



MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

22 January, 2013

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee Farrell', with a long horizontal line extending to the left and a checkmark-like flourish to the right.

Signed: Lee Farrell Chief Executive Officer

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON TUESDAY 22nd January, 2013 AT 6.10PM

President of the Shire Council Councillor Andrew Turner declared the meeting open at 6.10pm and welcomed all in attendance.

1 PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor	President Andrew Turner
Councillor	Vice President Bruce Jones - Teleconference
Councillor	Ewan Crook
Councillor	Sue Bulmer
Councillor	Max Corliss

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Lee Farrell
Administration Manager	Jo'Anne Kinter

PERSONS PRESENT

Lee Williams	Director Legislation - Department of Local Government
Solomon Gaturu	Department of Local Government
Peter Pitcher	Batchelor

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	22 nd January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

This report is to table, for Council's record, any apologies and requests for leave of absence received from Elected Members for the Ordinary General Meeting held 22nd January, 2013.

Clr Bruce Jones gave notice that he will be attending via teleconference.

Clr Gray advised that illness will prevent him from attending the meeting.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Council can choose to accept the apologies or requests for leave of absence as presented, or not accept them. Apologies or requests for leave of absence that are not accepted by Council will be recorded as absence without notice.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

As per the Local Government Act s.39 (1) A person ceases to hold office as a member of a council if the person:

(d) is absent, without permission of the council, from 2 consecutive ordinary meetings of the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/001

That Council receive and notes apologies received from Councillor Dave Gray and approve a leave of absence for the Ordinary General Meeting held 22nd January, 2013.

Moved: Clr. Crook

Seconded: Clr. Bulmer

Carried

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

No interest declared by Councillors or staff

4 PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**5.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING 18 DECEMBER, 2012**

Applicant: N/A

Location/Address: N/A

File Ref: N/A

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 22nd January, 2013

Author: Jo'Anne Kinter Administration Manager

Attachments: Minutes Ordinary General Meeting 18th December, 2012

SUMMARY

Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held 18th December, 2012 submitted to Council for confirmation that those minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Not applicable

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

The minutes as submitted must comply with part section 67(2) Local Government Act 2011 and that confirmation of minutes is compliant with section 67(3) of the Local Government Act 2011.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/002

That the minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held 18th December, 2012 are confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Bulmer

Carried

6 OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORTS

6.1 OPERATIONS REPORTS

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\Operations Manager
Date:	16 th January, 2013.
Author:	Robert Bright, Operations Manager
Attachments:	Operations Manager's Report

SUMMARY

Operations Manager's report for the Ordinary General Meeting held 22nd January, 2013.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/003

That Council receives and note the Operations Managers Report for January 2013.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Crook **Carried**

OPERATIONS REPORT - JANUARY

Roads

As reported in December the road works has been completed except for the culvert on Heather Lagoon Road which is being down now.

There are still guide posts to be put in and drains to be cleaned. With only one staff member for most of December this has not yet been done.

In general the roads are ok other than the damage done on Coach Rd Road by the big storm in December.

Batchelor

No problems in Batchelor town over the festive season except for those who painted graffiti on the park tables and signs.

The Batchelor public toilet still takes up a bit of time and I hope to have a quote to hook up the sewer system and do away with the septic.

I am seeking quotes from a couple of plumbers to fix and renew the both the Batchelor and Adelaide River oval toilets as I need to have this job finished by the end of February.

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/004

That council accepts a quote of \$5,300 to supply and install 9 cisterns in total to public toilets in Batchelor and Adelaide River and directs the CEO to source quotes from local contractors.

Moved Clr Jones

Seconded Clr Bulmer **Carried**

Adelaide River

We have put a valve at the oval so that we can manually shut down the water.

There are a number of sprinklers that need to be dug up and replaced.

The problem still remains that the Government and others still use the same system to water the road edges, parks etc.

Myrtle Fawcett Park can be watered off the potable water site (town water) but we have to pay for this.

The streets need to be cleaned and as soon as staff are available this will be done.

Slashing

Slashing on Miles and Solomon Roads has been completed; Crater Lake has been done twice. Started slashing Chinner Road at Lake Bennett but tractor got a flat tire and this job was not finished.

Now we have taken over the Rum Jungle Lake again this will also need slashing; other sealed rural roads will be done during January.

Spraying on Council roads will be selective as there are not the funds for this.

The Mimosa Grant Project has started and the first round has been completed.

Dumps

Adelaide River dump is going ok, shifted the skip bin dumping to on site for the time being instead of bringing it over to Batchelor.

Batchelor dump needs to have another slot immediately as the face dump is in a mess. I am getting Oolloo Investments to come and do it as soon as they can.

ACTION: CEO to provide costs of this work to Council

Subdivisions

A new subdivision application of 12 blocks has been received by Council – Pitcher; Kerr Road and information will be distributed to councillors prior to the meeting.

Glyphosate

The Government free chemical program has commenced and the first pallet has already been distributed and utilised. Another 40 drums will be available to approved land owners next week. There is still chemical available for purchase.

Staff

The Service Worker position has been advertised and closes on the 1st of February.

All going well but need staff urgently.

6.2 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT OFFICER'S REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	Tuesday, 15 th January 2013
Author:	Trevor Sullivan Animal Management Officer
Attachments:	Animal Management Officer's Report

SUMMARY

Animal Management Officer's report for the Ordinary General Meeting held 22nd January, 2013.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/005

That Council receive and note the Animal Management Officers Report December/January, 2013.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Crook

Carried

IMPOUNDING DOGS

CEO sought direction from Council on what action they require when a dog has been placed in the pound.

That Council authorise the CEO to have delegation in regard to charges for the pound but the pounding fee is not to be waived.

Seconded	Clr. Crook	Carried
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Clr Turner voted against

There have not been any dog complaints or impoundments over December/January period. I have carried out dog patrols and chased dogs but have not caught any. They appear to be very shy of me and my car.

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	Tuesday, 15 th January 2013
Author:	Trevor Sullivan Pool Supervisor
Attachments:	Pool Report

Pool Supervisor's reports for the Ordinary General Meeting 22nd January, 2013

Not applicable.

Not applicable.

Not applicable.

Not applicable.

Not applicable.

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/007

That Council receive and note the Pool Supervisor's Reports for January, 2013.

Moved: Clr. Crook

Seconded: Clr. Corliss

Carried

Pool Report

Over the month of December the pool remained open.

The numbers were regular but not great as many families were away.

The pool is running well and has been problem free. Maintenance and water control kept the pool water clear and clean.

There has been no illegal entry and or damage to pool grounds.

<i>Swimming Pool Takings and Statistics</i>									
	<u><i>Paying at gate swimmers and takings</i></u>							<u><i>Pass Swimmers</i></u>	
<u>Period ending</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Families</u>	<u>Pens</u>	<u>Gate</u>	<u>Passes sold</u>	<u>Pool Takings</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Children</u>
WE 12/12/12	12	12	7		83.00	0.00	83.00	32	35
WE 19/12/12	8	10	1		40.00	0.00	40.00	11	14
WE 26/12/12	1	16	3		41.50	0.00	41.50	5	12
WE 2/1/13	7	10	2		42.50	0.00	42.50	12	21
WE 9/1/13	3	14	3		43.50	225.00	268.50	11	17
TOTALS	31	62	16		250.50	225.00	475.50	71	99

7 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

7.1 INCOMING AND OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Council is provided with items of correspondence of note both received and sent during the months of December 2012 and January 2013.

BACKGROUND

Hard copies are available to Council on the day of each Ordinary Council meeting for perusal, with additional copies available on request to individual Elected Members.

COMMENT

The correspondence inwards and outwards will be tabled at every meeting or included in agenda items as part of the background information for that particular issue.

The Items of Correspondence are as follows:

Correspondence In

Department of Local Government	2012-13 SPG Boundary Expansion Application
Asia-Pacific Cycle Congress	Convention
Department of Local Government	Review of the Cemeteries Act – Public Discussion Paper
Kosta & Angela Boubaris	Review of mowing charges
Community Justice Centre	Mediation Training Workshop
Department of Local Government	Family Safe Environment Fund 2012-13
Minister for Local Government	By-election postponement
Office of the Chief Minister	Letter to Hon Terry Mills MLA referred to new MLA.
Australian Local Government Association	Update on the progress of constitutional recognition
Geoff Kyle	Road access – Chin subdivision
Minister for Local Government	Regional Governance Working Group
Rheem Australia Pty Ltd	Energy Efficiency Program (LGEEP)
Tourism Top End	2013 Membership
WALGA	2013 Local Government Remuneration survey

Correspondence Out

Andrew Turner	BJCC – Liquor permit
Director of Local Government & Community Services	Election Promise Hon Garry Higgins – Batchelor Swimming Pool
Director of Local Government & Community Services	Extension of Council Boundaries
Minister for Infrastructure & Transport	Chin Subdivision
Minister for Lands Planning & the Environment	Chin Subdivision
Minister for Transport, Infrastructure & Local Government	Invitation to Local Government Advisory Board
Minister for Transport, Infrastructure & Local Government	Council Representation and Number of Wards
Ms E Branigan	Overgrown property

CONSULTATION

N/A

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not Applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/008

That Council receives and notes the items of incoming and outgoing correspondence as tabled.

