

This **Provisional** Meeting was opened at 10:30am by Chair Bobby Nungumajbarr and the Roper Gulf Regional Council pledge was read.

1. Present:

Elected Members:

Nil

Local Authority Members:

Bobby Nungumajbarr
Robin Rogers
Jerry Ashley

Staff:

Paul Amarant – Senior Council Service Coordinator
Michael Berto – CEO
Sharon Hillen – Director of Council and Community Services
Joanne Morrison – Senior Administration Support Officer (Minute Taker)
Victoria Haig – Community Development Program Coordinator
Jo Nicol – Local Authority Coordinator
Aaron Joshua – Roper Gulf Regional Council

Visitors/Guests:

Rose Peckham – Department Local Government & Community Services
Lynda Pasco – Ngukurr School Principal
Surinda Creighton – Alcohol Strategy, Department of Business
Clifford Duncan – Urapunga Local
Matthew Woldseth – Northern Territory Police
Selma Liberato – Menzies School of Health & Research
Nelson Berko – Sunrise Health Service
Laura Baddeley – Sunrise Health Service
Kathryn Fuller – Power and Water
Chris Horton – Power and Water

2. Apologies:

Apologies Accepted, Daphne Daniels, Eric Roberts, Walter Rogers, Joyce Torres

Recommendation: Jerry Ashley
Carried

Seconded: Robin Rogers

3. Conflict of Interest-Members & Staff:

Nil

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes to be ratified at the November Local Authority meeting.

5. Business Arising/Action List;

5.1. Previous minutes action List

| Date action initiated | Action | Responsible Person | Status | Comments |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------|---------|--|
| 06.04.2016 | Form a Community Safety Committee and update Community Safety Action Plan | AM/LA | Ongoing | 07:09:2016: Community Safety Action Plan was presented; no Community Safety Committee is in place-discuss at upcoming Stakeholder Meeting. |
| 06.04.2016 | Write letter to Ngukurr School Council asking for funding support for use of pool | DCSI | Ongoing | 07:09:2016: Council will fund pool operation for next 12 months. Still investigating Funding from other sources. |
| 11.05.2016 | Give Yugul Mangi and Milwarpara Reps complete breakdown of Pool costs after all saving measures have been factored also table at next LA meeting | AM | Ongoing | 07:09:2016: Sharon will email requested groups. |

6. Correspondence

6.1. Outgoing Correspondence:

6.2. Incoming Correspondence:

Letter: Department Infrastructure re: Ngukurr Learning Centre Storm Water Issues.

Letter: Department Local Government & Community Services re: Morgues

ACTION: AM to find out status of the Morgue promised to Ngukurr Community as per letter and will funding be honoured by new Government.

NT Government Information on Lead.

ACTION: SASO to put up posters around community to inform people about lead.

ACTION: Actions will appear under each point like this

7. General Business

7.1 *Elected Member Report:

Nil

7.2 *Council Services Report:

Recommendation: That the Ngukurr Local Authority receive and note the Council Services report.

Moved: Robin Rogers Seconded: Jerry Ashley
Carried

7.3 *Council Financial Reports: Fourth Quarter Financial Reports.

As the 2015/2016 Fourth Quarter Financial Report contained an anomaly # 138 – Local Authority Funding, Local Authority members requested new Report for next Local Authority and Finance Manager to attend.

Recommendation: That the Ngukurr Local Authority receive and note the Council Financial report.

Moved: Bobby Nungumajbarr Seconded: Jerry Ashley
Carried

7.4 *Governance Updates:

- *Local Authority Funding Update
- *Complaints Register- Members were advised to report Complaints to Roper Gulf Regional Council Office especially Dog complaints which should also be reported to the Police. There has been a number of Local Authority resignations received due to members pursuing work commitments; Olga Daniels, Keith Rogers and Tanya Joshua

Recommendation: The Ngukurr Local Authority accept the nomination of Renelle Rogers and Clifford Duncan to Ngukurr Local Authority

Moved: Booby Nungumajbarr Second: Robin Rogers
Carried

Recommendation: That the Ngukurr Local Authority receive and note the updates from Governance.

