



AGENDA

BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING

THURSDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2023

Notice is given that the next Bulman Local Authority Meeting of the Roper Gulf Regional Council will be held on:

Thursday, 5 October 2023 at 10:00am
The Conference Room Council Service Delivery Centre, Bulman
Or
Via Microsoft Teams
Meeting ID: 497 677 241 585
Passcode: NyM5tT

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Marc Gardner", is positioned above the name and title of the Chief Executive Officer.

Marc GARDNER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**BULMAN CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:
Elected Members**

1. Councillor Selina ASHLEY; and
2. Councillor John DALYWATER.

Appointed Members

1. Charmain BRINJEN (Chairperson);
2. Annette MILLER;
3. Peter MILLER;
4. Spencer MARTIN
5. Chantelle MILLER;
6. Desmond LINDSAY; and
7. Francis MURRY.

MEMBERS: 9

COUNCIL: 2

LOCAL AUTHORITY: 8

QUORUM: 5 (minimum requirement)

PROVISIONAL: 3 (minimum requirement)

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

Meetings must meet a quorum of 50% + 1 of all Members.

If no quorum is achieved, a provisional meeting can be held in one third of the total members (elected members and appointed members) are present.

During a provisional meeting, all agenda items may be discussed, and minutes must be kept.

Members at a provisional meeting may by majority vote make recommendations to Council. However, the recommendations shall be considered as those of a provisional meeting rather than a quorum meeting of the Local Authority.

A provisional meeting does not have the power or functions delegated to a Local Authority and cannot approve minutes of a Local Authority meeting.

Local Authority appointed members are paid for attending meetings (not for informal meetings or Roper Gulf Regional Council Employees during their hours of work).

PLEDGE

“We pledge to work as one towards a better future through effective use of all resources.

We have identified these key values and principles of Honesty, Equality, Accountability, Respect and Trust as being integral in the achievement of our vision, that the Roper Gulf Regional Council is Sustainable, Viable and Vibrant.”

PRAMIS BLA WI

“Mela pramis bla wek gudbalawei bla meigim futja bla wi wanwei, en bla yusim ola gudwan ting bla helpum wi luk lida.

Mela bin luk ol dijlod rul, ebrobodi gada tok trubalawei, wi gada meik so wi gibit firgo en lisin misalp, abum rispek en trastim misalp bla jinggabat bla luk lida, Roper Galf Rijinul Kaunsul deya maindim en kipbum bla wi pramis, dum wek brabli gudbalawei, en im laibliwan.”

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CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES



ITEM NUMBER	7.1
TITLE	Confirmation of Previous Minutes
REFERENCE	1374297
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority Meeting confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 January 2023 and affirms them that they are a true and accurate record of those meetings, the decisions and proceedings.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Bulman Local Authority scheduled to be held on Thursday, 06 July 2023 was **CANCELLED** due to lack of member attendance.

The Bulman Local Authority scheduled a meeting to be held on Thursday, 13 April 2023 at 10:00am. However, the meeting was **CANCELLED** due to lack of member attendance.

The Bulman Local Authority scheduled a meeting to be held on Thursday, 06 April 2023 at 10:00am. However, the meeting was **POSTPONED** at request of the Community to Thursday, 13 April 2023.

The Bulman Local Authority met and opened the meeting as a **PROVISIONAL** on Thursday, 12 January 2023. However moving to a **QUORUM** after the late arrival of two (2) Local Authority members. Attached are the Minutes of that Meeting for the Local Authority's review and confirmation

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The next Bulman Local Authority meeting is scheduled to be held on 05 October 2023.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Q-BUL_12012023_MIN(unconfirmed).pdf



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, BULMAN LOCAL
AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE
DELIVERY CENTRE, BULMAN
ON THURSDAY, 12 JANUARY 2023 AT 10:00AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Members

- Councillor John DALYWATER;
- Charmaine BRINJEN (Chairperson);
- Peter MILLER;
- Annette MILLER;
- Spencer MARTIN (arrived at 10:41am); and
- Francis MILLER (arrived at 10:45am).

1.2 Staff

- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- David HURST, General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Sam WRIGHT, Projects Coordinator;
- Michael McFARLANE, Senior Projects Coordinator;
- Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute taker); and
- Rodney HOFFMAN, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer.

1.3 Guests

- Melina DAVIDSON, Office of Selena Uibo MLA, Member for Arnhem (via teleconference).

2 MEETING OPENED

The Bulman Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:28am as a **PROVISIONAL** meeting. Two (2) Local Authority Members arrived at 10:41am – 10:45am, bringing the Bulman Local Authority Meeting to a **QUORUM**. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests to the meeting and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

BUL P-1/2023

(CHARMAIN BRINJEN/Peter MILLER)

CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) accepts the tendered apologies from Mayor Tony JACK, Councillor Selina ASHLEY,

- and Local Authority Member Chantelle MILLER; and
 (b) approves the late arrival of Local Authority Members Spencer MARTIN and Francis MILLER due to work commitments.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil.

6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

BUL Q-2/2023 (CHARMAIN BRINJEN/Peter MILLER) **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority Meeting confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on 13 October 2022 and affirms them that they are a true and accurate record of those meetings, the decisions and proceedings.

