

MINUTES OF THE **ORDINARY** MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
29 JANUARY 2018 AT 6:00PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, ALICE SPRINGS

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Opening of the Meeting by the Mayor

His Worship the Mayor Damien Ryan declared the meeting open at 6.01pm and welcomed all present to the meeting.

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

PRESENT

Mayor D. Ryan (Chair)
Councillor J. de Brenni
Councillor M. Banks
Councillor J. Cocking
Councillor E. Melky
Councillor M. Paterson
Councillor C. Satour

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R. Mooney – Chief Executive Officer
Mr S. Allen – Director Technical Services
Mr C. Wilson – Acting Director Corporate and Community Services
Mr D. Pillay – Director Finance
Mrs A. Signor – Executive Assistant (Minutes)

2. PRAYER

Pastor Jamie Tasker from Desert Life Church presented the prayer preceding the meeting.

3. APOLOGIES

Councillor J. Price – Family commitments
Councillor G. Auricht – Community/volunteer commitment

4. WELCOME TO THE GALLERY AND PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The Mayor welcomed those present in the gallery.

A minutes silence observed for Mr Daymon Stokie.

Welcome to the Minister for Territory Families, the Hon. Dale Wakefield MLA.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

6.1 Minutes of the Ordinary Open Meeting of the Council held on Monday 11 December 2017

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6.1.1 Correction to spelling of Michelle Ride.

6.1.2 Division to be reflected in the minutes from the following item

Agenda Item 12. Notice of Motions – Rescission Motion

“12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS – Rescission Motion

12.1 Councillor Matt Paterson

Moved Councillor Paterson
Seconded Councillor de Brenni

That standing orders be removed.

CARRIED (19444)

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Price

That standing orders be resumed.

CARRIED (19445)

Moved Councillor Paterson
Seconded Councillor de Brenni

That the Alice Springs Town Council rescind minute (19324) passed after division at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Monday 23rd October 2017.

CARRIED (19446)

DIVISION

Voting in Favour

Mayor Ryan
Cr de Brenni
Cr Auricht
Cr Paterson
Cr Price

Voting Against

Cr Banks
Cr Satour
Cr Melky
Cr Cocking

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- 6.1.3 Cr. Cocking declared a conflict of interest with the following item from the 11 December 2017 Ordinary meeting:
Agenda Item 14.4.6 – Alice Springs Town Council Development Committee Meeting minutes from Monday 4 December 2017.
- 6.1.4 Cr. Banks - Page three from the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting on 11 December 2017. (Reference 13.2.3 Notice of Motion – Cr Catherine Satour – Changes to Policy 102A – Anzac Hill Flags (Item 8.2))

Moved Councillor Banks
Seconded Councillor Cocking

That the following paragraph be removed from the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 11 December 2017.

“CEO Rex Mooney advised that the meeting took place and the issue was raised with the Traditional Owners, however there was no collective view. There are currently no further reports for Council staff to prepare.”

CARRIED (19499)

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Councillor de Brenni

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council held Monday 11 December 2017 be confirmed as amended as a true and correct record of the proceedings of those meetings.

CARRIED (19500)

6.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

- 6.2.1 Cr. Banks requested an update regarding the question from Jessie Hancock at the Ordinary Meeting on 11 December 2017, protecting the Alice Springs water supply.
Mayor Ryan advised that a letter has been sent to the Chief Minister and a response is yet to be received.
- 6.2.2 Cr. Banks requested an update regarding the question from Michelle Ride at the Ordinary Meeting on 11 December 2017, Council’s position on the proposed Art Gallery location.
Mayor Ryan advised that this discussion will take place at the February Standing Committee Meetings.
- 6.2.3 Cr. de Brenni requested an update on Ragonesi Road, public consultation and communication with Mrs Heenan who has put forward a petition.
Scott Allen, the Director Technical Services advised communications have occurred and a report will be included in the February Technical Services Committee Meeting.

