

# **MINUTES**

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2022
AT 9:00 AM
AT THE REGIONAL OFFICE - KATHERINE

29 Crawford Street, Katherine East NT 0850



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Brian Hylands

**Chief Executive Officer** 



## The meeting opened the time being 09:00am.

## 1. Present

## **Elected Members Present**

Mayor Walangeri Ward (Chair) Elected Member Daguragu Ward Elected Member Pine Creek Ward Brian Pedwell (via Teams) Georgina Macleod Yvette Wiliams (via Teams)

## Staff Present

Chief Executive Officer
Manager of Executive Services
Director of Corporate and Community Services
Director of Operations
Manager of Governance
Executive Services Officer
Senior Accountant

Brian Hylands
Michelle Will (minute taker)
Trudy Braun
Matthew Cheminant
Janelle Iszlaub
Chellah Clancy
Jackson Bernard

## 2. Apologies

Apologies: Councillor Shirley Garlett, Deputy Mayor Andrew McTaggart

Leave of Absence: Nil

- 3. Presentations Deputations Petitions Nil
- 4. Public Question Time Nil
- 5. Disclosure of Interest Councillors and Staff
  - Councillor Yvette Williams declared a perceived conflict of interest in relation to item 18.2.1.1 (Rates Request Property Number 700068)
  - 2. Councillor Georgina Macleod declared a perceived conflict of interest in item 18.2.1.2 (Tender Recommendation)

## 6. Confirmation of Minutes

## 6.1. Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 October 2022

#### Motion

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 25 October 2022 be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

Mover: Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/169:** Carried 3 / 0



## 6.2. Special Meeting of Council held on 8 November 2022

#### **Motion**

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 8 November 2022 be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/170:** Carried 3 / 0

## 7. Call for Items of General Business

1. Recognition for staff long service - Councillor Macleod

- 2. Request additional KDLA meeting Councillor Macleod
- 3. Nominations for Grants Commission

## 8. Mayoral Report

Mayor Brian Pedwell provided a verbal update at the meeting.

- Mayor Pedwell attended the LGANT conference in November with Councillor Macleod and former CEO Russell Anderson.
- Full Cabinet was in attendance, topics discussed include anti-social behaviour, shortfall in Homelands funding, sewerage and land release for Timber Creek, and the relocation of Nitipurru.
- Mayor Pedwell, Deputy Mayor McTaggart, and Councillor Georgina Macleod were recognised at the recent LGANT forum for 10 years of service in Local Government.
- Council staff members were also recognised for 10 years of service.

Mayor Pedwell thanked staff members for their dedication and service to their communities and the Local Government sector.

#### **Motion**

That the Mayoral report is received and noted.

Mover: Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/171:** Carried 3 / 0

## 9. CEO Update

#### Motion

That the Chief Executive Officer's verbal report is received and noted.

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/172:** Carried 3 / 0

## 10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

## 10.1. REPORTS FOR COUNCIL DECISION

## 10.1.1. Approval of Policies LGP001, LGP002, LGP014, LGP004



#### Motion

- A. That the report Approval of Policies LGP001, LGP002, LGP014, LGP004 is received and noted
- B. Council approves the following policies;
  - \*LGP001 Filing Casual Vacancies
  - \*LGP002 Scheduling and Conduct of Council, Committee and LA Meetings
  - \*LGP014 Shared Services
  - \*LGP004 Reasonable expenses for travel and accommodation Policy

(Council members)

**Mover:** Cr Yvette Williams

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/173:** Carried 3 / 0

## 10.2. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

## 10.2.1. Financial Report year to date 31st Oct 2022

## Motion

That the Financial Report year to date 31st Oct 2022 is received and noted.

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/174:** Carried 3 / 0

## 10.2.2. 2023 Meeting Schedule

Elected members discussed where two Ordinary Council Meetings will be held in community in 2023. Suggested April meeting be held in Pine Creek and August meeting be held in Yarralin.

