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UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN
THE YUENDUMU SHIRE OFFICE ON WEDNESDAY, 4 AUGUST 2010

ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

The Acting President, Cr Adrian Dixon, opened the meeting at 8.14.

Present were Councillors William Johnson (arrived at 8.50), Ned Hargraves (arrived at 8.51), Louis Schaber, James Glenn, Peppi Drover, Julie Kitson, Sascha McKell and Dianne Martin. Staff present were the CEO, Roydon Robertson, the Director Community Services, Nareen Carter, the Director Infrastructure, Tim Day, the Director Corporate Services, Cathryn Hutton, and the Governance Manager, Elke Wiesmann.

The CEO advised Council of a verbal apology received from Cr Norbert Patrick. He read out two written apologies received from Cr Bruce Finter.

MOTION: That Council accept the apology of the Shire President, Cr Patrick.

Moved: Cr McKell Seconded: Cr Martin
Carried

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

2.1 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

SUMMARY: The draft agenda of this Council Meeting is being tabled. Councillors decide whether they wish to accept the agenda as it stands or whether they wish to make changes.

MOTION: That the draft agenda of the Council Meeting be accepted.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3.1 DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No member declared a conflict of interest with an item on the agenda.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 2 June 2010

MOTION: That the minutes be taken as read and be confirmed.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

5.2 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 24 and 25 June 2010

MOTION: That the minutes be taken as read and be confirmed.

Moved: Cr Drover, Seconded: Cr Dixon
Carried

5.3 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 23 July 2010

MOTION: That the minutes be taken as read and be confirmed

Moved: Cr McKell, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY: Council is considering a progress report on the actions from council meetings up to the Ordinary Meeting on 2 June 2010.

MOTION: That progress reports on the actions from the minutes of the previous Ordinary Shire Council Meeting be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

LOCAL BOARD REPORTS

7.1 DIRECT SIHIP FUNDING TO LARAMBA COMMUNITY

SUMMARY: Laramba board is disappointed with the delays and contracting of proposed upgrades outlined by the New Futures Alliance

under SIHIP and believes the community has, through the shire, a greater capacity to produce the required outcomes within a more realistic time frame.

MOTION: That Council advocate strongly for Laramba community to have a greater say over the types of work carried out under the SIHIP program and, in particular, for 10 per cent of the original SIHIP funding earmarked for Laramba to be given directly to the community so it can work on one house in order to show how the SIHIP program should work.

Moved: Cr McKell, Seconded: Cr Kitson
Carried

MOTION: That SIHIP be requested to provide Council with the scope of future works in each shire community and to report on the work already carried out.

Moved: Cr McKell, Seconded: Cr Kitson
Carried

7.2 NEW HOUSES FOR ENGAWALA

SUMMARY: Engawala Board says more houses are badly needed to ease the overcrowding in the community.

MOTION: That Council advocate to the NT and Australian governments for more houses at Engawala.

Moved: Cr Kitson, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

7.3 RANGER JOBS AT ENGAWALA

SUMMARY: Engawala Board would like CLC to start a ranger group in their community.

MOTION: That Council invite the Central Land Council (CLC) to talk to the Engawala Board about ranger jobs at Engawala.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

7.4 ATITJERE PUBLIC TOILET CLEANER

SUMMARY: Atitjere community has three public toilet blocks that need to be cleaned regularly.

MOTION: That Council do not provide a cleaner for public toilets as this work falls under the responsibility of existing Field Officers.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

7.5 ATITJERE AGED CARE

SUMMARY: Local Board requests the facility be operated as follows

Building Title: Temporary Aged Respite Centre.

Usage: Building to accommodate aged people from outstations requiring close proximity to the Atitjere Clinic & Meals On Wheels Service.

Terms: Accommodation to be provide at no cost the occupant.
No fixed duration for occupancy
Primarily for but not restricted to outstation residents
No carer/staff required.

MOTION: That Council develop a management plan and seek funding to operate the aged accommodation.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Glenn
Carried

7.6 ATITJERE ADULT EDUCATOR

SUMMARY: The Local Board believes an adult community educator would benefit the community by providing practical literacy, numeracy and life skills to mature aged residents.