Moved: Clr. Jones

Seconded: Clr. Bulmer

Carried

7.2 INSURANCE ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH MUSEUMS; COMMUNITY LAND GRANT ADELAIDE RIVER.

Applicant:	Friends of the North Australia Railway and Batchelor Museum Development Assoc Inc.
Location/Address:	Adelaide River & Batchelor town sites
File Ref:	CC40 & CC195
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	14 th January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

The insurance of the two Museum institutions has been regularly discussed by Council and Council has obtained the following information in relation to the two Museums:

1. Adelaide River Museum – No insurance is currently in place.
2. Batchelor Museum – No Public Liability insurance is currently in place.

BACKGROUND

The following email was received from Council insurers on 28th November, 2012.

Adelaide River:

Hi Melissa,

I apologise for the delay in getting back to you – it has taken me some time to go back through all my old paper files in regards to the Friends of the North Australia Railway.

I met with John Hughes in June 2011 and he mentioned that Trevor Horman was looking to obtain Public Liability insurance. I remember explaining to John at the time why cover could not be provided under Councils insurance policy as FNAR are a separate organisation that have their own distinct liabilities that are separate to the risks and liabilities of Council. At this time I emailed Trevor a link to the Local Community Insurance Service website (please see attached) where he could obtain a quotation for the required cover.

They have never been “noted” or included under Councils public liability insurance. If cover was not arranged by them then it would appear that they are and have been operating uninsured and should arrange cover as a matter of urgency.

With regards to the buildings that are on Councils asset schedule – if Council does not own these buildings and the owners are in fact FNAR then they should be removed and FNAR obtain the necessary cover for them against fire, damage, storm etc. The same can be said of the Contents.

Just to clarify, Council does not have “over-arching” insurances in place. The insurances cover Coomalie Community Government Council only and does not extend to any external organisations (whether they be profit generating or not). The only exception to this would be a subsidiary entity of Council or a committee specifically set up by Council under the LG Act.

I’m sure this is likely to set some wheels in motion, particular at Trevor’s end and I’d be happy to discuss further with you if required.

Rhiannon Alexander

Branch Manager – Darwin Jardine Lloyd Thompson Pty Ltd

Batchelor Museum

Batchelor Museum provided a quotation from Batchelor Museum for Public Liability Insurance totalling \$2175.78

COMMENT

The issue has been raised on numerous occasions and Council have rejected the idea of including them as a Committee of Council. The only way this can be done is as per Councils insurers' statement being as follows *Just to clarify, Council does not have "over-arching" insurances in place. The insurances cover Coomalie Community Government Council only and does not extend to any external organisations (whether they be profit generating or not). The only exception to this would be a subsidiary entity of Council or a committee specifically set up by Council under the LG Act.*

I have spoken to the Dept. of Local Government who advised that Section 32 of the LG act states that Council may delegate powers and functions to a Council Committee. However they can stipulate the limits on financial expenditure and other issues. Section 54 states that a Council Committee consists of persons appointed by Council and may consist of councillors' and persons who are not members of the council. Section 55 & 56 States that Council may assign functions to a Committee and control the direction of the committee.

The organisations being incorporated could be an issue as their constitution states how and what they can do which could be contrary to the Local Government requirements. A letter of agreement clearly stating the requirement of each party would need to be drafted to overcome this issue.

Community Land Grant

A meeting held with the Dept. of lands and Planning on 11th January, 2013 to address the future management and control of the AR land is currently under discussion. The FNAR will take the Dept.'s offer back to its Board for consideration to have the land placed under the management and control of the Coomalie Council. They will have a response by 31st January, 2013. This matter is also up for discussion by Council.

Trevor Horman has replied by email as follows and was in attendance at the meeting with the Dept. of Lands and Planning on 11th January, 2013

Hi Lee,

Thanks for sharing this request with us. I'd expect that Lands Dept. is canvassing all possible stakeholders (such as CCGC, Power and Water, Roads Dept., etc., etc.).

Some of the reasons that the matter did not progress in 2003 were:-

- 1. They wanted \$700 application fee that we did not have. They refused to waive it.*
- 2. They wanted three years of audited accounts that we did not have at that stage.*
- 3. Lot 187 straddles both sides of the new railway and both parts contain railway and WW2 heritage. The Highways mob objected to the highway side piece of 187.*
- 4. Power and Water had a problem with our power supply coming underneath the new railway (its 2m deep to satisfy the railway).*
- 5. There is a minor boundary issue with ARSS that I was trying to resolve (our common fence is not on the property boundary line in one spot. We are both happy to make the fence line the property line but it needs to be included in the survey)*
- 6. We were flat out just running the place.*

In the meantime our investment in the site had increased dramatically and I resolved last year to get it wrapped up. It took a while to cobble together all the information that Lands required. We gulped deeply and paid the \$725 fee. I have also relented on the splitting of Lot 187 on the basis that they will record our continuing interest in it should the opportunity arise.

I am a little apprehensive about what they may have in store for us tomorrow afternoon. Bureaucrats have a propensity of finding hurdles. I note that you are on the invite list and it would be good if you were able to make it. Hopefully CCGC would be in a position to support the application. Our Secretary Judy Richardson will come to the meeting too.

CONSULTATION

Lee Williams – Dept. of Local Government.
Olivia Schmidt - Dept. of Land and Planning .
Trevor Horman – FNARAR – Adelaide River Tourism Group.
Helen Gordon – Dept. of Lands and Planning

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act – Section 32, 55 and 56

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council has requested the Batchelor Museum to present a Business Plan for the next 4 years prior to Council providing further financial assistance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has budgeted \$10,000 to assist in meeting these costs on behalf of the Batchelor Museum. No Budget item is in place for the Adelaide River Museum.

The Public Liability quote for Batchelor Museum is \$2175.78. I would envisage this would be similar for Adelaide River. If included in Councils policy then it would be a direct saving of \$4350

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/009

That Council discuss with the Friends of the North Australia Railway and the Batchelor Museum Development Association Inc. the Community Land Grant over Lands being used by each Association and the best method moving forward in relation to the formation of Committees to assist in the management of these Tourist attractions. These discussions to include the development of four year Business Plans by each association to assist Council to assess any future financial contribution to each party.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Crook

Carried

7.3 COUNCIL REPRESENTATION AND WARD REVIEW 2012-2013-LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT SECTION 23

Applicant:	Council
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CC/92
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15 th January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

In the last four months, three (3) Councillors have resigned from the Coomalie Council. Council has resolved that Minister for Local government approval be obtained to defer the holding of By-elections until Council has completed a review of elected Representatives in accordance with section 23 of the Local government Act. The Minister has agreed to defer the need to hold elections until he has reviewed Councils submission which will be received after Councils meeting to be held on 22nd January, 2013.

BACKGROUND

Community Consultation undertaken by Council:

Council commenced this process in September, 2012 when it was agreed that wards and ward representation should be reviewed in view of a Councillor resigning.

In the period from September, 2012 through to November three (3) Councillors did resign and approval was received to defer the holding of extra ordinary elections until Council had completed the review of Wards and Ward representation.

In November, 2012 a questionnaire was sent to all ratepayers seeking a response to the number of Councillors required and the number of wards. All ratepayers received this by post and questionnaires were also placed in all prominent locations within the Shire. Public meetings were convened in Batchelor, Adelaide River and Lake Bennett and the Notes from these meetings are attached.

In December, 2012, the results of the questionnaire were collated and presented to the Council for consideration. The attached copy of the December Minutes describes the decision reached by Council after taking into consideration those requirements listed **under Part 6, Review of electoral representation**. The decisions made by Council were then forwarded to all ratepayers for comments and submissions. Notice, as to when Public Meetings were to be held in January, 2013 was also contained in this notice.

In January, 2013 Council held Public meetings in Batchelor, Lake Bennett and Adelaide River and the notes from these meetings will be circulated to Councillors..

Council has worked closely with Departmental staff to ensure the process has been carried out in accordance with the Northern Territory Local Government Act 2008.

