



MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING # 47 OF THE ROPER GULF SHIRE
COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE BORROLOOLA ON WEDNESDAY, 13
NOVEMBER 2013 AT 8.30AM

1. PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Elected Members

Deputy Mayor, Judy MacFarlane
Councillor, Timothy Baker Jr.
Councillor, Daphne Daniels
Councillor, Annabelle Daylight
Councillor, Anne-Marie Lee
Councillor, Stan Allen
Councillor, Eric Roberts
Councillor, Don Garner

1.2 Staff

Director Corporate Governance, Greg Arnott
Director Technical Service & Infrastructure, Sharon Hillen
Director Community Service, Catherine Proctor
Finance Manager, Lokesh Anand
Acting Governance & Corporate Planning Manager, Jyoti Pudasaini
Council & Local Board Coordinator, Bobbi Hynes (minute taker)
Local Board Support, Jo Nicol
Governance Communications Officer, Stephen Roper
Governance Administration Support Officer, Hilary Sinfield
Shire Service Manager, Bob Pahl

1.3 Guests

Department of Local Government & Regions, Nathanael Knapp
Department of the Prime Minister & Cabinet, Belinda Carlson

2. MEETING OPENED

Meeting opened at 8.31am by Deputy Mayor, Judy MacFarlane who read the pledge with Councillor's and staff.

3. WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane welcomed Guests, Councillor's and staff to the meeting.

4. SWEARING IN CEREMONY

4.1 SWEARING IN CEREMONY - NEW COUNCILLOR

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) **That the newly Elected Member's recites the oath.**

"I swear I will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people in the Shire of Roper Gulf and faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in me under the *Local Government Act 2008* or any other Act to the best of my skill and judgement."

Action: Council Elect Eric Roberts and Donald Garner recited their oaths.

5. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5.1 COUNCILLOR APOLOGIES FOR OCM 13 NOVEMBER 2013

475/2013 RESOLVED (Stan Allen/Annabelle Daylight)

- (a) **That Council receive and note the apology from Mayor Tony Jack for the Ordinary Meeting of Council of 13th November 2013.**
- (b) **That Council receive and note the apologies from Councillor's John Dalywater Selina Ashley and Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi for the Ordinary Meeting of Council of 13th November 2013.**
- (c) **That Council receive and note the apology from CEO Michael Berto for the Ordinary Meeting of Council of 13th November 2013.**

6. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 MINUTES FROM ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF 10 OCTOBER 2013

476/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Eric Roberts)

- (a) **That Council confirm the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting dated 10th October 2013.**

7. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Agenda item dealt with under General Business.

8. CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

- 8.1 Update on Section 19 Leases within RGSC area.
- 8.2 Registration of Instrument Form 18, partial surrender Crown Land Lease.
- 8.3 New Local Board nominations for Never Never Ward.
- 8.4 McArthur River Bridge, lighting and guard rails.
- 8.5 Ngukurr Church.
- 8.6 Forster Court and Borroloola township entry.
- 8.7 Searcy Street, Borroloola.
- 8.8 Confirmation of Finance and Audit Committee meeting of 30th October 2013.

9. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

10. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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

11. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

11.1 ACTION LIST

477/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

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

12. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

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478/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) That Council accept the incoming correspondence.

13. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

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479/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/Timothy Baker Jr.) CARRIED

- (a) That Council accept the outgoing correspondence.

14. WARD REPORTS

14.1 WARD REPORT- NEVER NEVER WARD

480/2013 RESOLVED (Eric Roberts/Anne-Marie Lee) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receives and notes the Never Never Ward Report.

14.2 WARD REPORT - NYIRRANGGULUNG WARD

481/2013 RESOLVED (Stan Allen/Daphne Daniels) CARRIED

- (a) That Council receives and notes the Nyirranggulung Ward Report.
(b) That Council receives and accepts the Nomination of David Oenpeli to the Barunga Local Board.
(c) That Council receives and accepts the recommendation that Manyallaluk Local Board be dissolved.
(d) That Council appoints Mavis Jimberri, Andrea Andrews, Caroline Jackson, Verona Willika-Mitchell, Gregory Jackson and Joe Jnr Ashley to the Manyallaluk Local Board.
(e) That Council appoints Helen Lee to the Barunga Local Board.