MOTION: That the Atitjere board invite Waltja to discuss adult education services for Atitjere.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr McKell
Carried

7.7 DOG MANAGEMENT AT ATITJERE

SUMMARY: The Local Board is concerned about the number of dogs in the community and believes the public is as risk from neglected or abandoned dogs forming packs.

MOTION: That Council address the dog concerns of the Atitjere community as suggested by the board.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Kitson
Carried

ACTION: To invite Council's Dog Management Officer to the next Council meeting preparation day (5 October 2010) to report on the dog management program and to discuss the issues raised.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORTS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

SUMMARY: The Chief Executive Officer reports to Council matters of significance occurring in the Council's operations.

MOTION: That the Chief Executive Officer's Report be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Drover, Seconded: Cr Dixon
Carried

9.2 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CENTRAL LAND COUNCIL

SUMMARY: Council is considering the Draft MoU negotiated with CLC.

MOTION: That Council approve the Draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) negotiated with the Central Land Council.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Dixon
Carried

9.3 MATCHING GRANTS FUNDING

SUMMARY: In 2008 a funding agreement was entered into between FaHCSIA and the Northern Territory Government to transition CDEP to jobs in local government. This funding was curtailed on 30 June 2010 and LGANT and the new Shires have been negotiating with the Minister for Local Government to secure the jobs of approximately 500 core staff in the 8 new Shires.

MOTION: That Council write to LGANT and the Hon Malarndirri McCarthy, Minister for Local Government thanking them for their efforts in securing funding for a continuation past 2009/10 for the Matching Grants Program.

Moved: Cr McKell, Seconded: Cr Johnson
Carried

9.4 COUNCILBIZ BOARD MEETING

SUMMARY: A CouncilBiz board meeting was held on 9 July, 2010 and

the CEO is reporting on the main issues coming out of the meeting.

MOTION: That Council receive and note the report, with the actions taken being endorsed.

Moved: Cr Drover, Seconded: Cr Dixon
Carried

9.5 CONTINUATION OF INCOME MANAGEMENT AT NTURIYA, PMARA JUTUNTA AND YUENDUMU

SUMMARY: Minister Macklin has decided that income management will continue in its current form in Nturiya, Pmara Jutunta and Yuendumu.

MOTION: That Council receive and note the report.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Kitson
Carried

9.6 RATIFICATION OF COMMON SEAL

SUMMARY: The Common Seal Register lists all funding agreements signed since the last Council Meeting for Council's approval.

MOTION: That Council ratify the use of the Common Seal.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

10.1 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY: In the absence of a Director Corporate Services the CEO is reporting about matters of significance in the Corporate Services Directorate.

MOTION: That Council receive and note the report.

Moved: Cr Kitson, Seconded: Cr Schaber
Carried

10.2 GRANTS RECEIVED

SUMMARY: A list of grants information for June – July 2010 is presented for Council's information.

MOTION: That the grants received in June - July 2010 be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Dixon, Seconded: Cr Glenn
Carried

10.3 COUNCIL/CEO RELATIONSHIP MOTIONS

SUMMARY: Council is considering how to implement the resolutions about its relationship with the CEO which are contained in a draft booklet about its journey.

MOTION: That Council

- a) **endorse the draft booklet about the Council/CEO relationship journey and the implementation suggestions it contains, and**
- b) **give permission to publish the booklet on Council's web site.**

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

10.35 The Acting President adjourned the meeting for a tea break. The meeting resumed at 10.55. Cr Hargraves was absent.

10.4 REVIEW OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS VOTING SYSTEM

SUMMARY: The Local Government Minister is asking all local government councils and LGANT to tell her before 17 September 2010 which voting system would best suit the needs of residents.

MOTION:

- a) **That Council recommend to the Minister that proportional representation vote counting be used in local government elections in the Northern Territory.**
- b) **That Council ask the Local Government Minister to produce plain English summaries and appropriate visuals for all discussion papers her department sends to Council for feedback.**
- c) **That Council review electoral representation in the shire and endorse the suggested time table for the review**

Moved: Cr Drover, Seconded: Cr McKell
Carried

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORTS

11.1 DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

SUMMARY: The Director Community Services reports to Council about matters of significance since the last report

MOTION: That Council receive and note the report from the Director Community Services

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

Cr Hargraves returned to the chambers at 11.05.