COMMENT

Having considered all the relevant information received in respect to the questionnaire, I have considered the comments made at the Public meetings and the results of the survey. I have also considered each question required under the Local government Act section 9 and Local government regulations R63 (2)

The community have now been presented with the resolutions passed by Council on the 18th December, 2012 and three public meetings have now been held. No issues or objections were raised. The Notes from these Public meetings will be emailed to Councillors.

The final decision of Council would be as follows

No of Wards Three (3) being as follows

Batchelor Township Ward; (No Change) The boundary of this ward will be amended should any development occur adjacent to the Batchelor Town site. One proposal is currently pending.

Adelaide River Ward; (incorporates AR Town & AR rural wards). Should Council be successful in the unincorporated land being included within the Coomalie Shire then this area and population will form part of the Adelaide river ward. These people already associate with the AR area and currently use the AR facilities.

Coomalie Rural Ward; (incorporates lake Bennett, Coomalie Tortilla, Batchelor Rural wards) It involves incorporating the areas within the Lake Bennett, Batchelor and Coomalie tortilla wards. Subdivision of land is occurring in this area and therefore it has room to grow. The residents of Lake Bennet have more of an affiliation with Batchelor rather than Adelaide River area.

Number of Elected representatives:

The number recommended is 6 being as follows-	
Batchelor Township Ward	2 members
Adelaide River Ward	2 members
Coomalie Rural Ward	2 members.

These changes will be included in Councils Shire Plan and will not take effect until the next election which is March 2016.

CONSULTATION

Department of Local Government: – Lee Williams, and Kate Wheen.
The Communities of Batchelor, Adelaide River and Lake Bennett,
Councillors
President: Cr A Turner.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Section 9 & 23 of the Local government Act
Local Government regulations R63 (2)

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/010

That Council seek the Minister for Local Government approval to:

1. Immediately abolish the 3 vacant positions so that until the next general election to be held in March, 2016 there will be 6 positions as per the nominated list AND
2. Change the constitution and representation of council so that from the General Election in March 2016, representation and wards will be as follows:
 - a. Three Wards – Batchelor Township Ward, Adelaide River Ward and Coomalie Rural Ward
 - b. Representation – Two (2) members representing each ward

Moved: **Clr. Crook**

Seconded: **Clr. Corliss**

Carried

President closed the meeting for dinner at 7.40 pm

President reconvened the meeting at 8.00 pm with all members in attendance as per the attendance register

7.4 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION –NORTHERN TERRITORY – AGENDA ITEMS

Applicant:	Coomalie Council
Location/Address:	
File Ref:	CC/52
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	15 th January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

The current review of the Councils wards and representation has revealed changes that should be made to the NT Local Government Act 2008. The areas that require review are as follows:

1. Holding of Elections – every 4 years
2. Entitlement to Vote.

BACKGROUND

Section 85 of the Local Government Act states: That general election is to be held at intervals of 4 years, commencing in March 2012.

Section 87 of the Local Government Act states: That a person is entitled to vote at an election if enrolled as an elector for the area or ward in which the election is to be held. Section 88 states that the Electoral Commission must prepare a new roll for an area or ward to allow the conduct of an election.

COMMENT

Holding of Elections : The LG Act should be changed to state that the term of a Council member is to be 4 years with General elections be held every 2 years (ie half of the Council members will retire every 2 years). A ballot is conducted to determine those members elected for 2 years and those for 4 years at the commencement of the new election period. The recent change in the number of members in this Council as identified

the need for this form of legislation change. Such will ensure stability is maintained within NT Councils.

Owners of Land to Vote: Eligibility of non-resident owners and occupiers to be enrolled (Section of the WA legislation relating to this is as follows)

- (1) A person is eligible to be enrolled to vote at elections for a district or ward (the electorate) if the person —
 - (a) is enrolled as an elector for the Legislative Assembly or the House of Representatives in respect of a residence outside the electorate; and
 - (b) owns or occupies rateable property within the electorate; and
 - (c) has made a successful eligibility claim that still has effect under section 4.33 of the WA act.
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1)(a) a person is to be regarded as being enrolled as an elector for the Legislative Assembly or the House of Representatives even if his or her name has been omitted in error from an electoral roll under the Electoral Act 1907 or the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 .
- (3) For the purposes of subsection (1)(c) an eligibility claim is successful if it is accepted under section 4.32, whether or not the acceptance is before the close of enrolments, as defined in section 4.39(1) of the WA Act.
- (4) A person who is eligible under subsection (1) to vote at an election held less than 50 days after the commencement of the Local Government Amendment Act 2009 section 13 is eligible to vote at that election.

CONSULTATION

LGANT

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Will require changes to the NT Local Government Act

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/011

That the following changes to the Local Government Act be submitted to the next meeting of LGANT for consideration by member councils in the NT

That Section 85 of the Local Government Act be amended to state “That general elections are held at intervals of 2 years, commencing in March 2016. (Note Changes will be required to the Act to conduct a ballot in 2016 to decide the 2 and 4 year election period of Councillors.

That a new section similar to the WA Local Government legislation be added to the NT Local Government Act which will allow landowners to vote in Council elections and polls.

That Councils are given the option to run their own elections.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Crook

Carried

7.5 REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS LIST – JANUARY 2013

Applicant:	Nil
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 TH January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Action Items List January, 2013

7.6 STANDING ORDER – AMALGAMATION REVIEW

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	Coomalie Councillors
File Ref:	CC/66
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	
Author:	Lee Farrell CEO
Attachments:	2012-2013 SPG Boundary Expansion Application Letter from Minister for Local Government

SUMMARY

The following is the decision of Council from its May 2012 meeting.

Moved Clr. Turner, Seconded Clr. Crook that Boundary Consultation/Expansion be a standing item on the council agenda until resolved. Council supports making this a priority for council. Clr. Turner has undertaken to provide the initial structures for our decision making.

The following is the decision of Council from its July 2012 meeting

Moved Clr Gray, Seconded Clr Turner that Councils priority is for the CEO to initiate discussions with the various stakeholders and commence detailed research into the extension of our boundaries to develop (if possible) a sustainable Council that will provide the necessary service and capital expansion required for the total area serviced by the expanded Council. Once all negotiations have been completed with the relevant stakeholders, this proposal be then put out for Community consultation.

The following is the decision of Council from its August meeting 2012.

Moved Clr. Crook, Seconded: Clr. Turner that to progress the amalgamation question, the President Cr J Colver, Cr A Turner and the CEO meet with representatives of the Department of Local Government NT following the NT Elections on a date to be determined.

No action taken at November meeting 2012.

BACKGROUND

The Deloitte report has now been released and every Councillor has received a copy of this report. This report has been discussed by Council.

COMMENT

15/11/12 Invitation sent to the Minister for Local Government to attend the December meeting of Council.

4/12/12 Cr A Turner and the CEO met with Giovina D'Alessandro Director Local government and Community Services, John DeKoning Deputy Chief Executive, John Tobin Director – Shires Sustainability Project. The points of interest from the meeting were as follows;

- Local Government Department have not tested the water in respect to the amalgamation of Council's
- Local Government Advisory Board has been formed which is made of representatives from Local government and others. Coomalie Council is not represented.
- The Advisory Board will be reviewing the smaller Councils over the next 2 months.
- CCGC Requested financial assistance from the Dept. of Local Government to undertake an in house investigation into the possibilities of including the unincorporated land into the Coomalie Shire. The area did not include Dundee.
- Recommended that Council prepare a financial model for consideration by the Dept. of Local Government by the end of January 2013. The model to include the financial advantages and disadvantages of including unincorporated land into the Coomalie Shire. Dept. advised they will advise Council if funding is available.

14th December, 2012

Letter received from Minister for Local Government advising of the establishment of a Regional Governance Working Group to provide advice on the future of local government in the Northern Territory. Refer attached letter

20th December, 2012

CEO wrote to Minister for Local Government requesting the President of CCGC be invited to sit on the Local Government Advisory Board.

CEO applied for funding from Department of Local Government for a Special Purpose Grant of \$30,000.00 to assist the Council in undertaking financial modelling relating to viable boundary expansion options. Refer attached letter

CONSULTATION

Shire President – Andrew Turner
Department of Local Government NT

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

VOTING REQUIREMENT Simple majority

7.7 CEO ACTIVITIES REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\CEO
Date:	15 th January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell Chief Executive Officer.
Attachments:	Minutes of Staff meeting held on 8 th January 2013 Government Review Paper of the Cemeteries Act Complaints Register

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Several issues will require action by Council under the following items

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/012

That Council receives and notes the CEO's Activity Report 13th December, 2012 to 16th January, 2013.