7. MAYORAL REPORTS AND MINUTES

7.1 Mayor's Report
Report No.4/18cncl

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Paterson

Mayor Ryan acknowledged the Australia Day Award recipients:
Young Centralian of the Year – Shaquiena George
Centralian Volunteer of the Year – Jeff Huyben
Centralian Senior Citizen of the Year – Celia Otley
Community Event of the Year – The Poppy Project (Maureen York)
Centralian Citizen of the Year – Debbie Page

That the Mayor's Report be received.

CARRIED (19501)

7.2 Business arising from the Report

Councillor Banks

Item 1.41 Lyndon Frearson, Ekistica – CBD Redevelopment
Mr Frearson shared his experience and suggestions for redevelopment of the CBD.

Item 1.85 ASTC Acting CEO Craig Wilson and Michael Smith, ASTC Manager Community and Cultural Development – Public Art Advisory Committee
What the PAAC does and progress on the plan written a year ago by the Committee.

Councillor Cocking

Item 1.48 Mark Crees, Araluen Cultural Precinct Director and Scott Allen, ASTC Director Technical Services – Frank McEllister Community Park
Construction of the toilet block next to the playground, community engagement.

Item 1.58 Charlie King, Rob Clarke, Ian McAdam and Craig Wilson, ASTC Acting CEO – No More Campaign
Came about after discussion from Cr. Price. General discussion and report to follow at the February CCS Standing Committee Meeting.

Item 1.83 Richard Udall, IPT Project Manager. Steve Wynd, BAE Systems Australia Project Director.
Extension plans at the over the horizon radar facility and what it may mean to business in Central Australia. They are working with local contractors. Mayor Ryan has invited Richard Udall, IPT Project Manager to present to Council.

8. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Satour

Operation Shulton Meeting
Anjali Palmer, Department of Health - Youth and Alcohol survey
The Hon. Bob Katter MP, Member for Kennedy, Queensland
Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony
Cr. Melky
Cr. Banks
Cr. Cocking
Onsite Meeting at 69 Bullen Road - 9 Lot Subdivision with Mr Patrick Brown
Interagency tasking Coordination Sub committee
Strategic Plan John Huigen
Christmas Party RWMF
Arrernte Womens Meeting
LG Hub Demonstration
Emergency Community Safety Meeting
Correspondence to Mayor re Youth and Bullying

Councillor Cocking

ASTC Depot Christmas Party
Meeting with Scott Lovett and Cliff Weeks - ICC and Masterplan
BBL Match at Traeger Park
Revenue discussion paper meeting
BBQ for Depot Staff – BBL Match
Onsite Meeting at 69 Bullen Road - 9 Lot Subdivision with Mr Patrick Brown
Arrernte women's meeting by invite
Freedom Fire - invasion eve gathering
Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony
Australia Day at the ASALC
DKA information session
Cr. Melky
Cr. Satour
Cr. Banks
The Hon. Nicole Manison MLA and the Hon. Dale Wakefield MLA
Bob Durnan, Blair McFarland and Leon Tripp
Neighbour meeting at Relationships Australia
Business at Sunset CAWLS
ASTC LG Hub Demonstration
The Hon. Lauren Moss MLA and Chief of Staff Mary Fall
CEO Mr Rex Mooney - Phone
ABC interview on Australia Day
Advocate on Australia Day
Advocate - Town alcohol issues

Councillor Paterson

Albrecht Oval Public Consultation
BBL Matches at Traeger Park
BBQ for Depot Staff – BBL Match
Coaching Forum with the Adelaide Strikers
Cr. de Brenni – Phone
Residents, Meetings and phonecalls - Anzac Oval and Art Gallery

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The Hon. Dale Wakefield MLA
Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony
Australia Day Walk
Welcome Reception for the BBL Matches
Emergency Community Safety Meeting
ASTC LG Hub Demonstration
Mr Chansey Paech MLA, Members for Namatjira

