



**AGENDA**

**HODGSON DOWNS (MINYERRI) LOCAL  
AUTHORITY MEETING**

**MONDAY, 5 JUNE 2023**

Notice is given that the next Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Meeting of the Roper Gulf Regional Council will be held on:

Monday, 5 June 2023 at 11:00am  
The Conference Room ALAWA, Minyerri

Or

Via Video/Teleconference

ID #: (03) 9260 8565

Pin: 4895

Your attendance at the meeting will be appreciated.

Cindy HADDOW  
**ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

## 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 lisiin 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**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	7.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Confirmation of the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Meeting Previous Minutes
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1352521
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held Monday, 27 March 2023 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of that meeting's 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 Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority met with a **QUORUM** on Monday, 27 March 2023 at 11:00am. Attached are the recorded minutes from that meeting for the Local Authority to confirm

**ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

The next Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, 04 September 2023.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1   Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority 2023-03-27 [2247] Minutes.DOCX



MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, MINYERRI LOCAL  
AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE  
DELIVERY CENTRE, MINYERRI  
ON MONDAY, 27 MARCH 2023 AT 11:00AM

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## 1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

### 1.1 Members

- Councillor Patricia FARRELL;
- Jones BILLY (Chairperson);
- Jonathon WALLA;
- Beth JOHN;
- Sonia ROBERTS; and
- Edna ILLES.

### 1.2 Staff

- David HURST, Acting Chief Executive Officer;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability; and
- Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute taker).

### 1.3 Guests

- Melina MANSELL, Australian Bureau of Statistics Engagement Manager Victoria/Tasmania.

## 2 MEETING OPENED

The Minyerri Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:59am with **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

*HOD Q-1/2023*

**(Jones BILLY/Beth JOHN)**

**CARRIED**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority approve the tendered apology from Acting Mayor Judy MacFARLANE.

## 5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Internal Roads

- Stage one (1) and two (2) of the internal roads has been completed. Currently waiting for the dry season to continue and complete stage three (3).

**6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

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

**7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES****7.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE HODGSON DOWNS (MINYERRI) LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING PREVIOUS MINUTES**

*HOD Q-2/2023* (Sonia ROBERTS/Patricia FARRELL) **CARRIED**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meeting held Monday, 05 December 2022 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of that meeting's decisions and proceedings.

**8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES****8.1 ACTION LIST**

*HOD Q-3/2023* (Jones BILLY/Jonathon WALLA) **CARRIED**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

**9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS**

- Street Lights

**10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

**11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

Nil.

**12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS****12.1 MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT**

*HOD Q-4/2023* (Jonathon WALLA/Sonia ROBERTS) **CARRIED**

That the Local Authority receives and notes the report

**12.2 MINYERRI LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE**

*HOD Q-5/2023* (Beth JOHN/Jones BILLY) **CARRIED**

That the Minyerri (Hodgson Downs) Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report; and
- (b) approves the allocation of;
  - \$2,000 towards Signage.
  - \$20,000 towards Water Cart Trailer.
  - \$1,000 towards Plantation for community public areas.
  - \$2,000 towards 60 new rubbish bins.

**12.3 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDANCE REPORT**

*HOD Q-6/2023* (Patricia FARRELL/Sonia ROBERTS) **CARRIED**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance Report.



## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**



<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	8.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Action List
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1330221
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

### **KEY OUTCOME AREA**

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

### **BACKGROUND**

The Action List is a summary of tasks that the Local Authority has requested be undertaken by Council staff. The table also identifies the Staff member assigned to the task by the Chief Executive Officer.

The Action List is a **non-authoritative** reference document for Business Arising out of Previous Minutes.

### **HODGSON DOWNS (MINYERRI) ACTION LIST** **12.2 MINYERRI LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE**

*HOD Q-1/2023*      **(Beth JOHN/Jones BILLY)**

**CARRIED**

That the Minyerri (Hodgson Downs) Local Authority;

- (a) receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report; and
- (b) approves the allocation of;
  - \$2,000 towards Signage.
  - \$20,000 towards Water Cart Trailer.
  - \$1,000 towards Plantation for community public areas.
  - \$2,000 towards 60 new rubbish bins.



