MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL HELD: September 1st 2026

1 OPEN MEETING

MEETING OPENED:

The Ordinary Council Meeting opened by Deputy Mayor Sing at 10.15 am

PRESENT AT MEETING:

Elected Members:

- Cr. Rex Sing
- Cr. Linda Yarrowin
- Cr. Leikeisha Woodie (Mayor)
- Cr. Daphne Yarrowin

Procedural note: Cr. Lewis departed the meeting @ 10.22am

Apologies:

- Cr. Angelina Lewis

Staff:

- Dave Ferguson: Chief Executive Officer
- Jasmine Brar: Corporate Services Manager

Visitors:

- Sonali Seneviratne Principal Lawyer and Director: Top End Law
- Peter Haberman: EMM Consulting, Lei Lithium Mine
- Anthony Clements: Community Led Harm Reduction Unit, NT Health

2 NOTICE OF MEETING

BELYUEN COMMUNITY GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

Date Posted: 29/07/2026

Councillor Reminder

You are respectfully advised that the Ordinary Council Meeting for July 2026 has been re-scheduled as follows:

Date:	***Tuesday 4th August 2026***
Time:	***Beginning at 9am***
Location:	***BCGC Conference Room***

Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to contact the Mayor and or CEO should you have any information to add to the meeting agenda, this must be supplied two days before the notice is issued.

The Meeting will be chaired by Cr Leikeisha Woodie, Mayor BCGC.

Meeting refreshments and lunch will be provided.

Dave Ferguson

CEO

3 ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS

Recommendation:

<3.1.08.26> That Council note the information provided regarding meeting attendance for the Ordinary Council Meeting held 1st September 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Carried

4 PERSONS PRESENT

Recommendation:

<4.1.08.26> That Council note the information provided regarding persons present for the Ordinary Council Meeting held 1st September 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Woodie**

Carried

5 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Recommendation:

<5.1.08.26> That Council note the apology of Cr. Lewis for the Ordinary Council Meeting held 1st September 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Carried

6 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Recommendation:

<6.1.08.26> that Council receive the declarations of interest as tabled for the Ordinary Council Meeting held 1st September 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Woodie**

Carried

12:00pm: Lunch Break
12:41pm: Meeting resumed

7 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Recommendation:

<7.1.08.26> That the Unconfirmed Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 4th August 2026 be confirmed by Council as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Carried

8 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Recommendation:

<8.1.08.26> That Council close the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of *the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021.*

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

Carried

Procedural Note:

The meeting was closed to the public at 1.12pm

The confidential meeting opened at 1.13pm

The confidential meeting closed at 2.06pm

9 RE-OPEN MEETING TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Recommendation:

<9.1.08.26> That Council re-opens the meeting to the general public in accordance with Regulation 51 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021.

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

Carried

10 DECISIONS ARISING FROM CONFIDENTIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Recommendation:

<10.1.08.26> That Council endorse the minutes of the confidential meeting held on August 24th 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Carried

<10.2.08.26> That Council note and endorse the report and associated documentation from NT Worksafe

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

Carried

11 FINANCIAL REPORT

Recommendation:

11.1.08.26> That Council:

a) notes the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) certifies to the best of his knowledge, information, and the belief that the internal controls implemented by Council are appropriate, and that Council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of Council; and

b) note the financial report for July 2026 for endorsement at the Ordinary Council Meeting September 1st 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Woodie**

Certification by the CEO to the Council

That, to the best of the CEO's knowledge, information and belief:

(1) The internal controls implemented by the council are appropriate; and

(2) The council's financial report best reflects the financial affairs of the council.

CEO: …….

Date: …….

Carried

12 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Recommendation:

<12.1.08.26> That Council endorse the presentation delivered by Mr. Peter Haberman from Lithium Plus Minerals

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Woodie**

Carried

13 MAYORS REPORT

Recommendation:

<13.1.08.26>

1. That Belyuen Council conduct a community event to celebrate the 2026 AFL Grand Final, and;
2. That Council endorse the Mayors Report for the Ordinary Council meeting 1st September 2026

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Carried

14 CEO REPORT

14.1 Report from the CEO – Draft Policies

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the following draft policies at the Ordinary Council Meeting September 1st 2026.

1. **BCGC Filling Casual Vacancies Policy**
2. **BCGC Caretaker Policy**
3. **BCGC Employment Related Grievances Policy**
4. **BCGC Recruitment and Selection Policy**
5. **BCGC Privacy Policy**
6. **BCGC Rates Concessions Policy**
7. **BCGC Fraud and Corruption Protection Policy**
8. **BCGC Corporate Credit Card Policy**
9. **BCGC Confidential Information – Council Meetings**

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Caried

14.2 Report from the CEO – Aged & Disability

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Agree to accept the donation of hospital grade mobility aids from ex-aged care clientele,

2. Agree to acknowledge the family with a small plaque at the Imabulk Aged Care facility, and;
3. note the CEO report titled Aged & Disability for August 2026 at the Ordinary Council Meeting September 1st 2026

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

Carried

14.3 Report from the CEO – Ark Animal Hospital visit

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Ark Animal Hospital Vet report for July 2026

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

Carried

14.4 Report from the CEO – Annual Leave Arrangements

Recommendation:

That Council note the CEO's request for annual leave at the Ordinary Council meeting September 1st 2026.

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

Carried

14.5 Report from the CEO – Delissaville Cemetery Update

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council note and endorse the CEO report - Delissaville Cemetery Update.

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

Carried

14.6 Report from the CEO – Capitol Assets Update

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council note and endorse the CEO report - Capitol Assets Update

Moved: **Cr. L. Woodie**

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Seconded: **Cr. L. Yarrowin**

Carried

14.7 Report from the CEO – Waste Management Services Agreement

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council note and endorse the CEO report - Waste Management Services Agreement and instruct the CEO to extend the waste management agreement with Veolia for another 12 months commencing September 1st 2026

Moved: **Cr. L. Woodie**
Seconded: **Cr. R. Sing**

Carried

14.8 Report from the CEO – Waterhole Project (LRCIP)

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council note and endorse the CEO report - Waterhole Project (LRCIP)

Moved: **Cr. R. Sing**
Seconded: **Cr. L. Woodie**

Carried

14.9 Report from the CEO – Belyuen Mens Shed

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council note and endorse the CEO report – Belyuen Mens Shed

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

Carried

14.10 Report from the CEO – Knucky Womens Centre

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council note and endorse the CEO report - Knucky Womens Centre

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

14.11 Report from the CEO – Community Led Solutions

Recommendation:

That Belyuen Council:

1. note and endorse the CEO report - Community Led Solutions
2. instruct the CEO to reply back to the dept. of Health, and
3. calculate the budget required to undertake each project and report back to Council at September's meeting.

Moved: **Cr. L. Woodie**
Seconded: **Cr. R. Sing**

15 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

- Nil

16 GENERAL BUSINESS

- Nil

17 NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Meeting of Council be held on September 29th at the Belyuen Council Offices, Belyuen commencing at 10:00am.

Meeting closed at 4.02pm