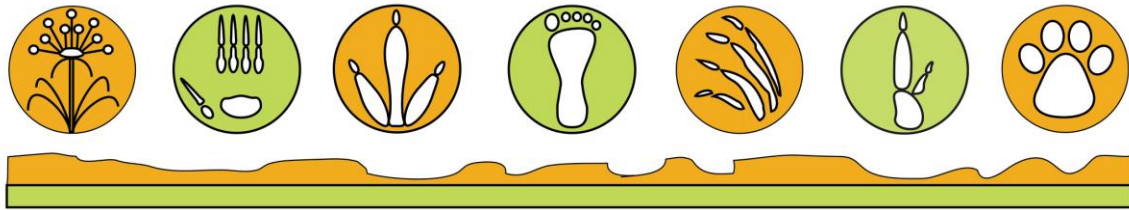


# BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL



## OUR VISION

**We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens and empowers the people to be strong.**

### **The Way We Will Work**

**We will make it happen!**

**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 through a culturally competent Council.**

**We are a responsible Council.**

**We will be a responsive Council.**

**We want to empower local decision making.**

**We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.**

**We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.**

**We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.**

**We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.**

## MINUTES

# FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

## FRIDAY, 27 JANUARY 2017

The Finance and Operations Committee Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Tennant Creek Council Chambers on Friday, 27 January 2017 at 10:00 am.

**Chris Wright**  
**Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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## 1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

Meeting commenced at 10:05 am with President Barb Shaw as Chair.

### 1.1 ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

President Barb Shaw - Acting Chair  
Cr. Bob Bagnall - Teleconference  
Cr. Narelle Bremner  
Cr. Noel Hayes  
Cr. Hal Ruger  
Cr. Joyce Taylor

### 1.2 STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Chris Wright; Acting Chief Executive Office  
Elai Semisi; Director Infrastructure  
Agnes Nhidza; Acting Finance Manager  
Robert Rabotot; Minute Taker

### 1.3 APOLOGIES

Stephen Dawkins; Director Community Services  
Michele Bennetts; Director Corporate Services

### 1.4 ABSENT WITHOUT APOLOGIES

Nil

## 2 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST – COUNCILLORS AND STAFF

There were no declarations of interest at this Finance and Operations Committee meeting.

## 4 PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE

Nil

## 5 FINANCE

### 5.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 2016

#### MOTION

That the Committee receive and note the report.

**Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger**

**Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved FOC1/17*

Cr. Bob Bagnall left the meeting, the time being 10:42 am

#### **5.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT DECEMBER 2016**

Verbal statement from Madam President:

It is really unhealthy to have big blocks of money sitting as underspent. If we are sitting with lots of money underspent, we are placing ourselves in a situation where when we are putting submission to the government, they are going to tell us to get lost because we are not spending the money. We have got to show that we are spending the money so as far as I am concerned this is totally unacceptable and it is a disgrace for this organisation to have such large buckets of money identified as underspent. This is doing this organisation a big disfavour. You cannot allow this to happen. Money has to be spent. We are one of the poorest struggling Councils in this Country.

#### **6 GRANTS**

Nil

#### **7 OPERATIONS**

Nil

#### **8 RISK AND FRAUD**

Nil

#### **9 GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **9.1 WHS ISSUES**

##### **MOTION**

That the Committee

- a) Receive and note this report

**Moved: Cr. Joyce Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved FOC2/17*

Chris Wright left the meeting, the time being 10:54 am

Chris Wright returned to the meeting, the time being 10:58 am

Cr. Joyce Taylor left the meeting, the time being 11:00 am

Cr. Joyce Taylor returned to the meeting, the time being 11:06 am

## 9.1 WHS ISSUES

### MOTION

That the Committee

- b) Request for a draft report to be presented to the Finance and Operations Committee Meeting in March for further consideration

**Moved: Cr. Hal Ruger**

**Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved FOC3/17*

Cr. Narelle Bremner left the meeting, time being 11:18 am

## 9.2 REVIEW OF THE FINANCE AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE'S TERMS OF REFERENCE

### MOTION

That the Committee

- a) Receive and note the report
- b) Recommend to Council that the "Draft Finance and Operations Committee's Terms of Reference" be adopted with the modification of the wording of Item 2 to include the Deputy "in brackets" as Ex Officio and in the absence of the President, the Deputy President will assume the President's role as Ex Officio

**Moved: Cr. Joyce Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Noel Hayes**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved 4/17*

## 10 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Nil

## 3 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

### 3.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### MOTION

That the Committee

- a) Accept the minutes of the Financial and Operations Committee Meeting held on 3 March 2016 as true and accurate

**Moved: Cr. Joyce Taylor**

**Seconded: Cr. Hal Ruger**

**CARRIED UNAN.**

*Resolved FOC5/17*

**11 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The meeting terminated at 11:48 am.

THIS PAGE AND THE PRECEEDING 4 PAGES ARE THE MINUTES OF THE Finance and Operations Committee Meeting HELD ON Friday, 27 January 2017.

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Barb Shaw  
Council President

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Chris Wright  
Acting Chief Executive Officer

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