### **13.1 NATIONAL ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIGHT ISLANDER NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY SURVEY (NATSINPAS)**

*HOD Q-2/2023*

**(Beth JOHN/Edna ILLES)**

***CARRIE***

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority;

- (a) receive and note the report; and
- (b) requests that the Australian Bureau of Statistics conducts community consultation prior to undertaking the survey within the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Community.

### **14.1 STREET LIGHTS**

The Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority discussed the update regarding the Street Lights in the community. It was advised that the Council is to follow up and complete a street light audit (if one has not already been completed).

### **8.1 ACTION LIST**

*14/2022*

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List;
- (b) approves the removal of completed items;
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer invite a representative from the Power and Water Authority to the next Local Authority Meeting or AAC Board meeting to address water shortage concerns within the Community.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

**OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	12.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Minyerri Local Authority Projects Update
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1352203
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Puspa KARKI, Executive Support Coordinator

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minyerri (Hodgson Downs) Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report.

**KEY OUTCOME AREA**

Environment: Protect and care for the physical environment, including developing and maintenance of clean and environmentally focused communities.

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

**BACKGROUND**

Since 2014 the Minyerri (Hodgson Downs) Local Authority has received a total of \$ 636,240 from the Northern Territory Government for the Local Authority Project Fund. Annual allocations provided by the Department of Local Government are based on a formula related to population. To date the Minyerri Local Authority has allocated \$581,140, accounting for surplus funds from the completed projects.

**ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

Please refer to the attached funding report as at 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS****Unallocated Funds**

The Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority currently has \$116,112.73 to allocate to new projects.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1   LA Projects Hodgson Downs for 30.04.2023.pdf

<b>Hodgson Downs Local Authority Project Funding</b>		<b>30 April 2023</b>
Funds received from Department	\$	636,240.00
Funds allocated to projects by Local Authority Members	\$	581,140.00
Surplus/(Deficit) from completed projects	\$	61,012.73
<b>Remaining unallocated funds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>116,112.73</b>

Project ID	Projects	Project Budget	Actual Expenditure	Project Status
5/12/2022	Extra Sports equipment	\$ 5,000.00		ON 5/12/22 LA allocated \$5000 for extra sports equipment. <b>Under procurement phase.</b>
27/03/2023	Signage	\$ 2,000.00		ON 27/03/2023 LA allocated \$2000 towards Signage.
27/02/2023	Water Cart Trailer	\$ 20,000.00		ON 27/02/2023 LA allocated \$20000 towards Water Cart Trailer.
27/03/2023	Plantation around public areas	\$ 1,000.00		ON 27/03/2023 LA allocated \$1000 towards Plantation around public areas.
27/03/2023	Rubish BinsX60	\$ 2,000.00		ON 27/03/2023 LA allocated \$2000 towards purchase of Rubish BinsX60.
	Total projects in Progress	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	
	Total completed projects	\$ 551,140.00	\$ 490,127.31	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 581,140.00</b>	<b>\$ 490,127.31</b>	

**OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	12.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Elected Member Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1352742
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority receive and note 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](http://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 – 27 April 2023**

Council approved the recommendations from the following Local Authority meetings:

- Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Meeting held on 27 March 2023 with **quorum**

Council discussed the membership of the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority and the follow three (3) decisions were passed:

1. That council rescinded the membership for Edna ILLES;
2. That council rescinded the membership for Narrell ARNOLD; and
3. Opened up a 21 day Nominations Period to gauge interest for a position on the Local Authority.

More discussion around the above decisions has been requested.

**UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

07 June 2023 at 10:00am	<b>Audit and Risk Committee Meeting</b>	RGRC Support Centre Katherine
21 June 2023 at 8:30am	<b>Ordinary Meeting of Council</b>	RGRC Support Centre Katherine
26 July 2023	<b>Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting</b>	RGRC Support Centre Katherine

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1 OMC\_27042023\_MIN(Unconfirmed)\_0.pdf





MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, ORDINARY MEETING  
OF COUNCIL HELD AT THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL SUPPORT  
CENTRE  
BESWICK  
ON THURSDAY, 27 APRIL 2023 AT 08:30AM

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**1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS**

**1.1 Elected Members**

- Mayor Tony JACK;
- Deputy Mayor Judy MACFARLANE (via Video Conference);
- Councillor Samuel EVANS;
- Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR;
- Councillor Helen LEE;
- Councillor Patricia FARREL;
- Councillor Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI;
- Councillor John DALYWATER; and
- Councillor Selina ASHLEY.

