

Meeting opened at 10:00am by Chrissy Joll who is the designated Chair.

1. Present:

Elected Members: Mayor Jack, Councillor Allen

Local Authority Members: Bernie Redfern, Mike Longton, Maria Pyro, Shaun Cairns, Elizabeth Hogan, Chrissy Joll, Beatty Retchford

RGRC Staff: Nathan McIvor, Sharon Hillen (Director of Council Services and Infrastructure, DCSI), Chantelle Johns, Jo Nicol, Paul Parker

Visitors/Guests: William Rosas, Susan Twining

2. Apologies:

Patrick Fleming, Alison Doyle, Annie Roberts, Geoff Hulm, Councillor Garner, Marlene Karkadoo

3. Conflict of Interest:

Bernie Redfern: declared an interest in the letter he sent - see Incoming correspondence.

4. Guest Speakers:

Jodi Lennox – RhFFUS

5. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved: Mike Longton, Seconded: Councillor Allen, Voted: All agreed

6. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

7. Previous Minutes Action List

Action List listed on Agenda was discussed.

8. Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence: Nil

Incoming Correspondence:

- Letter from Bernie Redfern to RGRC Re: Lots 385 & 386

- National Native Title Tribunal Re: Notification of 4 Native Title Determination Applications.
- Email from Department of Infrastructure Re: McArthur River Bridge and implementing the recommendations to improve Community safety issues.
- Email: Julie Bennet - Re:Buffer Zone at Power Station-
ACTION: DCSI send a letter to Julie Bennett requesting the Power Station buffer zone be remove completely and that government consider a_suggest future relocation of the Power House to a more desirable destination, taking into consideration the growth of the township and the failings of government to provide adequate town planning and urban design.
- Discussion Paper - NT EPA Waste Management Strategy
- Letter from Gerry McCarthy MLA Re: Environmental Issues at McArthur River Mine
ACTION: DCSI to send letter to Gerry McCarthy requesting all future incoming correspondence to be addressed to either CEO or Mayor Jack.
- Letter Bernie Redfern: Letter from Nigel Scullion regarding housing and land matters in Borroloola

9. General Business

9.1. ***GEC Report:** Nil

9.2. ***Elected Member's Report:** Annual Report 2013-14 is in the process of getting printed.

9.3. ***Council Service Manager's Report:** Nathan McIvor was introduced as the new CSM and gave a brief background on his past working history, family etc. Local Authority members welcomed Nathan and his family to Borroloola.

9.4. ***Town Priorities:** LA will have an out of session meeting to discuss Town Priorities 2nd week of January 2015. LA members will be advised of time, date and place in advance.

9.5. ***Governance Updates:** Local Authorities have 2 meetings scheduled for January to June 2015

ACTION: CSO to send all proposed meeting date for 2015.

9.6. **Complaints Register:** Nil

9.7. ***Borroloola Alcohol Management Plan:** Minutes from previous Meeting was tabled.

9.8. ***Policy Updates:** At October OCM the following updated policies were passed; Financial Delegation Manual, Organisational Delegation Manual, Accounting Policy Manual and the Annual Report. All approved Manuals/policies can be found on the Website or ask for a copy at the Office.

9.9. ***Work Health and Safety:** Nil

9.10. ***Cemetery:** NTG discussion paper for the review of the NT Cemeteries Act was distributed for public consultation. Council submission is due on 27th February 2015.

9.11. ***Swimming Pool:** Royal Life Saving will be delivering Life Guard/Bronze training early next year.

9.12. ***Youth, Sport & Recreation Report:** YS&R Coordinator gave a brief update of activities and numbers attending, 307 children/ month. Christmas School Holiday Program has been advertised around the community –Holiday Program Tabled. YS&R Coordinator completed his 4x4 Training.

ACTION:DCSI to follow up with YS&R Unit re:Youth Diversion as a stand alone position

9.13. ***Clinic:** Men Group, Asmen Rory has started meeting with local men, they now have permission to use the Rumburriya building. Morgue will be receiving a new fridge soon. Clinic operating hours 9-4:30pm

10. Other Business

10.1. **RhFFUS Feedback:** Study has finished and all stats will be released soon, Jodi Lennox thanked the Borroloola Community for their cooperation.

10.2. **Australia Day:** Australia Day nomination forms are available from Borroloola SDC.

ACTION: Local Authority to nominate Steven Anderson for the “keys to the Town”

10.3. **Appreciation Letters:** Local Authority discussed sending out appreciation letters to various person/s who have worked extremely hard in making Borroloola community a better place

ACTION: DCSI to write appreciation letters to the following; Robbie & Jerry, Garbage Truck, Josh Smith – John Moriarty Football, Jason Degraff- AFLNT

10.4. Community Grants Program – Round Three 2014-15: Round three grants are open; all applications can be collected from the Borroloola SDC or on the Roper Gulf Regional Council's website

10.5. Town Christmas Party: Town Christmas party on Thursday 18th December, funded by McArthur River Mine, MAWA, Cairns Industries and RGRC donating jumping castle and other Youth, Sport & Rec equipment.

10.6. First Circle: Maria was successful in her application to First Circle, meetings will commence very soon. Maria will update LA on First Circle programs.

11. Meeting Closed

- Meeting Closed: 1:36pm
- Next Meeting: Thursday 5th march 2015

As the Chair at the Borroloola Local Authority Meeting held on the _____ I certify these minutes to be a true and correct record of this meeting.

Chairperson Chrissy Joll