

MINUTES OF THE **ORDINARY** MEETING OF THE TWELFTH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
26 APRIL 2016 AT 6:00PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Opening of the Meeting by the Deputy Mayor

The Deputy Mayor, Cr Jamie deBrenni declared the meeting open at 6.00pm and welcomed all present to the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Jamie deBrenni acknowledged the Central Arrernte people who are the traditional owners and custodians of Alice Springs.

PRESENT

Mayor D. Ryan (Phone)
Deputy Mayor J. deBrenni (Acting Chair)
Councillor S. Brown
Councillor B. Heenan (6.07pm)
Councillor D. Douglas
Councillor J. Kudrenko
Councillor E. Melky
Councillor C. Paech
Councillor J. Price

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R Mooney – Chief Executive Officer
Mr G. Buxton – Director Technical Services
Mr H. Szczypiorski – Acting Director Corporate and Community Services
Mr D. Pillay – Director Finance
Ms K. Ernest – Executive Assistant (Minutes)

2. PRAYER

Reverend Brian Jeffries from the Anglican Church presented the prayer preceding the meeting.

3. APOLOGIES

Nil

4. WELCOME TO THE GALLERY AND PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Councillor Jade Kudrenko presented the 2016 Alice Springs Town Council Community Grants.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

6.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Open Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 29 March 2016

Moved Mayor Ryan
Seconded Councillor Kudrenko

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held 29 March be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of those meetings.

CARRIED (18558)

6.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

Nil

7. MAYORAL REPORT

7.1 Mayor's Report
Report No. 49/16cncI

Moved Councillor Paech
Seconded Councillor Heenan

That the Mayor's report be received.

CARRIED (18559)

7.2 Business Arising from the Report

The following items were raised by Councillors and clarified by the Mayor as part of the Mayoral Report.

Cr Paech

1.1 Alice Springs Flood Mitigation Committee

This Committee is undertaking community consultation and is working towards presenting a draft flood mitigation report by the end of May which will cover emergency flood situations and mitigation of floods in Alice Springs.

1.23 Jane Macnamara, National Broadband Network

Ms Macnamara discussed community consultation and the NBN rollout in Alice Springs. A deputation to Council will be confirmed.

1.28 Alice Solar City Consortium Meeting

Meeting about Solar Cities following the deputation from Territory Generation.

8. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

8.1 Councillors each gave verbal reports on their community involvement throughout April 2016.

Cr Brown

Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions

Parks Advisory Committee

Desert Sports Foundation Bingo

Business at Sunset – NORFORCE Defence Reserves, Corporal Scott Allen was presented with a Prince of Wales award.

Development Committee

Todd mall markets

Duel Occupancy In Zone SD public meeting

Seniors Coordinating Committee

ANZAC Day dawn service

Cr de Brenni

Resident meeting - Skate Park

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2016 Northern Territory Sports Awards
Albrecht Oval car park public meeting
Dual Occupancy In Zone SD Public Meeting
Home Timber Hardware Tradies Night
Youth Recycled Art Launch
Heritage Week – Alice Springs Telegraph Station
Caring for Country Kids conference walk with delegates
Running track public forum – Centralian Middle School
Off Road Racing Northern Territory Titles
Motorsports NT Annual General Meeting
ANZAC Day dawn service
ANZAC Day parade
Todd mall markets
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions

Cr Douglas

Development Committee
Seniors Coordinating Committee
Todd mall markets
Anzac Day Dawn Service
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions

Cr Heenan

Risk Management and Audit Committee
Development Committee
Business at Sunset – 2016 Alice Springs Cup Carnival launch
Telegraph Station Heritage week
Sydney Caravan and Camping Show
Place Names Committee – Darwin
Alice Springs Triathlon Club – Tavis Tri competition
Access Advisory Committee
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions
Anzac Day Dawn Service

Cr Kudrenko

Risk Management and Audit Committee
Development Committee
Environment Advisory Committee
Environment Advisory Committee – Climate change working group
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions

