
Meeting opened at 10.10 by Helen Lee designated Chair for this Meeting

1. Present:

- 1.1. **Elected Members:** Cr Lee (left at 10.45 for an appointment)
- 1.2. **Local Authority Members:** Scott Lee, Jamie Ah Fat, David Oenpelli, Anita Painter, Helen Lee(Chair)
- 1.3. **RGRC Staff:** Robert Campbell (CSM), Jo Nicol(Governance) Nerine Purton (RJCP)
- 1.4. **Visitors/Guests:** Sammy Bush-Blanasi (Chair NLC), Moira McCreesh (Alcohol Policy), Kate Ganley & William Rosas (Dept Local Government), Stephen Charles (AOD), Jody Locke (Bess Price MLA)

2. Apologies:

Sharon Hillen, Clarette Brown, Ruth Kelly.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes were read by Helen, Moved by Scott Lee Seconded David Oenpelli

4. Business Arising/Action List;

- 4.1. **Previous minutes action List**

5. Correspondence

- 5.1. **Outgoing Correspondence:**

5.2. **Incoming Correspondence:** Jo tabled and read letter from Minister for Transport, The Hon Peter Styles re: Road between Manyallalk and Barunga and the jump up.

6. General Business

6.1. *Elected Member Report:

6.2. ***Council Services Managers Report:** Robert tabled his monthly statistics and reported that 4 security cameras have been installed at the Compound they are on sensors and there are signs ready to go up to notify people of their existence. Robert noted Mayor Jack and CEO were in Barunga yesterday to talk to people as part of Council's continuing communication. As far as Robert knows the Festival is on track he has had no contact from Festival Organisers SkinnyFish. Who is coordinating the Event. Card Games are still a big issue with people sitting in the middle of the road and is extremely dangerous, if anyone has any ideas about what to do about the problem please contact Robert.

Curfew for Children is a topic that has been discussed between Robert, GEC and ILC but has some merit how to proceed with it and noise abatement bylaws? It may be possible to have Night Patrol and Police intervene as well as the VSA committee with intention of providing education and information.

Potholes will be done in the coming weeks.

Sport & Rec is currently understaffed with only one person who is a Trainee. Sport & Recreation will be recruiting for 2 more positions in the near future. Youth Week was very low key as a result of staffing issues.

6.3. ***Town Priorities:** LA Members discussed Town Priorities and Robert indicated which Priorities had already been delivered. Dog Bylaws, Fencing, Social Club and Activities for Youth are the Top Priorities in Barunga.

ACTION: CSM to find out about the status of the fencing (22)

ACTION: CSM to invite Sport & Recreation Manager to next Local Authority meeting

6.4. ***Governance Updates:** A reminder about the Financial Training on Monday 28th April at 9.30am, all LA members, CSM and SASO are required to attend. Jo discussed the Local Authority Boundary that is a requirement from Government as part of the Regional Governance Reforms. The LA Members were keen that the Boundary should be the same as the Nyirranggulung Ward Boundary saying that people within the Ward move freely between all Communities.

Motion : That Barunga accept the Nyirranggulung Ward Boundary area as the Local Authority Boundary for the Barunga Local Authority. Moved: Jamie AhFat
Seconded: Scott Lee All agreed by way of consensus.

6.5. ***RJCP-** Remote Jobs and Communities Program: Nerine tabled the RJCP progress report. The Remote School Attendance is working very well thanks to Rosina and Tracey Camfoo, there are still two positions available. Job seekers are currently doing Cert 111 in Construction and building a Community BBQ area. If people have any good idea for work that will benefit the Community please let the RJCP crew know. Relocating the Playground, Cert 11 Local Government Operations, Cert 11 in Leaders & Supervisors and Driver Training are all on the agenda.

6.6. ***Alcohol Management Plan:** Moira McCreesh, gave an overview of the AMP and where it is at today. The current AMP is about half done and need a group to drive it. It is a requirement to have an AMP if Barunga is intending on applying for a Canteen. Moira asked LA Members if they would like to have a Joint Meeting with other Communities who are also working on Plans; Jilkmिंगgan, Wugularr, Manyallaluk , and members were keen for this to happen. There were a number of questions Moira asked Members to think about. LA Members noted it was important to have the TOs permission and ask them to be involved.

Margaret Katherine has already done some work on the Plan.

ACTION: Moria to send a copy of the current AMP to all Local Authority members.

ACTION: Robert to talk to TOs about how to progress the Plan

6.7. ***Policy Updates:** Policies are available on the website and Robert is happy to get copies for people who would like them.

6.8. ***Work health and Safety:**

6.9 **Curfew for the school kids**

6.1.1 **VSA-** Stephen spoke about the current Petrol sniffing problem and some legal avenues the Community can take to instigate a VSA Plan that includes gazetting an area and the Plan becomes Law. A reminder that people need to inform Police when people are supplying Alcohol/Petrol. The VSA committee can do a draft plan and then Community signs off on it. VSA are looking at Supply and Demand issues. Many issues are because of boredom it is important to have Sport and Recreation Services on board. Anita asked if VSA information sessions could be done in Barunga.

ACTION: Robert to contact Stephen and arrange a training VSA program for Barunga

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7. Other Business

7.1 **Sammy Bush Blanasi Chairman NLC addressed the Local Authority-** Sammy introduced himself and talked about some of the issues that were concerning him and the Baggala People; Staff living at Barunga have no recreational permits and need to apply to the NLC for permits to go hunting and camping etc. Sammy asked that Council reinforces this with workers to ensure they are not breaking the Law.

Petrol sniffing is also a concern there has been an increase in the numbers sniffing in the last 2 years, Sammy is asking all service providers work together to find a solution. There is a lot of reasons people sniff fuel but for many it is boredom and lack of activities and not going to school. Alcohol smuggling in Beswick is an issue, Sammy will meet with the Police Commissioner in May to talk about the Club at Barunga.

Baggala are getting a new office in Barunga next to Lot 223. Traditional people are unhappy with Skinny Fish and the Barunga Festival Mob, not enough consultation, no communication and not enough Local Traditional events at the Festival. Not happy with program and lack of respect shown to TOs. Sammy asked if LA members on Festival Committee could talk to Skinny Fish Festival Mob.

ACTION: Anita to chase up at the next Festival Committee Meeting.

7.11 The Local Authority are keen for the Bylaws to come into place, Council are currently working on a range of Bylaws to be rolled out across the Regional Council noise is a big issue in Barunga. People are encouraged to ring the Police 131 444 and raise the issue and also contact Territory Housing and complain.

7.12 Helen pointed out that residents in Barunga who have Liquor permits may be supplying other family members with grog and should have their Licences revoked. This is a Police matter, people are encouraged to ring Police and make a complaint. You need to make sure you have all the facts and proof before complaining. Local Authority who like to put up some educational flyers to this effect.

ACTION: Local Authority Members to bring up the Gunja & Alcohol issues at the Community Safety Meeting.

8. Meeting Closed 12.30

Next Meeting Tuesday 15 July 2014

* Denotes permanent Agenda items