Moved: Bobby Nungumajbarr Seconded: Robin Rogers
Carried

7.5 *CDP- Community Development Program:

Prime Minister and Cabinet have completed a CDP Audit. There has been a large drop in participation with participants not attending Activities.

Women's Activities will soon be commencing at the Youth Centre.

A new CDP Supervisor has been employed at Urapunga.

Recommendation: That the Ngukurr Local Authority receive and note the Community Development Program report.

Moved: Bobby Nungumajbarr Seconded: Robin Rogers
Carried

7.6 *Alcohol Management Plan:

Currently the 1 week long Family Violence Program is running in Ngukurr, lots of good feedback.

Doug Kelly has been out to Ngukurr in the last 12 months to work with School and Football Teams.

There is a lot of Gambling in the Community, Catholic Care in Ngukurr running Money Matters Program.

There is Funding available through the AMP to support more family orientated initiatives that help Reduce Alcohol Harm.

Use the Multipurpose Centre as an initiative for Alcohol Harm Reduction.

7.7 Community Services Program Update:

Aged Care & Disability Services Report-New Coordinated has started at the Aged Care Centre.

Night Patrol Report- Local Authority members requested the NP Phone Number.

Posters are currently going up outlining what NP does and contacts.

The Night Patrol Regional Coordinator for the Roper/Borrooloola region has been employed and has started.

Recommendation: That the Ngukurr Local Authority receive and note the Community Services Program Report.

Moved: Bobby Nungumajbarr

Seconded: Robin Rogers

Carried

8. Other Business

8.1 Roper & Wilton Bridge – Proceeding, work available especially for people with HR Licence, 40-50 workers expected to join the camp in next few weeks.

8.2 Ngukurr Multi Purpose Sports Centre Report- A discussion was held on the Report and feedback has been requested.

8.3 Presentation-Water Supply and Demand Issues, Kathryn Fuller, Remote Operations Power & Water. The Team will be working in Ngukurr for the next 12 months to investigate overcoming Supply & Demand Issues.

Currently seeking approval to connect Bore to existing supply system with Power and Water line.

ACTION: Call a Community Meeting to discuss Water Supply & Demand Issues ask P & W to attend.

8.4 Healthy Eating & Drinking Study – Selma Liberato, Menzies School of Health Based on the positive feedback from the pilot study we applied for funding and were successful with our application. We are conducting a 4-year randomised controlled trial (Healthy Eating and Drinking Study - HEDS) in 12 remote communities to improve eating and drinking of Indigenous Australian children and their families.

Participation in the HEDS has the following potential benefits in community:

- Training free of charge in nutrition and research in community to all people with interest in nutrition;

- Employment of two people who participated in the training to help with participant recruitment, implementation of the program and data collection;
- Implementation/monitoring of good practices at the store to encourage healthier eating and drinking;
- Provision of 24hour access to drinking water;
- Community events including cooking demonstrations and taste testing sessions; and
- A school-based nutrition education program to empower students to make good food and beverage choices on their own.

8.5 NT Police Update:

The Ngukurr Safety Action Plan was distributed

Some of the current Policing Issues in Ngukurr include;

- Alcohol coming into Community,
- Not advising Police when Alcohol is being brought into community therefore the Police
- Dangerous Driving –Hooning,
- Vandalism,
- Fighting,
- Gambling.

8.6 Roper Gulf Regional Council Mayor: LA Members asked the status of the Mayor's position. Tony Jack has requested to return to Council and the CEO has accepted. Tony Jack was reinstated as Mayor from the 1st September 2016.

8.7 Current Roper Gulf Regional Council Projects in Ngukurr:

- Freight Hub,
- Mutju Road
- Multi-Purpose Centre
- Funding to upgrade Office area
- Gazetted and Bitumised Roads will be a focus
- Look into Traffic Management Plans that include moving the Bowser on road at the entry of Ngukurr.

The Council Ordinary Council Meeting will be held 14 September 2016 due to previous OCM being postponed.

8.8 Urapunga Issues:

- CDP Coordinator for Urapunga has been appointed.
- Rubbish needs to be dumped in the Tip.
- Road to the Dump needs to be improved.
- Bodhi Bus Depot-Liaise with Project Officer Garry Richards.

9. Meeting Closed at 2:26pm

Next Meeting: 16th November 2016.