#### **Motion**

A. That the 2023 Meeting Schedule is received and noted

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/175:** Carried 3 / 0

## 10.2.3. Inquiry into Northern Australia Workforce Development

#### **Motion**

A. That the Inquiry into Northern Australia Workforce Development is received and noted

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/176:** Carried 3 / 0

## **10.2.4.** CDP Report

#### Motion

A. That the CDP report is received and noted

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell



**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/177:** Carried 3 / 0

#### 10.2.5. Bitumen Reseal Nackaroo Road

#### Motion

A. That the Bitumen Reseal Nackaroo Road report is received and noted

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/178:** Carried 3 / 0

## 11. COMMUNITY REPORTS

## 11.1. Nauiyu Community Report

#### Motion

A. That the Nauiyu Community Report is received and noted

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/179:** Carried 3 / 0

## 11.2. Timber Creek Community Report

#### **Motion**

A. That the Timber Creek report is received and noted.

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/180:** Carried 3 / 0

## 11.3. Pine Creek Community Report

#### **Motion**

A. That the Pine Creek Community Report is received and noted

**Mover:** Cr Yvette Williams

**Seconder:** Mayor Brian Pedwell **Resolution:OCM-2022/181:** Carried 3 / 0

## 11.4. Kalkarindji Community Report

Discussion ensued regarding the returning of the dingo loader to the Katherine office.

Action item: report to council regarding the dingo loader and attachments explaining the state of the plant equipment and reason for its relocation (Director of Operations)

#### Motion

A. That the Kalkarindji Community Report is received and noted

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Mayor Brian Pedwell **Resolution:OCM-2022/182:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12. LOCAL AUTHORITY



## 12.1. Local Authority Minutes

## 12.1.1. Pine Creek Local Authority meeting held on 7 November 2022

#### Motion

- A. That the minutes of the Pine Creek Local Authority meeting held on 7 November 2022 be adopted as a resolution of Ordinary Council; and
- B. That Council endorse the following Pine Creek Local Authority resolution:
  - **PCLA-2022/26** That the Local Authority pay the variance of \$31,605.50 to build and install two Troppo Bird Hides.

**Mover:** Cr Yvette Williams

**Seconder:** Mayor Brian Pedwell **Resolution:OCM-2022/183:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12.1.2. Daly River Local Authority meeting held on 2 November 2022

Elected members discussed the recommendations and decided that DRLA-2022/17 will be considered at the December Ordinary Council Meeting when Deputy Mayor McTaggart is present.

(DRLA-2022/17 - That Council approve ongoing cost and maintenance expenses of front deck mower purchase as part of the operational costs)

## **Motion**

- 1) That the minutes of the Daly River Local Authority meeting held on 2 November 2022 be adopted as a resolution of Ordinary Council.
- 2) That Council endorse the following Daly River Local Authority resolutions:
  - I. **DRLA-2022/13 -** That the Daly River Local Authority commit \$5000 ex.GST for the hire of a skip bin for waste management during the 2022-23 wet season at Nauiyu; and
  - II. DRLA-2022/14 That the Daly River Local Authority commits \$2,800 of their funds to the Bi-Annual vet visit from The Ark Animal Hospital as per the attached quote dated 21 October 2022; and
  - III. –
  - IV. DRLA-2022/18 That the DRLA donate the amount of \$1500 toward a Community Christmas event and \$500 each to St Francis Xavier School and Wooliana School.

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/184:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12.1.3. Kalkarindji | Daguragu Local Authority meeting held on 8 November 2022



#### Motion

- A. That the minutes of the Kalkarindji | Daguragu Local Authority meeting held on 8 November 2022 be adopted as a resolution of Ordinary Counci; and
- B. That Council endorse the following Kalkarindji | Daguragu Local Authority resolution:

 KLA-2022/3 - That the Kalkarindji | Daguragu Local Authority commit up to \$25,000 for the Katherine Vet Services to deliver vet program two times in 2023.

