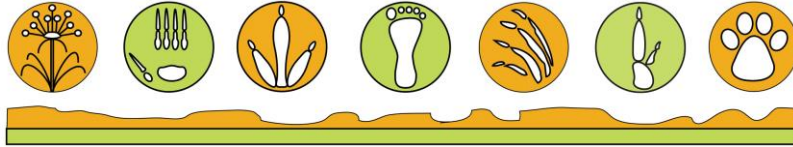


BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE ALPURRURULAM LOCAL AUTHORITY

Held on 16 July 2014

Alpurrurulam Community Centre

1. MEETING OPENING

Meeting opened at 1:30pm

2. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

2.1 MEMBERS PRESENT

Cr. Jennifer Mahoney	Ex Officio
Maxie Ray	Local Authority Member
Michael Teague	Local Authority Member
Gordon Long	Local Authority Member
John Barber	Local Authority Member
Marshall Teece	Local Authority Member
George Anderson	Local Authority Member

2.2 ALSO PRESENT

Edwina Marks	Barkly Regional Council Chief Executive Officer
Anajli Palmer	Barkly Regional Council Executive Director Communities
Troy Koch	Alpurrurulam Community Coordinator
A/Sgt Daniel Smith	NT Police
Con. Andrew Smith	NT Police
Wayne Jeffs GEC	Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet
Peter Morgan IEO	Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet
Jill Kleiner	Department of Local Government and Regions
David Curtis	Department of Local Government and Regions
John Percy	Community Member
John Mahoney	Community Member
Pamela Corbett	Community Member

2.3 APOLOGIES

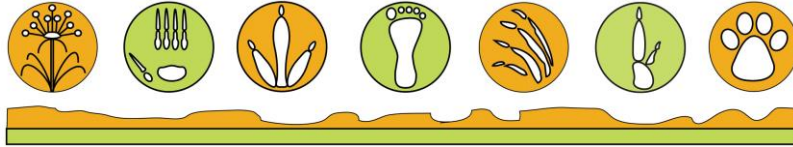
President Barb Shaw	Ex Officio
Reggie Nelson	Local Authority Member
James Billy	Local Authority Member

3. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PRESENTATION

A presentation was made by David Curtis the Community Engagement Officer from the Department of Local Government. This covered the role of the Local Authority and the relationship to the Barkly Regional Council. Also included are the Local Authority Meeting dates which are as follows;

6th August 2014
29th October 2014
21st January 2015
11th March 2015
29th April 2015

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4. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND DEPUTY CHAIR

The Local Authority voted and appointed Maxie Ray as the Chair Person and Michael Teague as the Deputy Chair Person.

5. CODE OF CONDUCT

A presentation was made by the CEO Edwina Marks. This covered Barkly Regional Council's Code of Conduct and how it applied to Local Authority members.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS LOCAL BOARD MEETING

Nil

7. ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS LOCAL BOARD MEETING

7.1 Laundry

Community Co-Ordinator updated the Local Authority about the status of the Laundry construction projects and informed members that works were near completion.

7.2 Basketball Court Lights

The Community Co-Ordinator explained that as part of the laundry project the power meters would be secured to prevent tampering from children.

7.3 Alcohol Issues in Alpururulam

The Community Co-Ordinator updated the Local Authority about local issues and explained that a letter had been written to regional alcohol outlets on behalf of the previous Board. CEO Edwina Marks outlined that the letter that had been sent to numerous alcohol retailers in the region and the Queensland Hoteliers Association. The responses received included the Camooweal and Urandangie Hotels who had responded in a positive manner, but no reply's had been received from the other establishments.

8. COUNCIL REPORTS

The Local Authority requested that the Councillor presents the Council Minutes and Reports on Council Activities, there was also a discussion requesting that the Councillor take important information as it arises back to the Council from the Local Authority. In order to facilitate this, the Local Authority members planned to meet with the Councillor prior to Local Authority and Council meetings.

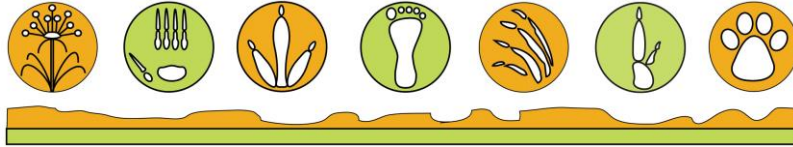
9. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter was presented from the Department of Health in regards to the Alpururulam SWSBSC Program requesting support from the Local Authority. The Local Authority agreed to an in principle support for this program but felt that the Department of Health should cover any costs in doing this. The members requested that this be followed up by the Community Co-ordinator and Executive Director of Communities.

10. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS

10.1 Request that Community Stakeholders have meetings and the minutes of these meetings be presented to the Local Authority.

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- 10.2 The Local Authority requested support from Barkly Regional Council with the removal of car bodies from the community living areas, Community Coordinator informed the Local Authority that a works program was in place to address this and would take place within the first couple of weeks in August 2014.
- 10.3 The Local Authority felt there is a need for a Safe House to be established in Alpururulam.
- 10.4 The Local Authority brought up that the Fence around the community needs to be repaired.
- 10.5 Local Authority requested that BRC assist with the replacement of rubbish bins in the community.
- 10.6 A discussion took place in regards to the "Grog Sign" (Blue Sign) at the entrance of the community, to be followed up by the Government Engagement Co-ordinator.
- 10.7 A discussion took place about potentially setting up a Regional Court/Bush Bus/Bush Court as the Local Authority feel that, at times it can be difficult for Alpururulam Community members to travel to court in surrounding major centres (Alice Springs/Tennant Creek/Mt. Isa).

11. VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

See item 1, Department of Local Government.

12. OTHER BUSINESS

- 12.1 Sitting fees –Forms and explanations were handed to the members who were asked to attend the local service centre to complete.
- 12.2 Budget for Local Authority. Members were advised of the budget and that more detail would be given to the next meeting when community priorities were set.

13. MEETING CLOSED

Meeting closed at 3.30pm

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL

- a) Assistance be provided to remove car bodies from the Community living area.
- b) A Safe house be provided for Alpururulam.
- c) Boundary fence for the community be repaired.
- d) To look at setting up a Regional Court or means to travel to court for Community Members.