14.3 WARD REPORT - NUMBULWAR NUMBURINDI WARD

482/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Eric Roberts) CARRIED

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

- (b) That Council revoke the membership of the following Local Board members Ngarurin Murrungun, David Murrungun, Henry Nunggaragal and Galiliwa Nunggaragal.

That Council appoints Virginia Nundhirbala, Faye Manggurra, Faith Numamurdirdi, Jangu Nundhirribala, Daisy Wurramara, Ngala Ngalmi, Lorna Numggarrgalu, Cheryl Rogers, Sheila Nunggumajbarr, Margaret Minyowan, Mildred Nunamurdirdi, Timothy Wurramara, Bob Nundhirribala and Langayina Rami to the Numbulwar Local Board.

14.4 WARD REPORT - SOUTH WEST GULF WARD

483/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/Eric Roberts)

CARRIED

- (a) That Council receives and notes the South West Gulf Ward Report.
(b) That Council accepts the resignation of Jack McElhinney.
(c) That Council appoints Maria Pyro and Marlene Karkadoo to the Borroloola Local Board.
(d) That Council appoints Bernard Redfern to the Borroloola Local Board.

14.5 WARD REPORT- YUGUL MANGI WARD

484/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Daphne Daniels)

CARRIED

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

15. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

16. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DIRECTORATE REPORTS

16.1 ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL & FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING DATES FOR 2014

485/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Eric Roberts)

CARRIED

- (a) That Council approve the scheduled meeting dates for 2014 for Ordinary Meetings of Council and assign meeting locations: -

Ordinary Meetings of Council: -

Wednesday, 29th January 2014 - Barunga

Wednesday, 26th March 2014 - Mataranka

Wednesday, 28th May 2014 - Katherine

Wednesday, 25th June 2014 - Katherine

Wednesday, 27th August 2014 - Numbulwar

Wednesday, 29th October 2014 - Ngukurr

Wednesday, 12th November 2014 – Wugularr (Beswick)

- (b) That Council receive and note the scheduled meeting dates for 2014 for Finance and Audit Committee Meetings which are held in Katherine.

Finance and Audit Committee Meetings: -

Wednesday, 26th February 2014

Wednesday, 30th April 2014

Wednesday, 23rd July 2014

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Wednesday, 17th December 2014

16.2 AMEND ORDER OF AGENDA ITEM

486/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Timothy Baker Jr.) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council amend the order of the agenda to bring forward agenda item General Purpose Financial Audit Report 2012-13 before agenda item Annual Report 2012-13.

16.3 FINANCE - GENERAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT 2012-13

487/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Annabelle Daylight) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council accept the 2012-13 General Purpose Financial Statements from the Auditor, Merit Partners.

16.4 ANNUAL REPORT 2012-13

488/2013 RESOLVED (Eric Roberts/Timothy Baker Jr.) **CARRIED**

- (a) That the Council accept the Annual Report 2012-13 for the Financial Year 2012/2013.
(b) That the Council agree to the submission of the Annual Report 2012-13 to the Department of Local Government

16.5 BULMAN BARREL OF LAUGHS

489/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Stan Allen) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the 'Bulman Barrel of Laughs' Report.

16.6 FINANCE - RGSC FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 31 OCTOBER 2013

490/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Stan Allen) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the financial reports for the period ending 31 October 2013

Absent: Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane 9:38am returned 9:42am

17. INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORTS

17.1 BORROLOOLA CEMETERY MANAGEMENT UPDATE

491/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Daphne Daniels) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note report on Borroloola Cemetery Management.

17.2 MEETING ADJOURNED FOR 20 MINUTES

492/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Anne-Marie Lee) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council adjourn the meeting for 20 minutes.

