



Coomalie Community Government Council

Meeting date: **Tuesday, 22 June 2010 from 6:00 PM to 7:59 PM**

Location: Council Chambers, 141 Cameron Road, Batchelor NT 0845

Purpose/Notes: Regular scheduled meeting

Chaired by: Clr. Andrew Turner

Minutes rec. by: John Hughes

Attendance:

Present: Clr. Sue Bulmer, Clr. Linda Douglas, John Hughes, Clr. Bruce Jones, Clr. Deb Koch, Lola Stephenson, Clr. Trevor Sullivan, Clr. Andrew Turner

Regrets: Clr. Tommy Fawcett, Dannielle Hamilton, Chrissie Leavy, Bill Roberts

Absent:

Late:

Guests:

(none)

Meeting Documents:

- June 2010 Open Agenda Papers Councillors.pdf

Meeting Minutes:

1. Standing Agenda Items

1.1. Attendance

Visitors Welcomed:

Mr Robert Bright Acting Gamba Grass Coordinator
Mr. Trevor Harris DLG attended as an observer.

Item Status: Completed

1.2. Apologies and Leave of Absence

Councillor Tommy Fawcett submitted an apology via the CEO and requested leave of absence.

Item Status: Completed

1.2.1. Apologies and Leave of Absence

It was resolved:

That the apologies of Councillor Tommy Fawcett be accepted and leave of absence be granted.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/001

Moved by: Clr. Bruce Jones

Seconded by: Clr. Deb Koch

Resolution Carried, Vote: All in favour

Item Status: Completed

1.3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Having considered the Agenda and Business Documents, no Councillors or officers declared any possible, actual or perceivable conflicts of interest for items in the open session agenda.

Item Status: Completed

1.4. Confirmation Of Minutes

The minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting of Coomalie Community Government Council held on 27th May 2010 at Adelaide River Library were tabled for discussion.



Documents:

- 1_4 Minutes OGM 27 May 2010.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.4.1. Confirmation of Minutes

After discussion it was resolved:

That the Minutes and of the Ordinary General Meeting of the Coomalie Community Government Council held on 27th May 2010 be confirmed as presented.

Resolution #: :22/06/2010/002

Moved by: Clr. Linda Douglas

Seconded by: Clr. Deb Koch

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.5. Actions Arising

The Actions Arising list from Ordinary General Meetings up to and including 27th May 2010 was tabled for discussion.

The CEO was directed to follow up and report to Council on:

- Item 7 Regional Waste Disposal Site;
- Item 8 Upgrade of Curve on Rum Jungle Road;
- Item 10 Reinstatement of Dental Treatment at Batchelor Clinic;
- Item 15 Future plans and works to be undertaken on the Stuart Highway in Adelaide River, including plans for a dual carriageway and related drainage, environmental management and other consequences for Adelaide River.

Documents:

- 1_5 Actions Arising to 25 May 2010.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.5.1. Confirmation of Actions Arising

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council accepts and confirms the Actions Arising List from the Ordinary General Meetings up to 25 May 2010 as presented.

Resolution #: :22/06/2010/003

Moved by: Clr. Deb Koch

Seconded by: Clr. Trevor Sullivan

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.6. Correspondence

The CEO advised Council that the correspondence register was in the last stage of being converted into a computer-based document management system, and that the correspondence register for this meeting included both confidential and non-confidential items in a single list.

Council agreed that it would consider all correspondence in the confidential session.

Item Status: Completed

1.6.1. Incoming Correspondence

No resolution was put to the meeting in open session.

The incoming correspondence register was received and noted including non-confidential and confidential items in the confidential session.



Resolution #:

Resolution Moved

Item Status: Completed

1.6.2. Outgoing Correspondence

No resolution was put to the meeting in open session.

The outgoing correspondence register was received and noted including non-confidential and confidential items in the confidential session.

