



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING # 45 OF THE ROPER GULF SHIRE
COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE GODINYMAYIN KATHERINE ON
WEDNESDAY, 24 JULY 2013 AT 8.45AM

1. PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Elected Members

Mayor Tony Jack
Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane
Councillor Timothy Baker Jnr.
Councillor John Dalywater
Councillor Daphne Daniels
Councillor Anne-Marie Lee
Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi
Councillor Annabelle Daylight

1.2 Staff

CEO, Michael Berto
DCG, Greg Arnott
DITS, Sharon Hillen
DCS, Catherine Proctor
Stephanie Chan
Jyoti Pudasaini
Bobbi Hynes
Geoff Maher (attended from 12pm)

1.3 Guests

DLG, Nathanael Knapp

2. MEETING OPENED

Meeting opened at 8.45am by Mayor, Tony Jack who read the Pledge

3. WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Mayor, Tony Jack welcomed Council staff and guests

4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 COUNCILLOR APOLOGY FOR OCM 24 JULY 2013

432/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Anne-Marie Lee)

CARRIED

- (a) That Council accept the apology from Councillor Selina Ashley, for the scheduled Ordinary Meeting of Council on 24th July 2013.

4.2 COUNCILLOR APOLOGY FOR OCM 24 JULY 2013

433/2013 RESOLVED (Ann-Marie Lee/Daphne Daniels) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council accept the apology from Councillor Stan Allen for the scheduled Ordinary Meeting of Council on 24th July 2013.

4.3 COUNCILLOR APOLOGY FOR OCM 24 JULY 2013

434/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Timothy Baker Jr.) **DEFEATED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the apology from Councillor Samuel Evans for the scheduled Ordinary Council Meeting of 24th July 2013.

4.4 COUNCILLOR APOLOGY FOR OCM 24 JULY 2013

435/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Timothy Baker Jr.) **DEFEATED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the apology from Councillor Davis Daniels for the scheduled Ordinary Council Meeting of 24th July 2013.

5. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

6. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this Ordinary Council Meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 MINUTES FROM ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL 26 JUNE 2013

436/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Annabelle Daylight) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council confirm the minutes with amendments to resolution number 446/2013 added time of closure of closed session from the Ordinary Meeting of Council dated 26th June 2013.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST

437/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/John Dalywater) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the Action List.

ACTION: CEO to write a letter to Jawoyn Association rangers regarding the gas pipeline.

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

438/2013 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdiridi/John Dalywater) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council accept the incoming correspondence.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

439/2013 RESOLVED (John Dalywater/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) That Council accept the outgoing correspondence.

WARD REPORTS

11.1 WARD REPORT- NEVER NEVER

440/2013 RESOLVED (John Dalywater/Judy MacFarlane) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the Never Never Ward Report

ACTION: CEO to write letter to NT Government with regard to extending the 110Km speed limit and installing heavy vehicle entry signs to the Southern side of the Roper Highway.

ACTION: Local Board nomination of Steven Rory and Maxie Miller be taken back to Jilkminggan Local Board.

ACTION: CEO to continue negotiations with JCAC regarding land lease arrangements and to arrange a whole community meeting.

11.2 WARD REPORT- NUMBULWAR NUMBURINDI

441/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Timothy Baker Jr.) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report.

11.3 WARD REPORT - NYIRRANGGULUNG

442/2013 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the Nyirranggulung Ward Report.

11.4 WARD REPORT - SOUTH WEST GULF

443/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/John Dalywater) CARRIED

- (a) That the Council receive and note the South West Gulf Ward Report.

- (b) That the Council approve the reinstatement of Geoff Hulm and Jack Mcelhinney to the Borroloola Local Board.

11.5 WARD REPORT - YUGUL MANGI

444/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the Yugul Mangi Ward Report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

12.1 YOUTH IN COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE- 25-27TH JUNE 2013

445/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Timothy Baker Jr.) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the "Inaugural Youth Leadership in Community Conference" Report.

ACTION: CEO to write a letter to each Youth Voice Committee and give a certificate of Participation to each member who attended the Youth in Community Leadership Conference expressing pride and thanks to the Youth in the Shire.

