

Nhulunbuy Town Board
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting
Nhulunbuy Corporation Board Room, Nhulunbuy, Northern Territory
Tuesday 24 September 2019 at 8:30am

Present

Allison Mills (AM)	Chairperson (Nhulunbuy Corporation)
Melissa Cruickshank (MC)	Rio Tinto (RT) Gove Operations
Megan Niven (MN)	Member
Lynne Walker (LW) By phone	Member
Jim Rogers (JR)	NT Government (NTG) Representative
Zenel Bajraktari (ZB)	Member
Christine Arnold (CA)	Member
Stacie Irving (SI)	Secretary

1. Apologies

None Recorded

2. Conflict of Interest

JR declared a conflict of interest regarding the Gove Junior Football Club Inc – Community Assistance Grant Application

LW declared a conflict of interest regarding the Arnhem land Historical Society – Community Assistance Grant Application

3. Confirmation of Minutes – 27 August 2019

Moved: MC

Seconded: MN

Carried 6/0

4. Business Arising from Minutes

It was resolved that the following from the **Action List** were updated (see *Action List August 2019*).

27/17: Buku-Larrnggay Arts Centre Signage – Signage has been received and NC is working through the process for installation which may include a building application because of the sign's position on RTA land – *Review October 2019*

35/18: Town Centre and Industrial Signage – All signage has been installed with one change to the large sign – the removal of 'refinery' on the sign to be replaced with Melville Bay. *Review October 2019.*

45/18: Industrial Estate Signage – AM presented a draft design to Town Board, measurements will need to be finalised. The sign will need to be positioned to include a pull off bay. AM to present the design to community representatives. CCI have some funds available and are willing to apply for a small grant for the project if required. - *Review October 2019.*

53/19: Fluoridation Forum – Town board members has been involved in a tele conference with the health department, Australian Water Association and representative from GHD who have worked on installation in communities previously. JR questioned the process used when fluoridation was ceased in 2012, and why consultation would be required to re-

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instate. MC updated board members, part of RTA's global standards requires community consultation before implementation of fluoridation. The proposal from GHD needs to provide engagement and consulting strategies that provide a definitive outcome concern was expressed by members on the reliance of a 'vote' as a determination. Town board endorse leaving the draft scope of works as is with their concerns being noted and wait for GHD draft scope to be brought to board members for review and discussion. – *Review October 2019*

56/19: Discussion Paper on Constitutional Changes to include Yolgnu Representation – AM updated Nhulunbuy Town Board that a special meeting was conducted before the ordinary meeting this morning to present special resolution. AM has noted that Town board resolved to endorse the changes to the constitution. - *Review October 2019*

57/19 Pedestrian Crossing on Chesterfield Circuit – AM stated the survey has been completed and sent to traffic engineering consultants to draft a design. NC will progress to costing the works once the design is received. -- *Review October 2019*

64/19: Issues with Carparking near Church on Chesterfield Circuit – AM updated that the Manager of Strategic Infrastructure has met with Mrs Jennifer Lavery and discussed budget inclusions to resurface the area and include installation of some bollards to help set boundaries between the church and the carparking. – *Review September 2019*

It was resolved that the following from the **Action List** to be completed and removed.

54/19: Alcohol Reference Group – AM updated the board members that a formal invite was sent to the director general of the licencing commission and the chairperson of the licencing commission on behalf of the Gove Peninsula Harmony Group. – *Completed September 2019*

62/19: Communications Groups Communications – AM noted that DEAL is sponsoring training as a part of October Business Week which is set for 22 October 4 – 8pm at the Gove Peninsula Golf Club. – *Completed September 2019*

65/19 YBE Bus route timetable – AM updated that the timetable was sent to town board members and that the implementation of the new timetable will likely be late 2019 – *Completed September 2019*

5. Correspondence Out

Notice of Special meeting – changes to the Town Board Constitution

- Regarding Yolgnu representation on the Nhulunbuy Town Board.

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Community Assistance Application – Arafura Dance Association

The following documentation was tabled:

- Community Assistance Application Form
- Certificate of Currency Insurance
- Email Correspondence regarding items to be purchased with funding.

It was resolved that:

Town Board members approve the application for fund of \$1250 for the purchase of UHF radio with headsets equipment, through the Community Assistance Program.