Resolution #:

Resolution Moved

Item Status: Completed

1.7. Financial Statements

The Financial Report containing the following documents was tabled for discussion:

Documents:

- 1_7_a Financial Report (old format).pdf
- 1_7_b Monthly and YTD Operating Results.pdf
- 1_7_c Balance Sheet.pdf
- 1_7_d Grant Report.pdf
- 1_7_e Cash Reconciliation Report.pdf
- 1_7_f Budget Report (old format).pdf
- 1_7_g Trial Balance (old format).pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.7.1. Financial Statements

The financial report was discussed. Councillor Bruce Jones requested details of a \$161.50 payment made on 9th May 2009 to Adelaide River FERG that appeared as an unrepresented cheque in the Cash Reconciliation Report (1_7_e).

The CEO undertook to provide further details to the next Council meeting.

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receives and notes the Financial Statements for the month ending 31st May 2010 as presented and confirms the payments made since the last meeting.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/004

Moved by: Clr. Linda Douglas

Seconded by: Clr. Deb Koch

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.8. Chief Executive Officer's Report

The Chief Executive Officer's Report was tabled and discussed at the meeting.

The CEO was directed to make further investigations and report to Council regarding the possible use of the Rum Jungle Tavern hall area and the installation of an ablution block at Rum Jungle Bowls club, nearby the Rum Jungle Tavern hall area.

Documents:

- 1_008 CEO Report 22 June 2010.pdf

Item Status: Completed



1.8.1. CEO's Report

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receives and notes the Chief Executive Officer's Report to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22nd June 2010.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/005

Moved by: Clr. Deb Koch

Seconded by: Clr. Trevor Sullivan

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.9. Engineer's and Works Manager's Report

The Engineer's and Works Manager's Report was tabled for discussion.

Documents:

- 1_9 Works Report June 2010.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.9.1. Engineer's and Works Manager's Report

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receives and notes the Engineer's and Works Manager's Report to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22nd June 2010.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/006

Moved by: Clr. Bruce Jones

Seconded by: Clr. Deb Koch

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.10. Community Recreation Officer's Report

The Community Recreation Officer's Report was tabled and discussed at the meeting.

Councillor Bruce Jones asked if Council had paid for the Community Recreation Officer to attend a Community Capacity Building conference in June.

The CEO advised that:

- Council had been informed that he and the Community Recreation Officer would be attending the conference at the May 27th meeting;
- Council had paid for attendance at the conference for both himself and the Community Recreation Officer at a concessional discount offered to small and disadvantaged Councils;
- Council had also paid for accommodation in Parramatta for the CEO and that there was no additional accommodation cost for the Community Recreation Officer who is also the spouse of the CEO;
- Council had paid return airfares and train/taxi transfers in Sydney
- the CEO and the Community Recreation Officer had borne their own costs for overnight accommodation in Darwin before and after the conference for their own comfort due to the early am flight departure and arrival times;
- the CEO and the Community Recreation Officer had borne their own costs for meals and refreshments not included in the conference costs.

Documents:

- 1_010 Community Recreation Officer Monthly Report June 2010.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.10.1. Community Recreation Officer's Report

After discussion it was resolved:



That Council receives and notes the Community Recreation Officer's Report to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22 June 2010.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/007

Moved by: Clr. Deb Koch

Seconded by: Clr. Linda Douglas

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.11. Library Reports

The Community Library Reports for Adelaide River and Batchelor were tabled for discussion.

Documents:

- 1_11 Library Reports.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.11.1. Library Reports

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receive and note the Batchelor Library and the Adelaide River Library Reports to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22 June 2010 as presented.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/008

Moved by: Clr. Andrew Turner

Seconded by: Clr. Deb Koch

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.12. Batchelor Swimming Pool Report

The Batchelor Swimming Pool Report was tabled for discussion.

Documents:

- 1_12 Batchelor Swimming Pool Report.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.12.1. Batchelor Swimming Pool Report

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receive and note the Batchelor Swimming Pool Report to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22 June 2010 as presented.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/009

Moved by: Clr. Linda Douglas

Seconded by: Clr. Bruce Jones

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

1.13. Dog Management Report

The CEO and Dog Management Officer Trevor Sullivan gave a verbal Dog Management Report to the meeting.

