



MINUTES OF THE NGUKURR LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE  
CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE, NGUKURR ON  
TUESDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2019 AT 10:30 AM

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**PRESENT/STAFF/GUESTS**

**1.1 Elected Members**

- Councillor Eric ROBERTS – **Chairperson**
- Councillor Owen TURNER

**1.2 Appointed Members**

- Robin ROGERS
- Michelle FARRELL
- Tanya JOSHUA

**1.3 Staff**

- Phillip LUCK – Chief Executive Officer
- Thea GRIFFIN – Manager Council Project and Community Engagement
- Chris KASSMAN – Council Service Coordinator
- Ashleigh ANDERSON – Local Authority Coordinator
- Andrew SUA – Community Safety Coordinator

**1.4 Guests**

- Pethie LYONS – Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)
- Rodney HOFFMAN – Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development
- Heimo SCHOBBER - Keep Australia Beautiful

**MEETING OPENED**

The Ngukurr Local Authority Meeting opened at 10:20am with **QUORUM**. The Chairperson welcomed members, staff and guests and the Roper Gulf Regional Council Pledge was read.

**WELCOME TO COUNTRY**

*Councillor Eric Roberts*

## **APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

168/2019 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Robin ROGERS)

CARRIED

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority accepts the apologies from Mayor Judy MacFARLANE and Local Authority Members Marcia ROBERTS and Ian GUMBULA.

## **CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

169/2019 RESOLVED (Eric ROBERTS/Michelle FARRELL)

CARRIED

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority confirms the minutes taken at the Ngukurr Local Authority meeting held on 13 August 2019 to be a correct record of that meetings decisions and proceedings.

## **CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS**

12.1 Fencing issues in Community

12.2 Ngukurr Oval Lights

12.3 Toilet Block for Airport

12.4 Keep Australia Beautiful

12.5 Footpaths

## **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

*There were no declarations of interest at this Ngukurr Local Authority.*

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

### **8.1 ACTION LIST**

170/2019 RESOLVED (Tanya JOSHUA/Michelle FARRELL)

CARRIED

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and notes the Action List.

## **INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE**

*Nil*

## **OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE**

*Nil*

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **11.1 ROPER RIVER WATER RESOURCE ASSESSMENT**

171/2019 RESOLVED (Robin ROGERS/Owen TURNER)

CARRIED

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and notes the presentation from CSIRO Land and Water pertaining to the Roper River Water Resource Assessment and the indigenous water values, rights, interests and development goals.

## **11.2 LOCAL NAMES FOR CEMETERIES**

**172/2019 RESOLVED (Michelle FARRELL/Robin ROGERS)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and notes the information regarding Cemeteries;
- (b) That the Ngukurr Local Authority requests that Council write a letter to the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development regarding additional investigation in old cemeteries in Ngukurr;
- (c) That the Ngukurr Local Authority recommends that more community consultation occurs around the Ngukurr Cemetery names.

## **11.3 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT**

**173/2019 RESOLVED (Robin ROGERS/Tanya JOSHUA)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member Report;
- (b) That the Ngukurr Local Authority requests that Council writes a letter to the Commissioner of Police in regards to Police response times in Ngukurr.

## **11.4 NGUKURR POLICE COMPLEX UPGRADE**

**174/2019 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Eric ROBERTS)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority note the planned design and upgrade of the Ngukurr Police Complex.

## **11.5 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT**

**175/2019 RESOLVED (Robin ROGERS/Michelle FARRELL)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and notes the Council Services Report.

*The meeting was adjourned for lunch 12:06pm – 12:25pm*

## **11.6 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2019 EXPENDITURE REPORT**

**176/2019 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Robin ROGERS)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and note the Financial (Expenditure) Report for the month of September 2019.

## **11.7 2018-19 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING**

**177/2019 RESOLVED (Eric ROBERTS/Michelle FARRELL)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and notes the signed Certification for 2018-19 Local Authority Project Funding.

## **11.8 GOVERNANCE REPORT - LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT REGISTER UPDATE**

**178/2019 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Robin ROGERS)**

*CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority receives and note the report on the Local Authority Project funding.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **12.1 FENCING ISSUES IN COMMUNITY**

179/2019 RESOLVED (Robin ROGERS/Tanya JOSHUA) *CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority requests that Council write a letter to the Department of Local Government, Housing and Community Development regarding fencing repairs in Ngukurr Community raising concerns about dogs and people walking through yards.

### **12.2 NGUKURR OVAL LIGHTS**

180/2019 RESOLVED (Robin ROGERS/Owen TURNER) *CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority refers to the Ordinary Meeting of Council about holding a Ngukurr Oval Lighting Commemorative event.

### **12.3 TOILET BLOCK FOR AIRPORT**

181/2019 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Tanya JOSHUA) *CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority requests that Council investigate costings to install a Toilet Block at the Ngukurr Airport.

### **12.4 KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL**

182/2019 RESOLVED (Tanya JOSHUA/Owen TURNER) *CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority requests that Council continue to engage and support the Keep Australia Beautiful/Tidy Towns Program for Ngukurr.

### **12.5 FOOTPATHS**

183/2019 RESOLVED (Owen TURNER/Tanya JOSHUA) *CARRIED*

- (a) That the Ngukurr Local Authority request that Council establish a footpath project, explore funding options with the Northern Territory Government and investigate initial designs and costings and present to the Local Authority.

## **CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 1:37pm.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Ngukurr Local Authority Meeting HELD ON Tuesday, 22 October 2019 AND CONFIRMED Tuesday, 10 December 2019.

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Chairperson