Moved: Clr. Corliss

Seconded: Clr. Bulmer

Carried

CEO Activities Report 13th December, 2012 to 16th January, 2013

1. Batchelor Tourist Information meeting – 18th December, 2012.

A Strategic planning meeting was held in the Rum Jungle Tavern, Batchelor on 18th December, 2012 to continue with the review and development of a new Strategic Plan for the Batchelor Tourist Association.

- The Strategic planning meeting requested a higher priority be given to Tourism by the Coomalie Council. Other suggestions included;
- A Branding for the Batchelor town site be developed which will require Council involvement
- The Tourist Centre should be relocated to the centre of Bi Centennial Park in Batchelor with the development of off road parking to accommodate caravan parking.

2. Adelaide River Tourist Committee.

- a. In my discussions with Melissa Kerr it appears that the Buildings at the Adelaide River Museum are not insured. An Agenda item for Councils consideration is being prepared.

3. Chin Estate

- a. Letters have been written to the Planning Ministers for NT & Commonwealth Government's to seek funding for uncompleted road works around and through this subdivision.
- b. The landowners have been advised by email of the current situation in regards to Councils actions in relation to the Chin estate.

4. Tourist facilities – Toilets and Water Usage at Drop Points

The following is the response I received from Abberfield

The door to the toilet can have an electric latch fitted and the coin system operated the latch, just like pressing the button to unlatch a home unit front door.

This can be the standard CT10F coin time switch set to a low time period (say two seconds). The CT10F is single denomination but multi denomination is also possible using the CT10MD coin time switch. The door latch can be supplied by any locksmith but we can obtain this as well if needed.

For a customer wanting to keep vagrants from sleeping in the amenities block we produced a controller to latch the amenity door, not the door to the toilet. Again the CT10F, or the CT10MD will do the job. For this application we supplied a different system with a label in multiple languages, photo attached. That system is multi-denominational coin operated but another option is to add a note validator next to the coin validator.

The CEO advised that the cost of each lock was \$621.00 plus door latch and fitting. The latter costs are still being obtained.

5. Council Staff

- The vacant position on the works staff has been advertised. The appointment will be for a worker only and not the position of Operations Supervisor. Applications close on 1st February, 2013.

6. Hawkers License

Information received from the Dept. of Local Government in respect to hawkers' Licenses is as follows

Mrs BRAHAM (Local Government): *Mr Speaker, I move that the bill be now read a second time.*

*Hawking of goods was a recognised activity in Europe hundreds of years ago. The non-availability of goods from communities own resources was a factor, as was the absence of retail outlets and a sufficient distribution system. For similar reasons, itinerant salesmen have been a feature of Australia's more remote parts for many years. The regulation of **hawkers** was deemed necessary as a control on goods that may have been fenced or were of otherwise doubtful ownership. There was also an issue with shoddy goods being sold, and with there being little or no recourse against the seller as the*

hawker had moved on. Persons who were not recommended as being of good character and reputation, and a fit person to exercise a trade of the **hawker**, were likely to be refused a license by the police.

The Territory's current **Hawkers** Act originated in the South Australian License **Hawkers** Act of 1863 as it applied to the Territory. The **Hawkers** Act replaced the 1863 act in 1935. Today the Northern Territory police only issue a small number of **hawkers** licenses and employees licenses under the act. Most are to persons who wish to visit small and remote communities situated on Aboriginal land to sell consumer goods, often such as second-hand clothing. The license fees for **hawkers** vary from \$1 up to \$8 per annum. The fees for **hawkers** employees are half those payable by **hawkers**; that is 50¢ up to \$4 per annum. There are other laws in the Territory that are relevant to **hawkers'** activities, including the following:

- Trespass Act - whereby an occupier may warn off trespasses;
- Aboriginal Land Act - a permit to enter Aboriginal land is required and may be revoked;
- Criminal Code and Summary Offences Act - various offences such as dishonesty, fraud, stolen property, receiving offensive behaviour;
- Local Government Council By Laws - control of activities in public places;
- Consumer Affairs and Fair Trading Act - consumer rights and protection including regulation of door-to-door traders; and
- Traffic regulations proscribed offering goods or services for sale on the road and purchasing such goods or services.

Several jurisdictions in Australia still have specific laws relating to **hawkers** and hawking. The ACT and Queensland acts are similar to the Territory's **Hawkers** Act. The Queensland act is under review and anti-competitive provisions are expected to be repealed. Other states either have no reference to **hawkers**, have repealed their acts, or rely upon police offences statutes. Council by laws may control activities in public places. Under national competition policy the Territory is committed to review and, where necessary, reform legislation that restricts competition. The basis of the review is that legislation should not restrict competition unless it can be demonstrated the benefits of the restriction to the community as a whole outweigh the costs, and the objectives of the legislation will only be achieved by restricting competition.

The **Hawkers** Act and the **Hawkers** regulations have been subject to a legislation review by the Department of Local Government. In this task it was assisted by an independent steering committee; there was considerable consultation undertaken during the process. The report of the review has been accepted by government. In summary, it is the considered findings of the review that whilst there are certain provisions in the legislation that are anti-competitive in nature, they cause minimal economic cost either to **hawkers** themselves or the community at large. However, it is further considered that the objectives of the **Hawkers** Act can be achieved satisfactorily through other contemporary legislation, that several offences that may be committed by **hawkers** should be incorporated in other current legislation, and that the act otherwise is generally out-dated and no longer of relevance and should therefore be repealed.

Accordingly, it has been decided to repeal the **Hawkers** Act, and such repeal will take effect when any provisions required for the amendment of other acts are developed.

Mr Speaker, I commend the bill to other members for their consideration.

7. Meeting with Department of Transport – 14th November, 2012

- a. The following issues were raised and I have again requested a response to the below questions ;

Our discussions re the meeting held on 14th November, 2012

1. Have you any details on TAMS road counts for local Coomalie Roads. We do not appear to have any information.

2. *Contracts – You were to follow up on the following contracts*
 - a. *Adelaide river & Batchelor Mowing contracts*
 - b. *Rubbish Collection*
 - c. *Managing the road closure in the wet season*
 - d. *Memo of understanding re wet season road issues.*
3. *Chin Estate – Will send a letter to the Dept. of Planning and Local government re the funding of these roads around and through the Chin estate.*
4. *Road proposal – Northern route – Council has endorsed in principal. Will send the proposal to the Dept. of Planning for comment.*
5. *Traffic signs – is the draft sign proposal available for comment by Council before it goes to the Minister.*

Thanks again for the opportunity of discussing the above issues.

NO RESPONSE HAS BEEN RECEIVED.

8. Meeting of Staff -

Staff meeting was held on 8th January 2013 and the minutes of the meeting are attached.

ACTION: Employment and Cyclone Policies to be reviewed by Councillors – comments back to Admin Manager by 5th February 2013. The draft changes to be sent to Councillors prior to the February meeting. Policies to be discussed at the February Council meeting

9. Strategic Planning Information :

- The Strategic Planning questionnaire has been forwarded to residents and the attached Spread sheet provides Councillors with the information to develop its Strategic and Shire plan for the next 10 years.
- From the Public meetings held the following issues were also raised;
 - **Batchelor**
 - Batchelor Airstrip
 - Subdivision of smaller area in rural blocks
 - Retain Batchelor as Historic Town
 - Development of Aged person Homes.
 - **Adelaide River**
 - The Development of a Retirement Village to be researched.
 - Recycling to be expanded
 - Keep Council owned Land in Adelaide River
 - **Lake Bennett**
 - Funding to maintain Chinner road
 - Recycling to be developed within the resort area.
 - Slashing of road verges to be consistent in the wet
 - Repairs to floodways' urgent
 - Heather Lagoon Creek are needs upgraded.
- **Recycling**
 - In the Stop press Council has invited persons to be involved in the KABC programme for the three centres. I have also sent out an email seeking persons whom I have spoken to put their names forward and become involved in the establishment of the Committee. The brief was as follows
 - Hi all,
 - Further to our discussions I would like to form a Tidy towns Committee responsible for the development of the following areas;
 - Assist with the development of Waste and recycling facilities within the Town sites (lake Bennett Included).
 - Education programmes relating to waste management and recycling
 - Environmental issues and all aspects associated with the environment

- Grant programs
- Program of Tidy Towns events moving forward
- Involvement of local schools and Student Representative Council on the Committee.
- To date I have not received a response from any locals but from the interest some of you have shown in this area, I extend an invitation to be part of this small Council committee to bring the Coomalie Community back onto the Tidy Towns agenda and address the issues associated with waste and the environment in our towns.
- The involvement will be your participation in meetings and input.
- I look forward to your response and acceptance of this invitation.
- Ryan & Tony – looking for a school representative or Student representative council.