Local Authority Member Spencer MARTIN joined the meeting, bringing the meeting to a full *quorum*, the time being 10:41am.

Local Authority Member Francis MURRY joined the meeting, the time being 10:45am.

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST

BUL Q-3/2023 (Peter MILLER/SPENCER MARTIN) **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List;
- (b) approves the removal of completed items;
- (c) requests that Council write to the Northern Territory Minister for Housing seeking clarification in regards to maintenance and request their attendance at the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority;
- (d) requests that Council investigate the possibility to remove African Mahogany trees throughout Bulman Community;
- (e) requests that Council send a follow up letter to the Northern Territory Police, Fire, and Emergency Services; and
- (f) request that Council submit a report back to the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority regarding the Telstra tower being moved to the top of hill.

Cr John DALYWATER left the meeting, the time being 11:08 AM

Cr John DALYWATER returned to the meeting, the time being 11:09 AM

Local Authority Member Annette MILLER left the meeting, the time being 11:43 AM

Local Authority Member Annette MILLER joined the meeting, the time being 11:45 AM

Annette Kelly, Council Services Coordinator, joined the meeting, the time being 11:41am

Annette Kelly, Council Services Coordinator, left the meeting, the time being 11:46

9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS

- Power and Water – Peter Miller

10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

BUL Q-4/2023 (CHARMAIN BRINJEN/John DALYWATER) CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority notes the outgoing correspondence.

12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS**12.1 RE-ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON**

BUL Q-5/2023 (SPENCER MARTIN/Peter MILLER) CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Re-Election of Chairperson report; and
- (b) elects Charmain BRINJEN as Chairperson for a term of six (6) months.

13 GENERAL BUSINESS**13.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT**

BUL Q-6/2023 (John DALYWATER/CHARMAIN BRINJEN) CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance.

13.2 BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

BUL Q-7/2023 (John DALYWATER/SPENCER MARTIN) CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report;
- (b) approves the proposed toilet block location and design;
- (c) requests that Council investigates the possibility of a housing team being situated in Bulman;
- (d) allocates \$8,000.00 of the Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF) to the purchasing of two (2) community notice boards;
- (e) allocates \$33,400.00 of the LAPF towards the extension of the Weemol Basketball Court to a full sized court;
- (f) requests Council investigate the logistics and costings of constructing an outdoor Basketball court in Bulman;
- (g) requests Council investigates costings for the implementation of lighting at the Bulman oval and basketball court;
- (h) requests Council investigates costings to extend the Bulman Roper Gulf Regional Council Office;
- (i) requests Council investigates costings to purchase and install a scoreboard at the Bulman oval;
- (j) requests Council submit a report back to the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority regarding the purchasing of a mini bus for the Sport and Recreation program in Bulman; and
- (k) requests Council submit a report back to the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority regarding the purchasing of a mini bus for Community use between Weemol and Bulman.

Local Authority Member Spencer MARTIN left the meeting, the time being 12:14 PM

Local Authority Member Spencer MARTIN returned to the meeting, the time being 12:16 PM

The Meeting broke for Morning Tea, the time being 12:38pm.

The Meeting reconvened, the time being 1:04pm.

13.3 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 01.07.2022 - 30.11.2022

BUL Q-8/2023 (CHARMAIN BRINJEN/Francis MURRY) CARRIED

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Finance Report for the period July 2022 to November 2022.

13.4 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

BUL Q-9/2023 (John DALYWATER/SPENCER MARTIN) **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Elected Member report; and
- (b) requests Council invite Bulman Stakeholders to attend the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority Meeting and to send the Bulman Stakeholders the RGRC 2023 Meeting Calendar.

13.5 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

BUL Q-10/2023 (CHARMAIN BRINJEN/John DALYWATER) **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Report.

14 OTHER BUSINESS**14.1 POWER AND WATER** – *Local Authority Member Peter MILLER*

BUL Q-11/2023 (SPENCER MARTIN/Annette MILLER) **CARRIED**

The Bulman Local Authority raised an issue of power surges and outages occurring in Bulman that is destroying whitegoods and household electronics.

That the Bulman Local Authority requests at least one (1) weeks' notice of any and all scheduled power and water representatives coming on site.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 2:02pm.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Bulman Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday, 12 January 2023 and confirmed Thursday, 6 April 2023.

Chairperson Charmaine BRINJEN
Confirmed on Thursday, 6 April 2023.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES



ITEM NUMBER	8.1
TITLE	Action List
REFERENCE	1371026
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List; and
- (b) approves the removal of completed items.

BACKGROUND

The Action List is a summary of tasks that the Local Authority has requested be undertaken by Council staff. The Action List is a **non-authoritative** reference document for Business Arising out of Previous Minutes.