Councillor Melky

Meetings with concerned citizens
Meetings in relation to the Todd Mall Loading zone
Albrecht Oval Public Consultation
Cr. Satour
Cr. Cocking
Cr. Banks
CEO Mr Rex Mooney – Council matters
Traditional Owners – Concerns and capacity as a Councillor
Attend the Meeting to review the Jane Road Proposal
Mr Tim Jennings – Todd Mall issues
The Hon. Bob Katter MP, Member for Kennedy, Queensland
Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony
Rate payer complaint
Welcome Reception for the BBL Matches
BBQ for Depot Staff – BBL Match – Congratulations to the ASTC Team
Arrernte Women meeting – Council matters
Meetings with residents – positive feedback for 2018
Government Agencies/Bodies - Addressing anti-social behaviour issues

Councillor Banks

Albrecht Oval Public Consultation
ASTC LG Hub Demonstration
ASTC Depot Christmas Party
Freedom Fire – Keep the Fire Burning – Hospital Lawns
Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony
Cr. Satour
Cr. Cocking
Cr. Melky
ASALC – New Years Eve Party

Councillor de Brenni

BBL Match at Traeger Park – Thank you to Director Technical Services and ASTC Operations
Gary Burns – APA referred to Director Technical Services
Meeting with ex-Councillors – Steve Brown, Dave Douglas and Brendan Heenan, improvements in Hartley Street. Thank You to ASTC Operations.
Mayor Ryan and Liz Martin, National Road Transport Hall of Fame
Beth Moloney, Department of Chief Minister
Mayor Ryan
REDC Staff – February Meeting
Operation Shulton with Mayor Ryan, Cr. Satour and Agencies
Onsite Meeting at 69 Bullen Road - 9 Lot Subdivision with Mr Patrick Brown
Representatives from Senator Nigel Scullion's office and ASTC Executive Staff
BBQ for Depot Staff – BBL Match

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Michael Butler - Taxation review discussion paper Public Information session
Michael Butler, ICN Representative and CADO Officers
Residents – Bojangles and impact on the ASTC Lawns/Public toilets
Mr Steve Edgington, Barkly Mayor
Darren Burton – 50 Plus Centre
Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony

9. ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 9.1 That Elected Members and Officers provide notification of matters to be raised in General Business.
- 9.2 Cr. Cocking - Service Clubs and Adventure Playground / Water Play Area
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.3 Cr. Cocking - Council invite Stakeholders to meet and discuss new Liquor Commission
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.4 Cr. Satour - Arrernte Women / Correspondence received to read to Council
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.5 Cr. Satour - Aboriginal Flag - Anzac Hill Flag Policy
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.6 Cr. de Brenni - Sexual harassment in the workplace
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.7 Cr. Banks - Participation in the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.8 Dinesh Pillay, Director Finance - Elected Member Tablet Software
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks
- 9.9 CEO Rex Mooney - CBD Facelift
Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks

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10. DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

Nil

11. MEMORIALS

Nil

12. NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Nil

13. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES – RECOMMENDATIONS

13.1 Finance Committee

Nil

13.2 Corporate and Community Services Committee

Nil

13.3 Technical Services Committee

Nil

14. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

14.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 CEO Report
Report No. 5/18cncl

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Cocking

CEO Rex Mooney advised that Mr Robin Granites commenced with ASTC on Monday 8 January 2018 and this would be reflected on the February CEO Report.

Cr. Banks requested notification of new senior appointments at Council which the CEO agreed to action.

That this report be received and noted.

CARRIED (19502)

14.2 DIRECTOR FINANCE

14.2.1 Financial Reports
Report No: 6/18cncl

Moved Councillor Cocking
Seconded Councillor Banks

Cr. de Brenni

Attachment 4, Invoice 178606 (Page 2 of 26)

Requested a breakdown for invoice 178606. The Director Technical Services has taken on notice.

Dinesh Pillay, Director Finance

Attachment 3, outstanding rate ratio has transposed incorrectly. A revised copy will be included in the Finance Reports for February.

Cr. Cocking

Attachment 4, Page 17/26, Counselling Service invoices.

The Director Finance has taken on notice to provide information in the confidential meeting.

That this report be noted.

CARRIED (19503)

14.3 DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

14.3.1 Directorate Update

Report No: 2/18cncl

Moved Councillor Banks
Seconded Councillor Satour

That this report be received and noted.