10. Batchelor CDEP Program

Notes from meeting with John McLean Community Development officer for CDEP in Darwin held on 9th January, 2013.

I refer to our meeting this morning in the company of Robbie bright and Jo'Anne Kinter regarding the commencement of the CDEP in Batchelor.

The conclusions reached at this meeting were as follows;

1. John to do

- a. Inductions of every employee under the project
- b. safety advice on the use of all equipment used (i.e. whipper snippers, mowers etc.)
- c. Provide copy of safety induction certificate to Council
- d. Provide equipment such as whipper snippers, mowers etc.
- e. Discuss the use of Darwin Bowling green keeper with Senior Management as a trainer for work on the bowling green. Need advice by Thursday COB.
- f. Commence project on Wed/Thur 16-17 January, 2013
- g. Provide supervision as discussed

2. Robbie (Coomalie Council) to do

- a. Prepare a works program for the Project. This plan to be reviewed on Monday or Tuesday of next week in conjunction with Cecil & John. John to liaise with Robbie to finalise a date and time.
- b. Obtain a cost for connection of electricity from Mojo to Bowling Club

3. Jo to obtain information from Council's OHS Consultant on OH&S as it applies to Council operations and the work undertaken by the CDEP project employees.

General

- The first month both parties will assess the work being undertaken and required involvement in relation to training, supervision and suitability of CDEP personal. Regular meetings will be held between this group to monitor the project and make any changes as deemed necessary.
- Utilisation of staff in Adelaide River to be subject to suitability of CDEP personal. Further projects will be assessed once both parties have had a chance to study the current project success and failures.

11. Review of the Cemeteries Act

I have attached a copy of the Government review paper of the Cemeteries Act – Submissions close on 28/2/2013. Does Council wish to comment on any of the 17 questions listed on the second last page?

12. Keep Australia Beautiful Council

I met with Heimo the CEO of KABC Darwin on 11th January, 2013. They are trialling two new recycle bin lids and Coomalie will receive both these for assessment.

Received a copy of MacDonnell Shires waste management guidelines for review and if we can obtain a word version use it to develop our own waste management plan for both the Batchelor and Adelaide River sites.

13. Waste Disposal Sites – Batchelor and Adelaide River.

- a. Discussions with the Dep't of Lands and Planning on 11th January, 2013 revealed the following issues:
 - i. Batchelor waste Site - Proposed Transfer to Coomalie Shire has not been completed – No action can be taken until the Native title issue is resolved.
 - ii. Adelaide River site – Proposed transfer to Coomalie Shire has not been completed. No action can be taken until the Native title issue is resolved.
 - iii. The land Officer at the dept. will follow up each application and will have to issue an occupation license for both the sites until Native Title has been resolved. Max period is 5 years – can be renewed for a further 5 years on application.

14. Batchelor Swimming Pool

- a. I have forwarded a letter written to the dept. of Local Government to finalise the Government's contribution of \$50,000 to the Batchelor Swimming Pool.
- b. The priority of works to be undertaken should be a decision of Council and I would like some direction on how and when this can be resolved.

15. Dates to remember

- a. Australia Day 26th January – Batchelor School commencing at 7am – all helpers most welcome (Contact CRO Mazz Morris if you can assist).
- b. Wednesday 20 February 10.00am to 10.40am Ecumenical Service, Adelaide River War Cemetery, Adelaide River - 71st Anniversary – CRO Mazz Morris is assisting in organising
 - i. Adelaide River re Bombing of Darwin.
 - ii. • Tour of North Australia Railway Museum
 - iii. • Lunch at Adelaide River Inn
 - iv. • At this time there will be two Coaches (65 - 75 people)
 - v. • The Australia Defence Force order has been placed that will see ADF personnel from Katherine involved as per last year

16. Complaints Register

The Complaints register is attached for Councillors information

8 FINANCE REPORTS

8.1 PAYMENT REGISTER

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th January, 2013
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

As part of the monthly reporting procedures a full listing of cheques and EFT payments made is submitted to Council.

BACKGROUND

Attached is a listing of accounts paid from 1st – 31th December, 2012.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

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(b) the forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year.

(2) The report must include:

(a) details of all cash and investments held by the council (including money held in trust); and

(b) a statement on the debts owed to the council including the aggregate amount owed under each category with a general indication of the age of the debts; and

(c) other information required by the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/013

That Council approve and pass for payment the December 2012 payment register totalling \$183,986.14

Moved: **Clr. Crook**

Seconded: **Clr. Jones**

Carried

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

PAYMENT REGISTER

DECEMBER 2012

DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
3/12/2012	4822	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	266.53
4/12/2012	4823	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	50.69
4/12/2012	4824	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	3,266.33
5/12/2012	131	Webcity	275.40
5/12/2012	132	AgestAdministration	46.27
5/12/2012	133	Australian Super	794.02
5/12/2012	134	Hesta Superannuation Fund	296.64
5/12/2012	135	Hostplus Superannuation Fund	119.52
5/12/2012	136	Motor Vehicle Registry	166.40
5/12/2012	137	PowerWater	8,090.69
5/12/2012	138	Rest Industry Super	323.80
5/12/2012	139	Telstra	2,030.21
5/12/2012	4974	Air Liquide WA Pty Ltd	81.13
5/12/2012	4975	AJ Couriers & Haulage Pty Ltd	211.75
5/12/2012	4976	Area IT Solutions	800.42
5/12/2012	4977	RWA Exact	247.50
5/12/2012	4978	Attache Software Australia Pty	20.00
5/12/2012	4979	Dannah Pty Ltd	146.28
5/12/2012	4980	The Big Mower	156.80
5/12/2012	4981	Birko Consturctions	396.00
5/12/2012	4982	B P Australia Limited	2,019.39
5/12/2012	4983	Cr. Sue Bulmer	350.00
5/12/2012	4984	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	607.23
5/12/2012	4985	Cr. Max Corliss	350.00
5/12/2012	4986	Cridlands	7,247.69
5/12/2012	4987	Cr. Ewan Crook	350.00
5/12/2012	4988	Darwin Business Machines	178.78
5/12/2012	4989	Fin Bins	5,196.32
5/12/2012	4990	Fulton Hogan Industries	880.00
5/12/2012	4991	Cr. Dave Gray	350.00
5/12/2012	4992	Kirsty Higgins	1,374.70
5/12/2012	4993	Cr Bruce Jones	750.00
5/12/2012	4994	Lake Bennett Resort	50.00
5/12/2012	4995	Bruce Mason	2,606.00
5/12/2012	4996	Intergrated Land Information S	50.00
5/12/2012	4997	OfficeMax	424.11
5/12/2012	4998	Oolloo Investments Pty Ltd	26,203.27
5/12/2012	4999	Packard Goose Pty Ltd	1,325.00
5/12/2012	5000	Portner Press Pty Ltd	77.00
5/12/2012	5001	Rum Jungle Tavern	1,700.00
5/12/2012	5002	RS Gardening Care	20,133.66
5/12/2012	5003	SBA Distributors Pty Ltd	353.40
5/12/2012	5004	Telstra Shop Palmerston	59.00

