



**MINUTES**

OF THE

**ORDINARY MEETING**

**OF COUNCIL**

**HELD**

**TUESDAY 22 JANUARY 2013**

**AT**

**6.00 pm**

**Council Chambers Civic Centre**  
**Stuart Highway, Katherine**

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF KATHERINE TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE KATHERINE CIVIC CENTRE TUESDAY 22 JANUARY 2013 AT 6.00 PM**

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**1. OPENING PRAYER**

**2. PRESENT**

Mayor Fay Miller  
Alderman Lis Clark  
Alderman Steven Rose  
Alderman Donald Higgins  
Alderman Adrian Creighton  
Alderman Rob Phillips  
Alderman Kate Ganley

IN ATTENDANCE    Mr David Laugher – Chief Executive Officer  
Mrs Sophie Henderson – Administration Manager  
Mrs Heather Kirk – Administration and Executive Support Officer  
Mrs Neroli Dickens – Manager Assets & Infrastructure  
Mr James Rowe – Economic Development Manager  
29 x Member of the Katherine Community  
2 x Members of Katherine Media

**3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Elected Members Leave of Absence and Apologies

Nil

**4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Confirmation of Previous Minutes

MOVED: Clark/Phillips

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 11 December 2012 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED: 7/0

**5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Elected Member Disclosure of Interest and Declared Interest

Nil

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

**7. MAYORAL BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Mayoral Business to be considered

- Australia Day Celebrations will commence at 9am on Saturday 26 January 2013 at the Civic Centre.

**8. CORRESPONDENCE AND DOCUMENTS TO BE TABLED**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Correspondence and Documents Tabled

Nil

**9. QUESTIONS**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Questions

**9.1 With Notice**

Nil

**9.2 Without Notice**

Nil

**10. NOTICE OF MOTION**

Nil

## **REPORT OF OFFICERS**

### **11.1 MONTHLY REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2012**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Chief Executive Officer Reports

MOVED: Clark/Phillips

That the report of the Chief Executive Officer for the month of December 2012 be received and noted.

CARRIED: 7/0

### **11.2 MONTHLY REPORT OF THE WORKS MANAGER FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2012**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Works Manager Reports

MOVED: Phillips/Creighton

That the report of the Works Manager for the month of December 2012 be received and noted.

CARRIED: 7/0

### **11.3 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT – DECEMBER 2012**

File: Local Governance / Council Meetings / Finance Manager Reports

MOVED: Clark/Rose

That the Finance Report for the month of December 2012 prepared by the Finance Manager be received and adopted.

CARRIED: 7/0

### **11.4 2013/2014 BUDGET TIMETABLE**

File: Finance / Budgeting / Budget 2013-14

MOVED: Higgins/Clark

That it be recommended to Council:

That the 2013/2014 Budget timetable be received and noted.

CARRIED: 7/0

### **11.5 COMMUNITY OPEN FORUM POLICY**

File: Local Governance / Policy / Council Meeting Policies

MOVED: Phillips/Creighton

That Council:

1. Determines to adopt the policy and procedure for Community Open Forums as attached and that this will operate with effect from the next Open Forum.

MOTION LOST: 0/7

### **11.6 RYAN PARK – KATHERINE COMMUNITY MARKET**

File: Property Management / Hire / Ryan Park – Property Hire – Community Market

MOVED: Rose/Creighton

That it be recommended to Council:

That Katherine Town Council determines to consolidate all regular market activity at the Lindsay Street Complex, with immediate effect, and that any current and future venue hire agreements reflect this decision.

AMENDED MOTION:

MOVED: Higgins / Rose

The motion be deferred, adjusting the timeframe to 1 May 2013 for feedback, so that it can be considered in Council's draft budget.

CARRIED: 7/0

### **11.7 APPOINTMENT OF AUTHORISED PERSONS**

File: Local Governance / Authorisation

MOVED: Clark/Creighton

That it be recommended to Council:

1. That pursuant to Part 9.6, Division 1 of the Local Government Act 2008 that Council appoints:

Ranger Daniel Chapman

As an authorised person for the purpose of enforcing the Local Government Act, Regulations or By-Laws and any other Act, Regulation or By-Law or any part thereof the enforcement of which is vested in the Council.

2. That pursuant to Part 9.6, Division 1 of the Local Government Act 2008 that Council revokes the appointment of:

Ranger Nathanael Sailor

CARRIED: 7/0

**11.8 PASTORAL LEASES – CONDITIONALLY RATEABLE LAND 2013/14**

File: Finance / Rates / Declarations

MOVED: Ganley/Phillips

That it be recommended to Council:

That Council approve the rating of pastoral leases in 2013/14 as per previous years with a rate increase adjusted by the Darwin CPI as at 30 June 2013.

CARRIED: 7/0

**11.9 MUNICIPAL PLAN – QUARTERLY REVIEW**

File: Governance / Compliance / Municipal Plan

MOVED: Clark/Phillips

That it be recommended to Council:

That Council notes the status of the quarterly review of the Municipal Plan for 2012/2013 as at the 31 December 2012.

CARRIED: 7/0

**11.10 BUDGET VARIATION – ROADS TO RECOVERY FUNDING**

File: Finance / Grant Funding / Roads to Recovery

MOVED: Creighton/Phillips

That Council:

1. Agrees to a budget variation giving effect to the transfer of \$223,000 (Roads to Recovery Funding) for the 2012-2013 from the Leight Creek Crossing project to:
  - a. Realignment and culvert construction of Quarry Road; and
  - b. Upgrading and sealing of the connector road to Rocky Ridge Nursing Home.

CARRIED: 7/0

**12. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON COMMITTEES**

File: Community Relations / Committees / Elected Member Representatives on Committees

The following meetings/activities were attended by the Elected Members:

**Alderman Kate Ganley**

Council Meeting  
Elected Members Workshop

**Alderman Steven Rose**

NT Weeds Advisory Committee Meeting  
DCA Meeting  
Chamber of Commerce Meeting

**Alderman Donald (Henry) Higgins**

Elected Members Workshop  
Council Meeting  
Carols by Candlelight

**Alderman Adrian Creighton**

Council Meeting  
AFL NT Meeting

**Alderman Lis Clark**

Museum Thank You Dinner  
Elected Members Workshop  
Council Meeting  
Open Forum  
Carols by Candlelight  
YMCA Meeting

**Alderman Rob Phillips**

Council Meeting  
AFL NT Meeting

**13. LATE AGENDA**

Nil

**14. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- Alderman Rose brought up the issue of weed control in the Edith Farms area.

**15. PETITIONS**

Nil

**16. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

MOVED: Ganley/Phillips

That standing orders be suspended to allow Council to consider a confidential matter in Committee.

Meeting closed to the public. All members of the public left the Chambers.

**16.1 OUTSTANDING RATES – REGISTRATION OF OVERRIDING STATUTORY CHARGE**

MOVED:

**That it be recommended to Council:**

That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to affix the common seal on the Registration of Overriding Statutory Charge on the properties listed.

CARRIED: 7/0

**16.2 OUTSTANDING RATES – REGISTRATION OF OVERRIDING STATUTORY CHARGE**

MOVED: Phillips/Higgins

**That it be recommended to Council:**

That the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer be authorised to affix the common seal on the Registration of Overriding Statutory Charge on the property listed, in accordance with the process laid down by Cridlandsmb.

MOVED: Mayor/Creighton

That Council resume the meeting.

CARRIED

**17. MEETING CLOSED**

The meeting was closed at 7.40pm

Fay Miller  
**MAYOR OF KATHERINE**