Morning Tea break, 10:01am meeting resumed 10:23am

17.3 BORROLOOLA STREETSCAPES RENEWAL PROJECT

493/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/Eric Roberts) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council received and note the update on the Borroloola StreetScapes Renewal Project.

17.4 DITS - FIRST QUARTERLY REPORT 2013/ 2014

494/2013 RESOLVED (Eric Roberts/Timothy Baker Jr.) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the First Quarterly report for the Financial Year 2013/ 2014 for the Director Infrastructure and Technical Services.

18. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORATE REPORTS

18.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES 1ST QUARTER KPIS UPDATE

495/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Daphne Daniels) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the update on Community Services KPIs for the period 1st July 2013 to 30th September 2013.

19. CONTRACTS & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTORATE REPORTS

Nil

20. DEPUTATIONS & PETITIONS

Nil

21. GENERAL BUSINESS

21.1 SECTION 19 LEASES

496/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Eric Roberts) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council receive and note the update on Section 19 Leases.

Action: Director of Technical Services & Infrastructure provided an update on Section 19 Leases within the Shire a list of leases for each town will be presented to Council at the December OCM. The leases will be 40 year leases (20 + 20 year) regarding Shire buildings and assets.

21.2 REGISTRATION OF INSTRUMENT FORM 18, PARTIAL SURRENDER OF CROWN LEASE

497/2013 RESOLVED (Annabelle Daylight/Eric Roberts) **CARRIED**

- (a) That Council consents to the registration of the instrument by affixing the common seal and signing in the presence of two authorised signatories.

Common Seal:

Authorised Signatories: Deputy Mayor, Judy MacFarlane
Director of Corporate Governance, Greg Arnott

21.3 NEW NOMINATIONS FOR NEVER NEVER WARD

498/2013 RESOLVED (Anne-Marie Lee/Timothy Baker Jr.)

CARRIED

- (a) **That Council accept the Local Board nominations from Adrian Doctor, Lisa McDonald, Cheryl Lardy, Aaron Holtze and Patricia Baker for the Jilkminggan Local Board.**

21.4 MCARTHUR RIVER BRIDGE - BORROLOOLA

499/2013 RESOLVED (Stan Allen/Eric Roberts)

CARRIED

- (a) **That Council receive and note the update on the Borroloola Bridge.**

Lighting across the whole bridge and guard rails (eastern side) on McArthur River Bridge, this issue has been highlighted at the Local Board meetings.

Action: CEO to send a letter to Department of Transport regarding McArthur River Bridge lighting and guard rails on eastern side.

21.5 Church at Ngukurr.

Action: Councillor Roberts to discuss with members of the Church and further discuss with Director Corporate Governance.

21.6 FOSTER COURT

500/2013 RESOLVED (Daphne Daniels/Eric Roberts)

CARRIED

- (a) **That Council receive and note this report.**
(b) **That Council write to relevant businesses in Forster Court in respect to the encroachment of equipment on the road reserve and the condition of the road.**

Foster Court – Borroloola, Cairns Industry land across the road belongs to Power and Water Corporation, also the road needs repairs and maintenance.
Crown Land entry to Borroloola township requires cleaning up, in hand.

Action: CEO to write letter to Cairns Industry and AP Constructions to move equipment back onto their Lots and the non-gazetted road at the back of Foster Court causing problems during the wet season.

21.7 SEARCY STREET - BORROLOOLA

501/2013 RESOLVED (Timothy Baker Jr./Eric Roberts)

CARRIED

- (a) **That Council receive and note the update on Searcy Street.**

Searcy Street – Borroloola, stormwater drain, RGSC reviewing the tenure and cleaning of the drain prior to wet season.

21.8 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

502/2013 RESOLVED (Judy MacFarlane/Anne-Marie Lee)

CARRIED

- (a) **That Council confirm the minutes from the Finance and Audit Committee**

- General discussion on reviewing of RGSC logo due to legislative changes.


22. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 11:42am.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 7 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ordinary Council Meeting HELD ON Wednesday, 13 November 2013 AND CONFIRMED Wednesday, 18 December 2013.



Deputy Mayor Judy MacFarlane

"Confirmed"