

MINUTES Tennant Creek LA Meeting

Barkly Regional Council's Tennant Creek LA Meeting was held in the Council Chambers on Tuesday 19 March 2024 at 4:30 pm.

Ian Bodill

Chief Executive Officer

OUR VISION

We strive to be a responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens to 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 policies 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.



BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Warumungu, Mudberra, Jingili, Wakaya, Wambaya, Waanyi, Walpiri, Warlmanpa, Alyawarr, Anmatyerre and Kaytetye Country on which Barkly Regional Council live and work, and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters and culture. We pay our respects to the ancestors and elders of these lands, past, present and emerging.

May we continue to work together to Deliver sustainable outcomes through a process Based on mutual respect and understanding.

COUNCIL PRAYER

Our Lord Jesus Christ, we trust you will guide and bless this meeting of the Barkly Regional Council. We pray that you will ensure that all discussions and decisions made today are just and fair as they will affect all people within. We also pray for your guidance to ensure that all our dealings are appropriate to all those whom we represent and will reflect an equitable and honest approach to the issues to be discussed today.

Amen



1 OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Authority Members Present

- Nathan Mills (Chair)
- Len Holbrok
- Greg Marlow
- Anthony Pickel

1.2 Staff and Visitors Present

- Ian Bodill (CEO, BRC)
- Peter Holt (Official Manager, BRC)
- Brody Moore (Director of Operations and Remote Communities)
- Murray Davies (Director of Corporate services)
- Lauren McDonnel (Senior Admin)
- Susan Wright (via Teams) (Grants Manager)
- Paul Hyde Kaduru (Local Authority Coordinator)

1.3 Apologies To Be Accepted

- Darrin Whatley
- Penelope Cowin
- Russell O'Donnel
- Heather Burton
- Sharen Lake
- Dianne Stokes

1.4 Absent Without Apologies

- Elliot McAdam
- 1.5 Resignations

Nil

1.6 Disclosure of Interests

Nil

1.7 Review of Disclosure of Interest

Nil



2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Confirmation of previous Minutes

2.1 Confirmation of previous Minutes

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and confirms the minutes of the previous meeting held on 20/02/2024.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Greg Marlow Seconded: LA Member Len Holbrok

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved TCLA-24/64

- Len Holbrok had a question/comment about item 2.1 from previous minutes (Heather Burton asked a question about new members; Darrin Whatley explained the process. Starts with a request form from Barkly Regional Council and then comes to the Local Authority for consideration. Two members can sign off an application and then it goes to the Council for consideration. Len Holbrok had a question about the process and the relevant section in the legislation.) He disagreed with Darrin's explanation. Nominees need to fill out the application form and have it signed by two residents. The Council then decides on who to appoint to the Local Authority, not the Local Authority members. Len Holbrok has agreed that the previous minutes are correct, the information that was provided is inaccurate.
- Peter Holt said that BRC would advertise for the vacant LA position again. We have received one nomination form and that will be ratified at the next Council meeting.
- Len Holbrok asked how many people know the Local Authority Act and what they can do as Local Authority Members.
- Peter Holt commented that Council have received updated information from the tribunal and that Council is looking at holding information sessions for all Local Authority Members.
- New Action Item: BRC to work out a presentation to Local Authority Members on the guidelines/Act and provide accurate information/training for their role.
- LA members requested BRC to send an invitation to DIPL for the next meeting to give a presentation regarding the ongoing issues in Tennant Creek.



3 ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Actions from previous Minutes

3.1 Actions from previous Minutes

SUMMARY

This section to be covered with report from the Director of Operations - Brody Moore.

4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORTS

Chief Executive Officers Reports

4.1 Chief Executive Officers Report - Ian Bodill

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report from the Chief Executive Officer.

SUMMARY

- Ian Bodill commented that his full report is going to the Council at their next meeting and will then be included in the next Local Authority Meeting.
- Ian Bodill opened discussions about the Regional Plan draft and went through the working sheet for ideas from the Local Authority Members. Further ideas can be passed onto BRC, the first draft of the Regional Plan for 24/25 to be compiled in April and presented at the next Local Authority Meeting.

