



Victoria Daly
REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 28 MARCH 2023
AT 9:00 AM**

**AT THE REGIONAL OFFICE - KATHERINE
29 Crawford Street, Katherine East NT 0850**



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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian Hylands', written over a large, faint watermark of the word 'DRAFT'.

Brian Hylands
Chief Executive Officer



The meeting commenced at 09:08am.

1. PRESENT

Elected Members Present

Mayor (Chair)

Brian Pedwell

Councillor

Georgina Macleod

Councillor

Yvette Williams

Staff Present

Chief Executive Officer

Brian Hylands

Manager of Executive Services

Michelle Griffin (minute secretary)

Executive Services Officer

Chellah Clancy

Director of Corporate and Community Services

Trudy Braun

Director of Council Operations

Matthew Cheminant

Guests

Executive Director (LGRD CM&C)

Maree De Lacey

Community Sports Officer

William Kossack

Territory Families, Housing and Communities

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies: Deputy Mayor Andrew McTaggart, Cr Shirley Garlett

Leave of Absence: Nil

OCM-2023/44 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Yvette Williams)

That Council accepts the apology of Deputy Mayor Andrew McTaggart for the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 March 2023.

OCM-2023/45 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Yvette Williams)

That Council does not accept the apology of Councillor Shirley Garlett for the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 March 2023.

3. PRESENTATIONS - DEPUTATIONS - PETITIONS

Nil

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil



5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1. Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 February 2023

Amendment to Mayoral report - addition of names for meeting with NLC, Wayne Beswick and Jonathon Macleod.

OCM-2023/46 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Yvette Williams)

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 28 February 2023 be taken as read and be accepted as a true record of the meeting.

7. CALL FOR ITEMS OF GENERAL BUSINESS

1. CDP Contract
2. LGANT General Meeting in April
3. Identification of land availability in Kalkarindji
4. Nitjpurru housing - formal request from Council for future houses to be built on higher ground.
5. Road from Kalkarindji to Daguragu

8. MAYORAL REPORT

8.1. Mayoral Report

OCM-2023/47 Resolution: Carried/Cr Yvette Williams)

- A. That the Mayoral report is received and noted
- B. That Council endorses all travel and accommodation costs pertaining to the Mayor's duties.

9. CEO UPDATE

9.1. CEO Report March

William Kossack entered the room at 9:45am.

OCM-2023/48 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Yvette Williams)

- A. That the CEO Report March be received and noted.



10. REPORTS TO COUNCIL

10.1. Reports for Council Decision

10.1.1. 2023 Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG)

OCM-2023/49 Resolution: Carried (Cr Yvette Williams/Mayor Brian Pedwell)

- A. That the report 2023 Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG) is received and noted
- B. That Council endorses Yvette Williams, Georgina Macleod, Brian Pedwell, and Brian Hylands to attend the 2023 *National General Assembly of Local Government* and the *Australian Council of Local Government* at the National Convention Centre in Canberra on Friday, 16 June 2023; and
- C. That Council approves the expenditure of associated travel and accommodation costs.

10.1.2. Policies 4.1.09 and 4.1.10 to be removed from policy register

OCM-2023/50 Resolution: Carried (Mayor Brian Pedwell/Cr Georgina Macleod)

- A. That the report Policies 4.1.09 and 4.1.10 to be removed from policy register is received and noted
- B. Approval for the removal of the following policies from the policy register
 - 4.1.09 Emergency relief
 - 4.1.10 Library Service

10.2. Reports for Information

10.2.1. Financial Report for the period ended 28th February 2023

OCM-2023/51 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Yvette Williams)

- A. That the Financial Report for the period ended 28th February 2023 is received and noted

10.2.2. By-Laws Repeal

OCM-2023/52 Resolution: Carried (Mayor Brian Pedwell/Cr Yvette Williams)

- A. That the report By-Laws Repeal is received and noted



10.2.3. Social media information sheet and guide for council members

OCM-2023/53 Resolution: Carried (Cr Yvette Williams/Cr Georgina Macleod)

- A. That the resources provided by the Chief Minister and Cabinet regarding personal and professional use of social media is received and noted

10.2.4. Corporate and Community Services

Councillor Shirley Garlett joined the meeting at 10:27am.

