

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AURUKUN SHIRE COUNCIL,
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 39 KANG KANG ROAD, AURUKUN ON
WEDNESDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2015**

PRESENT: Councillors Cr Dereck Walpo (Mayor)
Cr Vera Koomeeta
Cr Ada Woolla
Cr Edgar Kerindun

Officers Bernie McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Ron Fenner, Director Corporate Services (DCORP)
Vivien Bull, Director Community Services (DCOM)
Graham Osborne, A/Director Technical Services (ADTS)

Teresa Button, Minute Secretary (EA)

1. OPENING

The Mayor declared the Meeting open at 9.10am

2. Condolences

A minutes silence was observed for the Shortjoe family from Pormpuraaw.

3. Leave of Absence

Nil.

4. Declaration of Office

As required by section 169 of the Local Government Act 2009, Doris Poonkamelya, appointed to the office of Councillor, made a Declaration of Office in the form set out in section 50 of the Local Government (Operations) Regulation 2010.

Doris Poonkamelya took the Declaration of Office before Bernie McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer.

5. Register of Interests – New Councillor

New Councillor Doris Poonkamelya completed and signed her Register of Interests.

6. Appointment of Deputy Mayor

CEO then advised the requirement to appoint a Deputy Mayor and called for nominations.

Cr Ada Woolla was nominated as Deputy Mayor by Cr Vera Koomeeta.

Cr Ada Woolla accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations.

Mayor Dereck Walpo declared a material personal interest and departed from the meeting.

Resolution 15.4912

That Cr Ada Woolla be appointed as Deputy Mayor until the quadrennial elections on 19 March 2016.

MOVED: Cr V Koomeeta

SECONDED: Cr E Kerindun

CARRIED

Mayor Dereck Walpo returned to the meeting.

7. Review of ASC Councillor Portfolios

A review of the circulated list of Councillor Portfolios was undertaken. The existing list was approved with following amendments;

- Housing Portfolio – Cr Ada Woolla (Deputy Mayor)

8. Review of ASC Committee Representatives

A review of the circulated list of Committee representatives was undertaken. The existing list was approved with following amendments;

- Deputy Chair of Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) – Cr Ada Woolla
- Council Representative: ASC internal Audit Committee – Cr Ada Woolla

Resolution 15.4913

That Council approves the new Portfolios and Committee Representatives from 7 October to 18 March 2016.

MOVED: Cr E Kerindun

SECONDED: Cr V Koomeeta

CARRIED

9. Responsibilities of Councillors

Bernie McCarthy, CEO, advised that there were only five more meetings left in the current Council term until election on 19 March 2016. It is imperative that all Councillors attend every meeting as well as undertake the duties of Councillor which are continually ongoing.

In view of the generous allowance paid for these duties, attendance at all meetings and functions as well as attend to resident's requests is essential.

Please note that 12 officers contribute to the preparation of agendas and reports. It is important that these agendas be read and considered to make best informed decisions.

Many Council do not pay full allowance until meetings are attended. This is a step that Council should seriously consider after 2016 election.

10. Other Business

Next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held at 9am on Monday 12 October 2015.

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the Meeting at 9.54am.