11.2 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CENTRAL DESERT SHIRE & NORTHERN TERRITORY POLICE

SUMMARY: This MOU will define the way that the NT Police and Night Patrol Services work in partnership to provide better standards of safety.

MOTION: That Council approve in principle the attached Draft MOU on Practices and Procedures between Central Desert Shire Council and Northern Territory Police and approve the Night Patrol Coordinator to progress finalisation of the MOU.

Moved: Cr Martin, Seconded: Cr Dixon
Carried

11.3 FAHCSIA LOCATIONAL SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP – YUENDUMU

SUMMARY: Playgroups support families through play based learning; family members stay and interact with children sharing skills and knowledge.

MOTION: That Council acknowledge and accept the agreement from FaHCSIA for the funding to provide the Locational Supported Playgroup in Yuendumu for 2 years.

Moved: Cr Drover, Seconded: Cr Hargraves
Carried

INFRASTRUCTURE REPORTS

13.1 DIRECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

SUMMARY: The Director Infrastructure reports to Council about the work he has been doing since the last Council Meeting.

MOTION: That Council receive and note the report of the Director Infrastructure.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

13.2 PUBLIC TENDER TO PURCHASE 8 VEHICLES

SUMMARY: A public tender was called for the supply of 4x2 and 4x4 vehicles for replacement of Work Supervisor, Essential Services Officer and Shire Service Manager vehicles. Six suitable suppliers expressed interest in tendering. Tenders were received from 5 prospective suppliers. Air Power provided the lowest complying tender.

MOTION: That Council endorse the entry into contract with Air Power Pty Ltd to supply 8 replacement vehicles through a public tender process. Contract Sum: \$278,125.10 (inc GST).

Moved: Cr Hargraves, Seconded: Dixon
Carried

13.3 LOCAL ACCESS ROAD MAINTENANCE

SUMMARY: During the financial year 2009-2010 1,552 kilometres of local road maintenance was undertaken by local workers.

MOTION: That Council notes the report.

Moved: Cr McKell, Seconded: Cr Glenn
Carried

13.4 OPTIONS FOR GRADER FOR TITREE

SUMMARY: Council asked that the purchase of a grader to be based in TiTree to provide regular grading of the Nturiya Road be investigated. Options ranging from the purchase of new and second-hand units through to shared or relocated use of existing assets are analysed.

The purchase of a new or second-hand machine will have a significant budget impact and only a slight saving on having the work undertaken by external contractors.

The most cost effective solution is to relocate an existing shire grader to TiTree.

Council is advised to consider the cost benefit analysis of the presented options and make an informed decision as to how to proceed.

MOTION: That Council adopt Option 5, to relocate the Lajamanu grader to Ti Tree

Moved: Cr Hargraves, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

Cr Johnson asked that it be recorded that he voted against the motion.

The Acting President adjourned the meeting at 12.25. The meeting resumed at 13.30. Cr Hargraves was absent.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

14.1 FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

SUMMARY: This report is a summary of the last Finance Committee meeting.

MOTION:

a) That the Finance Committee Report be received and the actions contained therein adopted.

b) That the debtors totalling \$126,528.53 as detailed in the 'Summary of Debtor Write Off' be written off.

Moved: Cr McKell, Seconded: Dixon
Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

16.1 ACCOMMODATION AND BREAKFAST FOR COUNCILLORS

SUMMARY: Councillors are requesting a change in accommodation.

MOTION: That Council remain with its current accommodation at All Seasons Oasis, Alice Springs.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Drover
Carried

16.2 LGANT EXECUTIVE

MOTION: That Council renominate President Patrick for the LGANT Executive.

Moved: Cr Glenn, Seconded: Cr Dixon
Carried

16.3 ACCOMMODATION AND CATERING FOR COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION: That those who helped organise the Council meeting be thanked and congratulated on their successful efforts.

Moved: Cr Drover, Cr Dixon
Carried

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

Nil

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil

The Acting President closed the meeting at 13.56 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 10 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 4 August 2010 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 6 October 2010 as the date of the next meeting.

Acting President