

3 March 2015

This Meeting opened at 2.30pm by Chair Steven Roy and the Roper Gulf Regional council Pledge was read.

1. Present;

1.1 Elected Members:

Councillor Annabelle Daylight
Councillor Timothy Baker

1.2 Local Authority Members:

Steven Roy
Maxie Miller
Wendy Daylight
Patrisha Baker

1.3 Staff:

Antony Lynch - Council Services Manager
Sharon Hillen - Director Council Services and Infrastructure
Catherine Proctor - Director Community Services
Jo Nicol - Local Authority Coordination Officer
Hilary Sinfield - Governance Officer
Anne-Marie McDonald - Customer Services Officer

1.4 Visitors/Guests:

William Rosas - Department of Local Government
Barry Clarke (GEC)
Rosina Farrell – Remote School Attendance Strategy

2. Apologies:

Judy MacFarlane – Deputy Mayor
Lisa McDonald
Cheryl Lardy
Adrian Doctor

3. Conflict of Interest:

Nil

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of previous meeting held on 03/02/2015 to be accepted,
Moved: Patrisha Baker **Seconded:** Cr Timothy Baker Jnr.
Carried.

5. Business Arising/Action List:

Motion to accept the previous minute's action List

Moved: Cr. Timothy Baker Jnr. **Seconded:** Wendy Daylight

Carried

6. Correspondence;

6.1. Outgoing Correspondence:

- Letter to NT Electoral Commission
- Letter Re: Jilkminggan Community Aboriginal Corporation Leases, TressCox Lawyers.

6.2. Incoming Correspondence:

- Letter of Support, Department Correctional Services
- Resignation Letter, Councillor Stan Allen
- Invitation to Forum, Kimberley Zone Western Australia Local Government

7. Financial Reports:

Tabled and discussed.

8. General Business;

8.1 Elected Member Report;

Verbal Report:

The recent OCM scheduled to be held in Mataranka was rescheduled for Katherine later in the week due to Cyclone Lam. Councillor Allen has resigned, a by-election will be held in the South West Ward.

8.2 Council Services Managers Report:

Council Services Manager, Antony Lynch returned from relieving duties 5 weeks ago. Fences have been painted, grassed areas have been maintained (mowing), 5-6 days of weed spraying. Staff collected and disposed of ten loads of rubbish from outlying Community areas. We are charging contactors Dumping Fees. Outback stores supplied fruit and Deputy Mayor donated plants for Clean up Australia Day. Three new Solar Lights erected. Muns workers have been doing an excellent job, getting great comments from visitors. Foot Path project will commence soon.

8.3 Sport & Recreation:

The Director Community Services, Catherine Proctor, attended the Jilkminggan LA Meeting to address issues that had arisen at the last meeting re: S&R Bus for picking up children was raised. Currently the Sport & Rec Officer collects participants in his own vehicle. Children need to be pushed to attend.

It was noted by Catherine that not every community has a bus. 6 buses will be traded for 4. There is a need to negotiate with RSAS for their buses. S&R are scheduling a planning day to discuss these and many other issues. Julie Kartinyeri, Regional Manager Youth, Sport and Recreation, attended a week ago and no fuel for Buses. Children should be attending the program under their own steam.

Local Authority Member Steven Roy mentioned that that it was extremely important to get kids to S&R Program to mitigate boredom that leads to vandalism etc in the

Community. Unfortunately the weights were stolen from the shed. The Play will be held 26th March in Jilkminggan Invitations to go to stakeholders.

8.4 Aged Care

Work at Aged care is going well and clients are satisfied with the service.

8.4 Crèche

Crèche is Operating well and next week staff will attend a week long Puppet workshop.

8.5 Remote School Attendance Strategy (RSAS)

It was discussed that RSAS needs more support from Parents to get children to school this is week 6 and attendance is at 68% there is 1 vacancy and staff attendance is down.

8.6 Remote Jobs and Communities Program (RJCP)

RJCP program is going ok.

8.7 Town Priorities

The current 2014/15 list of Town Priorities were updated to go into the 2015/16 Council Plan. Four new Solar Lights and their sites were proposed. Furthermore new priorities includes: New cemetery. Single Women's Accommodation, Lining Ceiling and Air-conditioning at the Sport & Rec Hall, Seating around Football Area and Score Board.

8.4 Governance Updates:

Local Authority Training will be held Tuesday 28th April 2015. The Reconciliation Action Plan was tabled and LA members invited to make comment. The printout of the Plan was handed out to members and everyone was welcomed to make comments to document.

8.5 Complaints Register:

Nil

It was discussed that LA encourage people to lodge a formal complaint if they have an issue. It was mentioned that it is important to use the complaints process so all issues are documented. Currently, there are many people unhappy with Territory Housing timeframes for fixing issues. Pest Control is another issue unfortunately the tenant is responsible for this.

8.6 Alcohol Management Plan

Meeting was held 3 weeks ago and AMP is progressing.

8.7 Policy Updates

Updates on Travel Policy for Staff and Councillors was approved by ordinary meeting of Council on 27 February 2015 . All updated policies can be downloaded from the website.

8.8 Work Health and Safety:

Local Authority Members were advised that CSM Antony Lynch and Sports and Rec Officer Holly Gosden attended the WH&S meeting in Katherine

8.9 GEC Report:

GEC Barry Clarke gave a brief report on RSAS

8.10 JCAC Report:

Nil

9. Other Business.

9.1| Funding For Community Services:

CSM to find out about erecting roadside Grave Markers.

9.2 Chainsaws:

New tools are arriving and a chainsaw Course is mandatory for people using them.

9.3 Local Authority Member Steven Rory tendered his resignation from the Jilkminggan Local Authority as he is moving on.

10. Meeting Closed 4.17pm.

Next Meeting to be held on the 5th May 2015 in the Jilkminggan Conference Room.

As the Chair at the Jilkminggan Local Authority Meeting held on the 4th of March 2015 I certify these minutes to be a true and correct record of this meeting.

Chairperson: Steven Roy