The following issues were raised and discussed during teh report regarding the upcoming regional plan:

| Item | Details | Proposed Funding Source |
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| Advocacy | Investigate proposed Youth Justice facility | |
| Roads/infrastructure | Upgrade/install Footpaths. Address potholes – roads & laneways (currently patchwork) Shoulder upgrade | 2.75m |



| | Review management of Patterson St | |
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| Buildings | Relocate library. Expand office facilities. Potentially could lease out existing Admin building. Security Upgrades to Civic Hall Proposed pool upgrade | Est 4.6-4.8mill |
| Aged Care | NA | |
| Youth, Sport, and Rec | Parking at gym (one new onsite car park & off-street parking provided in current upgrade) Seniors' club (develop facilities) | |
| Animal Welfare | Partnership with Vet to upgrade building/facilities – move facilities to Patterson St Develop and finalise policies, procedures, Local laws (still BSC) Address sparrow/swallows over population | 50K available |



| Night Patrol | N/A | |
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| Safe Houses | N/A | |

5 FINANCE REPORTS

Finance Reports

5.1 Finance Report

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and confirms the Finance report.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Greg Marlow Seconded: LA Member Anthony Pickel

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved TCLA-24/67

6 AREA MANAGERS REPORTS

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7 GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business

7.1 Report from the Official Manager - Peter Holt

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report from the Official Manager.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Greg Marlow Seconded: LA Member Anthony Pickel

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved TCLA-24/68

SUMMARY

- **Regional Plan 2024-25:** Local meetings in March/April aim to shape the Regional Plan for the upcoming financial year, guiding council budgets and grant-seeking efforts.
- **CEO Recruitment:** Ian Bodill's resignation prompts recruitment of a new CEO. ANSON selected as agency, with Jeff McLeod temporarily filling the role until May.
- Australian Citizenship Ceremony: Will be hosting on March 21, welcoming 12 new citizens, reflecting community diversity.
- **Meetings with Senators:** Discussions held with Senators Chisholm and McCarthy on regional development, infrastructure needs, and involvement in the Remote Jobs program.
- Power & Water Collaboration: Regular meetings with Power&Water address issues like streetlight replacement, emergency power failures affecting water supply, Smart Meter failures, water quality concerns, and solar power project potential.
- **Investigator's Report:** Completed on time by Ruth Morley, presented to the Minister for Local Government on March 12.

8 CORRESPONDENCE

Nil



9 OTHER MATTERS FOR NOTING

Other Matters For Noting

9.1 Remuneration Tribunal - Local Authorities

MOTION

That the Local Authority receives and notes the Remuneration Tribunal – determination of allowances for the members of Local Authorities.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Anthony Pickel Seconded: LA Member Len Holbrok

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved TCLA-24/69

10 REPORTS FROM BARKLY REGIONAL COUNCIL

Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.1 Report from the Director of Operations and Remote Communities - Brody Moore

MOTION

That the Local Authority note and accept the Operations report from the Director of Operations and Remote Communities.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Len Holbrok Seconded: LA Member Anthony Pickel

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved TCLA-24/70

SUMMARY

Brody Moore has given the following update on action items from the previous meeting:

- In process of receiving quotes for the BBQ and shelter for the pool.
- Storage rooms have been cleaned and are ready to be used as an accessible change room at the pool.
- The pool hoist is in transit.
- The public have shared some ideas about locations for the water bubblers and dog park, the process is still ongoing.



Reports from Barkly Regional Council

10.2 WHS Manager's Report - Barry Nattrass

MOTION

That the Local Authority notes and accepts the report from the Work Health and Safety Manager.

RESOLVED

Moved: LA Member Greg Marlow Seconded: LA Member Anthony Pickel

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolved TCLA-24/71

11 VISITOR PRESENTATIONS

Nil

12 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

13 CLOSE OF MEETING

The Tennant Creek LA next meeting date is 07/05/2024.

Meeting Closed at 05:53 PM

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