

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL, HELD  
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN  
ON TUESDAY, 21 APRIL 2015**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	<b>Councillors</b>	Cr Dereck Walpo Cr Angus Kerindun Cr Vera Koomeeta Cr Edgar Kerindun Cr Ada Woolla
	<b>Officers</b>	Bernie McCarthy - Chief Executive Officer Ron Fenner - Director Corporate Services Philip Krisanski - Director Technical Services Melanie Halpert – Financial Accountant (via teleconference) David Savory – Chief Accountant (via teleconference) Teresa Button - Minute Secretary
	<b>Guests:</b>	Don Elphick, DPMC Leona Yunkaporta, DPMC Katherine Hams, GCO Phil Venables, Aurukun Restorative Justice Project Stuart Marquardt, Community Justice Group Bruce Martin, Regional Development Corporation

**1. OPENING**

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.20am with a word of prayer.

**2. CONDOLENCES**

A Minute's silence was observed for the family involved in a vehicle accident in Weipa.

**3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

**Resolution 15.4706**

That Council grants a leave of absence to the Director Community Services Jason Holt.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Resolution 15.4707**

That Council receives and adopts the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of 17 March 2015 and confirms them as a true and correct record.

**MOVED:** Cr E Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Minutes Ordinary Meeting of 17 March 2015**

9.1 A/Commissioner Peter Barron visiting on 23 April 2015

9.7.2 Sheridan Doyle, housing application – see Mayors Report 9.8, 21 April

13.4 iPCYC Progress - see letter in CEO Report 21 April.

14.5 Cattle in township – see DTS Report 21 April.

9.3 Western Cape Regional Partnership agreement (WCRPA) – Resolution to stand as it is. BDGO, Graham Poon to attend WCRPA Forum on 27/28 April.

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings .....Mayor

6. **PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS**

Nil

7. **CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFIED MOTIONS**

Nil.

8. **RECEPTION AND CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE AND/OR DELEGATES REPORTS**

Nil.

9. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

9.1 **CCTV Funding**

Noted.

9.2 **Foot Patrol**

Noted.

9.3 **Draft Western Cape Regional Partnership Agreement (WCRPA)**

Noted.

9.4 **ANZAC Day - 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Noted.

9.5 **Wik Warriors Menshed – Growing Healthy Food Workshop**

Noted.

9.6 **AMP Survey – 28 -29 May 2015**

Noted.

9.7 **AMP – Minister's Response**

Noted.

9.8 **Sheridan Doyle – Application for Community Housing Resolution 14.4708**

That Council advises Ms Sheridan Doyle that she should apply for community housing through DHPW, but advise her that due to local Aurukun people's housing overcrowding and associated health issues, first priority will be given to local long-term residents of Aurukun.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

9.9 **Access Road Sealing**

Noted.

9.10 **Tropical Amusements Resolution 15.4709**

That Council approves the request of Tropical Amusements Family Fun Show to attend and operate in Aurukun Community from 10 – 12 June 2015 subject to normal ASC fees and conditions being paid and met.

**MOVED:** Cr A Woolla

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings .....Mayor

**9.11 Mining**

**Resolution 15.4710**

That Council defers this item until it goes into committee at end of CEO Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

**9.12 Correspondence**

- 9.12.1 Julian Farrugia, Glencore Pty Ltd**, re: Response to article in Cairns Post, Saturday 11 April 2015.

**Resolution 15.4711**

That Council defers this item until it goes into committee at end of CEO Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

- 9.12.2 Email from Mr Alan Ray**, re: Request to visit Aurukun – Wik Mungkan Language.

**Resolution 15.4712**

That Council advises Mr Alan Ray that he should engage with Ms Dawn Koondumbin, re: Wik Mungkan language proposal as this is her language.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

- 9.12.3 Darrin Savo, Managing Director, Northern Haulage and Diesel Services Pty Ltd**, re: Announcement for Workshop and the rest of the Seed Community Collections for 2015. Noted.

- 9.12.4 Justin Mohamed, CEO, Reconciliation Australia**, re: National Reconciliation Week 2015.