12.2 AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES

446/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/John Dalywater) CARRIED

- (a) **That the Council agree to schedule the event for Citizenship Day and Australia Day for each year. The next Citizenship Ceremony will be on the 17th September 2013 conducted by the Mayor of Roper Gulf Shire.**

12.3 LGANT CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE - NT GRANTS COMMISSION

447/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Timothy Baker Jr.) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council receive and note the report on NT Grants Committee.**
Councillor Lee absent 9:13am returned 9:14am

12.4 CONDITIONAL RATING GUIDELINES

448/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Annabelle Daylight)

- (a) **That Council agree to progress the process of drafting a new Conditional Rating Proposal as per Guideline 6 of the Local Government Guidelines NT.**
Councillor Lee absent 9:53am returned 9:54am

12.5 UPDATE ON BY-LAWS

449/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Ann-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council invite the Governance and By-Law Coordinator from Victoria Daly Shire Council to present an update on the VDSC By-Law Project at the next OCM in Katherine.**

12.6 AMEND ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS

450/2013 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council amend the order of the Agenda to bring forward the following items:**
- 1. Councils 2013-2014 Annual Budget, Fees and Charges.**
 - 2. Councils 2013-2016 Strategic Plan.**
 - 3. Councils 2013-2014 Shire Plan.**

12.7 ROPER GULF SHIRE COUNCIL STRATEGIC PLAN 2013-2016

451/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council approve the Roper Gulf Shire Council Strategic Plan 2013-2016 with amendments.**
Councillor Lee absent 11:51am returned 9:54am

12.8 ROPER GULF SHIRE COUNCIL SHIRE PLAN 2013-2014

452/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/John Dalywater) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council approve with edits, the Roper Gulf Shire Council Shire Plan 2013**

2014.

- (b) That Council approve the publishing of the revised version of the Roper Gulf Shire Council Plan 2013-2014 on the website.
- (c) That Council approve the submission of the revised version of the Roper Gulf Shire Council Plan 2013-2014 to the Minister for Local Government and to the Department of Local Government.

12.9 GRANTS - YOUTH DIVERSION PROGRAM 2013-2015 - DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

453/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi) CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve the funding agreement for 2013-2015 Youth Diversion Program by signing, dating and affixing the Common Seal to both copies of the agreement.

Councillor Dalywater left the meeting at 12:23pm

Common Seal: Mayor Tony Jack & CEO Michael Berto

12.10 GRANTS - SPG AND CTG 2012-2013 ACQUITTALS - DLG

454/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$79,210 Closing the Gap funding for providing ablution facilities at the Ngukurr sports and recreation hall and the youth services precinct. File number: 2012/04110
- (b) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$240,830 Special Purpose Grant funding to install street lighting for walkways and blackspots within five communities of the shire. File number: 2012/04110
- (c) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$40,000 Special Purpose Grant funding to purchase a second hand vacuum pump truck to help alleviate the sewage issues at Weemol. File number: 2011/08716
- (d) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$107,550 Special Purpose Grant funding to repair the swimming pool at the Ngukurr aquatic centre. File Number: 2011/03214
- (e) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$83,600 Closing the Gap funding to purchase and install a dedicated retransmission site at Numbulwar. File number: 2011/03214
- (f) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$91,921 Closing the Gap funding to assist with stage 2 upgrade of the existing Numbulwar broadcasting facility. File number: 2011/08716
- (g) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$53,014 Closing the Gap Infrastructure funding to purchase five Quikspray UTV units for weed and pest control management. File number: 2011/08716
- (h) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$83,124.80 Closing the Gap Infrastructure funding to provide training opportunities in the fabrication and installation of shade structures and seating at sports facilities at Beswick & Jilkminggan. File number: LG0248/07
- (i) That Council approve the 2012-13 acquittal for \$135,617 Special Purpose Grant funding to purchase a compact rubbish truck for the Bulman community. File number: 2011/08716

12.11 GRANTS - INDIGENOUS AGED CARE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM 2013-2017 - DOHA

455/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve the funding agreement for Indigenous Aged Care Employment Program by signing, dating and affixing the Common Seal to both

copies of the agreement.

Common Seal: Mayor Tony Jack & CEO Michael Berto

12.12 GRANTS - CDEP VARIATION #41 AGREEMENT 2013-14 - FAHCSIA

456/2013 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Judy MacFarlane) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council approve the variation agreement by signing and affixing the Common seal to both copies of the agreement.**

Common Seal: Mayor Tony Jack

12.13 GRANTS - VSA DIVERSIONARY PROGRAM 2013-2014 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

457/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council approve the 2013-2014 funding agreement for Volatile Substance Abuse Diversionary Program by signing, dating and affixing the Common Seal to both copies of the variation to agreement and CEO to sign both copies of the service plan.**

Common Seal: Mayor Tony Jack & CEO Michael Berto – Witness: Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane

