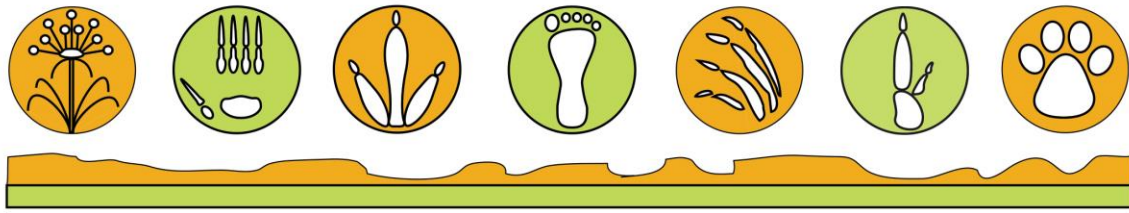


# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



## VISION

We are a progressive and sustainable Council who respects and listens to the people.

## The Way We Will Work

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.  
We will have strong policy and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.  
Respect is shown in everything we do and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices.  
We are a responsible Council that meets all of its regulatory and social responsibilities.  
We will be a responsive Council.

## MINUTES

### ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, 18 JUNE 2015 TENNANT CREEK

The Ordinary Council Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Tennant Creek on Thursday, 18 June 2015 at 9:30am.

**Edwina Marks**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

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**1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE**

Meeting commenced at 9:44am with Deputy President Joyce Taylor as chair.  
“Welcome to Country” was provided by Richard James from the Patta Group and the Council prayer was read by Deputy President Joyce Taylor

**1.1 ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

President Barb Shaw  
Cr. Ray Aylett  
Cr. Bob Bagnall  
Cr. Ada Beasley  
Cr. Tony Boulter  
Cr. Pat Braun  
Cr. Narelle Bremner  
Cr. Lucy Jackson  
Cr. Jennifer Mahoney  
Cr. Joyce Taylor

**1.2 STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Peter Ryan; Director People and Safety  
Skye Price; Director Communities  
Hilton Logan; Director Operations  
Courtney Barber; Executive Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer  
Barb Dalloway; Governance Officer

**1.3 APOLOGIES**

Cr. Noel Hayes  
Cr. Tim Price  
Cr. Hal Ruger  
Edwina Marks; Chief Executive Officer

**1.4 ABSENT WITHOUT APOLOGIES**

Nil

**1.5 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF**

There were no declarations of interest at this Ordinary Council Meeting.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**2.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES - 22 MAY 2015**

**MOTION**

That Council

- a) Confirm the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 22 May 2015 at Tennant Creek as a true and accurate record.

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Braun**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 152/15

*President Shaw resumed as chair, the time being 9:48am*

### **3. BUSINESS ARISING REPORT**

#### **3.1 PAST MEETING DECISION/ACTION LIST - 22 MAY 2015**

##### **MOTION**

That Council receive and note the past meeting Decision/Action List from its Meeting on 22 May 2015

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Beasley**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 153/15

### **4. LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING**

#### **4.1 TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING - 18 MAY 2015**

##### **MOTION**

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Local Authority meeting minutes of the 18 May 2015 as true and accurate
- b) Not adopt recommendation 19/15, Civic Hall modification, as the budget and size of this project lies outside the scope of the Local Authority funding budget of \$100,000 and refer this matter to Council for consideration as part of its strategic planning processes for 2015/16
- c) Adopt all other recommendations contained in the minutes and;
- d) Note the continuing action list

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Aylett**

##### **AMENDED MOTION**

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Tennant Creek Local Authority meeting minutes of the 18 May 2015 as true and accurate
- b) Not adopt recommendation 19/15, Civic Hall modification, as the budget and size of this project lies outside the scope of the Local Authority funding budget of \$100,000 and refer this matter to the Finance and Operations Committee for consideration as part of its strategic planning processes for 2015/16
- c) Adopt all other recommendations contained in the minutes and;
- d) Note the continuing action list

