



MINUTES OF THE BORROLOOLA LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE  
CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE, BORROLOOLA  
ON THURSDAY, 6 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 10:00AM

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**1 PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS**

**1.1 Elected Members**

- Councillor Donald GARNER (Chairperson);
- Councillor Marlene KARKADOO; and
- Councillor Samuel Evans.

**1.2 Appointed Members**

- Jon SAUER;
- Mike LONGTON;
- Stan ALLEN; and
- Rebecca GENTLE.

**1.3 Staff**

- Phillip LUCK – Chief Executive Officer;
- Sharon HILLEN – General Manager Infrastructure Services and Planning;
- Steven SANDERSON – General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Fred GRAHAM – Manager Community Projects and Engagement;
- Janette HAMILTON – Community Development Programme Regional Manager; and
- Cindy MORGAN – Senior Administration Support Officer (Minute Taker).

**1.4 Guests**

- Kevin LIDDY – National Indigenous Australians Agency; and
- Rolf NILSSON – Mabunji Aboriginal Resource Indigenous Corporation.

**2 MEETING OPENED**

The Meeting The Borroloola Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:05 am with **QUORUM**. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

**3 WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

Delivered by Councillor Marlene KARKADOO.

#### **4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

##### **4.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

*1/2020 RESOLVED (Jonathon SAUER/Rebecca GENTLE) CARRIED*

That the Borrooloola Local Authority accepts the apologies from Mayor Judy MacFARLANE and Local Authority member Trish ELMY, Raymond ANDERSON and Maria PYRO.

#### **5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Nil.

#### **6 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

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

#### **7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

##### **7.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

*2/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Stan ALLEN) CARRIED*

That the Borrooloola Local Authority confirms the minutes from the Borrooloola Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday 3 October 2019, and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of that meetings decisions and proceedings.

#### **8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

##### **8.1 ACTION LIST**

*3/2020 RESOLVED (Jonathon SAUER/Mike LONGTON) CARRIED*

That the Borrooloola Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the Action List;
- (b) Approves the removal of all completed Action List items; and
- (c) Requests that a letter be sent to the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, the Department of Education and the Minister regarding the Borrooloola School Kiss and Go area/s.

#### **9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Lot 773 Development Consent Application

#### **10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

##### **10.1 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

*4/2020 RESOLVED (Donald GARNER/Mike LONGTON) CARRIED*

That the Borrooloola Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the incoming correspondence; and
- (b) Supports the Charity Rally visit to the area in 2020.

## 11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

### 11.1 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

5/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Jonathon SAUER) *CARRIED*

That the Borroloola Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the outgoing correspondence regarding residential land release in Borroloola and Roads in Borroloola Town Camps;
- (b) Recommend that Council invite the Northern Land Council CEO Marion Scrymgour to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to discuss the Borroloola subdivision and associated issues including issues in Mataranka;

6/2020 RESOLVED (Donald GARNER/Stan ALLEN) *CARRIED*

- (c) Requests that Council write to the Minister of Local Government asking for further information regarding the Borroloola Town Camp Roads;
- (d) Requests that Council write to the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development inquiring about the Northern Territory Government Policy on Town Camps and who is currently responsible for inspections and signing off on completed works. The Local Authority want it noted to the responsible bodies their concerns about how houses have been placed, the spoil from the pad clearance has been left in the street and properties have been left in poor condition for the incoming tenants.

## 12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

Nil.

## 13 GENERAL BUSINESS

### 13.1 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

7/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Marlene KARKADOO) *CARRIED*

That the Borroloola Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member Report.

### 13.2 DRAFT 2020 MEETING CALENDAR

8/2020 RESOLVED (Jonathon SAUER/Stan ALLEN) *CARRIED*

That the Borroloola Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the Roper Gulf Regional Council 2020 Meeting Calendar; and
- (b) Requests that a report be included in the next agenda regarding Local Authority Member attendance.

