

Borroloola Local Authority Meeting Minutes

Held at Savannah Way Motel

Thursday 4th September 2014

Meeting opened at 10:00am by Bernie Redfern who has been designated Chair at this Borroloola Local Authority Meeting

1. Present:

1.1. Elected Members:

Mayor Jack
Councillor Garner
Councillor Allen

1.2 Local Authority Members:

Bernie Redfern	Mike Longton
Maria Pyro	Marlene Karkadoo
Geoff Hulm	Shaun Cairns

1.3 RGRC Staff:

Bob Pahl	Sharon Hillen
Chantelle Johns	Jo Nicol
Paul Parker	

1.4 Visitors/Guests:

Gerry McCarthy	Donald Shadforth
Jackie Green	
William Rosas	Nicholas Sarah (Dept Local Government)

2. Apologies:

Patrick Fleming	Alison Doyle
Annie Roberts	Chrissy Joll
Beatty Retchford	
Moved: Cr Stan Allen Seconded: Mike Longton	

3. Conflict of Interest:

No conflict of interest was declared.

4. Guest Speakers:

Gerry McCarthy

- Spoke to LA member about the Power Water sewerage upgrade, Power Water are confident that the upgrade restoration will be happening very soon.

- It is important for residents to be involved in the scope of works that Steelcon undertake.
- Gerry had commended residents for their patience with regards to Sewage Stage 2 . This was always going to be a challenging project.
- Getting permanent Motor Vehicle Registration Services in Borroloola are of utmost importance.
- **ACTION:** CSM to circulate Gerry McCarthy's letter to all LA members.

5. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved: Geoff Hulm

Seconded: Councillor Allen

Voted: All agreed

6. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

7. Previous Minutes Action List

See Attached Action List

8. Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence:

Nil

8.1. Incoming Correspondence:

9. General Business

9.1. *GEC Report Nil

9.2. *Elected Member's Report:

- OCM last week in Numbulwar, next OCM will be held in Ngukurr. Elected member spoke about having youth present at LA meetings and OCM's, two spots available for LA meetings age group for Youth is 15-25 years.
- The Mayor discussed a letter sent to Council via OCM re:Terry Fisher requesting support from RGRC to get realigning of his town block.

Motion: Borroloola Local Authority to send letter to Terry Fisher supporting his proposal to get blocks realigned as long as there is no costs or issues incurred by Council.

Moved: Shaun Cairns

Seconded: Geoff Hulm

ACTION: DITS/CSM to write Letter to giving conditional support to Terry Fisher's proposal of block realigning.

9.3. *Council Service Manager's Report:

- Sewer Upgrade will commence in the subdivision in approximately 2 weeks
- Minister Elferink sent thank you wishes to all LA Member that met with him and discussed and raised issues regarding Borroloola
- Stage 2 of the softball diamond will start soon

9.4. ***Town Priorities:**

ACTION: Sharon to circulate Town Priorities to Chair and LA Members

9.5. ***Governance Updates:**

- 29th October – OCM Ngukurr

9.6. ***Complaints Register:**

- Complaint received in August in regards to the dump, complaint has been resolved.

9.7. ***Borroloola Alcohol Management Plan:**

- AMP Group met last week, no changes the statistics from Police, Night patrol and Clinic are being compiled. The Legal Team is yet to review the AMP document.

9.8. ***Policy Updates:**

- One new policy – Care Taker Policy- A policy to guide RGRC during LG Elections.
- Two updated policies- Bulling Policy, Confidentially Policy

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

- To highlight Safety and everyone's responsibilities to it September is Safety Month at Roper Gulf Regional Council, employee will be attending a Safety Presentation at each Council Services centre. Everyone is encouraged to report any hazards as soon as there are seen.

9.10. ***Cemetery-** Still waiting for NTG for Legislation.

9.11. ***Swimming Pool**

- Meeting date to be discussed and decided

9.12. ***Youth, Sport & Rec Report**

- Youth, Sport & Rec are still working hard to find two Youth to partake in LA meetings – Youth to be aged between 15-25years
- Suicide Training – Using media, 13 youth attending the training
- Over all average for the month
 - 96 youth under 18year of age
 - 7-13 youth over 18years of age

10. Other Business

10.1. Local Authority Funding Guidelines

- \$131,356 for Borroloola – NTG will deliver this grant for 4 years
 - \$37,000 to Traffic Management
 - \$94,356 left to be allocated by Local Authority

ACTION: DITS/Council to give LA Member prices on electronic score boards for the Show grounds.

ACTION: Sharon and CSM to meet with LA members at PM that night to decide placement of Solar Lights

10.2. **Hardy Aviation** – Have asked if Council will wave landing fees etc for aircraft and in return Council and NT Government will have access to this air craft. Council will await a formal letter from Hardy Aviation.

10.3. Wild Dog Trapping Program

- Proposed dates for Borroloola: 13th – 17th October. More notification will be given at a closer date.

10.4. MRM Overburden Management Project EIS

- Handouts given to LA Members – LA Member discussed the issue of the burning at MRM, with the core being 2000°C and disintegrating rocks LA members would like to write a letter asking MRM to address the pollution.

ACTION: Council to write a letter in regards to LA Members concerns at MRM Mine.

10.5 Jacky Green had 3 issues;

At Mara Camp where digging pipeline the Speed Bump has not been fixed up outside Mabunji- This is the Contractors responsibility.

The state of housing in the Camps- This is Mabunji's responsibility

The Road and Bridge- This has already been fixed.

ACTION: Sharon to send NLC email.

10.6 **Donald Shadforth** presented photos of drinking spots and asked who is responsible for clean up. Sharon said the road corridor belongs to NTG and that a request has been sent to Dept of Infrastructure for a contract so Council can clean up road. CSM stated this issue has been raised at the AMP Meetings and the Mayor suggested taking it back to AMP Meeting.

11. Meeting Closed

- Meeting Closed: 2:55pm
- Next meeting: 9th October 2014

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 Bernie Redfern