies and Leave of Absence

Apology received from Mayor Wilson

Motion:

That the Council accepts the apology from Mayor Wilson.

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Carried: Unanimously

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

Councillor Minjin declared an interest in the late item – Community Planning and Development Project – Sponsored by Minjin family group of the Rak Papagnala Traditional Owners. Cr. Minjin remained in the meeting however did not partake in the discussions.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11 November 2020

156/2020 **Motion:**

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

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS OR LATE ITEMS

Steve Horton called for the following late items:

1. Community Planning and Development Project – sponsored by Minjin Family Group of the Rak Papangala Traditional Owners.
2. 2020-21 Municipal and Essential Services Special Purpose Grant (MESSPG).

REPORTS

1) Acting Chief Executive Officer report

ACEO spoke to his written report.

Deputy Mayor inquired with regards to Elected Member Training post the NTEC Elections in September. Manager Corporate advised that DCM&C had been in contact and have set tentative dates in October 2021 – refer to proposed 2021 Calendar Agenda Item.

Deputy Mayor also requested that Elected Members be advised when council staff are attending homelands and that the Elected Members be invited to attend also.

157/2020 **Motion:**

1. That Council receives and notes the Acting CEO report

Moved: Cr. Minjin

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

2) Financial Report - November 2020

Options regarding Palumpa Station including rates and possible s.19 leases to be brought back to Council for consideration by February OCM at the latest.

158/2020 **Motion:**

1. That Council receives and notes the Financial Report for November 2020.

Moved: Cr. Narburup

Seconded: Cr. Minjin

Resolution: Unanimously

3) Local Authority Minutes and Recommendations

Shaded seating area to be installed at the Youth Centre, Council Office and the Park adjacent to the Civil Yard.

159/2020 **Motion:**

1. That Council receives and notes the Local Authority Minutes for Nganmariyanga and Provisional Local Authority Minutes for Wadeye for 8 and 9 December respectively.

2. That Council approves the following Local Authority

recommendations to Council:

Wadeye:-

- a. Allocation of an amount of \$20,000 for the maintenance of the Ablution blocks on Perdjert Street.**
- b. Allocation of an amount up to \$30,000 for the purchase and installation of 4 additional shaded seating structures.**
- c. Allocation of an amount up to \$5,000 to replace the Wadeye welcome sign.**

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

10:40am – Cr. Martin joined the meeting.

4) 2021 Calendar for West Daly Regional Council Meetings

ARMC Meeting proposed for 18 May 2021 be moved to 23 June 2021 – all other dates are accepted.

160/2020 Motion:

- 1. That Council approves the 2021 Calendar of Meetings.**

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

5) Elected Members Attendance Records

General discussions were had around the NT Council Elections 2021, wards and requirements under the Act regarding eligibility to nominate.

161/2020 Motion:

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

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

6) Australia Day Council NT - Australia Day 2021

162/2020 Motion:

- 1. That Council accepts the funding of \$3,000 from Australia Day Council NT to support Council's Australia Day 2021 activities.**

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

7) Special Community Assistance and Local Employment (SCALE) Funding - Acquittal Requirement - SCALE Certification Report

163/2020 **Motion:**

- 1. That Council accepts and approves the SCALE funding acquittal and certification report.**

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

8) 2020/21 Deed of Variation 7 Municipal and Essential Services, Housing Maintenance Services and Homelands Jobs Funding

164/2020 **Motion:**

- 1. That Council accepts the 2020/21 MES, HMS and HJ funding and approves the use of the common seal to the 2020/21 Deed of Variation 7 Municipal and Essential Services, Housing Maintenance Services and Homelands Jobs Funding.**

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

COMMUNITY REPORTS

9) Wadeye Community Service Managers Report

CCTV around the Oval including the tank for the irrigation system to be assessed.

Clean up around Creek Camp required.

165/2020 **Motion:**

- 1. That Council notes the Wadeye community service Managers Report**

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

10) Nganmarriyanga Community Service Managers Report

166/2020 **Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Community Services Managers report from Nganmarriyanga.**

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

11) Peppimenarti Community Services Manager's Report

167/2020 **Motion:**

- 1. That Council receives and notes the Community Services Manager's report, Peppimenarti**
- 2. That Council look into a new location for the ablution blocks**
- 3. Upgrade the Speed Humps**
- 4. Approve the installation of Eye Wash station and Chemical Shower for the workshop.**

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

CORRESPONDENCE IN & OUT

12) Correspondence Report

168/2020 **Motion:**

- 1. That Council accept the correspondence**

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

GENERAL BUSINESS/ LATE ITEMS

Community Planning and Development Project – sponsored by Minjin Family Group of the Rak Papangala Traditional Owners.

169/2020 **Motion:**

That the Council accepts the project as an independent contractor for Outstation works and deliver the project in agreement with the Northern Land Council .

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

2020-21 Municipal and Essential Services Special Purpose Grant (MESSPG).

170/2020 **Motion:**

That Council accepts the 2020-21 MESSPG Merrepen Solar Upgrade Funding of \$88,500 and approves the use of the Common Seal to the 2020-21 MESSPG Agreement NR00113J

Moved: Cr. Martin

Seconded: Cr. Tunmuck-Smith

Resolution: Unanimously

DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

Chairperson Deputy Mayor Sams closed the meeting the public and moved to confidential agenda at 11:40am

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:-

13 Wadey Swimming Pool Update - *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.*

Telstra Proposal WDRC - *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.*

The meeting closed at 12noon.

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