**Moved: Cr. Bremner**

**Seconded: Cr. Boulter**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 154/15

#### **4.2 ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING - 19 MAY 2015**

##### **MOTION**

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Elliott Local Authority meeting minutes of the 19 May 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 155/15

#### 4.3 ALI CURUNG LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING - 26 MAY 2015

##### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Ali Curung Local Authority meeting minutes of the 26 May 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 156/15

#### 4.4 ALPURRURULAM LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING - 27 MAY 2015

##### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Alpururulam Local Authority meeting minutes of the 27 May 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes.
- c) Note the continuing action list

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 157/15

#### 4.5 ELLIOTT LOCAL AUTHORITY MEETING - 2 JUNE 2015

##### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Elliott Local Authority meeting minutes of the 2 June 2015
- b) Adopt the recommendations contained in the minutes noting the request, to rescind Council Resolution 103/14.
- c) Allocate unspent funds of \$23,500 from the 2014/15 year in relation to the North camp basketball upgrade to the 2015/16 financial year.
- d) Explore and implement new project options to replace the 2014/15 project in relation to the North camp basketball upgrade during 2015/16 and;
- e) Note the continuing action list

**Moved: Cr. Bagnall**

**Seconded: Cr. Aylett**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 158/15

#### 4.6 MEETING NOTES: AMPILATWATJA - 13 MAY 2015

##### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the meeting notes from the Community Meeting held in Ampilatwatja on 13 May 2015, in place of the Authority meeting that did not meet a quorum

**Moved: Cr. Beasley**

**Seconded: Cr. Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 159/15

#### 4.7 MEETING NOTES: WUTUNUGURRA - 13 MAY 2015

##### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the meeting notes from the Community Meeting held in Wutunugurra on 13 May 2015, in place of the Authority meeting that did not meet a quorum.

**Moved: Cr. Jackson**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 160/15*

##### MOTION

That Council break for morning tea, the time being 10:09am

**Moved: Cr. Bremner**

**Seconded: Cr. Boulter**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 161/15*

*Cr. Aylett left the meeting, the time being 10:25am*

##### MOTION

That Council return to session, the time being 10:30am

**Moved: Cr. Braun**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 162/15*

## 5. ADDRESSING THE MEETING

### 5.4 ANDRE BURGESS PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

Andre Burgess and Duane Fraser – Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet presented to Council which included an overview of the Regional Network. It was highlighted that the Senior Executive Officer for the Barkly area is Mr. Mark Coffey based in Alice Springs.

Andre also provided an overview on the current Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) applications and noted the 59 page application from Barkly Regional Council, advising that acceptance letters are expected to be received in the coming days.

Duane Fraser updated Council on the current Remote School Attendance Strategy and provided the statistics since the beginning of the year. The increase in statistical attendances demonstrate that the strategy is working well.

### 5.3 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Jill Kleiner, Department of Local Government and Communities expressed her satisfaction about the recent Strategic Planning process conducted by Council. Jill also commended Council on the recent process of selecting the external chair for the Audit Committee and highlighted the great work that Audit Chair; Rex Mooney has completed thus far.

*Cr. Aylett returned to the meeting, the time being 11:24am*

## 5.1 CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN FRACK FREE ALLIANCE

Tanya Hall, Frack Free Coordinator of *Central Australian Frack Free Alliance* presented to Council that covered the following:

1. An overview of the process of fracking
2. The known impacts and risks of fracking including - potential groundwater contamination, high water use and stress on aquifers, health risks for communities living nearby.
3. Issues with the regulatory framework for the industry which exacerbate the risks associated with fracking.
4. Highlight the gas exploration applications and licenses which may involve fracking in the regional council boundaries

## 5.2 AUSTRALIAN AND NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT'S DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE STRATEGY

Narelle Bremner, Project Officer of the Domestic Violence Directorate presented to Council regarding the Australian and Northern Territory Government's Domestic and Family Violence Strategy.