Mover: Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/185:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12.2. Local Authority Resignations/Nominations

## 12.2.1. Nomination of Chris Flood to the Timber Creek Local Authority

#### **Motion**

A. That Council endorses the Nomination of Chris Flood to the Timber Creek Local Authority

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/186:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12.2.2. Nomination of Darryl Darby to the Timber Creek Local Authority

## Motion

A. That Council endorses the Nomination of Darryl Darby to the Timber Creek Local Authority

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/187:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12.2.3. Nomination of Clare Merritt to the Pine Creek Local Authority

#### Motion

A. That Council endorses the Nomination of Clare Merritt to the Pine Creek Local Authority

Mover: Cr Yvette Williams

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/188:** Carried 3 / 0

## 12.2.4. Nomination of John Lee to the Pine Creek Local Authority

## **Motion**

A. That Council endorses the Nomination of John Lee to the Timber Creek Local Authority

Mover: Cr Yvette Williams

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/189:** Carried 3 / 0

The meeting adjourned for morning tea, the time being 10:51am. The meeting readjourned, the time being 11:11am.



## 13. ACTION SHEET

## 13.1. Action Sheet

#### Motion

A. That the Action Sheet report is received and noted

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/190:** Carried 3 / 0

## 14. CORRESPONDENCE

## 14.1. Correspondence Report

#### Motion

- A. That the Correspondence Report is received and noted
- B. That Council acknowledges the letter dated 17 November 2022 from Minister for Local Government Chansey Paech regarding Council's Bylaws (Pine Creek (Control of Dogs) By-Laws, Pine Creek (Litter and Flammable and Noxious Weeds) By-Laws, and Timber Creek By-Laws); and
- C. That Council approves the process of repealing the abovementioned bylaws recommences

#### ADDITIONAL RESOLUTION

D. That the outcome of the Repeal By-Laws consultation be tabled at the Timber Creek and Pine Creek Local Authority, including a report with an explanation of the Repeal process since it commenced

**Mover:** Cr Yvette Williams

**Seconder:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Resolution:OCM-2022/192:** Carried 3 / 0

## 15. Notices of Motion - Nil

## 16. General Business

## 16.1 Recognition for staff long service

#### Motion

VDRC recognition certificate and engraved yet to be presented to staff (TBC) who received long service recognition at the November 2022 LGANT Forum. Staff members to be invited to Katherine office to be presented their certificate and yet.

**Mover:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

**Seconder:** Cr Yvette Williams **Resolution:OCM-2022/193:** Carried 3 / 0

## 16.2 Request for an additional KDLA meeting

Staff to investigate KDLA resolution regarding vet program for 2022. At present there is a shortfall of approximately \$2,500 allocated to the project for the remainder of the year.



Action: Staff will investigate KDLA resolutions regarding vet program in 2022 and inform elected member.

#### **16.3 Nominations for Grants Commission**

No nominations were received

## 17. Supplementary Reports - Nil

## 18. Confidential

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.

**Mover:** Cr Georgina Macleod **Seconder:** Mayor Brian Pedwell

## 18.1. Confirmation of Minutes Confidential OCM 25 October 2022

**Status 51(1)(c)(iv)** - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: subject to subregulation (3) - prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

## 18.2. Rate Request Property Number 700068

**Status 51(1)(b) -** This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, information about the personal circumstances of a resident or ratepayer.

## 18.3. Tender Recommendation - Sports and Recreational Hall Repair and Upgrade Daguragu Community

**Status 51(1)(a) -** This item is considered 'Confidential' 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, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, 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.



#### 18.4. RSAS Yarralin - Annexure A - 4-GIAQU42

**Status 51(1)(c)(iv)** - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: subject to subregulation (3) - prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

## 18.5. Policies to be removed from Policy Register

**Status 51(1)(c)(iv)** - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: subject to subregulation (3) - prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

## 18.6. Progress Report on Grant Applications

**Status 51(1)(c)(iv)** - This item is considered 'Confidential' pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1)(c)(iv) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, which states a council may close to the public only so much of its meeting as comprises the receipt or discussion of, or a motion or both relating to, Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to: subject to subregulation (3) - prejudice the interests of the council or some other person

The confidential session closed, and open session resumed, the time being 12:32pm.

The meeting was closed by the Mayor, the time being 12:35pm.

## 19. Next Meeting

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Victoria Daly Regional Council will be held Tuesday, 13 December 2022.

This page and the preceding ten (10) pages are the minutes of the meeting of Ordinary Council held on Tuesday 29 November 2022.

Mayor Brian Pedwel