5/12/2012	5005	Tradelink - Darwin Plumbing S	179.29
5/12/2012	5006	Andrew Turner	1,333.00
5/12/2012	5007	Veolia Environmental Services	4,197.27
5/12/2012	5008	WA Local Super	1,904.36
5/12/2012	140	Local Govt Super Scheme	1,457.33
6/12/2012	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	882.38
6/12/2012	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	2,439.89
7/12/2012	5009	Adelaide River Auto Port	214.83
7/12/2012	5010	Area IT Solutions	715.00
DATE	REFERENCE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
7/12/2012	5011	Cecil Black Lawyers	145.20
7/12/2012	5012	Bunnings Building Supplies P/L	45.36
7/12/2012	5013	B Evans	900.00
7/12/2012	5014	Keep Australia Beautiful Counc	420.00
7/12/2012	5015	DT & MG Kerr	7,892.50
7/12/2012	5016	OfficeMax	429.94
7/12/2012	141	PowerWater	708.03
11/12/2012	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	16,525.72
13/12/2012	4825	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	1.10
17/12/2012	4826	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	25.30
17/12/2012	4827	Commonwealth Bank of Australia	22.00
18/12/2012	4828	Gordon & Debra Gale	600.00
19/12/2012	5017	Adelaide River Show Society	2,288.50
19/12/2012	5018	Bruce Mason	1,276.00
20/12/2012	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	15,638.96
20/12/2012	G/L Consolidate	Payroll	203.04
31/12/2012	5019	ABC Transport	1,742.95
31/12/2012	5020	Air Liquide WA Pty Ltd	81.13
31/12/2012	5021	Area IT Solutions	107.25
31/12/2012	5022	Adelaide River Freight Service	191.40
31/12/2012	5023	RWA Exact	123.75
31/12/2012	5024	Batchelor Butterfly Farm	198.00
31/12/2012	5025	Dannah Pty Ltd	71.01
31/12/2012	5026	Batchelor Service Centre	1,236.31
31/12/2012	5027	B P Australia Limited	2,616.87
31/12/2012	5028	Cr. Sue Bulmer	350.00
31/12/2012	5029	Cr. Max Corliss	350.00
31/12/2012	5030	Cr. Ewan Crook	350.00
31/12/2012	5031	Cr. Dave Gray	350.00
31/12/2012	5032	Harvey Norman	70.00
31/12/2012	5033	Cr Bruce Jones	750.00
31/12/2012	5034	Darwin Bolt Supplies (Normist)	268.87
31/12/2012	5035	Poolwerx Darwin	1,598.00
31/12/2012	5036	Anna Reynolds	420.00
31/12/2012	5037	Rum Jungle Tavern	500.00
31/12/2012	5038	RS Gardening Care	15,975.66
31/12/2012	5039	Top End Diesel Pty Ltd	2,629.78
31/12/2012	5040	Tradelink - Darwin Plumbing S	262.57
31/12/2012	5041	Andrew Turner	1,333.00
31/12/2012	142	Australian Communications Auth	40.00
31/12/2012	4829	Local Govt Super Scheme	1,502.66
Total			\$ 183,986.14

8.2 FINANCIAL AND GRANT REPORT, FINANCIAL SUMMARY REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th January, 2013
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

As part of the monthly reporting procedures a financial and grant report, and a financial summary report is submitted to Council.

BACKGROUND

Attached is a financial and grant report and financial summary report to 31th December, 2012.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

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(a) the actual income and expenditure of the council for the period from the commencement of the financial year up to the end of the previous month; and

(b) the forecast income and expenditure for the whole of the financial year.

(2) The report must include:

(a) details of all cash and investments held by the council (including money held in trust); and

(b) a statement on the debts owed to the council including the aggregate amount owed under each category with a general indication of the age of the debts; and

(c) other information required by the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/014

That Council receive and note the financial and grant report and financial summary report to 31th December, 2012.

Moved: Clr. Crook

Seconded: Clr. Jones

Carried

**Coomalie Community Government Council
Financial Report for the period ending 31st December 2012**

Cash at Bank					
Cash on Hand					\$ 2,000.00
Cheque Account					\$ 16,033.93
Investment Account					\$ 952,385.82
Total Cash at Bank					\$ 970,419.75
Debtors	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
Trade	-	-	-	325.00	\$ 325.00
Rates	-	-	-	202,459.06	\$ 202,459.06
Total Debtors					\$ 202,784.06
Creditors	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90 Days	
Trade		65,888.70	-	-	\$ 65,888.70
Total Creditors					\$ 65,888.70
Reconciliation of Funds					
Balance as per General Ledger					\$ 18,033.93
Add outstanding Debtors					\$ 202,784.06
Less outstanding Creditors					\$ 65,888.70
Add Investment Account					\$ 952,385.82
Total Cash & Receivables Available					\$ 1,107,315.11

Coomalie Community Government Council
Grant Report for the period ending 31st December 2012

Date Received	Grant	From	Amount	Expended to date	Amount Remaining	Acquittal Due 30/06/2010. Put towards 2013 review of DCS?
15/06/2009	Developer Contribution Scheme	NTG	\$ 53,500.00	\$ 40,112.65	\$ 13,387.35	30/06/2012
27/03/2012	Skate Ramp Grant - SPG	NTG	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 30,976.82	\$ 15,023.18	30/06/2012
27/06/2012	Adelaide River Access Playground	SPG - Dept Local Government	\$ 54,510.00	\$ -	\$ 54,510.00	30/06/2013
13/07/2012	Mimosa on the Adelaide River Grant	Territory Natural Resource Mgt	\$ 19,000.00	\$ -	\$ 19,000.00	15/06/2013
4/10/2012	CCCC Recycling in Coomalie Grant	Keep Australia Beautiful Council	\$ 8,181.82	\$ -	\$ 8,181.82	1/01/2013
3/10/2012	Oh What a Community Feeling	Office of Youth Affairs - NTG	\$ 2,000.00	\$ -	\$ 2,000.00	18/03/2013
3/10/2012	Teddy Bears Picnic	NAPCAN	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 350.00	28/11/2012
22/11/2012	Environment Grant Gamba	Dept Lands Planning & Environment	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	1/08/2013
13/11/2012	Australia Day Grant 2013	Australia Day Council NT	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	31/03/2013
			\$ 195,691.82	\$ 71,739.47	\$ 123,952.35	
		Cash and Receivables			\$ 1,107,315.11	
		Unspent Grants & Subsidies			\$ 123,952.35	
		Cash Available to Council			\$ 983,362.76	

COOMALIE COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL
MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY
DECEMBER 2012

Acc Code	Account Description	Month Actual	YTD Actual	12/13 Budget	11/12 Actual
110 ADMINISTRATION					
110 3899	TOTAL INCOME	5,882	1,155,834	1,213,370	1,165,120
110 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	53,991	401,023	715,730	800,249
110 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 110	-48,109	754,811	497,640	364,871
210 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES					
210 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	8,192	33,751	81,150	83,948
210 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 210	-8,192	-33,751	-81,150	-83,948
211 SANITATION AND GARBAGE					
211 3899	TOTAL INCOME	-16	276,593	270,930	251,856
211 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	15,833	105,418	254,960	187,201
211 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 211	-15,849	171,175	15,970	64,655
212 CEMETERIES					
212 3899	TOTAL INCOME	0	227	0	2,032
212 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	27	2,630	4,800	4,944
212 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 212	-27	-2,403	-4,800	-2,912
310 PARKS AND GARDENS					
310 3899	TOTAL INCOME	18	3,446	150	30,062
310 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	18,224	97,597	220,890	319,023
310 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 310	-18,206	-94,151	-220,740	-288,961
311 LIBRARIES					
311 3899	TOTAL INCOME	0	48,858	47,000	47,316
311 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	2,810	20,654	47,000	47,671
311 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 311	-2,810	28,204	0	-355
312 SPORT AND RECREATION					
312 3899	TOTAL INCOME	0	57,068	57,110	598
312 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	6,492	70,362	195,806	88,927
312 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 312	-6,492	-13,294	-138,696	-88,329
313 SWIMMING POOL					
313 3899	TOTAL INCOME	136	2,376	3,000	3,247
313 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	6,589	49,880	98,520	112,416
313 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 313	-6,453	-47,504	-95,520	-109,169
314 COMMUNITY RECREATION					
314 3899	TOTAL INCOME	50	187	38,000	86,810
314 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	4,406	89,420	68,770	99,045
314 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 312	-4,356	-89,233	-30,770	-12,235
410 ROADS					
410 3899	TOTAL INCOME	-199	296,525	415,924	384,224
410 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	42,520	306,980	807,570	765,196
410 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 410	-42,719	-10,455	-391,646	-380,972

Acc Code	Account Description	Month Actual	YTD Actual	12/13 Budget	11/12 Actual
510 STREETLIGHTING					
510 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	2,255	4,510	9,200	9,049
510 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 510	-2,255	-4,510	-9,200	-9,049
511 TOURISM, PARKING AND OTHER					
511 3899	TOTAL INCOME	0	9,000	23,300	19,316
511 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	3,158	14,681	59,530	64,840
511 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 511	-3,158	-5,681	-36,230	-45,524
512 DOG MANAGEMENT					
512 3899	TOTAL INCOME	306	1,755	800	839
512 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	335	1,139	5,200	5,455
512 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 512	-29	616	-4,400	-4,616
513 GLYPHOSATE					
513 3899	TOTAL INCOME	2,209	4,409	10,000	11,177
513 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	50	3,925	10,000	10,496
513 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 513	2,159	484	0	681
514 GAMBA AND WEED MANAGEMENT					
514 3899	TOTAL INCOME	-1,909	27,091	29,000	0
514 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	0	0	29,000	0
514 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY) 514	-1,909	27,091	0	0
900 3899	TOTAL INCOME	6,477	1,883,369	2,108,584	2,002,596
900 4999	TOTAL EXPENSES	164,882	1,201,970	2,608,126	2,679,031
900 5000	SURPLUS / (DEFICIENCY)	-158,405	681,399	-499,542	-676,435

8.3 BUDGET REVIEW – SIX MONTHS TO DECEMBER 2012

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th January, 2013
Author:	Melissa Kerr, Finance Manager
Attachments:	Budget Review 31 st December 2012

SUMMARY

As part of the budget process a six monthly budget report is submitted to Council to review and amend budget as required.