### MOTION

That Council break for lunch, the time being 12:36pm

**Moved: Cr. Aylett**

**Seconded: Cr. Beasley**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 163/15*

*Cr. Ray Aylett left the meeting, the time being 12:40pm*

### MOTION

That Council return to session, the time being 1:17pm

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Boulter**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 164/15*

## 6. NOTICES OF MOTION

*Nil*

## 7. RESCISSION MOTIONS

*Nil*

## 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND BUSINESS ARISING

*Nil*

## 9. GENERAL BUSINESS AND MATTERS FOR NOTING REPORTS

### 9.1 APPOINTMENT OF AMPILATWATJA LOCAL AUTHORITY ORDINARY MEMBER

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the nomination for the Ampilatwatja Local Authority
- b) That Council accept the recommendations from the selection panel and endorse the following nominations: Jeanne Beasley

**Moved: Cr. Braun**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 165/15*

## 9.2 TENNANT CREEK LOCAL AUTHORITY - VACANT POSITIONS - ORDINARY MEMBER NOMINATIONS

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the need to reopen nominations to fill three (3) vacancies on the Tennant Creek Local Authority that has arisen due to resignations.

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 166/15

## 9.3 DEPUTY PRESIDENT POSITION SCHEDULE

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the Deputy President rotating schedule and;
- b) Elected Members nominate to be on the Deputy President Schedule from 1 February 2016 through to 31 August 2017.

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 167/15

## 9.4 POLICY REVIEW - DEBTOR RECOVERY, CREDIT CARD AND STAFF HOUSING POLICIES

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Adopt the Draft Debt Recovery Policy as appended to this report
- b) Adopt the Draft Credit Card Policy as appended to this report
- c) Adopt the Draft Staff Housing Policy appended to this report

### AMENDED MOTION

That Council

- a) Defer the Draft Debt Recovery Policy to the July Ordinary Meeting
- b) Defer the Draft Credit Card Policy to the July Ordinary Meeting
- c) Defer the Draft Staff Housing Policy to the July Ordinary Meeting

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Braun**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 168/15

## 9.5 CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY REVIEW 2015

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the recommendations included in the report
- b) Endorse and adopt the revised Code of Conduct Policy accordingly
- c) Notify and provide each Local Authority with an updated Code of Conduct policy including a description of the relevant changes

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved* 169/15

## 9.6 AUDIT CHARTER - DLG INSTRUCTION 2

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Adopt the following Audit Charter for the Audit Committee as per the Department of Local Governments Instruction 3 dated March 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Bremner**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 170/15*

## 9.7 PROPOSED NEW LOCALITY BOUNDARY FOR ELLIOTT AND PAMAYU

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Support the proposed locality boundary changes for Elliott and Pamayu and advise the Place Names Committee accordingly.

### AMENDED MOTION

That Council

- a) Defer the item to the next Ordinary Meeting to include more clarification

**Moved: Cr. Bagnall**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 171/15*

## 9.8 PUBLIC EXHIBITION BARKLY REGIONAL PLAN AND BUDGET 2015/16

### RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- a) approves the draft Regional Plan for 2015/2016 for necessary public comment in accordance with Section 23 of the *Local Government Act*
- b) Considers this public comment for further consideration with the view to adopt its Regional Plan for 2015/16 at the special purpose meeting to be held on the 30 July 2015.

### AMENDED MOTION

That Council

- a) Approve the draft Regional Plan and Budget for 2015/2016 with changes made in The Presidents Message to state Barkly rather than Tennant Creek and;
- b) Advertise for necessary public comment in accordance with Section 23 of the *Local Government Act* and;
- c) Consider this public comment for further consideration with the view to adopt its Regional Plan and Budget for 2015/16 at the special purpose meeting to be held on the 30 July 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 172/15*



**9.9 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMPLIANCE REVIEW VISIT  
OCTOBER 2015**

**MOTION**

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.
- b) Advise Council about the outcome of this assessment at the closest available Ordinary Council meeting in 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Bagnall**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 173/15*

**9.10 CORPORATE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDINGS (MOUS)**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council

- a) Receive and note the report.