BULMAN ACTION LIST

8.1 ACTION LIST

BUL Q-1/2023 **(Peter MILLER/SPENCER MARTIN)** **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List;
- (b) approves the removal of completed items;
- (a) requests that Council write to the Northern Territory Minister for Housing seeking clarification in regards to maintenance and request their attendance at the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority;
- (b) requests that Council investigate the possibility to remove African Mahogany trees throughout Bulman Community;
- (c) requests that Council send a follow up letter to the Northern Territory Police, Fire, and Emergency Services; and
- (d) request that Council submit a report back to the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority regarding the Telstra tower being moved to the top of hill.

13.2 BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

BUL Q-2/2023 **(John DALYWATER/SPENCER MARTIN)** **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report;
- (b) approves the proposed toilet block location and design;
- (c) requests that Council investigates the possibility of a housing team being situated in Bulman;
- (d) allocates \$8,000.00 of the Local Authority Project Funding (LAPF) to the purchasing of two (2) community notice boards;
- (e) allocates \$33,400.00 of the LAPF towards the extension of the Weemol Basketball Court to a full sized court;
- (f) requests Council investigate the logistics and costings of constructing an outdoor Basketball court in Bulman;
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13.4 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

BUL Q-3/2023 **(John DALYWATER/SPENCER MARTIN)** **CARRIED**

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Elected Member report; and
- (b) requests Council invite Bulman Stakeholders to attend the 06 April 2023 Bulman Local Authority Meeting and to send the Bulman Stakeholders the RGRC 2023 Meeting Calendar.

14.1 POWER AND WATER – Local Authority Member Peter MILLER

BUL Q-4/2023 **(SPENCER MARTIN/Annette MILLER)** **CARRIED**

The Bulman Local Authority raised an issue of power surges and outages occurring in Bulman that is destroying whitegoods and household electronics.

That the Bulman Local Authority requests at least one (1) weeks' notice of any and all scheduled power and water representatives coming on site.

13.5 BULMAN LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

BUL P-5/2022

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report; and
- (b) requests three (3) design options and quotes for two (2) enclosed community notice boards be tabled to the next Bulman Local Authority Meeting.

ATTACHMENTS

OPERATIONAL REPORTS



ITEM NUMBER	12.1
TITLE	Bulman Local Authority Projects Update
REFERENCE	1373977
AUTHOR	Puspa KARKI, Executive Support Coordinator

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Wellbeing: Contribute to the wellbeing of residents individually and communities as a whole; by fostering increased participation in community activities, education, healthy lifestyles, and a safe living environment.

Infrastructure: Support building and maintaining community infrastructure which positively contributes to resident needs and aspirations.

BACKGROUND

Since 2014 the Bulman Local Authority has received a total of \$298,859.00 from the Northern Territory Government for the Local Authority Project Fund. Annual allocations are based on a formula related to population. The Council has approved a further \$ 32,581 allocation to cover unspent funding returned to the NTG. To date the Bulman Local Authority has allocated 394,370.49, accounting for surplus funds from completed projects.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

- Please refer to the attached LA Project funding report as at 31/08/2023.
- Section 19 has been approved for both Community Ablution Block and Weemol Basketball Court, currently awaiting AAPA clearance on both projects.
- Community notice boards are ready for delivery to community.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**Funds**

NIL

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 LA Projects Bulman 31.08.2023.pdf

Bulman Local Authority Project Funding				31 August 2023
Funds Received from Department		\$	298,859.00	
Allocated by Council		\$	32,581.00	
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members		\$	394,370.49	
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects		\$	62,930.49	
Remaining unallocated funds		\$	-	
Date Approved Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
5/12/2018 1413806 PR6	Toilet near council office/ Community Ablution Block	\$ 144,361.59	\$ 82,747.91	\$72,000 was LA allocated on 05/12/2018 and addition allocation of \$25,000 on 22/08/2019 LA meeting. The project is under planning stage. S19 License approved. PWC to be contacted for services response by 31/3/2021. Currently in Design phase to provide a final costing. 12/6/2021 Unallocated funds (\$ 47,361.59) allocated to toilet block. In procurement phase. Site visit scheduled for Feb 2nd. Project now with RGRC Assets Team. Purchased Ablution block. Projects team soon to start tender documents. AWS preparing services designs. S19 approved. Awaiting AAPA clearance.
12/01/2023	2X Community Notice Boards	\$ 8,000.00		On 12/01/2023 LA allocated \$8000 to purchase two community notice boards. Purchase order raised. In Procurement stage. Order received in Katherine, ready for delivery.
12/01/2023 PR18	Weemol Basketball Court	\$ 33,400.00		On 12/01/2023 LA allocated \$33,400 to extend Weemol Basketball court to a full sized court. S19 approved for extended space. Awaiting AAPA clearance.
	Total for current projects in progress	\$ 185,761.59	\$ 82,747.91	
	Total for completed projects	\$ 208,608.90	\$ 145,678.41	
	Grand total	\$ 394,370.49	\$ 228,426.32	

OPERATIONAL REPORTS



ITEM NUMBER	12.2
TITLE	Re-Election of Chairperson
REFERENCE	1374328
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Re-Election of Chairperson report; and
- (b) elects ... as Chairperson for a term of ...

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

At the 12 January 2023 Bulman Local Authority Meeting, it was resolved to appoint Local Authority Member Charmain BRINJEN as the Chairperson for the period of six (6) months (Term date ends on 12 June 2023).