**1.2 Staff**

- Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer;
- Maricar RHODES, Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer;
- Chloe IRLAM; Governance Engagement Coordinator; and
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Officer.

**1.3 Guests**

- Ella DOONAN, Numburindi Corporation;
- Karen HOCKING, Project Manager, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet; and
- Venica RYAN and Lynnelle JACKSON, Beswick School.

**2 MEETING OPENED**

The Ordinary Meeting of Council opened at 9:03am. 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

47/2023 **RESOLVED** (Patricia FARRELL/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) accepts the tendered apologies from Councillor Annabelle DAYLIGHT; Councillor Gadrian HOOSAN; Councillor Owen TURNER; and
- (b) does not accept the leave of absence with no tendered apology from Councillor Jana Daniels.

#### 5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

#### 6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

##### 6.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

48/2023 **RESOLVED** (Judy MacFARLANE/Samuel EVANS) **CARRIED**

That Council confirms the minutes from its Ordinary Meeting held on 22 February 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

49/2023 **RESOLVED** (Helen LEE/Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI) **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

- LGANT Meeting Update – CEO;
- Mataranka Sport Ground 2023 – Fee Waiver from Mataranka and Jilkminggan School – CEO;
- Strategic Planning and Councillors Engagement – CEO;
- Numburindi Corporation Development – Letter of Support – Cr. Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR;
- Weemol Basketball Court – Cr. John DALYWATER;
- Better Half Club – Request for fee waiving – Mataranka Sports Ground ; and
- Community Fire Breaks – Deputy Mayor

*Cr. Selina ASHLEY joined the meeting at 9:15am*

#### 9 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

##### 9.1 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

50/2023 **RESOLVED** (Patricia FARRELL/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and acknowledges the declared conflict of Interest from Deputy Mayor at item 19.1 - and requests to leave the meeting at this item.

**10 PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES****10.1 PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**51/2023 RESOLVED (Judy MacFARLANE/Owen TURNER) CARRIED**

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

*Cr Samuel EVANS left the meeting, the time being 09:21 am.*

*Cr Samuel EVANS returned to the meeting, the time being 09:24 am.*

**11 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE****11.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

**52/2023 RESOLVED (Samuel EVANS/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) accepts the incoming correspondence;
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer for Councillors attendance to Beetaloo SREBA Webinar; and
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a report and organise the Northern Territory Government to present to the next Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday, 21 June 2023 in relation to the new Sub-divisional Guidelines.

**12 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE****12.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

**53/2023 RESOLVED (Patricia FARRELL/Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI) CARRIED**

That Council notes the outgoing correspondence.

**13 WARD REPORTS****13.1 YUGUL MANGI WARD REPORT**

**54/2023 RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Judy MacFARLANE) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Yugul Mangi Ward Report;
- (b) approves the *provisional* recommendations from the Ngukurr Local Authority meeting held on 28 March 2023;
- (c) notes the resignation tendered by Michelle FARRELL from the Ngukurr Local Authority;
- (d) revokes the membership of Marcia ROBERTS from the Ngukurr Local Authority; and
- (e) requests the Chief Executive Officer calls for a 21 day nomination period to fill the two (2) vacancies on the Ngukurr Local Authority.

*Cr Judy MacFARLANE left the meeting, the time being 09:39 am.*

*Cr Judy MacFARLANE returned to the meeting, the time being 09:42 am.*

**13.2 SOUTH WEST GULF WARD REPORT**

**55/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Samuel EVANS) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the South West Gulf Ward Report; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to change the Borroloola Local Authority meeting and Robinson River LA Meeting date and to reconvene the meeting on Thursday 18 May 2023.



**13.3 NUMBULWAR NUMBURINDI WARD REPORT****56/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Patricia FARRELL) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Numbulwar Numburindi Ward Report; and
- (b) approves the recommendation from the Numbulwar Local Authority meeting held on 08 March 2023; and
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to invite Ella DOONAN to attend next Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday, 21 June 2023.