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Moved: LW
Seconded: ZB
Carried 7/0

Community Assistance Application – Arnhem Coast Clean up

The following documentation was tabled:

- Community Assistance Application Form
- Event description documentation

It was resolved that:

Town Board members have asked for the group to nominate an eligible sponsor due to the group not being incorporated. The board members support the application with the above conditions.

Moved: LW
Seconded: JR
Carried 7/0

LW leaves the room due to a noted conflict of interest with the next item on the agenda.

Community Assistance Application – Arnhem Land Historical Society

The following documentation was tabled:

- Community Assistance Application Form
- Aerial Photos and mapping of the site
- Quote for the survey works to be funded by grant application.

Town Board members are happy to support in principle but members noted the application for fund of \$1250 for the surveying the site for services may be provided to the society by their landlord, Nhulunbuy Corporation but not through the Community Assistance Program.

LW returns to the room and is updated on the decision to hold the application due to the possibility of works being completed for the organisation.

Community Assistance Application – Gove Country Golf Club

The following documentation was tabled:

- Community Assistance Application Form
- Certificate of Currency Insurance
- Photos of existing and quotes for replacement furniture needed.

It was resolved that:

Town Board members approve the application for fund of \$1250 for the upgrade of outdoor furniture settings, through the Community Assistance Program.

Moved: CA
Seconded: ZB
Carried 7/0

JR leaves the room due to a noted conflict of interest with the next item on the agenda.

Community Assistance Application – Gove Junior Football Club Inc

The Town board agreed to receive as a late application, the following documentation was tabled:

- Community Assistance Application Form
- Certificate of Currency Insurance

It was resolved that:

Town Board members approve the application for fund of \$1250 for the purchase of uniforms for futsal titles, through the Community Assistance Program.

Moved: LW

Seconded: MN

Carried 6/0

JR returns to the room and is updated on the decision to approve the application.

Partnership Program Application – Nhulunbuy High School - Robotics Club

The following documentation was tabled:

- Community Assistance Application Form
- Endorsement regarding previous Robotics school holiday program events.

It was resolved that:

Town Board members approve the application for fund of \$2500 for the purchase of robotics kits and components, through the Partnership Program.

Moved: CA

Seconded: LW

Carried 7/0

Monthly Ops Report August 2019

- *Airport screening at Gove Aerodrome* – AM updated Town Board members that there hasn't been a final decision, the tier levels are going to be changed, we may move to a different tier that may not require screening. There is a potential that if screening doesn't occur passengers will need to disembark at secondary destinations to be screened. JR noted the fact code share and interconnectivity may be affected.
- *Dog Registration* – AM noted the consistently increased numbers of dog registration on town lease and FRU which can help the enforcement of infringements. NC Animal Management Officer has noticed an increase of Buffalo moving towards Town lease when hunting activity in surrounding areas increasing.
- *Infrastructure* – AM spoke regarding project managing the Town board parks upgrades to have them completed for the end of 2019.
- *Sign at the T-Junction* – Possibly a destination sign 'sense of arrival' may be able to progress through DEAL and NTG funding Central Arnhem Road destination plan and the plan can be fed back through the Nhulunbuy Town Board.
- *Street Sweeper* – AM updated that the street sweeper is now fully operational starting with the main roads around town and moving to smaller roads in the coming months.
- *Information Centre Signage* – AM noted that the signage is being followed up. Top End Tourism have now employed someone whose responsible solely for looking after NT information centres and NC will continue regular follow-ups.

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- *Unauthorised Turf Removal* – AM stated that turf has been stolen from Hindle Oval on a regular basis and investigation has been conducted and the police are involved.

6. General Business

Central Arnhem Road Update

- JR stated that there will be two resealing packages coming as part of the \$225 million spend on the road. One package of works will be the extension of the seal at the Beswick end of the road approximately 5km and 15km of seal between the bridges at the Goyder and rocky bottom creek to protect existing paving that is already installed. The next process is to draft an investment strategy and look at the delivery of the project overall and how to work from both ends of the unsealed road.

Marine Precinct Gove Boat Club

- The marine precinct at Gove Boat club is progressing, the partnership is being formed between the funding bodies and then design work will begin.
- The campground at the Gove Boat club has just received funding from RTA to keep the progress on track and completion for next dry season.

Recreational Areas – Length of stay

- Dhimmurru is finalising their section 19 negotiation and changes which will put in place more restrictions regarding the length of stay recreational areas.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 10:00am.

Next meeting: Tuesday 22 October 2019, commencing 8:30am.