BACKGROUND

Attached is a budget review report to 31th December, 2012.

COMMENT

No additional comments are provided to this report.

CONSULTATION

There is no consultation that applies to this report.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

128 Adoption of budget or amendment

(1) A council must adopt its budget for a particular financial year on or before 31 July in the relevant financial year.

(2) A council may, after adopting its budget for a particular financial year, adopt an amendment to its budget (but once allowances for the members of the council for a particular financial year have been set, they cannot be changed by amendment). Chapter 10 Financial management Part 10.6 Accounting records *Local Government Act 66*

(3) As soon as practicable after adopting its budget, or an amendment to its budget, for a particular financial year, a council must:

(a) publish the budget or the amendment as adopted on the council's website; and

(b) notify the Agency in writing of the adoption of the budget or amendment; and

(c) publish a notice in a newspaper circulating generally in the area informing the public that copies of the budget or amendment may be downloaded from the council's website or obtained from the council's public office.

(4) The council's budget forms part of the council's municipal or shire plan.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policies that apply to this report.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/015

That Council receive and amend the 2012/13 budget as per attached budget review 31th December, 2012. However by accepting the offer of SPG of \$107,919 Council will transfer into reserves the sum of \$54,987 as the surplus.

Moved: Clr. Jones

Seconded: **Clr. Crook**

Carried

9 ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

9.1 USE OF COMMON SEAL

Applicant:	Department of Sport and Recreation/Rum Jungle Bowls Club
Location/Address:	Darwin
File Ref:	N/A
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	22 January, 2013
Author:	Jo'Anne Kinter, Administration Manager
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

The Common Seal will need to be affixed to the acquittal of the Grant for the Rum Jungle Bowls Club.

BACKGROUND

Nil

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

As per the Local Government Act Section 26(2).The affixing of the common seal to a document:

- (a) must be authorised or ratified by resolution of the council; and
- (b) must be attested by the signatures of the CEO and at least one member of the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/016		
That Council authorise the President and Chief Executive Officer to sign and affix the Common Seal to the acquittal of the Grant for the Rum Jungle Bowls Club		
Moved:	Clr. Bulmer	
Seconded:	Clr. Corliss	Carried

9.2 COMMUNITY RECREATION OFFICER'S REPORT

Applicant:	N/A
Location/Address:	N/A
File Ref:	CCGCDocs\ CRO
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	16 th January, 2013
Author:	Marilyn Morris, Community Recreation Officer
Attachments:	Community Recreation Officer's Report

SUMMARY

Community Recreation Officer's report for the Ordinary General Meeting held 22nd January, 2013.

BACKGROUND

Not applicable.

COMMENT

Not applicable.

CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not applicable.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/017

That Council receives and notes the Community Recreation Officer's report for January, 2013.

Moved: Clr. Bulmer

Seconded: Clr. Crook

Carried

Community Recreation Officer Report for December/January

The **Seniors Christmas lunch** was a lovely outing with approximately 60 Seniors. There were prizes galore – all generously donated from local Coomalie businesses, COTA and also Palmerston and Coolalinga.

End of Year party for Adelaide River School children – i assisted Tony Clegg on an end of year kid's party to Buley Rockholes for the day in early December. Two Bronze medallion holders were needed and Tony requested help.

The School Holiday Program is progressing well with ten to twenty children attending – three days a week. As part of the \$2000 grant from NT Government - we are creating a short drama for the Australia Day breakfast. Also took a group to Pine Creek where we tried our hand at gold prospecting in the creek with local identity Keith; and then stopped at Emerald Springs for lunch.

Australia Day plans are on track and an email has been sent to all Councillors requesting their support in the morning for a couple of hours. All food for the breakfast has been ordered through the General Store in Batchelor – Council supporting local business.

The Coomalie Swimming Group had two sessions in December and two in January already. These Wednesday sessions are very popular and the income generated from the CSG is deposited under a new CSG code and also the usual pool fee per child amount in the Swimming Pool income code. The income in the CSG fund will be used to purchase equipment for training. The adult swim exercise class is fast becoming popular. After Australia Day, I will visit the Nightcliff water aerobics class and get tips. We do not charge for the class as know one is qualified to teach – only the \$2.50 admission for adults.

Friday Night Fun at the Bruce Jones Community Centre is on again with a Hoops for Health session on 18th January. This is funded by John Holland Group – monies incoming from JHG will be deposited through the Council under a special Friday Night Fun code. This will be used to fund activities like the basketball, plus food and drinks for our regular Friday nights. Night Patrol is very proactive in their support of this Friday evening activity. Thank you to them and our regular parent helpers.

The Bombing of Darwin Service will be held on the 20th February at Adelaide River War Graves. This will again be run by the City of Darwin in conjunction with the Coomalie Shire.

Clean up Australia Day will be held on March 3rd. I have registered Batchelor and Adelaide River as cleanup sites with a bar-b-q to be held afterwards. Seeking somebody to run the Adelaide River site – please advise if you can help. I have not registered Litchfield Park Road area as site this year – am unable to contact Ros Jones regarding this until her return from holidays.

Note: Clr. Bulmer advised she will be cleaning up Miles Road on 3/3/2013.
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10 LATE REPORTS

10.1 DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT: SP GRANT

Applicant:	Department of Local Government: SP Grant
Location/Address:	Darwin NT
File Ref:	CC104#2
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	18 th January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Letter from Dept. of LG and Acceptance of Offer

SUMMARY

Department of Local government has forwarded a letter in response to Councils submission for additional Special purpose funding on 9th September, 2011.

BACKGROUND

On 9th September, 2011, Council wrote to the then Minister for Local Government regarding a meeting held with Mr Des Harris, Cr A Turner and the CEO regarding the loss in Coomalie Community Government Council grants for 2011/2012 being \$71,058 and the use of the unspent Boundary expansion grant of \$36,943 required to offset a reduction in SPG over this period.

COMMENT

In the letter received from the Minister for Local Government he has approved a Special purpose Grant of \$107,919 to supplement the reduction in NT operational subsidies for the years 2010/11 to 2012/13. In the Offer of acceptance this grant is to top up the NT Operational subsidy and *"This funding is a one-off and will not be continued in subsequent years"*.

CONSULTATION

Department of Local government - Mr P Thornton

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not applicable

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council's Finance Manager Melissa Kerr advised that the \$107,919 is to supplement reduction in NT Ops subsidy for three years 10/11, 11/12 and 12/13 as per letter.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/018

That Council accept the NT Minister for Local Government's offer of a Special Purpose Grant of \$107,919 and the CEO be empowered to accept the conditions as outlined in the SPG release document.

Moved: **Clr. Crook**

Seconded: **Clr. Corliss**

Carried

10.2 AQUA TROPICS SUBDIVISION APPLICATION

Applicant:	Aqua Tropics (NT) Pty Ltd (P Pitcher)
Location/Address:	Section 91 Solomon Road, Batchelor
File Ref:	AN71
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	21 st January, 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Aqua Tropics subdivision application.

SUMMARY

Aqua Tropics application to subdivide and consolidate section 91 hundred of Waterhouse, also known as 785 Solomon Road Batchelor with Section 1426 hundred of Waterhouse, also known as Kerr Road.

BACKGROUND

The subdivision is an extension of the first subdivision undertaken by Peter Pitcher. Councils Operation Manager Mr R Bright has provided the following report in relation to this subdivision: Peter Pitcher proposed subdivision of parcel see, 1426 x 91 Hundred of Waterhouse into 12 lots.

I do not see any problem with this subdivision except the thing that concerns us, roads and driveways, although the Councillors themselves may have issues.

We need the following conditions for the roads access and driveways.

1. Access to all lots shall be approved by Council prior to commencement of construction. In all cases a longitudinal section of the proposed work is required showing all necessary drop structures in the road side drain to prevent scouring and potential damage to the road pavement. Access ways shall be 4 meters concrete inverts single and eight meters double wide. Where applicable a pipe culvert can replace the concrete with approved plans.
2. Road way need to be 30m easement. All new roads shall be surveyed and designed by qualified personnel and designs submitted for approval by Council prior to construction. The following factors will be assessed:
 - Longitudinal gradients and their impact on water flow
 - Cross- sectional gradients and their impact on side drains and property access
 - Side drains (if required) shall be as shallow as possible with flat bottoms
 - Minimum pavement width(shoulder to shoulder) nine metres
 - Minimum compact gravel pavement 200mm at 98% of imported gravel
 - The existing road base if suitable needs to be compacted to a minimum 95%
 - Signage and guide posts
3. After construction of roads and accesses the developer shall provide Council with:
 - As constructed drawings in paper and digital form
 - Compaction tests from a registered laboratory
4. A permit to work will be required from Coomalie Council to work on Council roads.

