

**Nhulunbuy Town Board**  
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting  
Nhulunbuy Corporation Board Room, Nhulunbuy, Northern Territory  
Tuesday 15 August 2017 at 8:40am

**Present**

Adam Seiler (AS)	Chairperson (Nhulunbuy Corporation)
Zenel Bajraktari (ZB)	Member
Megan Niven (MN)	Member
Chris Putland (CP)	Member
Jim Rogers (JR)	NT Government (NTG) Representative
Wanda Sutter (WS)	Acting Secretary

**1. Apologies**

RTA	Rio Tinto (RT) Gove Operations
Hannah Fincham-Thomson (HFT)	Member

**2. Conflict of Interest**

*Nil*

**3. Confirmation of Minutes – 18 July 2017**

**Moved:** MN

**Seconded:** CP

Carried

**4. Business Arising from Minutes**

It was resolved that the following from the **Action List** are closed out and completed (see *Action List July 2017*)

15/17 – Complete

17/17 – Complete

It was also resolved that the following from the **Action List** were updated (see *Action List July 2017*).

06/17 – Project on-hold however will be completed prior to the wet season

07/17 – Ongoing

18/17 – Ongoing

21/17 – Ongoing – JR to check additional funding provided to East Arnhem Shire for Night Patrol and update CEO to report back to Town Board Members

CP requested update on Medical Services in Nhulunbuy – AS has submitted a letter to the Flinders Charles Darwin University (FCD) CEO and continued dialogue and advocacy wherever possible continued to be provided. JR also provided an update DCM and Public Health have submitted letters to the FCD CEO also. CP questioned if there is anything the community can do JR suggested continued community advocacy around the issue.

**5. Monthly Operations Report – July 2017**

Report tabled and noted.

CP questioned if there is funding for a paid Tourism position. AS stated he is working with East Arnhem Land Tourism Association to secure funding incorporated with the NCL to secure a fulltime position.

**Town Feedback (complaints/compliments/feedback/suggestions)**

– No complaints, compliments, feedback or suggestions received for July 2017.

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Secretary:

Date:

Chairperson:

Date:

**In Kind Support**

<b>Date received</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Support granted</b>	<b>Financial cost</b>
03/07/2017	ARDS		Oval Hire and chairs from Town Hall	\$1,200
04/07/2017	Relay for Life	BBQ		\$51
Month total				\$1,251
<b>Year to Date</b>				<b>\$17,239</b>

**6. Correspondence***Nil***7. Town Vision update****Unique Lifestyles Stream:**

AS suggested that next year one it would be appreciated if each day of the Garma Festival, one elected member was present at the Nhulunbuy Corporation / Town Vision stand. This was acknowledged by all members.

**Community Participation:**

3 Artists and 35 Community participants formed part of the Town Centre Mural Project, AS advised community participation could have been a better and was down on the level of participation experienced in other projects.

The 'Bin project' photos have been printed and placed on walls at the airport in check-in and arrivals, as well as painting walls in more vibrant colours in an effort out there to brighten the area up.

CP questioned if there will be any painted bins put out at the airport, MR stated 1 bin was missed during the project and would be placed at the base of the Marika Lookout Tower. CP suggested this may not be appropriate due to vandalism. AS indicated a bin at the airport could create a Segway to direct visitors into the town centre and look at the full collection of painted bins.

The project remains on-hold pending scheduling.

**Robust Economy:**

JR provided an update and presented a transition report on regional development of Nhulunbuy to the seniors lunch, with feedback received being very responsive and positive. The transition report will be presented to the productivity commissions group.

JR also advised Nhulunbuy's population has been confirmed at 3,300 increasing from 2,100 in 2014.

Further, JR confirmed new Government services will be coming into the region, designed to continue to support interim growth strategies such as Aged Care & National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

**Project Report:**

MR provided a final project report for Town Vision – highlighting the positive feedback and interest received from members of the public around Town Vision at Garma.

The public garden soft-lighting project is in progress and NCL will look to consider expanding lighting throughout the Town Centre.

Maria concluded, indicating the principal lowlight in her report, being the lack of support from Town Board members at Town Vision events such as the Town Centre Mural.

**8. General Business**

*Nil*

**9. Any Other Business**

ZB raised concerns on being addressed about Home Trading matters and stated he had informed the concerned patrons to approach NCL directly.

AS reiterated that Home Trading matters are operational, and any issues or concerns are to be addressed to NCL and will be addressed internally.

CP questioned when New Town Board Member inductions will be completed – AS stated he is still working on the induction pack, however confirmed his office remains open for any Town Board Member to approach him directly when seeking clarification on their roles and responsibilities.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting close at 10:19am.

Next meeting: Tuesday 19 September 2017 at 8:30am.