**AMENDED MOTION**

That Council

- A) Receive and note the report
- b) Commence negotiations with the following Stakeholders for new Memorandums of Understandings (MOUs): GTNT, My Pathways, Rainbow Gateway, RJCP/CDEP, Willpower (Adelaide), Patta Group, Ampilatwatja and Urapuntja Aboriginal Corporation.
- c) That all MOUs be endorsed by Council

**Moved: Cr. Mahoney**

**Seconded: Cr. Beasley**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 174/15*

**9.11 ACQUITTAL OF 2014- 2015 SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANTS**

**MOTION**

That Council

- a) Endorse the acquittals appended to this report as a true and accurate record
- b) Forward the acquittals and minutes to the Department of Local Government accordingly

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 175/15*

**9.12 LIBRARY CLOSURE CHRISTMAS PERIOD 2015**

**MOTION**

That Council

- a) Endorse that the Tennant Creek and Elliott Library branches close between Christmas and New Year in line with Northern Territory Libraries closedowns to conduct annual maintenance and refurbishments.
- b) Advise Northern Territory Libraries accordingly.

**Moved: Cr. Bremner**

**Seconded: Cr. Bagnall**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 176/15*

## 10. PRESIDENT REPORT

### 10.1 PRESIDENTS REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receives and notes the Presidents Report for the month of May 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 177/15*

## 11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

### 11.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - MAY 2015 REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receives and notes the report of the Chief Executive Officer for the month of May 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 178/15*

### 11.2 DIRECTOR OPERATIONS - MAY 2015 REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and notes the report of the activities within the Operations Directorate for the month of May 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 179/15*

### 11.3 DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES - MAY 2015 REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receive and notes the report of the activities within the Corporate Services Directorate for the month of May 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Bagnall**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 180/15*

### 11.4 DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES - MAY 2015 REPORT

#### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receives and notes the report of the activities within the Communities Directorate for the month of May 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Jackson**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 181/15*

## 11.5 DIRECTOR PEOPLE AND SAFETY - MAY 2015 REPORT

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receives and notes the report of the People and Safety Directorate for the month of May 2015

**Moved: Cr. Jackson**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 182/15*

## 11.6 PUBLIC RELATIONS AND EVENTS - MAY 2015 REPORT

### MOTION

That Council

- a) Receives and notes the report of Public Relations and Events for the month of May 2015.

**Moved: Cr. Braun**

**Seconded: Cr. Taylor**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 183/15*

## 12. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

*Nil*

## 13. PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

*Nil*

## 14. DECISION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 3:08PM

### MOTION

Members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting of the Closed Session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the Closed Session be withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 65(2) of the Local Government Act, 2008 as the items lists come within the following provisions:-

**Moved: Cr. Boulter**

**Seconded: Cr. Jackson**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 184/15*

## 14.1 CODE OF CONDUCT APPEAL

*The report will be dealt with under Section 65(2) (ciii) (d) of the Local Government Act 2008 and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008. It contains information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of council or some other person; AND information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity.*

***The item was resolved in Confidential 185/15***

## 15. RESUMPTION OF MEETING

### MOTION

That Council move back into open session at 3:27pm

**Moved: Cr. Bagnall**

**Seconded: Cr. Bremner**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 185/15*

**16. CLOSE OF MEETING**

President Barb Shaw closed the meeting at 3:28pm

Next Ordinary meeting of Council to be held in Arlparra on Thursday 16 July 2015

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Barb Shaw  
Council President

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Peter Ryan  
Director People and Safety  
(Chief Executive Officer Representative)