Cr Melky

Risk Management and Audit Committee
Development Committee
Environment Advisory Committee
Combined Territory Generation and Environment Advisory Committee meeting
NAB Function - Meeting with CEO and Chair of National Australia Bank
Business at Sunset – NORFORCE Defence Reserves, Corporal Scott Allen was presented with a Prince of Wales award
Desert Sports Foundation
Launch Alice Springs Heritage Week – Alice Springs Gaol
Seniors Coordinating Committee
ANZAC Day dawn service
ANZAC Day parade
Access Advisory Committee

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Sports Facility Advisory Committee
Alice Springs Recycled Art Prize
2016 Northern Territory Sports Awards
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions

Cr Paech

Youth Recycled Art Launch
Heritage Week Pitchie Richie – Open day
ANZAC day dawn service
ANZAC day march
Todd mall markets
39th Alice Prize Art award - official exhibition opening
Duprada Dance Company – Swan Lake
2016 Northern Territory Sports Awards
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions
Bicycles in CDB
Development Consent Authority
Heritage Week Markets – Alice Springs Telegraph Station

Cr Price

SBS insight – Looking after kids program
Seek Community heritage day
Third action plan round table for the National Plan to reduce violence against women and their children
Alice Springs Town Council Budget Discussions

9. ORDERS OF THE DAY

9.1 That Elected Members and Officers provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.

Cr Melky

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Councillor Kudrenko

Anti-social behaviour

CEO

Alice Springs Water Advisory Committee

10. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

10.1 Arafura Resources

Arafura Resources: Managing Director Gavin Lockyer, General Manager Northern Territory and Sustainability Brian Fowler and General Manager Exploration and Development Richard Beneski.

Managing Director Gavin Lockyer presented to Council key information about the Nolan project. Rare earth products were discussed and the process of obtaining these metals. Arafura has spent more than \$7million on Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) studies since 2008.

Discussion ensued surrounding environmental, socioeconomic, cultural, transport, radiation risks and impacts and mitigation efforts of Arafura. Further discussion took place regarding the FIFO projected figures and sourcing of local employment.

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11. MEMORIALS

Nil

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Nil

13. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – RECOMMENDATIONS

13.1 Finance Committee

Recommendations to the **Ordinary** Council from the meeting of the Finance Committee held on **11 April 2016**.

1. Minutes of the Open Section of the Finance Committee Meeting held 14 March 2016 (Item 4.1)

Moved Councillor Heenan
Seconded Councillor Paech

That the minutes of the Open Section of the Finance Committee meeting held on 14 March 2016 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

(5261f)
CARRIED (18560)

2. Financial Reports (Item 9.1)
Report No. 47/16f (DF)

This report includes the following financial information:

- Income & Expenditure Statement
- Balance Sheet
- Monthly Payments Listing (EFT & Cheque)
- Debtors Analysis
- Investments report
- Grants Schedule

This report shows that Council is in a sound budgetary position as at 31 March 2016.

Moved Councillor Heenan
Seconded Councillor Paech

That these reports be noted.

(5262f)
CARRIED (18561)

3. Aquittal of NT Government Special Purpose Grant
Report No. 48/16f (MF)

The grant for the NDRAA Reimbursement – Central Australian floods in January 2015 was received on the 25 May 2015 from the Department of Local Government and Community Services.

The grant received was for \$76,945 and the expenditure of \$67,792 was spread over two

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financial years being 2014/15 and 2015/16. Council has not fully expended the funding received and as such may be required to refund the difference of \$9,153.

This report is provided, as required, for Council to formally authorise the CEO to sign the acquittals.

Moved Councillor Heenan
Seconded Councillor Paech

That Council authorise the CEO to sign the following acquittal on behalf of Council:

- A. An acquittal for the grant received of \$76,945 with expenditure of \$34,572 for 2014/15 with the balance carried forward provided by the Department of Local Government and Community Services for the NDRAA reimbursement – Central Australian Floods January 2015.**
- B. An acquittal for the carried forward balance of \$42,373 with expenditure of \$33,220 for 2015/16 provided by the Department of Local Government and Community Services for the NDRAA reimbursement – Central Australian Floods January 2015.**

(5263 f)
CARRIED (18562)

4. Alice Springs Netball Stadium – Australian Sports Foundation
Report No. 51/16cncI
Item moved from Confidential Item 24.3.1

Moved Mayor Ryan
Seconded Councillor Douglas

A). That Council authorise the registration of the Alice Springs Town Council with the Australian Sports Foundation enabling ASTC to become a registered deductible gift recipient for the advancement of sporting activities.