The Chairperson of the Bulman Local Authority is a position of the Local Authority that requires dedication and a passion to support your community. The Chairperson is entitled to an increased sitting fee amount and will walk the Appointment Members and Public through the Agenda during the Local Authority Meeting.

The Chairperson can be elected for any of the following terms;

1. 3 Months
2. 6 Months
3. 12 Months
4. X Years
5. Elected at the end of every Bulman Local Authority Meeting.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

The Bulman Local Authority are being asked to nominate a Local Authority Member to be the Chairperson of the Bulman Local Authority.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

GENERAL BUSINESS

ITEM NUMBER	13.1
TITLE	Local Authority Member Attendance Report
REFERENCE	1374329
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government Act 2019* states that Local Authority Members may be removed from a Local Authority if they are absent from two (2) consecutive meetings without approved apologies.

Local Authority member attendance of Bulman Local Authority Meetings

Local Authority Meeting Members	07 April 2022	26 July 2022	13 October 2022	12 January 2023	13 April 2023	06 July 2023
Mayor Tony JACK	-	Cancelled	P	AP	Cancelled	Cancelled
Councillor Selina Ashley	AP	-	AP	AP	-	-
Councillor John Dalywater	P	-	AP	P	-	-
Annette Miller	P	-	AP	P	-	-
Peter Miller	NO AP	-	P	P	-	-
Desmond Lindsay	-	-	Appointed	NO AP	-	-
Aaron Rickson	AP	-		-	-	-
Charmaine Brinjen	P	-	P	P	-	-
Chantelle Miller	P	-	P	AP	-	-
Francis Murry	-	-	Appointed	P	-	-
Spencer MARTIN	AP	-	AP	P	-	-

**** Table Key**

P Present

AP Apologies given and accepted

NO AP No apologies given and not present at meeting

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Nil.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.2
TITLE	Elected Member Report
REFERENCE	1374335
AUTHOR	Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member report.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Governance: Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the organisation, including in engagement with staff members, residents and external stakeholders.

BACKGROUND

The Elected Member Report provides Local Authorities with a summary of the decisions made at Ordinary Meetings of Council and Committee meetings since the previous Local Authority Meeting. The aim of this report is to convey the information from those meetings to the Local Authority members, and then from the Local Authority to the wider community.

Complete details of all Council, Committee and Local Authority agendas and minutes, are publicly available at www.ropergulf.nt.gov.au and can be provided upon request at all the Roper Gulf Regional Council offices.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – 23 August 2023**

Council approved the Provisional recommendations from the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority held on 03 July 2023 and approved the recommendations from the Barunga Local Authority held on 04 July 2023.

Council opened a 21-day 'Nomination Period' to fill the vacancies on the Manyallaluk Local Authority. At this Meeting, Council requested to reconvene one more Manyallaluk Local Authority before considering possibility of combining Barunga and Manyallaluk Local Authority together

Council formally adopted the new Northern Territory Subdivisional Guidelines as being applicable to the entire Roper Gulf Regional Council area. The Northern Territory subdivision development guidelines set out minimum design and construction standards for land subdivisions in the NT.

Council appointed Councillor Helen LEE as Deputy Mayor for a term of 2 years or until the next general election of the Council (whichever is sooner) and formally acknowledged the valuable service and contribution of former Cr MacFarlane to the Roper Gulf Regional Council over many years of service.

Council held a by-election for the vacant Councillor position in the Never Never Ward following the resignation of Judy MacFarlane. Five Candidates have been announced for the Roper Gulf Regional Council, Never Never Ward by-election.

Candidates are Edna Prescilla ILES, William John, Naomi WILFRED, Cecilia LAKE and Virginia BOON. Voting will be available at the following locations:

- Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) – Tuesday 03 October 2023 – 10:30am to 4:00pm.
- Jilkminggan (Council Office) – Wednesday 04 October 2023 – 10:30am to 6:00pm.
- Mataranka (Community Hall) – Thursday 05 October 2023 – 10:30am to 6:00pm.

Council approved the budget amendment of \$45,000 (Council contribution) and \$20,000 (Barunga Local Authority contribution) for the Barunga Softfall Project; and Council also discussed about the following project:

Barunga Youth Café

The Barunga Youth Café continues to be delivered in line with funding requirements. A site visit conducted by the funding body in June was successful, and youth participation continues to be strong.

Barunga Playground Softfall

The project was put out to tender in April with the preferred applicant, NT Shade quoting \$175,692. The initial budget allocation of this project was \$115,000. A budget amendment of \$65,000 is sought in order to progress this project. Once awarded the works will take 1 week for completion.

Barunga Shade Project

The contract for this project has been awarded to BM Constructions and is on track for completion by the end of September.

AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE MEETING – 16 August 2023

The Audit and Risk Committee consists of the following members:

- Ian SWAN (Independent Member);
- Carolyn EAGLE (Independent Member);
- Claudia GOLSMITH (Independent Member);
- Councillor Patricia FARRELL; and
- Councillor John DALYWATER.

There was no topics of discussion in relation to the Nyirranggulong Ward at the Audit and Risk Committee Meeting.

FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING – 27 September 2023

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee consists of the following members:

- Independent Member Awais UR REHMAN;
- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Samuel EVANS;
- Councillor Owen TURNER;
- Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT;
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR; and
- VACANT.

The Committee were presented with a report of the Deed of Variation which provides the information on further support and the funding received from the Department as below

- Deed of Variation - 4-HY7S67G – School Nutrition Project Bulman 2023-24 - \$9,075.00
- Elected Member Report - \$58,313.18
- Elected Member Report - \$19,554.75
- Elected Member Report - \$6,995.70

The Finance and Infrastructure Committee were informed of the following Projects as below:

Beswick Cameron and Madigan Roads Upgrade

AAPA Clearance has been granted. Design work is currently underway by external consultants.

Barunga Statement Memorial Project

This project is progressing in the design phase. A further community is planned to finalise stakeholder input before design work is completed.

Barunga Playground Softfall

This project has progressed after the amended budget was approved by Council August. Now awaiting completion by the successful contractor.

Bulman Community Ablution Block

The flat pack materials have arrived in Katherine. The s19 application has been approved. An AAPA application has been submitted. On receipt of clearance, procurement for installation works will commence.

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

23 October 2023	11:00am	Audit and Risk Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre, Katherine
25 October 2023	10:00am	Ordinary Meeting of Council	RGRC Service Delivery Centre, Ngukurr
22 November 2023	9:00am	Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting	RGRC Support Centre, Katherine

Unless indicated otherwise, all Council meetings are open to the public.

LOCAL AUTHORITY	NUMBER OF VACANCIES
Barunga Local Authority	0
Beswick Local Authority	0
Bulman Local Authority	0
Manyallaluk Local Authority	2

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 Ordinary Meeting of Council 2023-08-23 [2333] Minutes.DOCX



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, ORDINARY MEETING
OF COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ROPER GULF REGIONAL
COUNCIL SUPPORT CENTRE
2 CRAWFORD STREET, KATHERINE, NT ON WEDNESDAY, 23 AUGUST 2023
AT 08:30AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Elected Members

- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Deputy Mayor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Samuel EVANS;
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR;
- Councillor Patricia FARRELL (video conference);
- Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT;
- Councillor Gadrian HOOSAN;
- Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI (video conference);
- Councillor John DALYWATER; and
- Councillor Selina ASHLEY.

1.2 Staff

- Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Clare CUPITT, Acting General Manager Corporate Services and Engagement;
- Maricar RHODES, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer (minute secretary).

1.3 Guests

- Karen HOCKING, Project Manager, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet;
- Dick GUIT OAM, Independent Chair, Land Development Committee;
- Jasmine HUSSON, Senior Program Manager, Land Development, Planning and Development, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics; and
- Ash RINGIN, Consultant Project Manager – Housing Projects, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.

2 MEETING OPENED

The Ordinary Meeting of Council Meeting opened at 8:58am. The Mayor welcomed members, staff and guests and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

115/2023 **RESOLVED** (Helen LEE/Annabelle DAYLIGHT) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) accepts the tendered apology from Councillor Owen TURNER; and
- (b) does not accept the tendered apology from Councillor Jana DANIELS.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

116/2023 **RESOLVED** (John DALYWATER/Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI) **CARRIED**

That Council confirms the minutes from its Ordinary Meeting held on 21 June 2023 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of that meeting's decisions and proceedings.

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 ACTION LIST

117/2023 **RESOLVED** (Selina ASHLEY/Annabelle DAYLIGHT) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List; and
- (b) approves the removal of completed items.

8 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

- NT Remuneration Tribunal Determination – Vehicle Allowance – (CEO Marc GARDNER);
- Subdivisional Guidelines;
- Ngukurr Boat Ramp Road; – (CEO Marc GARDNER)
- Reconciliation Action Plan Summary report;
- CEO Review Committee – Confidential session; and
- Local Authority Review – (CEO Marc GARDNER).

9 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Chief Executive Officer Marc GARDNER, declared an interest as Council representative for item 15.7 CouncilBiz report.

10 PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

10.1 PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

118/2023 **RESOLVED** (Patricia FARRELL/Samuel EVANS) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Previous Committee Meeting Minutes report.

15.1 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**119/2023 RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Selina ASHLEY)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) appoints Councillor Helen LEE as Deputy Mayor for a term of 2 years or until the next general election of the Council (whichever is sooner);
- (b) formally acknowledges the valuable service and contribution of former Cr MacFarlane to the Roper Gulf Regional Council over many years of service.

N.B. The election of the Deputy Mayor was undertaken by way of secret ballot with the Chief Executive Officer as the Returning Officer for the process. The results of which were publicly declared in open session. The decision to hold a secret ballot was unanimous.

The results were publicly declared as follows:

Deputy Mayor:

Cr. Helen LEE (nominated by Cr. John DALYWATER); 8 votes in favour.

Cr. Samuel EVANS (self-nominated); 2 votes in favour.

Karen HOCKING, Project Manager from the Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet provided Code of Conduct Training at 10:05 and finished the Training at 10:28am.

Council adjourned the meeting for morning tea at 10:28am and reconvened at 11:05am.