**13.4 NYIRANGGULUNG WARD REPORT****57/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Nyiranggulung Ward Report;
- (b) approves the recommendations from the Barunga Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 04 April 2023;
- (c) approves the recommendations from the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting held on Monday, 03 April 2023;
- (d) approves the recommendations from the Manyallaluk Local Authority Meeting held on Monday, 03 April 2023;
- (e) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill the two (2) vacancies on the Manyallaluk Local Authority;
- (f) requests to amend the minutes for Barunga LA in regards BAR Q-16/2023 item (e) to specify the Section 19 lease in relation to the Barunga Night Patrol Office; and
- (g) requests to amend the minutes for Barunga Local Authority the attendance of Vita BRINJEN to being present at the meeting.

**13.5 NEVER NEVER WARD REPORT****58/2023 RESOLVED (Patricia FARRELL/Judy MacFARLANE) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Never Never Ward Report;
- (b) approves the recommendations from the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority meeting held on 27 March 2023;
- (c) does not accept the application for membership of Edna ILLES to the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority;
- (d) revoke the membership of Narrell ARNOLD from the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority;
- (e) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill two (2) vacancies on the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority; and
- (f) requests the Chief Executive Officer open a '21-day Nominations Period' to fill one (1) vacancy on the Jilkminggan Local Authority.

**14 GENERAL BUSINESS****14.1 LGANT MEETING UPDATE - CEO****59/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Samuel EVANS) CARRIED**

That Council accepts the verbal report from the Chief Executive Officer in relation to the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory.

**14.2 MATARANKA SPORT GROUND 2023 – FEE WAIVER – FROM MATARANKA AND JILKMINGGAN SCHOOL - CEO****60/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Judy MacFARLANE) CARRIED**

That Council waives hire fees for Jilkminggan and Mataranka School for various sport

activities from 27 April 2023 to 15 June 2023.

#### **14.3 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COUNCILLORS ENGAGEMENT - CEO**

**61/2023 RESOLVED (Samuel EVANS/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED**

That Council requests the Chief Executive Officer provides a report to the next Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday, 21 June 2023 on Strategic Planning, Councillors Community Engagement and Training.

#### **14.4 NUMBURINDI CORPORATION DEVELOPMENT - Councillor Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR**

**62/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Judy MacFARLANE) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives verbal update in regards to Childcare program and importance of working closely with Numburindi Corporation to support Safety , cultural and sporting activities for children; and
- (b) requests the Chief Executive Officer to write a letter of support in relation to the Numburindi Development Corporation Initiatives.

#### **14.5 WEEMOL BASKETBALL COURT - Councillor John DALYWATER**

**63/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Samuel EVANS) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) requests a new project is created for a cover/roof for the Weemol Basketball Court; and
- (b) requests a report prepared for a future Council meeting to include a business case for its development.

#### **14.6 BETTER HALF CLUB – REQUEST FOR FEE WAIVING – MATARANKA SPORTS GROUND - CEO**

**64/2023 RESOLVED (Selina ASHLEY/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) CARRIED**

That Council approves the request from the Mataranka Better Half Club to waive fees for the Never Never Festival Campdraft.

#### **14.7 COMMUNITY FIRE BREAKS – Deputy Mayor Judy MacFARLANE**

**65/2023 RESOLVED (Judy MacFARLANE/Helen LEE) CARRIED**

That Council requests for Council management to consider the risk associated with bush fire in each Community and ensure the appropriate fire breaks.

### **15 EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

#### **15.1 MAYOR'S REPORT**

**66/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Mayoral Report.

#### **15.2 COUNCIL MEETING ATTENDANCE REPORT**

**67/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Council Meeting Attendance Report.

### 15.3 DETERMINATION OF ALLOWANCES FOR MEMBERS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES - NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

68/2023 RESOLVED (Judy MacFARLANE/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Determination of Allowances for Members of Local Authorities – Northern Territory of Australia Remuneration Tribunal report

### 15.4 SOCIAL MEDIA INFORMATION SHEET AND GUIDE FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS

69/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Patricia FARRELL) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Social Media Information Sheet and Guide for Council Members report;
- (b) consider adopting the attached information sheet into a Policy and / or guideline; and
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to provide Social Media Training to Council members.

### 15.5 FIN011 INVESTMENT POLICY REVIEW

70/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Samuel EVANS) **CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the FIN011 Investment Policy Review report;
- (b) accepts the changes recommended by the Independent Member of the Finance and Infrastructure Committee Meeting;
- (c) requests the Chief Executive Officer to present the updated Policy at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday, 21 June 2023; and
- (d) requests the Chief Executive Officer to review Investment Policy each year.