B). That Council authorise the CEO to sign the agreement with ASF enabling ASTC to become the recipient of the specific funds as donated by NT Link.

C). That Council authorise this report to be moved into the Open section.

CARRIED (18563)

13.2 Corporate and Community Services

Recommendations to the **Ordinary** Council from the meeting of the Corporate and Community Services Committee held on **11 April 2016**.

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1. Minutes of the Open Section of the CCS Committee Meeting Held 14 March 2016 (Item 4.1)

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That the minutes of the Open Section of the Corporate and Community Services Committee meeting held on 14 March 2016 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

(6089ccs)
CARRIED (18564)

2. Directorate Update (Item 9.1)
Report No. 43/16ccs (A/DCCS)

This report provides an update of current Corporate and Community Services projects, programs and events.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Brown

That the report be received and noted.

Cr Paech questioned if a coordinated approach for youth services would be offered in the June/July school holidays. The Acting Director Corporate and Community Services advised a meeting with relevant stakeholders is being held Tuesday 10 May which will coordinate a calendar of events for the June/July school holidays.

(6090ccs)
CARRIED (18565)

3. Application to Vary Liquor Licence Condition – The Rock Bar (Item 9.2)
Report No. 46/16ccs (A/DCCS)

NT Gaming and Licensing has written to Council seeking comments about an application from The Rock Bar to vary its liquor licence trading condition to allow trading on Good Friday at the existing premises located at 78 Todd Street, Alice Springs.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That Council does not object to the application from The Rock Bar to vary its existing liquor licence condition to allow trading on Good Friday at its licensed premises located 78 Todd Street, Alice Springs, Alice Springs (License Number 80818127).

(DEFERRED to next Ordinary Council)
(6091ccs)
CARRIED (18566)

4. Minutes and Recommendations from the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held on 15 March 2016 (Item 10.1)

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That the minutes of the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held on 15 March 2016 be received and recommendations adopted.

(6092ccs)

CARRIED (18567)

5. Disabled Access Picnic Tables (Item 10.1.1)

Mitch Cameron advised that Administration Project Officer is developing a Parks matrix (showing all suburbs and their parks, the existing infrastructure in each park, the proposed infrastructure, current categories and proposed categories) to be tabled to the Parks Advisory Committee at its next meeting. Accessibility can be considered in this matrix.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That Frank McEllister Park has accessible picnic tables.

(6093ccs)

CARRIED (18568)

6. Minutes and Recommendations from the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held on 24 March 2016 (Item 10.2)

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That the minutes of the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held on 24 March 2016 be received and recommendations adopted, subject to Item 3.1 being amended to the correct spelling of Judith's surname to read Dixon and that 'Renew Alice' should read 'Ignite Alice'.

(6094ccs)

CARRIED (18569)

7. Something Somewhere Film Festival (Item 10.21)

Something Somewhere Inc withdrew their application for cash sponsorship for this year's event, as they will not be able to plan around the submission timeline with their planning deadlines.

Something Somewhere submitted a request for in-kind support and this was supported by the Chief Executive Officer.

It was noted that due to delays, Something Somewhere has obtained other financial sponsorship and Council's financial support on this occasion will not be required.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That the cash sponsorship to Something Somewhere Film Festival to the amount of \$2,500 be considered.

NOTED: No further action.

(6095ccs)
NOTED (18570)

8. Red Desert Dust Up 2 Sponsorship Application (Item 10.2.2)

The Red Desert Dust Up amateur boxing event will be held on 9 April 2016 at the Marian Centre OLSH Sadadeen Campus showcasing boxers from Alice Springs, Darwin and interstate. The event is not for profit. The financial request is to assist with the cost of running the event.

