



MINUTES OF THE BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING OF THE ROPER
GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM
COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE, BULMAN ON
WEDNESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2017 AT 10.00 AM

1. PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Elected Members

Mayor Judy MacFarlane (Chairperson)
Deputy Mayor Helen Lee
Councillor Wayne Runyu
Councillor Selina Ashley

1.2 Local Authority Members

Peter Apaak Jupurrula Miller
Jill Curtis
Annunciata Bradshaw
Annette Miller

1.3 Staff

Justin Pedersen, Council Services Coordinator
Chantal Binding, Local Authority Support Coordinator (Minute Taker)

1.4 Guests

Tom Girdler - Department of Housing and Community Development
Angustine Amon - Department of Housing and Community Development
Steven Kubasiewicz - Department of Housing and Community Development
Chantal Bramley – Power and Water Corporation
Jo Nicol – MP Warren Snowdon's Office
Gary Hillen - MP Warren Snowdon's Office

2. MEETING OPENED

Meeting opened at 10:08AM

3. WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Chairperson Mayor Judy MacFarlane welcomed members, staff and visitors and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Selena Uibo, Member for Arnhem, Sharon Hillen, Director of Council and Community Services and Area Manager Nathan Mclvor sent their apologies for the meeting.

50/2017 RESOLVED (Peter Miller/Selina Ashley)

(a) That the Bulman Local Authority accept the apologies of John Dalywater,

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 PREVIOUS MINUTES

51/2017 RESOLVED (Annunciata Bradshaw/Jill Curtis)

- (a) That the Bulman Local Authority approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Bulman Local Authority's Meeting held on Wednesday 27th September, 2017.

6.CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS

- 1.UPDATE OF THE SOLAR SETUP PROGRAM (P&WC)
- 2.DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING - BULMAN HOUSING REFERENCE GROUP
- 3.LAND USE PLANNING – DHCD
- 4.Update Housing - Bulman

7. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST

There were discussions about the structural issues of the Weemol Road. The Mayor was going to follow this up with Marc Gardner. It was suggested by an LA Member that the Weemol Rangers have equipment that could be used. Justin Pedersen advised that Greg Arnott was getting someone out here to look at the Weemol Road structure issues.

52/2017 RESOLVED (Peter Miller/Selina Ashley)

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

| Date | Agenda Item # | Item Description | Responsible Person | Status | Status Comments – Completion Date |
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| 27.09.17 | 8.1 ACTION LIST Update | LA have concerns about emergency medical flights not landing at night. 1) Council to write letter to CASA, Care Flight, NT and Federal Government requesting support, assistance and advice on access to Bulman Airstrip. 2) Advocate to write to Government concerning a light to be installed at the hill so emergency medical flights will service Bulman. (Nathan from PM&C to follow up as well) | GEC/ CEO | Ongoing | 31.10.17 Nathan Rosas GEC chasing up. Then CEO write letter to advocate. |

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| 27.09.17 | 12.2 ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY | Advocate to NTG for the Central Arnhem Highway to reduce the dust issues and to seal and upgrade from bridge, to Weemol turnoff, including Weemol Road & to the airstrip. | CEO/Area Manager/Marc | Ongoing | 31.10.17 CSC and Area Manager meeting with NTG, on the list. Marc Gardner to write a letter. |
| 27.09.17 | 12.2 ISSUES IN THE COMMUNITY | Dust issues road to stockyard and vicinity of yard - Contact Gulin Gulin Buffalo Company to suppress dust with a water truck. | Area Manager/CSC | Ongoing | 31.10.17 ABA and Council can support. Gulin Gulin Buffalo Company thinking about moving the stockyard and getting a water tank. |

9. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

10. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

53/2017 RESOLVED (Peter Miller/Wayne Runyu)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the Elected Member Report.**

11.2 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

Updates included:

- Nathan is still chasing up quotes for new park near the clinic
- Two new welcome signs have arrived for Bulman, one to be installed near the bridge and the other near the shop. Going up in the next 2 weeks.
- The Mayor said the community is looking good.