Dick GUIT OAM, Independent Chair, Land Development Committee and the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics team presented to Council on Subdivisional Guidelines at 11:05am and left the meeting at 11:35am.

11 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**11.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE****120/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)**
CARRIED

That Council:

- (a) accepts the incoming correspondence;
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to invite the Remuneration Tribunal to Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 25 October 2023 in Ngukurr;
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to include Agenda item on the Big Rivers Region Mayors and CEOs' Meeting;
- (d) requests the Chief Executive Officer to write to the Remuneration Tribunal with further queries about \$5000 budget capped per year for the vehicle allowance; and
- (e) requests the Chief Executive Officer to write a letter of support to the Murweh Shire Council, Office of the Mayor in relation to Remote Australians Matter conference.

12 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**12.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE****121/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Samuel EVANS)****CARRIED**

That Council notes the outgoing correspondence.

13 WARD REPORTS**13.1 YUGUL MANGI WARD REPORT****122/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Selina ASHLEY)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Yugul Mangi Ward Report;
- (b) approves the Provisional recommendations from the 06 June 2023 Ngukurr Local Authority Minutes; and
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer calls for a 21 day nomination period to fill the two (2) vacancies on the Ngukurr Local Authority.

*Cr Gadrian HOOSAN left the meeting, the time being 11:40 am.**Cr Gadrian HOOSAN returned to the meeting, the time being 11:42 am.**Cr Tony JACK left the meeting, the time being 11:43 am.**Cr Tony JACK returned to the meeting, the time being 11:45 am.***13.2 SOUTH WEST GULF WARD REPORT****123/2023 RESOLVED (Gadrian HOOSAN/Annabelle DAYLIGHT)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the South West Gulf Ward Report;
- (b) approves the recommendations from the 03 August 2023 Borroloola Local Authority Minutes;
- (c) rescinds the membership of Raymond ANDERSON from Borroloola Local Authority;
- (d) requests the Chief Executive Officer calls for a 21 day nomination period to fill the one (1) vacancy on the Borroloola Local Authority;
- (e) rescinds the membership of Jasmine CAMPBELL, Curtis SHADFORTH and Margaret SHADFORTH from the Robinson Local Authority; and
- (d) reduces the total membership of Robinson River Local Authority from Twelve (12) members to Nine (9) members.

*Cr Annabelle DAYLIGHT left the meeting, the time being 12:03 pm.**Cr Annabelle DAYLIGHT returned to the meeting, the time being 12:04 pm.***13.3 NUMBULWAR NUMBURINDI WARD REPORT****124/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Samuel EVANS)****CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report;
- (b) approves the recommendations from the 20 July 2023 Numbulwar Local Authority Minutes;
- (c) notes the resignation tendered by David MURRUNGUN from the Numbulwar Local Authority;
- (d) approves the nomination received from Amanda NGALMI for membership on the Numbulwar Local Authority; and
- (f) requests to postpone the Numbulwar Local Authority from Wednesday, 06 September 2023 to Friday, 15 September 2023.

Council adjourned for Lunch at 12:34pm and reconvened at 1:15pm.

13.4 NEVER NEVER WARD REPORT**125/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Patricia FARRELL) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Never Never Ward Report;
- (b) approves the Provisional recommendations from the Mataranka Local Authority Meeting held on 01 August 2023;
- (c) approves the Provisional recommendations from the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Meeting held on 19 July 2023;
- (d) approves the nomination received from Naomi WILFRED for membership on the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority;
- (e) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill one (1) vacancy on the Jilkmिंगgan Local Authority;
- (f) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill one (1) vacancy on the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority;
- (i) rescinds the membership of Alan CHAPMAN from the Mataranka Local Authority Meeting;
- (j) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill one (1) vacancy on the Mataranka Local Authority; and
- (k) change the meeting time of the Mataranka Local Authority to commence at 1:00pm on scheduled meeting dates due to safety and logistical issues.

13.5 NYIRANGGULUNG WARD REPORT**126/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Helen LEE) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Nyirranggulung Ward Report;
- (b) approves the Provisional recommendations from the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting held on 03 July 2023;
- (c) approves the recommendations from the Barunga Local Authority Meeting held on 04 July 2023;
- (d) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill the two (2) vacancies on the Manyallaluk Local Authority;
- (e) requests to reconvene one more Manyallaluk Local Authority before considering possibility of combining Barunga and Manyallaluk Local Authority together; and
- (f) amends the Barunga Local Authority Minutes to include Charlane BULUMBARA and Ambrose BULUMBARA as present.

14 GENERAL BUSINESS**14.1 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS, AUSTRALIA DAY****127/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Patricia FARRELL) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes this report;
- (b) submits one Citizen of the Year Award registration for the entire Roper Gulf region, rather than submitting a registration for each community;
- (c) any nominations from each Award category be entered into the Roper Gulf region award; and
- (d) each community hold a localised Australia Day event which is not registered with the Australia Day Council and no large regional event is held.