Discussion ensued on the tourism value of the application.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That the application from Red Desert Dust Up 2 not be supported.

(6096ccs)
CARRIED (18571)

Todd Mall Traders Association (TMTA)

Councillor Melky put forward for discussion the promotion of Todd Mall Traders Association and finding a designated Chairperson and advised that he intended to privately promote the Todd Mall Traders Association in order to stimulate awareness and support from Todd Mall traders.

Discussion ensued about the Committee and it was agreed that Councillor Melky's intention to promote the TMTA would be in the best interest of Council if he is a member of the TMTA Committee.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That Councillor Melky be on the Todd Mall Traders Association Committee.

(6097ccs)
CARRIED (18572)

9. Minutes and Recommendations from the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held on 1 and 4 April 2016 (Item 10.3)

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That the minutes of the Risk Management and Audit Committee Meeting held on 1 and 4 April 2016 be received and recommendations adopted.

(6098ccs)
CARRIED (18573)

10. Expression of Interest for Audit Services and Officer's Recommendation of Council's Next Auditor for 2015-16 through to 2017-18 (Item 10.3.1)

Following on from the meeting on Friday, 1 April 2016, the Director Finance provided the Committee with submissions from the four auditing firms.

The Director Finance pointed out that the four auditing firms were advised that the timelines for the audit reporting have changed with a deadline for submission of all documents to Council by September.

The Chair presented his assessment score sheet of the four tenderers to the Committee based on the submissions given by the four auditing firms. The Committee gave their evaluation of the four proposals.

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That Merit Partners be appointed as Council's external auditor for a period of three years, commencing with the 2015/16 financial year.

(6099ccs)
CARRIED (18574)

11. Identification of Issues for the Northern Territory and Federal Elections Report No. 45/16ccs (A/DCCS) (Item 16.2)
Item moved from Confidential Item 23.2.3

Moved Councillor Kudrenko
Seconded Councillor Price

That Council pursue the following projects, identified as priorities for the Municipality, with relevant political parties for the upcoming Northern Territory and Federal elections.

NT Elections:

- 1) A) The provision of an after-hours youth drop in centre for Alice Springs
B) Continuation of the existing After Hours Youth Night Patrol run by Alice Springs Town Council and Congress beyond 2016.
- 2) Anzac Oval power upgrade
- 3) Crematorium
- 4) The construction of a community event centre/amphitheatre

Federal Elections:

- 1) The second round of the Solar City initiative for Alice Springs. Solar battery solution equivalent to uterne
- 2) An indoor multi-purpose sporting facility
- 3) An outdoor multi-purpose sporting facility

(6103ccs)
CARRIED (18575)

13.3 Technical Services

Recommendations to the **Ordinary** Council from the meeting of the Technical Services Committee held on **11 April 2016**

1. Minutes of the Open Section of the Technical Services Committee Meeting held 14 March 2016 (Item 4.1)

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That the minutes of the Open Section of the Technical Services Committee meeting held on 14 March 2016 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

(4055ts)
CARRIED (18576)

2. Directorate Update (Item 9.1)
Report No: 38/16ts (DTS)

This report provides an update of current Technical Services, programs, projects and events for March 2016.

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That this report be received and noted.

(4056ts)
CARRIED (18577)

3. Woods Terrace Speeding Issues (Item 9.2)
Report No: 40/16ts (MI)

This report provides information in relation to vehicle accidents and speeding along Woods Terrace

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That this report is for discussion and direction

(4057ts)
CARRIED (18578)

4. Proposed Upgrade of Pedestrian Ramps within the CBD (Item 9.3)
Report No. 41/16ts (MI)

Proposed upgrade of pedestrian ramps within the CBD to improve pedestrian safety

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That Council considers allocations within the forthcoming budget preparation to upgrade and replace non-conforming ramps within the CBD

(4058ts)
CARRIED (18579)

5. Security Cameras at the Skate Park (Item 9.4)
Report No. 42/16ts (POI)

This report details the security requirements at the Skate Park.

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That Council installs three digital high resolutions night/day security cameras at the skate park and integrates them with the Alice Springs Aquatic and Leisure Centre cameras and establishes a link back to the Civic Centre security camera system server for monitoring and remote access.

