



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE WEST DALY REGIONAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WINNELLIE NT
ON THURSDAY, 16 MARCH 2023
AT 12:00 PM OR NOON

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

PRESENT APOLOGY AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Elected Members:

Name	Title	Present	Apology	Absent
Ralph Narburup	Mayor	X		
Wilfred Harris	Deputy Mayor			X
Mark Tunmuck-Smith	Councillor	X		
John Wilson	Councillor	X		
Terry Sams	Councillor		X	
Jake Clark	Councillor via mobile	X		

- Deputy Mayor Wilfred Harris accepted the invite to attend the Special Meeting of Council and as such travel and accommodation were booked.
- Deputy Mayor Harris was contacted numerous times before and during the meeting to ascertain his whereabouts to no avail.
- Deputy Mayor Harris was noted by those Elected Members present to be recorded as absent from the meeting, without notice.
- In accordance with section 47(1)(o) of the *Local Government Act 2021* and regulation 101 of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2021*, an Elected Member may cease to hold office if they are absent without permission from two (2) consecutive meetings.
- Council, by resolution, reserves the right to either accept or reject Deputy Mayor Harris response as to why he was absent without notice at the next OCM with further protocols to be followed.

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Staff:

Name	Title	Present	Apology	Absent
Matthew Eastham	Chief Executive Officer	X		
Andrew Everingham	Chief Operations Officer		X	
James Cartwright	Chief Financial Officer			X
Sharon Binns	Governance	X		
Julieanne Wylie	EA to CEO and Mayor	X		

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There is no conflict of interest for the normal agenda.

There is a declared conflict of interest received from Chief Financial Officer James Cartwright involving himself and Councillor Jake Clark in the confidential agenda item '**Executive Staff Member – Resignation**'

GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillor Mark Tunmuck-Smith has informed that he would like the meeting to be rescheduled to the 29 March 2023. All agreed.

REPORTS

1) **2022-2023 Waste and Resource Management (WaRM) Grant Program**

006/2023 Matt spoke to the report.

We purchased the rubbish compactor truck for Wadeye and now we need to decide on what we wish to spend this grant on.

Motion:

1. **That Council acknowledges 2022-23 Waste and Resource Management Grant Program funding and approves the use of WaRM funding for the projects listed, which are:**
 - a. **Wadeye Landfill – perimeter fencing \$60,000**
 - b. **Wadeye, Peppimenarti & Palumpa Landfill – 4 x 20 foot shipping containers \$20,000**
 - c. **Wadeye Landfill – purchase and installation of CCTV tower remote monitoring of site \$21,000**
 - d. **Purchase of require waste management facility signage \$18,300**

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

This public meeting will now be closed to move to the confidential agenda.

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:-

- 2** **Mayors vehicle costs** - *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. (Confidential).*
- 3** **Elected member movements** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(c)(iv) (d) (e) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.; 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).*
- 4** **Executive Staff Member - Resignation** - *The report will be dealt with under Section 99(2) of the Local Government Act 2019 and Regulation 51(1)(c)(iii) 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. (Confidential employment matter).*