CARRIED (19504)

The Acting Director Corporate and Community Services to follow up with the Manager of Ranger Unit – Public consumption of alcohol under Item 9 / Attachment B not included in January report.

The Acting Director Corporate and Community Services provided an update on the bike survey. Two ASTC Staff conducting an intensive survey in Todd Mall in the last two weeks of February. This data will be presented at the CCS Standing Committee Meeting in March.

14.3.2 Nominations to the Northern Territory Grants

Report No: 3/18cncl

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Melky

A. That Council nominates an Elected Member in response to the LGANT call for a nomination to the Northern Territory Grants Commission.

B. That Council forwards the above nomination to LGANT before close of business 31 January 2018.

Cr. de Brenni nominated Mayor Damien Ryan. Mayor Ryan accepted the nomination.

Commitment of three weeks per year, reimbursement of \$430.00 per day for the role from the Northern Territory Government.

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Melky

That Council nominates Mayor Damien Ryan as the representative on the Northern Territory Grants Commission.

CARRIED (19505)

14.4 TECHNICAL SERVICES

14.4.1 Technical Services Directorate Update
Report No: 1/18cncl

Moved Councillor Melky
Seconded Councillor Banks

That this report be received and noted.

CARRIED (19506)

15. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

15.1 Cr. Cocking - Service Clubs and Adventure Playground / Water Play Area

Moved Councillor Paterson
Seconded Councillor Banks

That Standing orders be removed.

CARRIED (19507)

Cr. Melky declared a conflict of interest as he is a member of the Rotary Club and the Henley on Todd Treasurer.

Cr. Melky left the Chamber 6.48pm
Cr. Melky returned to the Chamber 6.52pm

Mayor Ryan advised that he is currently on leave from Rotary.

Cr. Cocking requested that Alice Springs Town Council start a conversation with the Service Clubs in Alice Springs and how they might work together and share the cost for an adventure playground including water play areas.

Mayor Ryan advised his support and recommended taking the idea to the Parks Advisory Committee. Suggestion to invite each Service Club separately to a Parks Advisory Committee Meeting.

The Director Technical Services to invite the Service Clubs to attend the next Parks Advisory Committee Meeting. Cr. Paterson to be invited to the meeting.

Cr. Cocking, Cr. Paterson and the Director Technical Services to meet to discuss the direction.

Moved Councillor Paterson
Seconded Councillor Banks

That Standing orders be resumed.

CARRIED (19508)

15.2 Cr. Cocking - Council invite Stakeholders to meet and discuss new Liquor Commission

Cr. Cocking requested that Council initiate a meeting with health services, social services, Indigenous organisations, government bodies and Alice Springs publicans to discuss alcohol related crime and developing joint strategies.

CEO Rex Mooney advised that this item will be included in the agenda for the February CCS Committee Meeting.

Cr. Cocking requested that some summer statistics be included in the report if possible.

15.3 Cr. Satour - Arrernte Women - Correspondence received to read to Council

Cr. Satour advised that she was recently invited to a meeting with Arrernte Women to discuss some concerns that are dividing and affecting the Community.

Cr. Satour presented the following statement to the Chamber.

“As an Elected Member, I wish to facilitate communication between the members of the Council’s constituency and the Council; And as such:

Address to ASTC from the Aboriginal Women of Central Australia.

We are grandmothers, mothers, sisters, and daughters, Traditional Owners, custodians and land owners. We are professional working women, advocates of our community, we are mentors, business owners and foremost, we are the recognised Leaders of our communities. Between us, we have thousands of years of a lived experience as Aboriginal women in this region, engaging and empowering our people.

We have always worked hard and strived for unity, reconciliation and harmony amongst our Community of Alice Springs, so we can work together to address our problems and move forward.

While for 230 years, we have experienced lateral violence, racial profiling, discrimination and being constantly vilified. To those who have taken the time to engage with us, to walk with us in support of our community, we say thank you. If ever there was a time where we needed your support, this is the time.

