

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
SENIORS COORDINATING COMMITTEE
 ON WEDNESDAY 17 JULY 2019 4:00PM
 ANDY MCNEILL ROOM, CIVIC CENTRE, TODD STREET

1. ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT:

Mayor Damien Ryan
 Councillor Jamie de Brenni (*Chair*)
 Councillor Glen Auricht
 Geoff Sloan, General Member
 Kate Lewis, Anglicare NT
 Lowell Wood, Dementia Australia
 Fran Kilgariff, Council of the Ageing (COTA)
 Ian Towns, University of the 3rd Age
 Edna Saunders, Probus
 Shauna Hartig, Country Women's Association
 Belinda Staniforth, Catholic Care NT
 Deidre Hooker, Australian Regional and Remote Community Services (*proxy*)
 Nicholas Simmons, Povey Stirk Lawyers & Notaries (Guest)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Rex Mooney, Chief Executive Officer
 Simon Duke, Acting Director Corporate and Community Services
 Jeanette Shepherd, Manager Community and Cultural Development
 Clare Fisher, Alice Springs Public Library Manager
 Kiri Milne, Community Development Officer
 Telly Ociones, Executive Assistant (*Minutes*)

OBSERVER:

Rhiannon Fletcher, NT Catholic Care

13th Alice Springs Town Council Seniors Coordinating Committee	17 Oct - 18	21 Nov- 18	20 Feb - 19	20 Mar - 19	17 Apr - 19	15 May - 19	19 Jun - 19	17 Jul - 19	21 Aug - 19	18 Sep - 19	16 Oct - 19	20 Nov - 19
Mayor Damien Ryan	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓				
Councillor Jamie de Brenni	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	A	✓				
Councillor Glen Auricht	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Edna Saunders	✓	-	✓	--	--	✓	✓	✓				
Ian Towns	✓	✓	--	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Lowell Wood	✓	✓	A	✓	A	✓	✓	✓				
Fran Kilgariff	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓				
Shauna Hartig	A	✓	--	✓	A	✓	--	✓				
Sue Jones	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A				
Kate Lewis	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Jill Deer	✓	A	A	A	✓	A	A	--				
Geoff Sloan	A	A	A	A	✓	A	A	✓				
Belinda Staniforth	A	A	--	A	A	--	--	✓				

Bronwyn Arnold	A	A	--	--	--	✓	--	Proxy				
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✓	Attended
✓ Proxy	Proxy attended in place of committee member
A	Apology received
--	No attendance and no apology recorded

The meeting commenced at 4:00pm.

APOLOGIES:

Sue Jones, National Seniors of Central Australia
Bronwyn Arnold, Australian Regional and Remote Community Services

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Nil

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the meeting held 19 June 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceeding of that meeting, subject to the following amendment: the first two column dates on the attendance table should read October-18 and November-18.

Moved: Lowell Wood
Seconded: Councillor Glen Auricht

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

4.1 Seniors Month Planning

The Community Development Officer reported the following update:

- Mayoral morning tea on Friday, 2 August from 10:30am to 12 noon. The Community Development Officer is in the process of confirming a guest speaker for the event.
- Seniors Still Got Talent on Wednesday, 28 August from 11:00am to 2:00pm at the Kangoanemu Shed, Big 4 MacDonnell Range Holiday Park. Thirty-five (35) spectators have already RSVP'd.

The Manager Library Services advised that the Library has four events to celebrate Seniors month, which include:

- Tall Tales – Friday, 2 August, 11am to 12pm: Councillor Glen Auricht is one of the 'Famous Senior Centralians' to visit the Library and read section from his favourite book.
- Introduction to Digital Legacies – Wednesday, 7 August, 3pm to 4:30pm: Join digital hereafter expert and super savvy senior Jenny Wilcox from the Australian Seniors Computer Club Association in this interactive live-stream workshop. Bring your own device.
- High Tea Bingo – Sunday, 25 August, 1pm to 3:30pm: Enjoy a sumptuous afternoon tea and a relaxed and social game of Bingo. Kiri Milne, Community Development Officer will be the bingo ball caller for this event.

- Borrow Box Information Session – Friday, 30 August, 11am to 12pm: Learn how you can borrow eBooks and eAudio books with your library card and a touch of a button via phone, iPad and computer.

5. DEPUTATION:

5.1 Nicholas Simmons, Povey Stirk Lawyers & Notaries

Nicholas Simmons overviewed the concepts of digital legacies.

Discussion ensued around what you should do to protect your digital assets for the benefit of those who survive and succeed you, or alternatively have accounts deleted.