**14.2 NT REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL DETERMINATION – VEHICLE ALLOWANCE –
CEO MARC GARDNER**

128/2023 **RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)** **CARRIED**

That Council invites the members of the NT Remuneration Tribunal to the October Ordinary Meeting of Council in Ngukurr to consult the Council in relation to the amendments to the determination Local Government Elected Members and Local Authority Allowances Determination.

14.3 SUBDIVISIONAL GUIDELINES

129/2023 **RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Selina ASHLEY)** **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) acknowledges and thanks the Northern Territory Government in relation to the presentation on the new Northern Territory Subdivisional Guidelines; and
- (b) formally accepts the new Northern Territory Subdivisional Guidelines as being applicable to the entire Roper Gulf Regional Council area.

14.4 NGUKURR BOAT RAMP ROADS

130/2023 **RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/John DALYWATER)** **CARRIED**

That Council in principle supports the allocation up to \$1,000,000 towards road upgrades to Ngukurr Boat Ramp, if Government funding partners are successful in the allocation of funds towards a new Ngukurr Boat Ramp.

14.5 RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN SUMMARY REPORT

131/2023 **RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)** **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the verbal update on Reconciliation Action Plan.

14.6 CEO REVIEW COMMITTEE – CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

This item is moved into Confidential Session.

14.7 LOCAL AUTHORITY REVIEW

132/2023 **RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Samuel EVANS)** **CARRIED**

That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer provide a report to Council on the review of all Local Authorities of the Roper Gulf Regional Council for the 25 October 2023 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

15 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

15.2 MAYOR'S REPORT

133/2023 **RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Annabelle DAYLIGHT)** **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Mayoral Report.

15.3 COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORT

134/2023 **RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)** **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Council Meeting Attendance Report.

15.4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY - CALL FOR MOTIONS - NOVEMBER 2023 GENERAL MEETING

135/2023 **RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Samuel EVANS)** **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory – Call for Motions – November 2023 General Meeting report;
- (b) submits motions to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory on issues of strategic importance as below:
 - Land availability;
 - Alcohol management;
 - Social Planning;
 - Role and Sustainability of Local Government and Mechanism for reviewing financial assistance grant methodology;
 - Town Camp Roads;
 - Northern Territory Government Protocols with Council;
 - Numbulwar Safe House;
 - Remuneration Tribunal; and
 - Cotton industry issues.
- (c) nominates Mayor Tony JACK, Deputy Mayor Helen LEE, Cr. Samuel EVANS, Cr. Selina ASHLEY, Cr. Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI, Cr. Patricia FARRELL and Cr. Annabelle DAYLIGHT to attend the meeting and conference.

15.5 LGANT 2022-2023 MEMBER VALUE PROPOSITION REPORT AND MEMBER SUBSCRIPTION INVOICE

136/2023 **RESOLVED** (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the LGANT 2022-2023 Member Value Proposition Report and Member Subscription Invoice report.

15.6 RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO LOCATION OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL AND DATE OF AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE - OCTOBER 2023

137/2023 **RESOLVED** (Helen LEE/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) does not approve a change to the location of the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 25th October 2023, from Ngukurr Community to Katherine; and
- (b) does approve a change to the meeting date of the Audit and Risk Committee from 18th October 2023 to 23rd October 2023 at 11:00am.

15.7 COUNCILBIZ UPDATE

138/2023 **RESOLVED** (Samuel EVANS/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the report in relation to the CouncilBiz Update.

15.8 CHANGES TO ORGANISATIONAL DELEGATIONS (NON FINANCIAL)

139/2023 **RESOLVED** (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI) **CARRIED**

That Council approves the changes to the Organisational Delegations Manual (non-Financial).

16 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

Cr Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR left the meeting, the time being 02:36 pm.

Cr Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR returned to the meeting, the time being 02:37 pm.

17 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

17.1 IMPROVED VISITOR MANAGEMENT AND LIVING SKILLS PLANS FOR MULGGAN CAMP 2023-24

140/2023 RESOLVED (Annabelle DAYLIGHT/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Improved Visitor Management and Living Skills Plans for Mulggan Camp Agreement for 2023 – 24 report; and
- (b) approves the use of the Common Seal for the execution of the funding agreement for the above program with the Department of Territory Families and Communities.

17.2 COMMUNITY SERVICES & ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL UPDATE

141/2023 RESOLVED (Samuel EVANS/Gadrian HOOSAN) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Community Services & Engagement Divisional Update report; and
- (b) approves for the Chief Executive Officer to sign and enter into the agreement with YMCA NT for the management of the Borrooloola and Ngukurr swimming pools.

18 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT

18.1 2023-24 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM

142/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Patricia FARRELL) **CARRIED**

That Council notes and approves the proposed timeline for the 2023-24 Community Grants Program, Round 1.

18.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

143/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report.

Cr Annabelle DAYLIGHT left the meeting, the time being 02:50 pm.

Cr Annabelle DAYLIGHT returned to the meeting, the time being 02:51 pm.

Cr Samuel EVANS left the meeting, the time being 02:51 pm.

Cr Samuel EVANS returned to the meeting, the time being 02:54 pm.

18.3 COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 31 JULY 2023

144/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Council's Financial Report as at 31 July 2023.