*Joe MILAZZO, Project Manager – Australian Government, Department of Social Services presented to Council in regards to Digital Connectivity Program at 12:03pm on Briefing Day, Wednesday, 26 April 2023.*

*Dan BARR, Director – Better Cities Group, presented to Council in regards to Sports and Recreation Master Plan at 2:00pm on Briefing Day, Wednesday, 26 April 2023.*

### 15.6 COUNCIL MEMBER ALLOWANCE FROM 01 JULY 2023 - REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL DETERMINATION- FAQs

71/2023 RESOLVED (Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR/Samuel EVANS) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Council Member Allowance from 01 July 2023 - Remuneration Tribunal Determination.

### 15.7 COUNCILLOR TELEPHONE ALLOWANCES

*No resolution required*

That Council removes the Councillor Telephone Allowances report from the Agenda.

This report is covered at item number 15.6.

## 16 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

## 17 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT DIVISIONAL REPORT

### 17.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS UPDATE

72/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI) **CARRIED**

That Council receives and notes the Programs update report.

## **18 CORPORATE SERVICES AND SUSTAINABILITY DIVISIONAL REPORT**

### **18.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE**

**73/2023 RESOLVED (John DALYWATER/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED**

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

### **18.2 COUNCIL'S FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

**74/2023 RESOLVED (Judy MacFARLANE/Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR) CARRIED**

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

*Cr Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR left the meeting, the time being 11:33 am.*

*Cr Edwin NUNGGUMAJBARR returned to the meeting, the time being 11:34 am.*

### **18.3 CURRENT GRANTS SITUATION UPDATE**

**75/2023 RESOLVED (Samuel EVANS/Selina ASHLEY) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Current Grants Situation Update report;
- (b) approves a budget amendment \$250,000 to support the Immediate Priority Grant funded project for Bulman Staff Accommodation; and
- (c) approves a budget amendment to support the additional \$3,500,000 for the Borroloola Cyclone Shelter.

*Cr Judy MacFARLANE left the meeting, the time being 11:36 am.*

## **19 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES AND PLANNING DIVISIONAL REPORT**

### **19.1 REQUEST TO WAIVE FACILITY HIRE FEES - MATARANKA SPORT AND RECREATION GROUNDS AND MATARANKA VARIETY BASH TEAMS**

**76/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Samuel EVANS) CARRIED**

That Council waives facility hire fees for the Mataranka Sports and Recreation Grounds to the Mataranka Variety Bash Teams for a fundraiser event on the 6 May 2023.

*Cr Judy MacFARLANE returned to the meeting, the time being 11:38 am.*

### **19.2 MAJOR PROJECTS REPORT**

**77/2023 RESOLVED (Kathy-Anne NUMAMURDIRDI/Patricia FARRELL) CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Major Projects Report; and
- (b) are notified of the awarding of contract to Hoar Co Pty Ltd for \$ 484,788 for the ABA Homelands Water Upgrade Project.

Meeting adjourned at 12:34pm and reconvened at 1:20pm

*Simon FLAVEL, Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics presented to Council in regards to Tennant Creek to Darwin Infrastructure Corridor at 1:20pm.*

*Doona Cross and Carole presented to Council in regards to Aged Care – Strategic Planning at 1:50pm.*

The below resolution was resolved to be made public following discussions had in the Confidential Session of the Ordinary Meeting.

#### **20.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (CDP) UPDATE**

78/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/John DALYWATER)

**CARRIED**

That Council:

- (a) receives and notes the Community Development Programme (CDP) Update report; and
- (b) makes public the resolution from this report in the open minutes of this Council meeting.

#### **20 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

##### **DECISION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION**

79/2023 RESOLVED (Helen LEE/John DALYWATER)

**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 Action List - Confidential Items** - *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 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.*
- 20.4 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.*
- 20.5 MYOBA Rollout** - *The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(c)(iv), information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person.*
- 20.6 Confidential Council Complaint** - *The report will conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2019 and Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 s51(1)(a) (c)(ii) (c)(iii) (c)(iv) (d) (e) (f), 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 maintenance or administration of the law; 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 subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity; 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.*



**GENERAL BUSINESS**

<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	13.1
<b>TITLE</b>	Local Authority Member Attendance Report
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1352522
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Chloe IRLAM, Governance Engagement Coordinator

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance 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 *Local Government Act 2019*, deals with Local Authority Administration Members may be removed from a Local Authority if they are absent from two (2) consecutive meetings without authorisation.