**Resolution 15.4713**

That Council notes this information and ASC take up appropriate promotion of the National Reconciliation Week

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

**9.13 Mayors' Meetings**

Noted.

**Resolution 15.4714**

That Council receives and adopts the Mayor's Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

**10.1 Leasing of Premises**

Noted.

**10.2 Business Development Report**

Noted.

Confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings .....Mayor

**10.3 Delegations**

**Resolution 15.4715**

That Council defers the adoption of the Registers of Delegations until copies of the delegations are made available to Council and authorised persons.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr A Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**10.4 ASC Logo**

CEO provided a visual display and explanation of the four initial logo designs and circulated a design sheet for Councillors' to indicate their preference. Noted.

**10.5 Naming of Street**

**Resolution 15.4716**

That Council names the street between Bowenda and Kleidon Drives as John Koowarta Drive.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**10.6 Correspondence**

**10.6.1 Martine Care, Associate, Preston Law,**

Re: Ownership of Land in Indigenous Communities.

**Resolution 15.4717**

That Council:

1. receives full briefing of potential ownership of land within Aurukun Township
2. considers adopting an ownership of land policy after ASC representatives attend a workshop and receive further advice from Council solicitors.

**MOVED:** Cr A Woolla

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

**10.6.2 Hon. Jackie Trad MP, Deputy Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade,**

Re: Reimbursement of Internal Council Day Labour Day for Reconstruction Works under the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA).

**Resolution 15.4718**

That Council defers this item until the Director Technical Services report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**10.6.3 Jerry Tucker, Bottoms English Lawyers Pty Ltd,**

Re: Restart of the peoples Redress Dormitory Scheme – For Indigenous People in unlicensed ordinary dormitories. Refer to resolution 14.4478 in its Council Meeting September 2014.

Noted.

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**10.6.4 Rob Fiedler, CEO, QPCYC,**

Re: Development of the Aurukun PCYC.

**Resolution 15.4719**

That Council advises PCYC that:

1. MiHaven is interested in this project,
2. DTS will approach other builders to ascertain if they are interested in this project, and
3. It looks forward to considering a suitable management agreement with PCYC in the near future.

**MOVED:** Cr E Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

**10.7 Rainfall**

Noted.

**10.8 Change of Council Meeting day**

**Resolution 15.4720**

That Council approves a change of meeting date to Tuesday 19 May 2015 and this be appropriately advertised.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**10.9 Forthcoming Meetings/Events**

Noted.

**10.10 Meetings – Cairns**

Noted.

**Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea at 10.51am and resumed at 11.15am.**

**10.11 Confidential Business**

Pursuant to the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council closed the meeting to the public to discuss "In Committee" certain matters.

- b) industrial matters affecting employees;
- h) other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain financial advantage.

**Resolution 15.4721**

That Council goes into Committee.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

Discussions transpired on these particular issues:

- Mining Lease issues
- Employment Issues
- Other

**Resolution 15.4722**

That Council comes out of Committee.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

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**Mining of Aurukun Bauxite Deposit**

**Resolution 15.4723**

That Council:

1. expresses concern on the recent media statements of Billy Gordon MP, Member for Cook, in respect of the mining of Aurukun bauxite deposit,
2. requests the new Government Ministers and Departments to fully brief Billy Gordon MP, on all facts in respect of the process of the previous mining lease decision, and
3. requests Billy Gordon MP, to meet with ASC at Aurukun to fully discuss this matter.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 15.4724**

That Council accepts the resignation of Jason Holt as Director Community Services effective from 30 June 2015 and the recruitment process for a replacement Director commence immediately.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**Resolution 15.4725**

That Council receives and adopts the Chief Executive Officers' Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**11. FINANCE REPORT**

**11.1 Financial Statements – 2015**

Noted.

**11.2 Summary**

Noted.

**11.3 Income**

Noted.

**11.4 Expense**

Noted.

**11.5 Cash**

Noted.