54/2017 RESOLVED (Selina Ashley/Annette Miller)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the verbal Council Services Report.**

11.3 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT - BULMAN

55/2017 RESOLVED (Annunciata Bradshaw/Selina Ashley)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the financial report for the first quarter of 2017-18 financial year.**

11.4 GOVERNANCE REPORT - REVIEWED POLICIES

56/2017 RESOLVED (Helen Lee/Jill Curtis)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the following reviewed policies of Council:**

- 1. GOV009 Vehicle Use Policy (previously ADM009)**
- 2. CL009 – Elected Member Development and Support Policy**

(b) That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the following Policies as adopted by Council at 25 October OCM

1. CL001 – Members' Code of Conduct
2. CL003 – Elected Member and Employee Gift Policy
3. CL007 – Caretaker Policy
4. CL009 – Elected Member Development and Support Policy
5. GOV008 – Travel Policy for Councillors and Employees
6. HR004 – Recruitment and Selection Policy
7. HR006 – Working With Children Policy

11.5 GOVERNANCE REPORT - COMPLAINTS REGISTER

57/2017 RESOLVED (Selina Ashley/Wayne Runyu)

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

11.6 GOVERNANCE REPORT - LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING UPDATE

58/2017 RESOLVED (Jill Curtis/Peter Miller)

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

11.7 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT - COMMUNITY SAFETY

59/2017 RESOLVED (Selina Ashley/Annette Miller)

(a) That the Bulman Authority receive and note the Community Safety Report.

ACTION: The LA has requested that Daniel Kirk, Regional Manager Community Safety and Annalisa Bowden, Regional Manager Community Services should attend LA Meetings at least twice a year.

11.8 COMMUNITY SERVICES - AGED CARE, DISABILITY, CRECHE

60/2017 RESOLVED (Selina Ashley/Peter Miller)

(a) That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the Community Services Report.

11.9 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

61/2017 RESOLVED (Wayne Runyu/Selina Ashley)

(a) That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the CDP Report.

11.10 CHANGES TO PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

62/2017 RESOLVED (Peter Miller/Annunciata Bradshaw)

(a) That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the report relating to changes

to the NT Library Service.

11.11 ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL 2018 MEETING CALENDAR

63/2017 RESOLVED (Helen Lee/Selina Ashley)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the attached Roper Gulf Regional Council 2018 Meeting Calendar.**

12. OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 UPDATE OF THE SOLAR SETUP PROGRAM (P&WC)

MagiQ ID: 725479

A handout was presented including additional information regarding the Solar Setup Program.

- Same location as current site.
- Bulman will be a 100 kw site, double the current capacity, with new technology.
- 320 glass top panels to be installed which are more reliable with a saving of \$4,000 annually on diesel.
- At the moment will be no battery system to store energy due to high costs of batteries and associated maintenance issues, but looking at this in the future when the cost of batteries come down and technology.
- When spike in electricity load or not enough sun the diesel will ramp up.
- Current panels to be taken down before Christmas, would like to engage CDP here for local employment to take down the panels and assist in the new installation which will take 4- 6 weeks next year.
- The community will be notified a month in advance before installation of new solar system.
- The tariff for electricity will not change and is a set uniform amount by NT Government across the NT.
- Posters will be displayed around the community regarding the new Solar Setup Program.
- Construction will commence after the wet season
- P&WC have spoken to the school regarding the glass panels and educating the kids in relation to not damaging the panels with the use of a demo kit. So far very minimal vandalism in other communities with the new solar set up.

64/2017 RESOLVED (Selina Ashley/Helen Lee)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the verbal report on the Solar Setup Program**

ACTION: LA requested that P&WC provide the annual cost for the supply of diesel.

12.2 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING - BULMAN HOUSING REFERENCE GROUP

65/2017 RESOLVED (Peter Miller/Selina Ashley)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority continue to be the Housing Reference Group (HRG) representative for the Bulman Community.**

12.3 LAND USE PLANNING – DHCD

MagiQ ID: 725857

A handout of the power point slides regarding the Bulman and Weemol Community Land Use Plans was provided, including large copies of the plans. Both the Bulman and Weemol draft community land use plan were presented and explained by Steven Kubasiewicz, Senior Planner.

- Steven was out here a couple of months ago working on the draft plans.
- Only draft plans at this stage and seeking any comments/feedback from the LA and community.
- Draft plans will be made available at the Council Office, shop etc. so available to community.
- The Department (DHCD) will circulate the plans next week to all stakeholders for public comment, open for comment for 2 weeks.
- Steven would like to attend next community meeting to discuss draft plans.

66/2017 RESOLVED (Selina Ashley/Peter Miller)

- (a) **That the Bulman Local Authority receive and note the presentation from Department of Housing and Community Development on Community Land Use Plans.**

12.4 UPDATE HOUSING - BULMAN

The Mayor informed the LA that she had spoken to Jason Ramsamy from the Department of Housing at the recent Barunga LA Meeting. She was advised that the duplex on Lot 29 to go ahead as planned and first one to be approved. The Department are investigating the viability and options, including costs to use local materials, i.e. local timber and mud brick/stone.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 12:20pm.

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Chairperson