



MINUTES OF THE NYIRRIPI LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD IN
THE NYIRRIPI COUNCIL OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER
2017 AT 12:10PM

1 OPEN

1.1 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

SUMMARY: As per Council policy the Local Authority must elect a chairperson and deputy chair in order for meetings to be conducted.

Lance Turner was nominated and elected as Chairperson

Ben Gallagher was nominated and elected as Deputy Chair.

2 PRESENT

Local Authority Members

Ben Gallagher, Kathy Satour, Lance Turner, Ansalem Wilson, Jeff Taylor.

Councillors

Cr Adrian Dixon (President), Cr Jacob Spencer (via phone conference).

Staff

Diane Hood (CEO), John Gaynor (DComS), Ray Hocking (Area Coordinator), Peter Schoenfeld (CWC West), Sascha McKell (RSM), Kate Proctor (Children Services Manager), Libby Nuss (Governance Manager).

Guests

Maria Viegas (DHCD Local Gov)

3 APOLOGIES/ABSENCES

3.1 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

SUMMARY: The Local Authority accept apologies and note absences.

Nyi033/2017 **RESOLVED (Lance Turner/Kathy Satour)**

That the Local Authority:

- 1. Accept apologies from Cr Warren Williams and Lee Wayne.**
- 2. Note the absences of Cr April Martin, Cr Freddy Williams and Henry Wilson.**

4 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Jeff Taylor works for Ngurratjuta and CDP therefore may have some conflict of interest.

5 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

5.1 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

SUMMARY: The agenda of this Local Authority meeting is being tabled. Local Authority members decide whether they wish to accept the agenda as it stands or whether they wish to make changes.

Nyi034/2017 **RESOLVED (Lance Turner/Jacob Spencer)**

That the Local Authority accept the agenda for the meeting with the removal of item 8.1 Power Water SETuP.

6 CODE OF CONDUCT

6.1 CONSIDERATION OF CODE OF CONDUCT

SUMMARY: The Local Authority endorsed a revised Code of Conduct. To ensure that the Local Authority is familiar with the code of conduct it is presented at every meeting. The Local Authority can use this item as an opportunity to discuss any concerns.

Yue035/2017 **RESOLVED (Kathy Satour/Jeff Taylor)**

That the Local Authority re-confirm their commitment to the Code of Conduct.

7 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

NIL

8 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

8.1 POWER WATER SETUP

SUMMARY: Power and Water will be updating the Local Authority on the progress of the Solar SETuP program in Nyirripi.

This item was removed from the agenda due to the Power Water team not being present.

9 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

9.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY: The Local Authority is to consider the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Local Authority meetings.

Nyi036/2017 **RESOLVED (Kathy Satour/Lance Turner)**

That the Local Authority note and confirm minutes from the previous meetings.

10 ACTIONS REGISTER

10.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY ACTION ITEMS

SUMMARY: Attached is the running list of Local Authority action items as reported in previous meetings.

Nyi037/2017 **RESOLVED (Cr Spencer/Kathy Satour)**

That the Local Authority note that actions have not been fully reflected in the agenda and request that the actions register be updated for the next meeting.

10.2 REPORT FROM REGIONAL COUNCIL

SUMMARY: Council decisions made in the last Regional Council meetings are available in the tabled Summary of Major Items.

Nyi038/2017 **RESOLVED (Ben Gallagher/Lance Turner)**

That the Local Authority accept the report from Council on decisions made in the last Regional Council meeting in September 2017.

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

Discussion:

- Recreation hall negotiations with GMAAC are ongoing.
- Perimeter fence around football oval to be discussed at the next meeting with Local Authority project funding.
- Acknowledgement of work by GMAAC around community. Council Services Manager to bring options to a future Local Authority meeting.
- School nutrition to come out of Aged Care.
- Official opening of Childcare on 7 November.

- The road between Nyirripi and Kintore be prioritised for upgrading. Local Authority to consider and discuss for a later time.

12 COMMUNITY REPORTS

12.1 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY: The Council Services Report is provided by the Council Services Manager at every Local Authority meeting to provide information to members.

Nyi039/2017 **RESOLVED (Kathy Satour/Ben Gallagher)**
That the Local Authority note the Council Services Report.

Discussion:

- A temporary sign be erected to warn drivers of hazard 30km out of community on the Nyirripi to Yuendumu road.
- That PM&C may retract funding for Community Safety Patrol services based on the fact that no one is able to be recruited to these positions.

12.2 FINANCE REPORT

SUMMARY: The Finance Report outlines the budget for the community and details works expenditure as required in the community. The over spend on wages in this period is due to three pay periods. This will be corrected in future months.

Nyi040/2017 **RESOLVED (Cr Spencer/Kathy Satour)**
That the Local Authority:

- 1. Note the attached Finance Report.**
- 2. Note that the Local Authority will be trained in reading finance reports in conjunction with the Chair and Deputy Chair training.**

12.3 COMMUNITY SAFETY PATROL REFERENCE GROUP

SUMMARY: The Community Safety Patrol provides an update and profile on the operations of Community Safety Patrol to the Local Authority for their input and feedback, if any.

Nyi041/2017 **RESOLVED (Ben Gallagher/Ansalem Wilson)**
That Local Authority:

- 1. Confirm to seek feedback from community members at the next community meeting on whether or not Community Safety Patrol (or an alternative) is required in community.**
- 2. Confirm to provide feedback from the community meeting at**

the next Local Authority meeting.

3. Confirm to encourage people to see Ray Hocking from CDRC if they are interested in a job with Community Safety Patrol.
4. Invite Scott McConnell MLA and Police Superintendent, Neil Hayes, to attend the meeting to encourage a better Police presence in Nyirripi.

13 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

13.1 REQUEST FOR MORE EXPERIENCED AFL UMPIRES

SUMMARY: Cr Spencer discussed the issue of receiving inexperienced umpires for the AFL games. He requested a letter be written to the Australian Football League requesting more experienced umpires.

Nyi042/2017 **RESOLVED (Cr Spencer/Lance Turner)**

That the Local Authority:

1. Request that the CEO draft a letter to the Australian Football League to request more experienced umpires be assigned to bush football games.
2. Confirm this letter will be signed by at least 50% of Local Authority members.

Discussion:

- Kathy Satour raised that she would have liked to watch the Councillor elections via Skype.

14 NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT

14.1 NEW NTG STANDING AGENDA ITEM

SUMMARY: A NTG representative from the Department of Housing and Community Services will attend each Local Authority meeting to provide information and take questions on NTG services which include health, police, education, housing etc.

Nyi043/2017 **RESOLVED (Jeff Taylor/Ben Gallagher)**

That the Local Authority:

1. Note the update from the NTG representatives on issues raised at the last meeting.
2. Did not request action on any new issues.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 2:25pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEDING 4 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES
OF THE Nyirripi Local Authority HELD ON Wednesday, 20 September
2017 AND CONFIRMED Tuesday, 7 November 2017.

Chairperson