

MINUTES OF THE ROPER GULF REGIONAL COUNCIL, WUGULARR (BESWICK)
LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING HELD AT THE CONFERENCE ROOM COUNCIL
SERVICE DELIVERY CENTRE, WUGULARR (BESWICK)
ON TUESDAY, 2 APRIL 2024 AT 10:00AM

1 PRESENT MEMBERS/STAFF/GUESTS

1.1 Members

- Councillor Selina ASHLEY;
- Brett CAMERON;
- Raelene BULUMBARA;
- Eddie KENNEDY; and
- Trepkina BUSH (arrived late).

1.2 Staff

- Marc GARDNER, Chief Executive Officer;
- David HURST, General Manager Community Services and Engagement;
- Cindy HADDOW, General Manager Corporate Services and Sustainability;
- Puspa KARKI, Executive Assistant Community Services and Engagement;
- Bhumika ADHIKARI, Governance Engagement Coordinator (minute secretary); and
- Daniele PIGA, Acting Governance Officer.

1.3 Guests

- Karen HOCKING, Project Manager, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (via videoconference);
- Jacob LEONARD, Senior Project Officer Strategic Projects and Policy Local Government, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (via videoconference); and
- Melina DAVIDSON, Electorate Officer, Office Of Selena UIBO MLA, Member for Arnhem (via videoconference).

2 MEETING OPENED

The Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting opened at 10: 30 am as a **PROVISIONAL** meeting and meeting turned into Quorum at 10:44 am after arrival of Local Authority Member Trepkina BUSH. 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

WUG P-11/2024 (Raelene BULUMBARA/Brett CAMERON) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority accepts the tendered apologies from Anne-Marie RYAN and Anne-Marie THOMPSON-KENNY.

5 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

6 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest at this Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting.

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1 WUGULARR (BESWICK) LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING PREVIOUS MINUTES

WUG P-12/2024 (Eddie KENNEDY/Raelene BULUMBARA) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority confirms the minutes from the meetings held on Monday, 15 January 2024 and affirms them to be a true and accurate record of the meetings decisions and proceedings.

Trephina BUSH arrived at 10:44 am and meeting turned into Quorum.

8 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

8.1 ACTION LIST

WUG Q-13/2024 (Trephina BUSH/Raelene BULUMBARA) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Action List;
- (b) requests to follow up on item 8.1 point b) in regards to organising Community Safety meeting aiming to reestablish Police Community meetings as their previous plan; and
- (c) corrects the spelling error of "Madigan Road" at item 14.2 and requests to amend resolution specifically to address the repair of lighting around Madigan Road.

9 CALL FOR ITEMS OF OTHER BUSINESS

- Roads and Drainage

10 INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

11 OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

12 OPERATIONAL REPORTS

12.1 COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

WUG Q-14/2024 (Trephina BUSH/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority receives and notes the Community Safety Update report.

12.2 WUGULARR LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECTS UPDATE

WUG Q-15/2024 (Raelene BULUMBARA/Selina ASHLEY) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Projects Update report.

13 GENERAL BUSINESS

13.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER ATTENDENCE REPORT

WUG Q-16/2024 (Selina ASHLEY/Eddie KENNEDY) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Member Attendance.

Jacob LEONARD presented to the Local Authority on Local Authority Review at 11:15 am and left the Meeting at 11:31 am.

13.2 LOCAL AUTHORITY REVIEW

WUG Q-17/2024 (Selina ASHLEY/Trephina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority receives and notes the Local Authority Review report.

13.3 COUNCIL SERVICES REPORT

WUG Q-18/2024 (Brett CAMERON/Eddie KENNEDY) **CARRIED**

That The Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority:

- (a) receives and notes the Council Services Report; and
- (b) acknowledges Council staff and the Northern Territory Emergency Management Services with recent support during the flooding event at Wugularr (Beswick).

13.4 ELECTED MEMBER REPORT

WUG Q-19/2024 (Selina ASHLEY/Trephina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Barunga) Local Authority receives and notes the Elected Member report.

13.5 COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 01.07.2023 - 31.02.2024

WUG Q-20/2024 (Eddie KENNEDY/Brett CAMERON) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority receives and notes the Council Financial Report for the period 01 July 2023 to 29 February 2024.

13.6 LOCAL AUTHORITY PROJECT FUNDING CERTIFICATION

WUG Q-21/2024 (Selina ASHLEY/Raelene BULUMBARA) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority approves the Certification of Local Authority Reports for the 2022-23 financial year.

14 OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 ROADS AND DRAINAGE

WUG Q-22/2024 (Selina ASHLEY/Trephina BUSH) **CARRIED**

That the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority:

- (a) requests to investigate potholes and feedback on Roads and Drainage and report back to next Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting scheduled to be held on 01 July 2024;
- (b) requests to conduct road assessment specially around Cameron and Madigan road in response to concerns raised about their current state; and
- (c) Security issue of the Council to follow up with assets team to undertake a safety and crime audit of the building.

Note: Community members, specially elders and children, suffered from waterborne diseases caused by contaminated water resulting from the accumulation of undrained water and two (2) of them were flown to Darwin. – Cr. Selina ASHLEY

Chief Executive Officer to organise Council management to follow up and report back to the next Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting scheduled to be held on 01 July 2024.

15 CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 11:43 am.

This page and the proceeding pages are the Minutes of the Wugularr (Beswick) Local Authority Meeting held on Tuesday, 2 April 2024 and confirmed .

Chairperson
Confirmed on 01 July 2024.