Item Status: Completed

1.13.1. Dog Management Report

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receive and note the Dog Management Report to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22 June 2010 as presented.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/010



Moved by: Clr. Bruce Jones
Seconded by: Clr. Deb Koch
Resolution Carried, Vote:
Item Status: Completed

1.14. Gamba Grass & Weed Mitigation Project Report

The Gamba Grass & Weed Mitigation Project Report was tabled for discussion.

The CEO was requested to provide a copy of the current (third) draft of the Coomalie Community Government Council Gamba Grass Management Plan 2010 –2012 to Councillors.

Documents:

- 1_14 GAMBA GRASS 6 MONTH REPORT.pdf

Item Status: Completed

1.14.1. Gamba Grass & Weed Mitigation Project Report

After discussion it was resolved:

That Council receive and note the Gamba Grass & Weed Mitigation Project Report to the Ordinary General Meeting of Council held on 22 June 2010 as presented.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/011

Moved by: Clr. Linda Douglas
Seconded by: Clr. Bruce Jones

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

2. Business Brought Forward From Previous Meetings

No Business Brought Forward From Previous Meetings

3. General Business

3.1. Council By-elections 19th June 2010

The CEO reported that the results of Adelaide River Rural Ward and Batchelor Town Ward by-elections will be declared at some time after 6.00pm on Friday June 25th.

The latest advice from the NT Electoral Commission was tabled for the information of Councillors

Documents:

- 3_1 19 Jun 2010 Election Night Count Coomalie.pdf

Item Status: Completed

3.2. Condition of Green - Rum Jungle Bowls Club

The CEO reported as follows:

The Rum Jungle Bowls Club Green has been deteriorating for the last two years and has reached the stage where the surface cannot be used for play.

The Bowling Green is an iconic feature of Batchelor and requires rehabilitation. Inspection with members of the RJBC Committee (NB Clr. Jones, John Hughes and Lola Stephenson are members), showed that the surface requires total replacement with either new grass or a synthetic surface.

It is recommended that the CEO investigates the costs and benefits of either grass or synthetic resurfacing and reports back to Council in time for the 2010/11 budget deliberations.

Item Status: Completed



3.2.1. Rehabilitation of the RJBC Green

After discussion it was resolved:

That the CEO is directed to investigate the whole-of-life costs and benefits of resurfacing the RJBC green with grass and synthetic surfaces and reports back to Council in time for the 2010/11 budget deliberations.

Resolution #: 22/06/2010/012

Moved by: Clr. Linda Douglas

Seconded by: Clr. Sue Bulmer

Resolution Carried, Vote:

Item Status: Completed

3.3. Condition of Batchelor Oval

The CEO reported as follows:

Batchelor oval surface is affected by a large number of protruding tree roots that break the surface of the playing field.

The roots have obviously been an issue for many years.

The protruding roots are a safety hazard for users of the oval and for contractors and staff working and using machinery on the surface.

It is recommended that an arborist's report be obtained seeking recommendations for:

- the safe and economical removal of the tree roots without endangering the trees; and
- measures required to prevent repeat incursions.

Item Status: Completed

3.3.1. Condition of Batchelor Oval

After discussion it was resolved:

That the CEO is directed to obtain an arborist's report with recommendations for:

- the safe and economical treatment of the tree roots on the Batchelor Oval playing surface without endangering the trees; and
- measures required to prevent repeat incursions.

Resolution number:22/06/2010/013

Moved by: Clr. Linda Douglas

Seconded by: Clr. Sue Bulmer

Status: Carried

Vote:

Status: Completed

Item Status: Completed

4. Confidential Items and Conclusion

4.1. Confidential Session

Item Status: Completed

4.2. Next Meeting

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Coomalie Community Government Council will be held at the Council Chambers in Batchelor on 20th July 2010 at 6.00pm.

A special budget meeting will be held on Thursday 15th July 2010 at 6.00pm at the Council Chambers in



Batchelor

Item Status: Completed

4.3. Conclusion

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting closed at 10.05pm

Item Status: Completed
