

MINUTES OF THE NUMBULWAR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE
SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE - CONFERENCE ROOM, NUMBULWAR ON
TUESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2016

1. **PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS**

Elected Members

Cr Kathy-Anne Numamurdiridi

Local Authority Members

Roland Nundhirribala (Chairperson)

Douglas Wungumurra

Felicity Kym Rami

Ella Geia

Timothy Wurramara

Staff

Sharon Hillen, Director of Council Services

Janeen Bulsey, Roper Area Manager

Jo Nicol, Local Authority Coordinator (Minute Taker)

Sam Nowicki, Community Safety Youth, Sport & Recreation Coordinator

Guests

Jeanie Govan, Office Aboriginal Affairs, NTG

Jona Loco, Traditional Credit Union

Melissa Connors, Prime Minister & Cabinet

Rose Peckham, Department Local Government and Community Services.

2. **MEETING OPENED**

Meeting opened at 11:05am

3. **WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

Roland Nundhirribala welcomed members, staff and guests as the Chairperson and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

Sharon Hillen, Director of Council and Community Services welcomed the new Area Manager; Janeen Bulsey to the Community and introduced her to the Local Authority Members and Staff.

4. **APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority approve the apologies of David Murrungun, Virginia Nundhirribala, John Terepo and Christine Smith for the meeting.

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES

20/2016 RESOLVED (Douglas Wunungmarra/Ella Geia)

Carried

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting held on Wednesday 12th October 2016.

6. CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS

1. New Council Organisational Structure
2. New Clinic
3. Housing
4. Government Building Centre
5. Safe House - *Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi*
6. Road Works
7. Traditional Credit Union.
8. Community Services Sport and Recreation

7. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this Numbulwar Local Authority.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST

21/2016 RESOLVED (Douglas Wunungmarra/Ella Geia)

Carried

(a) That Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the Action List.

Date	Agenda Item #	Item Description	Responsible Person	Status	Status Comments - Completion Date
10.11.15		Current status of the RGRC Dog By Laws for Numbulwar for next LA Meeting.	DCCS	Ongoing	12.07.16 By-Laws are being drafted by DLGCS 15.11.16 Currently with NT Parliamentary Secretary; Dog, noise, waste management, litter. Action: Give Vet Notices to all LA members and Stakeholders.
10.11.15		Decide at next LA meeting if LA Funding should be made available for the Old Cemetery Memorial Project. Cost and Scope to be provided.	CDP Coordinator	Ongoing	12.10.16 CDP Coordinator will present this action at next LA as she is till waiting on quotes from suppliers-to be presented with accurate quotes.

16.02.16	7.2 Area Managers Report	Seek funding for more speed bumps	CSC/DCC S	Ongoing	12.07.16 CSC to slap map the location of the needed speed bumps. DCCS to seek funding.
16.02.16	7.4 Policy Updates	Local Authority members to invite NT Housing to the Community Meeting once date has been set	CSC	Ongoing	12.10.16 Territory Housing – were not present. LA request for them to attend and hold an HRG
12.07.16		CSC to send a formal invitation to Traditional Credit Union to explain the delivery service method	CSC	Completed	12.10.16 Chase up when the presentation will occur for LA 15.11.16 TCU attended
12.10.16	8.1 Incoming Corro	Follow-up on the Numbulwar morgue as per the letter from Bess Price. Members are asking where will the morgue be located.	Rose Peckham	Ongoing	15.11.16- Nil update
12.10.16	10.10 Community Services report	Maintenance report to be sent again to Assets Manager to find out progress of the lights being fixed at the Basketball Court.	CSC	Completed	15.11.16-Lights upgraded.
12.10.16	10.10 Community Services report	Signs to be displayed across the RGRC delivery programs and building to enforce that – ‘Violence is not accepted in the RGRC Work Place’. Possibly look into workshops regarding education and impact on violence.	Area Manager	Ongoing	15.11.16- Nil update

9. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

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22/2016 RESOLVED (Felicity Kym Rami/Timothy Wurramara)

Carried

- (a) **That Numbulwar Local Authority accept the Incoming Correspondence.**

10. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

23/2016 RESOLVED (Douglas Wunungmarra/Ella Geia)

Carried

- (a) **That Numbulwar Local Authority accept the Outgoing Correspondence Report.**

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

Cr Kathy- Anne Numamurdirdi will be attending the next FCM on Wednesday 23rd November in Katherine.

At the last OCM held in October Cr Kathy- Anne Numamurdirdi was an apology

At the last OCM held in Katherine the Annual Report was passed with an unqualified Financial Audited Report.

23/2016 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi/Felicity Kym Rami)

Carried

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal Elected Member Report.

11.2 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

The New Dump is currently being scoped.

23/2016 RESOLVED (Ella Geia/Felicity Kym Rami)

Carried

- (a) That Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the report on current Council Services.

11.3 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT

An explanation is requested for a breakdown of what "Other Services" are in the Financial Report.

24/2016 RESOLVED (Ella Geia/Felicity Kym Rami)

Carried

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the Numbulwar financial report for the first quarter of 2016-17.

11.4 GOVERNANCE REPORT - COMPLAINTS REGISTER

25/2016 RESOLVED (Douglas Wunungmarra/Timothy Wurramara)

Carried

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the Complaints Register.