**Hodgson Downs (Minyerri) Local Authority Member Meetings Attendance**

Local Authority Meeting Members	19 September 2022	05 December 2022	07 March 2023	27 March 2023
Mayor Tony JACK	Cancelled	AP	Postponed	LEAVE
Councillor Patricia Farrell	-	P	-	P
Nerrale Arnold	-	P	-	NO AP
Beth John	-	P	-	P
Johnathon Walla	-		-	P
Johns Billy	-	P	-	P
Sonia Roberts	-	P	-	P
Edna ILLES	-	-	-	P

Key

P Present at LA

AP Apology given and accepted by LA

NO AP Did not attend LA and did not tender any apologies

**ISSUES/OPTIONS/SWOT**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

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<b>ITEM NUMBER</b>	13.2
<b>TITLE</b>	Council's Financial Report for the period 01.07.2022 - 30.04.2023
<b>REFERENCE</b>	1352594
<b>AUTHOR</b>	Karandeep SINGH, Senior Finance Officer

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minyerri Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the period July 2022 to April 2023.

**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**

There are some variances in few activities as outlined in the attached expenditure report. The brief explanation for these differences for each division is as follows:

**Operating Income:**

Council has received \$1,395,250 in operating Income for Miniyeri, which is leading to a variance of 2,942. The major cause of variance is from the timing difference in receiving the income as these CDP outcome and contract payments and Local Authority Projects also behind the budget.

**Operating Expenditure:**

The total underspend in operating expenditure is \$391,820. The major cause in underspend is lie within CDP activities essentially cost allocations need to review basis of allocation and actual service to ensure correct figures are being captured here.


**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Nil.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1   Minyerri Financial Report 30.04.2023.pdf



<b>Roper Gulf Regional Council</b>					 <b>RoperGulf</b> REGIONAL COUNCIL SUSTAINABLE • VIABLE • VIBRANT
Financial Report as at					
30-April-2023					
<b>Minyerri</b>					
	<i>Year to Date Actual (\$)</i>	<i>Year to Date Budget (\$)</i>	<i>Variance (\$)</i>	<i>Full Year Budget (\$)</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
<b>Income</b>					
12 - Income Council Fees and Charges	125	0	-125	0	
13 - Income Operating Grants Subsidies	293,944	358,750	-64,806	430,500	On track, review Night Patrol Activities income above budget being offset by Local Authority Project
17 - Income Agency and Commercial Services	1,101,180	1,039,192	61,989	1,247,030	CDP Revenues above budget need to review this against Employer outcomes to substantiate this amount.
19 - Other Income	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	<b>1,395,250</b>	<b>1,397,942</b>	<b>-2,942</b>	<b>1,677,530</b>	CDP Revenues above budget need to review this against Employer outcomes to substantiate this amount.
<b>Operating Expenditure</b>					
21 - Employee Expenses	0	0	0	0	
22 - Contract and Material Expenses	1,294,712	1,415,100	120,388	1,698,120	In line with budget
23 - Fleet, Plant & Equipment	0	0	0	0	
25 - Other Operating Expenses	40,260	41,375	1,115	49,650	
27 - Finance Expenses	0	0	0	0	
31 - Internal Cost Allocations	151,434	416,667	265,233	500,000	Review this in light of CDP incomes, consistently behind budget
2550 - Local Authority Meeting Allowances	1,304	4,167	2,863	5,000	
2551 - Councillor Allowance Exp	13,965	19,129	5,164	22,955	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>1,501,676</b>	<b>1,896,438</b>	<b>394,762</b>	<b>2,275,725</b>	Main variances lie within CDP activities essentially cost allocations need to review basis of allocation and actual service to ensure correct figures are being captured here
<b>Operating Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>-106,426</b>	<b>-498,496</b>	<b>391,820</b>	<b>-598,195</b>	
<b>Net Operating Position</b>	<b>-106,426</b>	<b>-498,496</b>	<b>392,070</b>	<b>-598,195</b>	