(4059ts)
CARRIED (18580)

6. Verge Mowing Report (Item 9.5)
Report No. 39/16ts (MW)

This report is to provide Council with information regarding the ownership of ASTC controlled verges within the Municipality

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That Council adopt Option 1 - Council continues to maintain all Alice Springs Town Council controlled verges within the Municipality.

(4060ts)
CARRIED (18581)

7. Minutes from the Sport Facilities Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 March 2016 (Item 10.1)

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That the minutes of the Sport Facilities Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 March 2016 be received and the recommendations adopted.

(4061ts)
CARRIED (18582)

8. Minutes from the Development Committee Meeting held on 4 April 2016 (Item 10.2)

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That the minutes of the Development Committee Meeting held on 4 April 2016 be received and noted.

(4062ts)
CARRIED (18583)

9. Minutes from the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 April 2016 (Item 10.3)

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Mayor Ryan

That the minutes of the Environment Advisory Committee Meeting held on 4 April 2016 be received and the recommendations adopted.

(4063ts)
CARRIED (18584)

14. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

14.1. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report
Report No. 50/16cncl

1. HR Report

Moved Councillor Paech
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That this report be received and noted.

The CEO advised of the resignation of Liam Quin, Media and Communication Officer. The CEO thanked Liam for his efforts over the past 12 months.

CARRIED (18585)

2. SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANT FOR 2015/2016 AND FAMILY SAFE ENVIRONMENT FUNDING FOR 2015/2016

It is pleasing to report that the Minister for Local Government and Community Services the Hon Bess Price has advised of successful grant funding applications submitted by Council as follows:

Special Purpose Grant 2015/2016

\$200,000 towards the construction of a shade structure at the library car park that includes solar panels.

Family Safe Environment Funding 2015/2016

\$15,158 to purchase a commercial trailer to be used as an anti-graffiti gurney.

Moved Councillor Paech
Seconded Councillor Douglas

That Council accept the above grant funding subject to further correspondence being received from the Department of Local Government and Community Services and that Council's thanks be conveyed to the Northern Territory Government.

CARRIED (18586)

14.2 DIRECTOR FINANCE

Nil

14.3 DIRECTOR CORPORATE & COMMUNITY SERVICES

14.3.1 Minutes of the Seniors Coordinating Committee held on 20 April 2016.

Moved Mayor Ryan
Seconded Councillor Kudrenko

That the minutes of the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held on 20 April 2016 be received and the recommendations adopted.

CARRIED (18587)

14.4 DIRECTOR TECHNICAL SERVICES

Nil

15. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

15.1 Cr Melky – Anti-social behavior

Cr Melky raised the recent anti-social behaviour at ANZAC Hill and called upon Elected Members to contribute their opinions. Cr Price and Cr Kudrenko voiced their support of a drop-in centre. The CEO advised of a recent meeting with relevant stakeholders that would be discussed in confidential.

15.2 CEO – Alice Springs Water Advisory Committee

Cr Melky was nominated as a Committee member. Cr Melky would like to nominate as Chair of the Water Advisory Committee.

Moved Councillor Paech
Seconded Councillor Price

That Councillor Melky be nominated as Chairperson and/or Committee member of the Alice Springs Water Advisory Committee.

CARRIED (18588)

16. OTHER BUSINESS

16.1 CEO – Anti-social behaviour
Item moved from Confidential Item 26.1

Moved Councillor Douglas
Seconded Councillor Brown

That Council authorise the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to continue to press for urgent alternative options for an after-hours youth drop-in centre and report back to Council.

CARRIED (18589)

17. MATTERS FOR MEDIA ATTENTION

Media matters will be covered via the media attendance at this meeting.

18. NEXT MEETING: Monday 30 May 2016 at 6.00pm in the Council Chamber

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19. ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN MEETING

Moved Councillor Paech
Seconded Councillor Melky

That the Council stands adjourned and resumes in the Confidential Section.

CARRIED (18590)

The meeting adjourned at 7.40pm.

Confirmed on _____

CHAIRMAN

Date _____