11.5 GOVERNANCE REPORT - LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING UPDATE

LA Members requested more information about the Basketball Court upgrade and an opportunity to consider other Projects.

26/2016 RESOLVED (Ella Geia/Douglas Wunungmarra)

Carried

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the report on the Local Authority Project funding.

- (b) That the Numbulwar Local Authority would like more time to consider the funding allocation to the Basketball Court and request more information on the details; itemised quotes, diagrams, pictures and Project Plans.

ACTION: Email to the LA Members Basketball Court Upgrade Project Information.

11.6 ANNUAL REPORT 2015-16

27/2016 RESOLVED (Ella Geia/Kathy-Anne Numamurdiridi)

Carried

- (a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note Roper Gulf Regional Council's Annual Report 2015-16.

11.7 REGIONAL PLAN 2016-2017 QUARTERLY REPORT

28/2016 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne Numamurdiridi/Douglas Wunungmarra)

Carried

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the 1st Quarter Report of the Regional Plan 2016-2017.

11.8 2017 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING CALENDAR

29/2016 RESOLVED (Douglas Wunungmarra/Ella Geia) Carried

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority accepts the meeting dates of the 2017 Local Authority Meeting Calendar.

11.9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

30/2016 RESOLVED (Ella Geia/Douglas Wunungmarra) Carried

(a) That Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the CDP report.

11.10 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT - NIGHT PATROL

It was noted that over the last few months there has been an increase in vandalism and poor school attendance.

31/2016 RESOLVED (Felicity Kym Rami/Douglas Wunungmarra) Carried

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note update on the Community Night Patrol program.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 NEW COUNCIL ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

32/2016 RESOLVED (Ella Geia/Douglas Wunungmarra) Carried

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the report on the new Council Organisational Structure.

12.2 NEW CLINIC

The new Clinic will house a Dialysis Unit, LA Members would like to know how this will be run and what the staffing will be.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on the new Clinic.

(b) That the Numbulwar Local Authority request feedback from the Health Department on the Service Delivery Model that will be used to run Clinic and Dialysis Unit.

ACTION: Request feedback from the Health Department on the Service Delivery Model that will be used to run Clinic and Dialysis Unit.

12.3 HOUSING

It was noted that after many requests all year NT Housing did not attend this meeting, so were not present to tell their story.

There has been no HRG Meeting for sometime.

There is a need for NT Housing to hold a Community Meeting to make the Tenancy Rules clear for everyone.

The current housing allocation process is culturally inappropriate and insensitive, having 1 lease holder does not work when a number of families live in the house and may be evicted if that 1 leaseholder leaves.

Repairs are not being done some complaints made earlier in the year are still not fixed and residents have all but given up.

A complaint made over 5 weeks ago that included; water leaking from the roof and no lights has still not been attended to.

There is no coordination of Tradespeople entering the Community, they are not notifying the office or seeking out occupants at work or around the community, then leaving the community when the occupant is not home.

No repairs and Maintenance are being done.

The new Houses that were completed under the SHIP Program have cheap and faulty fittings.

Fences and gates are still required on houses to keep kids safe and dogs in.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report about Housing.

Action: Area Manager to coordinate with Department of Housing to organise Community Meeting to discuss rules of tenancy agreements.

12.4 GOVERNMENT BUILDING CENTRE

Sharon Hillen discussed the Plans for the new Business Centre that will have the potential to house many of the current Government and Private services available in Numbulwar.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on the Government Building Centre.

12.5 SAFE HOUSE - Councillor Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi

Cr Kathy-Anne Numamurdirdi raised the issue of the need for a Safe House, a safe place for women to go.

Northern Territory Government would need to provide operational funding while Federal Government would need to fund the building.

Statistics need to be provided to show a Safe house would be viable.

Staff need to report violence, there needs to be some education around reporting.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on the Government Building Centre.

ACTION: GEC to provide statistics on Domestic Violence in Numbulwar to support a Safe House.

12.6 ROAD WORKS

A discussion was held about where the critical areas for road upgrades are. Top Camp is in need of speed bumps, fencing and gates.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on Road Works.

12.7 TRADITIONAL CREDIT UNION

Jona Loco from TCU thanked the LA for the opportunity to present and was sorry about the previous lack of consultation around the changes to the TCU service delivery.

The current practice of not having cash on hand is due to enormous insurance and operating costs. The previous service provided was running at a loss.

Numbulwar Community needs to have 150 or more TCU clients to make returning to the old cash service sustainable. Everyone is currently working towards this please encourage family and friends to join TCU.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on Traditional Credit Union.

12.8 COMMUNITY SERVICES SPORT AND RECREATION

Sam Nowicki gave a verbal report

The Junior Football Competition is completed.

The inaugural Numbulwar Festival was great.

The Basketball lights are now going.

Numbulwar Sport and Recreation received a Roper Gulf Community Grant making it possible for the Women's Basketball team to travel to Ngukurr for the Basketball Competition.

The team was Youth 14-20 year olds and placed 2nd overall, they won Best Team Sportsmanship.

Congratulations to the Sport and Recreation Officers that attended with the Team they did a great job of mentoring them. Russell and Felicity.

RESOLUTION

(a) That the Numbulwar Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on Community Services Sport and Recreation.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 2.07 pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 6 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Numbulwar Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Tuesday, 15 November 2016 AND CONFIRMED Tuesday, 7 February 2017.

Chairperson