18.4 NUMBULWAR SAFE HOUSE

145/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Helen LEE) **CARRIED**

That Council writes to Hon Selena UIBO, Member for Arnhem (Numbulwar), the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and also the Hon Kate WORDEN, Minister for Territory Families and Minister for Prevention of Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence, in relation to establishing a Women's Refuge / Safe House at Numbulwar and requesting that the Territory take-on this as a priority project and apply for the upcoming funding that will soon be available through the Commonwealth FO2021-7622 Safe Places Emergency Accommodation Program.

19 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT

19.1 MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT

146/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Selina ASHLEY)

CARRIED

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Major Projects report;
- (b) approves the budget amendment of \$45,000 (Council contribution) and \$20,000 (Barunga Local Authority contribution) for the Barunga Sofffall Project; and
- (c) approves the budget amendment of \$125,000 for the Mataranka Dump Point.

20 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

147/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR)

CARRIED

That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the Agenda:-

20.1 Confirmation of Previous Minutes Confidential Session - The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(e), information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

20.2 Previous Committee Minutes Confidential Session - The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(e), information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

20.3 Community Development Programme (CDP) Update - The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(c)(i) (c)(iii) (c)(iv) (e) (f), information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on any person; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person; AND information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest; AND information in relation to a complaint of a contravention of the code of conduct.

20.4 Chief Executive Officer's Report - The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(a) (c)(iii) (e), information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual; AND information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff; AND information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.

The meeting moved to the Confidential Session at 3:56pm.

RETURN TO OPEN

148/2023 RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Samuel EVANS)

CARRIED

That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(a) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be re-opened to the public.

The meeting re-opened to the public at 4:27pm.

21 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 4:28 pm.

This page and the preceding pages are the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 23 August 2023 and will be confirmed at the next meeting.

Mayor Tony JACK
Confirmed on Wednesday, 25 October 2023.

Unconfirmed

GENERAL BUSINESS



ITEM NUMBER	13.3
TITLE	Council Financial Report for the period 01.07.2023 - 31.08.2023
REFERENCE	1374542
AUTHOR	Karandeep SINGH, Senior Finance Officer

RECOMMENDATION

That the Bulman Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the 2023_24 August YTD period.

KEY OUTCOME AREA

Economic Development: Foster strengthening and growing jobs, industries, and investment attraction.

BACKGROUND

As per the *Local Government Act 2019* and its' statutory instruments, the council is to submit a current financial report of actual expenditure against the latest approved budget for the Local Authority area.

ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT

Variances identified against budgeted activities are outlined in the attached expenditure report. A brief explanation for these differences is provided below:

Operating Income:

Council received \$240k in operating income YTD for Bulman, the majority of the income is RGRC's untied current contribution, other activities, School Nutrition Program (SNP), Night Patrol and LA projects are tracking as budgeted. Please see the attached report for the further information.

Operating Expenditure:

Operating expenditure is currently overspent \$19k. Internal cost allocations being a contributor to this will need to be reviewed in context to current operational contracts to better represent the mix of internal allocations. Please see the attached report for further information.

Capital Expenditure:

No Capital Budget has been assigned yet.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 LA Financial Report Aug 2023.pdf

Roper Gulf Regional Council					
Financial Report as at					
31-August-2023					
Bulman					
	<i>Year to Date Actual (\$)</i>	<i>Year to Date Budget (\$)</i>	<i>Variance (\$)</i>	<i>Full Year Budget (\$)</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
Income					
10 - Roper Gulf Regional Council Contribution	218,435	0	218,435		Balancing figure representing RGRC current contribution
12 - Income Council Fees and Charges	0	1,187	-1,187	7,124	
13 - Income Operating Grants Subsidies	20,783	170,607	-149,824	1,023,640	Major income is generated from School Nurition Programme and CHSP, Night patrol and Local government project as budgeted.
17 - Income Agency and Commercial Services	19,874	68,028	-48,154	408,168	The Variance is on power water contract as of cessation of the contracts and NDIS Activity where no income has been generated as budgeted.
Total Operating Income	259,092	239,822	19,270	1,438,932	
Operating Expenditure					
21 - Employee Expenses	74,237	158,568	-84,332	951,410	General Shortfall in staffing number being experienced on Muncipal services, Night patrol and Indigenous sports and Rec programme.
22 - Contract and Material Expenses	28,926	20,467	8,459	122,802	
23 - Fleet, Plant & Equipment	0	10,764	-10,764	64,584	
25 - Other Operating Expenses	32,023	25,000	7,023	150,000	
26 - Other Operating Expenses	0	0	0	0	
27 - Finance Expenses	0	0	0	0	
31 - Internal Cost Allocations	120,573	16,667	103,906	100,000	Allocations to be reviewed in line with budget
2550 - Local Authority Meeting Allowance	0	1,220	-1,220	7,321	
2551 - Councillor Allowance Exp	3,333	7,136	-3,802	42,815	
Total Expenditure	259,092	239,822	19,270	1,438,932	
Operating Surplus/Deficit	0	0	0	0	
Capital Funding					
Capital Expenditure	0	0	0	0	
Total Capital Expenditure	0	0	0	0	