The only other issue is the access for proposed Lot H off Solomon Road, part of this Road needs to be upgraded to the entrance of the Lot. I believe the developer should be doing this.

COMMENT

Council's response must be received by Wednesday 23rd January, 2013

CONSULTATION

Operations Manager: Mr R Bright

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Not applicable

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council's policy in relation to access applies to this subdivision including the application fees.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Application fee is \$250

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/019

That council submit the following requirement in relation to the Section 91, Solomon Road subdivision

- 1 Access to all lots shall be approved by Council prior to commencement of construction and to be in accordance with Councils approved access guidelines.
- 2 Road easement to 30m. All new roads shall be surveyed and designed by qualified personnel and designs submitted for approval by Council prior to construction.
- 3 After construction of roads and accesses the developer shall provide Council with:
 - a) As constructed drawings in paper and digital form
 - b) Compaction tests from a registered laboratory
- 4 A permit to work will be required from Coomalie Council to work on Council roads.
- 5 Access for proposed Lot H off Solomon Road will need to be upgraded to the entrance of the Lot and to be at the developers cost.

Moved: Clr. Crook

Seconded: Clr. Jones

Carried

Clr Jones and Clr Bulmer voted against.

10.3 PRISON WORK CAMP ADELAIDE RIVER

Applicant:	Ray Petrie – Chief Prison Officer Darwin
Location/Address:	Darwin Correctional Centre
File Ref:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	22 January 2013
Author:	Lee Farrell, Chief Executive Officer
Attachments:	Nil

SUMMARY

Meeting held on 22nd January, 2013 with Mr Ray Petrie, Chief Prison Officer Darwin regarding Prison Work Camp Adelaide River and other issues.

Proposal Develop a long term prison camp at Adelaide River (Old Council depot site)
 They will live in tents
 Will carry out the repairs to the site and toilets
 The prisoners will be max of 30 pax with 2 officers at all times
 Will bring their own equipment for the early works

Work will include but not limited to the following;

Bowling green mowing and maintenance
Adelaide River Oval – levelling and sprinkler upgrade
Erection of Playground equipment
Recycling of cans, bottles, picking up of cans etc from recycled areas.
Works at AR sports ground and race track
Maintenance to toilets – painting, tiling etc.
Mowing of Council areas
Working on Museum Projects – Adelaide River and Batchelor
Tree lopping and cutting off roots in ovals and Parks
Erection of White Posts
Cleaning of culverts
Cleaning of Town streets and sumps
Mowing of Pensioners lawns
Cleaning up vacant blocks
Repairs to the Castle in Batchelor.
Cleaning up around Rum Jungle lake.
Cleaning and mowing in drains in and around Chinner Road Lake Bennett, Adelaide River and Batchelor town sites.
Clean up around Rubbish Tip sites
Assist in the development of Council waste sites.
Keep Australia Beautiful Council town clean up.
Paint and repair the old railway bridges in Adelaide River.
Projects if approved : Concrete Footpaths in Adelaide River, Snake Creek Project
Clean up and mow around Bush Fire sheds, Men's shed etc.
Walking Track along railway line

Darwin City Council have 92 Prisoners managed by 8 officers. They supply them with equipment etc – estimated savings to Council in excess of \$1 million dollars annually.

REQUEST:

To use the Old Council depot as a camp site to undertake the above works. Without a camp site then NO work can be completed. If Council require rent then the project would not proceed.

CONSULTATION

Rang Luccio Cercarelli General Manager Infrastructure City of Darwin who advised as follows;

- Assign then tasks and they do the work under the supervision of the prison officers
- They Have prisoners working with Council staff
- Never had any major problems.
- They have provided light machinery for the prisoners to use
- Local Contractors – do not take their work but value adds to it. Extension of the day labour component. Get work done that Council staff do not have time to complete.
- Work on Crown land
- Have put on lunch for them on occasions when working on major projects
- Use them on Cyclone clean ups
- **Would recommend that Council give it a go.**

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/020

That Council allow the Darwin Correctional Centre free use of the Adelaide River depot on the following conditions:

- 1 Council hold a Public Meeting to advise the Community of the proposed Camp in Adelaide River.
- 2 The repairs be carried out to the toilets and showers at No expense to Council.
- 3 The use of the land and buildings be for a 6 month trial period – rent free.
- 4 The president and CEO meet with the Darwin Correctional centre on a bi-monthly basis to discuss projects and any community issues associated with the Project.
- 5 The overall project be reviewed one month prior to the end of the trial period.

Moved **Clr. Bulmer**

Seconded **Clr. Crook**

Carried

11 ELECTED MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

NIL

12 COUNCIL REPORTS

No Reports

13 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

President closed meeting for confidential items at 10.10pm.

The information is classed as confidential under Clause 9(c) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2008.

Clr Bulmer left the Chambers 10.45pm

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

14.1 NOTES FROM ADELAIDE RIVER MEETING

SUMMARY

Clr Max Corliss provided council with notes from a meeting held with interested people from Adelaide River to provide an insight on their thinking to undertake major developments in Adelaide River. These issues will be included in Councils Strategic Plan. They make some interesting comments on a range of issues. The communities' perceptions on the various projects that may be on Councils radar is always welcome. The meeting with the ARSS is probably one avenue that Council should pursue.

The notes included suggestions under the following headings:

1. Proposal for Tourist Information Centre
2. Community Centre in Adelaide River
3. Council owned land in Adelaide River
4. Do we buy equipment / machinery
5. Rates

Action - CEO to look at Grant funding for points 1-3 and ideas to be included in the strategic plan
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14.2 EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS - ADELAIDE RIVER

SUMMARY

Clr Corliss received a letter from Mr Wayne Parsons dated 17th January 2013, requesting council look at a simple and inexpensive "above flood level" emergency access/exit to the housing area and the Adelaide River Health Clinic. Mr Parsons stated that Hopewell St is the only access for both the Clinic and housing areas of Hatt, Hardy, Swannel and Becker Streets and is the first road to become flooded, to a point where conventional vehicles cannot pass.

Mr Parsons has suggested the construction of a single lane gravelled (wet weather) access track on lot 89, between the clinic and fire station from the corner of Becker St to the service road by the council office, only to be opened when flooding imminent.

Action - CEO to follow up with Adelaide River Auto Port re vehicle access through this property in times of flooding in Adelaide River

14.3 NORTHERN ROADS – MEETING WITH LITCHFIELD COUNCIL

CEO has invited Litchfield Council CEO to meeting regarding Boundary and Northern Roads. The meeting is planned for the week commencing 29th January 2013. Clr Turner advised he would be available to attend. Clr Crook to be advised of the meeting date and time as he may be available.

14.4 REVIEW OF ROAD FUNDING METHODOLOGY

CEO presented a submission to the Grant's Commission relaying the future methodology on Road Funding Grants.

14.5 RUM JUNGLE TAVERN APPLICATION TO INCREASE TAKEAWAY LIQUOR HOURS

Applicant:	Stamen Investments Pty Ltd – Rum Jungle Tavern
Location/Address:	Batchelor
File Ref:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date:	22 January, 2013
Author:	Administration Manager
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

The Rum Jungle Tavern has applied to the NT Licensing Commission for a “variation of Licence Conditions”. The proposed variations are:

To increase liquor takeaway hours of the Rum Jungle Tavern from 10.00 hours to 19.00 hours seven days a week, to 10.00 hours to 22.00 hours seven days a week.

BACKGROUND Nil

COMMENT Nil

CONSULTATION

A Rate payer rang the CEO requesting Council to consider this Licence Application and make a submission. CEO has discussed the application with the Batchelor Police who will lodge an objection under NT Police policy.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

RESOLUTION 22/01/2013/023

That Council object to the extension of the License application by Rum Jungle Tavern to 22.00 hours but would be prepared to agree to an extension of the trading Hours to 21.00 hours so as to conform to the other liquor licence outlets in the Batchelor Town ship. The approval be for a trial period of 6 months.

Moved Clr Jones

Seconded Clr Crook

Carried

15 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary General Meeting of Coomalie Community Government Council will be held at Batchelor on 19th February, 2013.

President closed the meeting at 11.10 pm