**11.6 Debtors**

**Resolution 15.4726**

That Council approves the write off of the following debts:

CIAF Cash Sale	\$ 30.00
Darren Bryant	\$12,005.00
Flight Centre Courthouse	\$ 620.00
Octavius Consulting Group	\$ 632.00
Total	\$13,287.00

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

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**Resolution 15.4727**

That Council receives and adopts the Finance Report.

**MOVED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**SECONDED:** Cr A Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**Meeting adjourned for Lunch at 1.07pm and resumed at 1.44pm.**

Phil Venables and Stuart Marquardt, Community Justice Group (JCG) entered the meeting at 1.45pm

**Items of the presentation by P Venables and S Marquardt included:**

- Mediation Project Update:
- Project commenced a little over a year ago with 30 mediations during the period from 2014.
- Advertised for the position of Mediation Coordinator, with two good candidates. Donovan Walmborg has been appointed as the new Mediation Coordinator (full-time). Donovan commences on Monday 4 May 2015.
- Kerrie Tamwoy has also been appointed as a Mediation Coordinator (part-time).
- They thanked Council for its support for the Mediation Project
- Victim Offender Mediation Project – Educating the Court and Community.
- Workplace bullying, deceased estates, cyber bullying are areas where mediation is required.
- Regularly attending the Men’s Group; conducting a Workshop and having group discussions on fighting.
- Once Donovan commences, we would like to hold a public meeting to launch the Project with leaders, youth and Council showing their support for the Mediation Project.
- Thanked the Council in the support in the leasing of additional office space.

**Resolution 15.4728**

That Council approves the issue of an invoice of rental to Aurukun CJG from 16 March 2015 to 16 March 2017 and full payment be required.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

Phil Venables and Stuart Marquardt both departed the meeting at 2.25pm.

Bruce Martin from Regional Development Corporation (RDC) entered the meeting at 2.28pm

**Points of presentation by B Martin included:**

- NAK has been working with State Government regarding funded Business Development Support, which includes the Aurukun Community Barge Service and Aurukun Economic Development Initiative - Funding has been approved by David Edwards, State Government.  
Included in the Aurukun Development Initiative is;
  - Barge Landing and Barge Operations
  - Wathanhiin Upgrade
  - Camp Upgrade and Tourism
  - Aurukun Batching Plant
  - Trucking Business (body truck)
  - Mustering and Fencing Contractors
  - Yard Maintenance and Landscaping

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- Fishing and Eco Tourism
  - Scope of works going out to tender in May for construction of two landings and operation of community Barge service for the first three years.
  - Looking for support from ASC in implementing some of the key aspects of the Aurukun Tourism Strategy.
  - RDC is lobbying DSD and DATSIP to help fund some of ASC's Tourism Plan.
  - NAK with Traditional Owners need a lot of support to help get things set up.
  - RDC support more local business in doing some of this work, with employment opportunities.eg contract fencing, contract mustering, road works, yard maintenance and landscaping, and batching plant.
  - Aurukun Indigenous Tourism Strategy – Potential for website and permit system to be set up.
- Need to have better control of tourists from Weipa coming down without permission. In May DSD representatives to come to Aurukun and discuss with community business development and support in setting up their own businesses. CEO advised that ASC encourages RDC involvement in the Aurukun Tourism Action Group (ATAG) for funding support.

Bruce Martin departed the meeting at 2.55pm

## **12. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

### **12.1 Grants Officer Report**

Noted.

### **12.2 Human Resources Report**

Nil.

### **12.3 Administration Report Resolution 15.4729**

That Council seeks approval from Bendigo Bank to open for an extra hour on Friday 24 April 2015.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun  
**CARRIED**

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

### **12.4 Confidential Business**

Nil.

### **12.5 Arts Centre Manager's Report**

Noted.

### **12.6 IT Records Report**

Noted.

