

# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MEETING HELD 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## 1 OPEN MEETING

Meeting opened 11.11am

PRESENT AT MEETING:

**Elected Members:**

- Cr Edmunds
- Cr Sing
- Cr Moreen
- Cr Holtze

**Staff:**

- Dave Ferguson – CEO

**Visitors:**

- Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters - Manager Sustainability and Compliance  
Local Government, Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet

**Apologies:**

Nil

President requested a minute silence in memory of Belyuen community members recently passed.  
Condolences expressed by CEO of Yilli Housing: Michael Berto.

## 2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**Recommendation:**

1. That the Council notes Cr Timber as absent without notice

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds  
**Seconded:** Cr. Holtze

### 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Elected members were reminded of their roles and responsibilities and particularly their obligations to declare any interest (material or personal) on any matters presented before Council today that may have a perceived or real conflict of interest.

**<3.1.02.07> That Council receives and notes that there were no declarations of interest for the Ordinary General Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

Nil

### 4 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

**Presentation:**

Presentation provided by Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters - Manager Sustainability and Compliance. Jocelyn provided Council with a summary and purpose of her visit: To advise Belyuen Community Government Council that the Northern Territory Government will provide support to the CEO and Finance Officer with the recording and reporting of the Council financial information tabled for endorsement at each Ordinary Council meeting.

### 5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Recommendation:**

**<5.1.02.07> That the Minutes of the Ordinary General Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2022 are confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.**

**Moved: Cr. Moreen**  
**Seconded: Cr. Holtze**

### 6 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President discussed events and activities in the community, including:

Pot holes: Sections of the community public roads require repairs and maintenance

Community Oval: The oval is looking good, almost full coverage

Weed Management: Chemical spraying is ongoing throughout the community, in public areas such as roadsides, drains & culverts near public housing as well as aged care client fence lines as part of their individual service agreements.

Absenteeism: People who aren't coming to work need to communicate to their overseer. There is too much absenteeism at the moment from people who do not want to come to work. This effects services and puts pressure on other staff who are coming to work.

**Recommendation:**

<6.1.02.07> That Council:

**Receives and notes the President’s Report for February.**

**Moved: Cr. Sing**  
**Seconded: Cr. Moreen**

## **7 CEO REPORTS**

### **7.1 Incoming & Outgoing Correspondence**

Jocelyn Nathanael-Walters read the letter from the Northern Territory Government titled: Belyuen Community Government Council Financial Position dated 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

**Recommendation:**

<7.1.02.07> That Council:

**Receive and note the incoming and outgoing correspondence as tabled:**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**  
**Seconded: Cr. Holtze**

### **7.2**

**Recommendation:**

<7.2.02.07> that Council:

**Endorse the Belyuen Community Government Council Leave Policy**

**Moved: Cr.Holtze**  
**Seconded: Cr. Edmunds**

### **7.3**

**Recommendation:**

<7.3.02.07> That Council:

**Endorse the Belyuen Community Government Council Working with Children ochre card policy**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**  
**Seconded: Cr. Sing**

### **7.4**

**Recommendation:**

<7.4.02.07> That Council:

**Note the store report for February 2023 as tabled**

**Moved:** Cr. Holtze  
**Seconded:** Cr. Sing

**7.5**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.5.02.07> That Council:**

**Note the CEO report Belyuen Oval Upgrade as tabled**

**Moved:** Cr. Moreen  
**Seconded:** Cr. Rex

**7.6**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.6.02.07> That Council:**

**Note the report from the CEO – Funding Opportunities as tabled**

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds  
**Seconded:** Cr. Moreen

**7.7**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.7.02.07> That Council:**

**Note the report from the CEO - Community Christmas Party as tabled**

**Moved:** Cr. Edmunds  
**Seconded:** Cr. Holtze

**7.8**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.8.02.07> That Council:**

**Note the report from the CEO – Belyuen Community Event as tabled**

**Moved:** Cr. Sing  
**Seconded:** Cr. Edmunds

**7.9**

**Recommendation:**

**<7.9.02.07> That Council:**

**Note the report from the CEO - Yilli Housing as tabled**

**Moved: Cr. Holtze**

**Seconded: Cr. Edmunds**

**8 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**8.1 Financial Report**

**Recommendation:**

**<8.1.02.07> That Council:**

**Endorse the financial reports for November and December 2022**

**Moved: Cr. Edmunds**

**Seconded: Cr. Sing**

**9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

Nil

**10 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

**11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

**Recommendation:**

**<11.1.02.07> That pursuant to section 99(2) and 293(1) of the Local Government Act 2019 and section 51(1) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021 the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential items of the agenda.**

**Moved: Cr. Holtze**

**Seconded: Cr. Edmunds**

Return to open session: 3.58pm

## 12 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting closed at 4.07pm

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on **28<sup>th</sup> February 2023** at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at **11:00am**.