### 13.3 CONFLICT OF INTEREST REGISTER

9/2020 RESOLVED (Stan ALLEN/Mike LONGTON) *CARRIED*

That the Borroloola Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the information regarding Conflicts of Interest; and
- (b) Approved that members are to complete the Conflicts of Interest Register for 2020.

#### **13.4 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

*10/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Jonathon SAUER) CARRIED*

**That the Borroloola Local Authority receives and notes the Community Development Program (CDP) report.**

#### **13.5 TAMARAIND PARK LICENSE TO OCCUPY**

*11/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Samuel EVANS) CARRIED*

**That the Borroloola Local Authority receive and note the report on the Local Authority Action Item relating to the Tamarind Park Land Acquisition.**

The meeting adjourned for lunch from 12:15pm – 12:30pm.

#### **13.6 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT**

*12/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Marlene KARKADOO) CARRIED*

**That the Borroloola Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Report.**

#### **13.7 TOWN PRIORITIES 2020-21**

*13/2020 RESOLVED (Jonathon SAUER/Mike LONGTON) CARRIED*

**That the Borroloola Local Authority approves its draft Town Priorities for 2020-21.**

#### **13.8 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT BY-LAWS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY**

*14/2020 RESOLVED (Donald GARNER/Jonathon SAUER) CARRIED*

**That the Borroloola Local Authority:**

- (a) Receives and notes the Animal Management By-Laws report; and**
- (b) Agree to the continuation and enforcement of all Animal Management By-Laws.**

#### **13.9 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE**

*15/2020 RESOLVED (Mike LONGTON/Jonathon SAUER) CARRIED*

**That the Borroloola Local Authority:**

- (a) Receives and notes the Local Authority Project Updates report;**
- (b) Requests that Council provide the Local Authority with an update of the light heads on all current street lights and include more street lights in dark spots and obtain necessary services plan approvals; and**
- (c) Closes out the Removable Solar Lights Project and allocates the remaining money to a new project to “Replace the Searcy Street / Robinson Road Intersection light with a fit for purpose intersection light”.**

#### **13.10 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT AS AT 31.12.2019**

*16/2020 RESOLVED (Stan ALLEN/Mike LONGTON) CARRIED*

**That Borroloola Local Authority receives and note the Financial (Expenditure) Report for the period 1 July 2019 to 31 December 2019.**

### **13.11 BORROLOOLA MAJOR PROJECTS UPGRADES**

17/2020 RESOLVED (Jonathon SAUER/Mike LONGTON)

CARRIED

That the Borroloola Local Authority receives and notes the Major Project Updates Report.

### **13.12 BORROLOOLA AIRSTRIP TOILET BLOCK AND SULLAGE POINT**

18/2020 RESOLVED (Jonathon SAUER/Rebecca GENTLE)

CARRIED

That the Borroloola Local Authority:

- (a) Receives and notes the update on the Borroloola Airstrip Toilet Block;
- (b) Allocates \$140,000 of Local Authority Project Funding towards the Borroloola Airstrip Toilet Block to extend the sewer main to the new facility.

### **13.13 LOT 773 DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL**

Information Only

This is a Commonwealth Housing project consisting of the following:

- Construct two duplexes in total on lot 773 in administrative Lot 840 and Lot 854 and the relocation of the Yanyula town camp playground to an area southeast of the two transitional dongas.

### **13.14 METAL SCRAP**

Information Only

- Numerous scrap vehicles through Borroloola on private land.
- Roper Gulf Regional Council is part of the Big Rivers Region Waste Management Committee.
- Roper Gulf Regional Council is a member Council in a contract with Katherine Town Council for SIMS Metal to remove scrap vehicles. This contract runs out end of June. It is expected that SIMS will not be coming out to Borroloola, Ngukurr and Numbulwar before the contract expires.
- Roper Gulf Regional Council is aware other service providers are interested in coming out to remove scrap vehicles and scrap steel. Council are looking at other options for after the wet season.

## **14 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 2:10 pm.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Borroloola Local Authority Meeting held on Thursday, 6 February 2020 and will be confirmed on 9 April 2020.

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Chairperson