William Kossack left the meeting at 10:31am.

OCM-2023/54 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Shirley Garlett)

- A. That the Corporate and Community Services report is received and noted

11. ACTION SHEET

11.1. Action Items

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 11:15am.

The meeting resumed at 11:41am.

Maree De Lacey arrived at 11:25am and was given a tour of the new office located at Pearce Street.

Maree De Lacey acknowledged the affect that recent flooding has had on the community and the council. She provided an updated to elected members on the following topics:

- Local Authority Reference Review Group of which Mayor Pedwell and Brian Hylands are members.
- Immediate Priority Grants
- Training for Council and Local Authority Chairs
- Burial and Cremation legislation

Maree De Lacey left the meeting at 11:50am

OCM-2023/55 Resolution: Carried (Cr Yvette Williams/Cr Shirley Garlett)

- A. That the Action Items report is received and noted
B. That council approve completed actions be removed from the action item list.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.1. Correspondence



OCM-2023/56 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Yvette Williams)

A. That the Correspondence is received and noted

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

14.1 CDP Contract

OCM-2023/57 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Cr Shirley Garlett)

That Council endorses the affixing of the common seal for the Deed of Variation [4]. to Project Schedule - Community Development Contract 2019-2023

14.2 LGANT General Meeting

OCM-2023/58 Resolution: Carried (Cr Shirley Garlett/Cr Yvette Williams)

That the following members attend the LGANT General Meeting in Alice Springs on 19th and 20th of April: Brian Pedwell, Brian Hylands and Georgina Macleod

14.3 Identification of land availability in Kalkarindji

OCM-2023/59 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Mayor Brian Pedwell)

That investigations take place regarding land availability in Kalkarindji for the purpose of enabling future projects and grant funding opportunities that will benefit the community.

14.4 Nitjpurru Housing

OCM-2023/60 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Mayor Brian Pedwell)

That the Mayor writes to all relevant Northern Territory and Federal Ministers advocating for the relocation of Nitjpurru to higher ground, emphasising that no new houses should be built in the flood area.

14.5 Road from Kalkarindji to Daguragu

OCM-2023/61 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Mayor Brian Pedwell)

That Council write to Minister Eva Lawler to take responsibility for the strategic road from Kalkarindji to Daguragu, access to Mount Stanford Station, and access to Gregory/Jutburra National Park.



14.6 Community Place for People Grants

OCM-2023/62 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Mayor Brian Pedwell)

A. That Council apply for Community Place for People grant for the communities of Kalkarindji, Daguragu, Nitjpurru, Amanbidji, Bulla and Yarralin for new facilities or upgrade to park and playgrounds areas.

14.7 Community Place for People Grant

OCM-2023/63 Resolution: Carried (Cr Georgina Macleod/Mayor Brian Pedwell)

That Council apply for a community place for people grant for oval lighting at Pine Creek.

The meeting adjourned for lunch at 01:02pm

The meeting resumed at 1:32pm

15. CONFIDENTIAL

Moved to confidential session at 1:33pm

Resolution: Carried/Cr Yvette Williams)

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.

15.1. Confidential Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 February 2023

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*

15.2. Acquittal of the 2021-22 Waste and Resource Management (WaRM) Grant

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:*



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15.4. Acquittal of the 2021-2022 Local Government Immediate Priority Grant

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15.5. Progress Report on Grant Applications

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15.6. Rates and Waste Charges Request (Reclassification of Property Number 701477)

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.*



15.7. Election Commitment Grant Funding - Minor Infrastructure Projects

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 meeting returned to the open session at 01:53pm

Resolution: Carried (Cr Yvette Williams/Cr Shirley Garlett)

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 re-opened to the public.

16. NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Victoria Daly Regional Council will be held on Friday 28 April 2023.

The meeting closed at 02:05pm.

This page and the preceding nine (9) pages are the minutes of the meeting of Ordinary Council held on Tuesday, 28 March 2023.

Mayor Brian Pedwell