

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL MARCH MEETING HELD: August 26th, 2025

1 OPEN MEETING

MEETING OPENED: The Ordinary Council Meeting opened at 11.05am

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Elected Members:

- Cr. Angelina Lewis
- Cr. Daphne Yarrowin
- Cr. Rex Sing
- Cr. Linda Yarrowin
- Cr. Leikeisha Woodie

Staff:

- Dave Ferguson – Chief Executive Officer

Visitors:

- Karen Hocking: Manager Strategic Projects and Development, Department of Housing, Local Government and Community Development

2 APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL MEMBER

Recommendation:

<2.1.08.26> That Council:

1. elects to take the vote for Principal Member by secret ballot;
2. appoints Cr. Woodie to be the Principal Member for the duration of the elected term of Council 2025 – 2029;

3. instruct that the Principal Member is to have the title of Mayor;
4. appoints Cr. Sing as the Deputy Mayor for the period of the first 12 months to be followed in turn by Cr. D. Yarrowin, Cr. L. Yarrowin and Cr. A. Lewis each for a 12 month period.

Moved: Cr. Sing
Seconded: Cr. L Yarrowin

Carried

3 SCHEDULE OF ORDINARY MEETINGS

Recommendation:

<3.1.08.26> That Council nominate the last Tuesday of each month to conduct ordinary meetings for the duration of the elected term of council 2025 – 2029.

Moved: Cr. D. Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. R. Sing

Carried

4 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Recommendation:

<4.1.08.26> That Council note the information provided regarding meeting attendance.

Moved: Cr. Sing
Seconded: Cr. Woodie

Carried

5 CHAIR TO EXERCISE A CASTING VOTE

Recommendation:

<5.1.08.26> That council instruct the CEO to draft a policy to allow the chair to exercise a casting vote.

Moved: Cr. Lewis
Seconded: Cr. L. Yarrowin

Carried

6 COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Recommendation:

<6.1.08.26> That council instruct the CEO to:

1. Appoint the following Council members to the Audit Risk Management committee:

Cr. A. Lewis
Cr. L. Yarrowin

2. Provide Council with ARMC meeting dates at the next ordinary meeting, and
3. Advertise for the position of ARMC Independent Chair through a public expression of Interest

Moved: Cr. D. Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. Woodie

Carried

7 COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES

Recommendation:

<7.1.08.26> That council acknowledge the Elected Member Allowances for the 2025-26 financial year.

Moved: Cr. R Sing
Seconded: Cr. D. Yarrowin

Carried

8 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Recommendation:

<8.1.08.26> Elected members note the report Declaration of interest as tabled

Moved: Cr. A. Lewis
Seconded: Cr. L. Yarrowin

Carried

9 THE CODE OF CONDUCT

Recommendation:

<9.1.08.26> That Council note the information tabled in the CEO report: Code of Conduct

Moved: Cr. L. Woodie
Seconded: Cr. D. Yarrowin

Carried

10 MAYORS REPORT

Recommendation:

<10.1.08.26> That Council receives and notes the Mayors Report for future meetings.

Moved: Cr. L. Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. A. Lewis

Carried

11 CEO REPORT

Recommendation:

<11.1.08.26> That Council endorse the Store Managers report for August 2025

Moved: Cr. D Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. A Lewis

Carried

Recommendation:

<11.2.08.26> That Council:

1. endorse the Acquittal of the Waste and Resource Management Grant 2024-25, and;
2. instruct the CEO to write to the Northern Territory Government outlining Belyuen Councils proposal to utilise the WaRM funding surplus to invest in a waste management strategy for Belyuen including the purchase of capital assets to assist with waste disposal.

Moved: Cr. D Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. A Lewis

Carried

12 FINANCIAL REPORT

Recommendation:

<12.1.08.26> That Council defer the August finance report for a special meeting scheduled for 9th September 2025

Moved: Cr. D Yarrowin
Seconded: Cr. A Lewis

Carried

13 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

15 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

10am 9th September 2025

Meeting closed at 13.07pm