It is also a time and an opportunity for new leadership to flourish. We know that to be an Aboriginal leader, it required you to be appointed and recognised as such by the Aboriginal Community.

In the words of the Honourable Linda Burney, MP:

“Leadership in an Aboriginal cultural context is not given or measured by how much media you get or if you can earn big money. True Aboriginal leadership does not come from high-level appointments or board membership. It doesn’t come from and

cannot be given white constructs. Leadership is earned; it is given when you have proven you can deal with responsibility and you understand that responsibility.”

To the Mayor and Councillors of Alice Springs, we acknowledge your support of The Arrernte People. Some of you have achieved recognition to further the conversation at Local, Territory and National levels, relating to the core issues affecting aboriginal people.

We understand that in your roles and responsibility as elected members of Council, you will have many opportunities to speak on issues that relate to Aboriginal people. Regardless of whether we may agree or not agree with some statements, we encourage you to do this in a meaningful and respectful way and avoid vilifying our traditional cultures and the Aboriginal people of Central Australia.

All we ask is that you support us in our endeavor to strive for unity, reconciliation and harmony amongst our Community of Alice Springs, so we can work together to address our problems and move forward.”

Moved Councillor Satour
Seconded Councillor Banks

That Council accept the statement read by Cr. Satour and Craig Wilson, Acting Director Corporate and Community Services sets up a meeting with the Arrernte women, with assistance from Cr. Satour.

CARRIED (19509)

15.4 Aboriginal Flag - Anzac Hill Flag Policy

Cr. Satour requested an update.

CEO Rex Mooney advised that as discussed at the December Ordinary Council Meeting, a report will be tabled for the February CCS Committee Meeting.

Cr. Satour will liaise further with Traditional Owners and has spoken to many Traditional Owners of the Arrernte nation, both men and women and would like the Traditional Owners to be invited to the meeting to have their voices heard once the meeting is arranged.

15.5 Cr. de Brenni - Sexual harassment in the workplace

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Paterson

Cr. de Brenni asked if the Alice Springs Town Council is confident that the policies in place on sexual harassment in the workplace regarding employment are current and Council has a safe policy for engagement.

CEO Rex Mooney responded in the affirmative.

15.6 Cr. Banks – Participation in the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory

Draft Final Report from 12 December 2017.

Cr. Banks read findings handed down in the Inquiry and key recommendations.

Quoting specifically recommendations 7.6 and 14.3

Cr. de Brenni advised that he would be like to work with Regional Councils.
Cr. Cocking to report back about conversations that have been held with Regional Councils in the Alice Springs area and what their current view is in 2018.

Moved Councillor Banks
Seconded Councillor Melky

That the Alice Springs Town Council does not support lifting the moratorium on onshore shale gas fracking; and in doing so writes to the Chief Minister and relevant Ministers to formally convey the position.

UNANIMOUS
CARRIED(19510)

It is noted that the Mayor will attend the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory to be held on 8th February 2018.

Mayor noted best business practice to inform all Councillors before the meeting of the process regarding motions.

15.7 Dinesh Pillay, Director Finance - Elected Member Tablet Software

Presentation from both Diligent Software and LG Hub.

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Melky

That Council moves to using the Diligent software system.

UNANIMOUS
CARRIED(19511)

15.8 CEO Rex Mooney - CBD Facelift

Working with the Chamber of Commerce for a facelift of the business premises in the Todd Mall. Offer owners of premises a facelift. Owner to pay half. Council and Chamber of Commerce to pay half subject to a maximum as noted in the guidelines. Commitment of \$20k from Alice Springs Town Council. A coordinator would be appointed to this project.

Moved Councillor de Brenni
Seconded Councillor Paterson

The Council become involved in the project and commit \$20k.

CARRIED(19512)

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16. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

17. MATTERS FOR MEDIA ATTENTION

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

18. NEXT MEETING: Monday, 26 February 2017 at 6.00pm

19. ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN MEETING

Moved Councillor Melky
Moved Councillor Cocking

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

CARRIED (19513)

The meeting adjourned at 8.20pm.

Confirmed on _____

CHAIRMAN _____

Date _____