- The risks of photos, video, comments, music libraries and other valued memories being inaccessible to family and friends, possibly being lost forever. Successors being unable to close accounts held in the deceased person's name, including transactional accounts and being unable to maintain links with online contacts.
- The most important priority is to ensure that online accounts which involve payment information can be immediately closed down upon death to prevent fraud or identity theft, or continued legitimate payments being taken. These include banking, shopping/auction sites, utilities, telecoms, entertainment, gaming sites. The respective companies or sites will be able to advise on what course of action to take.
- There are a number of ways to help ensure that digital assets will not get lost after death. One way is to include your wishes regarding all or individual accounts – including login and other access details – in your will and lodging it securely with your solicitor.
- Some social networking sites have policies related to what happens to users' accounts when they die. With others, accounts remain dormant until deleted due to lack of activity or family or friends take action.
- Facebook has a form for relatives or friends to either request the removal of accounts after death, or for the profile's 'memorialisation', which means that the deceased person will no longer show up in the 'suggestions' or 'people you may know' box, but you will still be visible to everyone they have opened their profile to. Depending on the privacy settings, friends and family can share memories of that person.
- Digital rights management is a systematic approach to copyright protection for digital media. The purpose is to prevent unauthorised redistribution of digital media and restrict the ways consumers can copy content they have purchased. Digital rights management products were developed in response to the rapid increase in online piracy of commercially marketed material.
- In the event of an Apple device being passed on when someone dies, the name, email and password and payment details can be changed if a relative or other authorised person has access to the account. This is a good example of the importance of leaving online login details in a will. Apple also has a service that enables an account to be completely closed down.
- Password managers are applications that serve as the solution for maintaining a large number of passwords and account information. They store the login information of the various accounts and automatically enter them into the forms. This helps in the prevention of hacker attacks like keystroke logging and it prevents the need to remember multiple passwords.

Manager Library Services advised that Jenny Wilcox from the Australian Seniors Computer Clubs Association will cover these topics at the Digital Legacies workshop in the Library on Wednesday, 7 August 2019.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

6.1 Upcoming Council and Community Events

The Community Development Officer reported on upcoming events:

- The Fifth Annual Phoney Film Festival – Open for young people from 12 to 25 years old, with films being shot on smartphones or tablets. Twenty-seven (27) entries will be screened at the Alice Springs Cinema at 6pm, 18 July.
- Santa Fun Run – Sunday, 21 July at 8:00am; 2.5 km run/walk around the Todd River, with free healthy breakfast. Meet by the Todd River, opposite Library carpark. Registration starts at 7:00am which includes a free Santa suit to wear on the day. Proceeds will go to Variety, the Children's Charity.

6.2 Update from Manager Library Services

The Manager Library Services gave the following update:

- The Library will be doing a few activities in August for Seniors month, Science week, Children's Book week and Heritage week
- Adult Learners week – first week in September. If anyone who has specific skills/knowledge they would like to share with people in order to facilitate a workshop, please contact the Manager Library Services, Clare Fisher on 89500551 or cfisher@astc.nt.gov.au
- Robotics – if anyone is interested in learning about robots, please contact the Library.

6.3 Australian of the Year Awards Nominations

Nominations for the 2020 Australian of the Year Awards are now open. In particular, the Australian of the Year Council is looking for Senior Australian of the Year nominations as well as Australia's Local Hero nominations. Closing date for nominations is Wednesday, 31 July 2019. There will be an NT Australian of the Year Awards to be held in Alice Springs.

ACTION:

Community Development Officer to send Australian of the Year Awards nomination details to Seniors Coordinating Committee members.

6.4 NT Volunteer of the Year Awards

Nominations are now open for the NT Volunteer of the Year Awards. There are a few different award categories particularly in Central Australia, including:

- Chief Minister's Volunteer of the Award
- Chief Minister's Youth Volunteer of the Year Award
- Yeperenye Shopping Centre Emergency Service Volunteer Award
- Jacana Energy Community Volunteer Organisation of the Year
- NT Volunteer Certificate of Appreciation
- INPEX Lifetime Contribution to Volunteering Award
- Alice Springs Town Council Excellence in Volunteer Management Award
- NT Volunteer Certificate of Appreciation

Nominations for all awards close 25 August 2019. The Awards Presentation Gala Dinner for Central Australia will be held 6 November 2019 in Alice Springs.

6.5 NT Concession Scheme Update

A copy of the NT Concession Scheme Members' newsletter has been circulated to SCC members to provide information about the Concession Scheme and the Seniors Recognition Scheme.

Geoff Sloan advised about the annual confirmation process for the NT Concession Scheme. The new scheme requires annual confirmation. In 2019, members are only required to confirm their membership if their details have changed. If no changes are notified by 30 June 2019 then the current payment preference will be applied.

6.5 NT Seniors Month Calendar – August 2019

Fran Kilgariff distributed copies of the seniors month calendar to members and their networks. There is a range of activities on the calendar to celebrate the positive aspects of ageing and the contribution that Territory Seniors make to their community.

6.6 Seniors Health and Wellness Day – 16 August 2019

COTA is running Seniors Health and Wellness Day on Friday, 16 August, in conjunction with Yeperenye Shopping Centre. If you are a stallholder or would like to be part of this event, please contact the Yeperenye Management on 8952517 or Fran Kilgariff for registration forms. A free morning tea will be provided, check in to the COTA stall for your morning tea voucher.

ACTION:

Community Development Officer to distribute information details of COTA's Seniors Health and Wellness Day to Seniors Coordinating Committee members.

6.7 Recycling Stations in the Library

The Manager Library Services reminded everyone that the new recycling stations have arrived in the Library. Bring your small e-waste, batteries, papers, bottles, cans and old mobile phones and drop them in the recycling stations located in the front entrance of the Library.

6.8 Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Rex Mooney

The Chair would like to thank the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Rex Mooney, for his guidance and support to the Seniors Coordinating Committee, his contribution and service to the Alice Springs Town Council and the Alice Springs community. This will be the CEO's last meeting with the SCC and the Committee wished him well on his retirement.

8. NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, **21 August 2019** at 4:00pm in the Andy McNeill Room

9. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING:

The meeting closed at 4:50pm.