12.14 GRANTS - MOA FOR INDIGENOUS RESPONSIVE PROGRAM 2013 - DOB

458/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council approve the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for General Activities from the Department of Business by initialling each page and signing of both copies of the MOA.**

S12.15 RGSC FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 30 JUNE 2013

459/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council receive and note the financial reports for the period ending 30 June 2013.**

12.16 ROPER GULF SHIRE COUNCIL BUDGET PLAN 2013-2014

460/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) **That Council receive and note the attached reports, and approve the 2013-14 budget.**
- (b) **That Council approve the Councillor Allowances as per the maximum schedule supplied by the Department of Local Government**
- (c) **That Council approve to increase the extra meeting allowance to \$125 per meeting to be paid in accordance with the CL006 – Elected Member Allowances Policy.**
- (d) **That Council receive and note the 4 yr financial plan and its initiatives including the repairs and maintenance , and infrastructure development plans.**
- (e) **That Council approve to the Fees and Charges Schedule for 2013-2014.**
- (f) **That Council approve the release of this data for publication on the Website and the Roper Gulf Shire Plan 2013-2014.**

INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORTS

13.1 PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT - BORROLOOLA

461/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Timothy Baker Jr.) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the report on the Planning Scheme Amendment in Borroloola.

13.2 DITS - FOURTH QUARTER REPORT

462/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and Note the 2012/2013 Fourth Quarter Report of the Directorate of Infrastructure and Technical Services.

13.3 ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

463/2013 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) That Council adjourn the meeting at 13:53pm

13.4 RESUMPTION OF MEETING

464/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) That council resume the meeting at 14:25pm

S13.5 LEASE OF LOT 386 BROAD STREET BORROLOOLA TO GOVERNMENT - FAHCSIA

465/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) That Council formally endorse a lease of Lot 386 Broad Street , Borroloola to the Commonwealth Government, Dept of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

14.1 4TH QUARTER, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORT

466/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the 4th Quarter Community Services Directorate report for the period 1st April 2013 – 30th June 2013.

CONTRACTS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

15.1 DIRECTORATE OF CONTRACTS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: 2012-13 END OF YEAR REPORTBACK

467/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Timothy Baker Jr.) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receive and note the report, including the provisional financial position for the Shire's commercial contracts in 2012-13.

15.2 REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL DELEGATIONS:ESSENTIAL SERVICES COORDINATOR

468/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve financial delegations for the Essential Services Coordinator to authorise purchase orders and approve invoices up to the value of \$5000.

15.3 AMENDMENT TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TENDER COMMITTEE

469/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve the following staff to be include in the membership pool for a tender evaluation and approval committee:
Karen Perner
Marc Gardner

S15.4 AWARDING OF TENDER FOR ROAD RESEALING UPGRADE WORKS, MUTJU ROAD NGUKURR

470/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Annabelle Daylight) CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve the awarding of the tender 2013 / 575 Road Resealing Upgrade – Mutju Road Ngukurr to the company Downer EDI Works Pty Ltd, for the value of \$179,786 (GST inclusive).
(b) That Council direct the CEO to advertise information of the successful tender by public notice in the Katherine Times and on the RGSC website.

15.5 Closed Session of OCM

471/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) That Council move into confidential session at 13:53pm of the OCM

15.6 Closed Session of OCM

472/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) That Council move out of confidential into open session of the OCM 14:30pm

16. DEPUTATIONS & PETITIONS

Nil

17. GENERAL BUSINESS

Deputy Mayor MacFarlane discussed the Daly Waters Roper Gulf Shire Open Tennis competition.

Councillor Daylight discussed the Sport and Recreation position in Jilkminggan.

Action: Catherine Proctor to follow up regarding parental consent.

Cr Numamurdirdi spoke about a special person.

Catherine Proctor discussed the Relay for Life event in September held in Katherine, a report is to be submitted to the FACM.

CEO referendum press release to be provided to Shire Service Managers.

CEO discussed Grants Commission visit in September, Mayor to attend, information be provided to Shire Service Managers.

Mayor – Stephanie will be leaving RGSC on the 2nd August, thank you from Council.

17.1 Barunga Local Board

473/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Annabelle Daylight)

CARRIED

- (a) That Council accept the nomination forms from Clarette McGregor- Brown, Scott Lee, Anita Painto and Ruth Kelly to the Barunga Local Board.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 14.55 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 8 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 24 July 2013 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 25 September 2013.



Mayor Tony Jack