### **12.7 New and Amended Policies for Adoption by Council**

Attached are the following policies for adoption by Council;

- (i) Administrative Action/Complaints Policy
- (ii) Advertising policy
- (iii) Councillor Remuneration Policy
- (iv) Community Engagement Policy
- (v) Council Debt Borrowing Policy
- (vi) Council Entertainment and Hospitality Policy
- (vii) Council Funding of Depreciation policy

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- (viii) Council Investment Policy
- (ix) Council Employees Code of Conduct
- (x) Council Disciplinary Policy
- (xi) Council Grievance Policy
- (xii) Council Recruitment And Retention Policy
- (xiii) Council Relocation Policy
- (xiv) Council Uniform Policy
- (xv) Workplace Rehabilitation Policy
- (xvi) Workplace Bullying Policy
- (xvii) Council Workplace Behaviour Policy
- (xviii) Accounts Receivable policy
- (xix) Asset Services Management Policy
- (xx) Council Travel Policy
- (xxi) Customer Service Policy
- (xxii) Council Incoming and Outgoing Mail Policy
- (xxiii) Council Media policy
- (xxiv) Council Mobile Phone Use Policy
- (xxv) Council Enterprise Risk Management Policy
- (xxvi) Council Social Media Policy
- (xxvii) Council Internet and Computer Use Policy
- (xxviii) Use of Council Vehicle and Plant Council Owned Boats, Barges and Trailers Policy
- (xxix) Council Records Management Policy

**Resolution 15.4730**

That Council receives and adopts these policies as listed above.

**MOVED:** Cr E Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr V Koomeeta

**CARRIED**

**12.8 Leasing**

Noted.

**Resolution 15.4731**

That Council receives and adopts the Director Corporate Services Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**13. REPORT – DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**13.1 Recruiting Update**

Noted.

**13.2 Funerals**

Noted.

**13.3 Events**

Noted.

**13.6 GSS Security Guard**

Noted.

**13.7 Patrol schedule and locations**

Noted.

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**13.8 Significant Instances Recorded**

Noted.

**13.9 Damage Incurred**

Noted.

**13.10 Koolkan Childcare Report**

Noted.

**13.11 Community Home Help Program Report**

Noted.

**Resolution 15.4732**

That Council receives and adopts the Director Community Services Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**14. REPORT – TECHNICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

**14.1 Building Construction and Maintenance**

**a. Community Housing Maintenance.**

Noted.

**b. Community Housing Project**

Noted.

**c. 66 Wel Street Training House**

**Resolution 15.4733**

That Council agrees to use the completed house at 66 Wel Street as a transitional house.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**d. Council Building and Staff Housing Maintenance**

Noted.

**e. Carpenters Shed/Appliance Repair Centre**

Noted.

**14.2 Civil Construction and Maintenance**

**Access Road Maintenance**

Noted.

**Parks and Gardens**

**Resolution 15.4734**

That Council issues letters to repeat offenders, as required, about their responsibilities in regard to maintenance of their footpath areas and the consequences that may follow.

**MOVED:** Cr E Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**14.3 Water and Sewerage**

Noted.

**14.4 Workshop**

Noted.

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**14.5 Animal Control and Environmental Health**

**a. Animal Control & EHO**

Noted.

**b. Cattle in Town**

Noted.

**14.6 Airport Operations**

Noted.

**14.7 Stores**

Noted.

**14.8 Human Resources Matters**

Noted.

**Resolution 15.4735**

That Council receives and adopts the Director Technical Services Report.

**MOVED:** Cr A Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr E Kerindun

**CARRIED**

**General Business**

**Mayor**

Speeding – he has reported a local community member to police regarding speeding and driving in an unsafe manner.

**Cr E Kerindun**

Safehouse Property – he advised property is looking like a junkyard with boats, cars and spare trailers in the yard.

**Resolution 15.4736**

That Council forwards a letter to Moira Boseun, Act for Kids, advising that it is concerned about the amount of vehicles, equipment and material laying around on the property at the Aurukun Safehouse.

**MOVED:** Cr E Kerindun

**SECONDED:** Cr A Woolla

**CARRIED**

**CEO**

- Hon Warren Entsch MP, Member for Leichardt, will be visiting Aurukun on 30 April 2015 and he wishes to meet councillors and officers.
- Special Council Meeting will be held on 8 May 2015. He encouraged Council to be in attendance.

**There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 4.14pm.**

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