

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE LITCHFIELD COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH MAY 2012
AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BEES CREEK ROAD, FRED'S PASS**

Present:	Allan McKay	Mayor
	Mike Bowman	Deputy Mayor/East Ward
	Victor Statham	Councillor/South Ward
	Terry Richards	Councillor/Central Ward
	Mathew Salter	Councillor/North Ward
	Russell Anderson	Chief Executive Officer
	John Delaney	Director Engineering and Planning
	Diane Chellingworth	Corporate Services Manager
	Marlene Watt	Council Secretary
Public:	Rosemary Chalmers	Palmerston
	Judy Cole	Humpty Doo
	Morgan Bowman	Howard Springs
	Peter Cole	Humpty Doo 7.50 p.m.

1. OPENING OF MEETING:

The Deputy Mayor, Mike Bowman opened the Meeting at 6.35 p.m. filling in for the Mayor who was held up in traffic because of the tragic accident on the Stuart Highway.

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Nil

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Nil

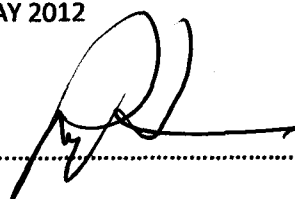
4. PUBLIC FORUM:

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Mike Bowman asked if any members of the public would like to address Council.

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It was **resolved** that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held Tuesday 24th April, 2012 are confirmed in full by full Council.

MOVED: T. Richards
SECONDED: V. Statham
CARRIED

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

Councillor Mathew Salter asked what has transpired in relation to the areas of government land zones CN which Council would like zoned Open Space. The Chief Executive Officer advised a letter has been written to the Northern Territory Government and are awaiting a reply.

8. DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND WORKS REPORT: MAY

It was **resolved** that the Director of Planning and Works Report be noted.

MOVED: M. BOWMAN
SECONDED: V. STATHAM
CARRIED

8A BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND WORKS REPORT - MAY

The recommendation in the Report from the Staff Waste Management Meeting held today Council did not proceed in forming a resolution until the Director of Planning and Works has time to consider further the point raised.

9. POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION MATTERS:

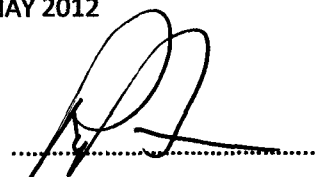
9.1 PA12/CAM/056: COMPLAINTS HANDLING POLICY

It was **resolved** that Council laid this matter on the table until the next Ordinary Meeting.

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MOVED: M. SALTER
SECONDED: M. BOWMAN
CARRIED

9.2 PA12/LGANT/143 LGANT – NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
LOCAL GOVERNMENT, 17th to 20th JUNE 2012

It was **resolved** that Council support the Mayor's attendance at the National General Assembly of Local Government conference.

MOVED: M. BOWMAN
SECONDED: T. RICHARDS
CARRIED

10. FINANCE AND RECREATION MATTERS:

10.1 FR12/ASS/096: REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – TAMINMIN STUDENT
UNDER 16 AUSTRALIAN EUROPEAN HANDBALL TEAM TOUR
EUROPE JUNE/JULY 2013 SPAIN AND ITALY

It was **resolved** that Council advise the student it is unable to provide funding for the European travel.

MOVED: M. SALTER
SECONDED: T. RICHARDS
CARRIED

11. PLANNING AND WORKS MATTERS:

11.1 PW12/RPET/002 PETITION FROM LANDOWNERS ON STRANGWAYS RD
DATED 28 MARCH 2012

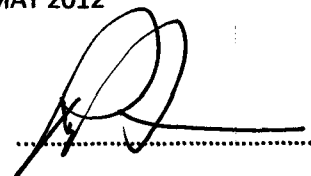
It was **resolved**:-

- a) That Council note the action taken on this matter.

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- b) That Council reaffirm its decision to levy each landowner the amount previously stated in the letter to them.

MOVED: M. BOWMAN
SECONDED: V. STATHAM
CARRIED

**11.2 PW12/AQ/085 REQUEST TO HAVE LAND ACQUIRED FOR ROAD RESERVE
RETURNED SECTIONS 2085 & 2086 Nos 225 & 235 PIONEER
DRIVE HUNDRED OF STRANGWAYS**

It was **resolved** that Council approve the transfer of a 5 m strip of land back to Mr Oppusungu on the proviso that he pay all transfer and legal costs associated with that transfer.

MOVED: T. RICHARDS
SECONDED: M. SALTER
CARRIED

12. MAYOR'S REPORT: MAY

The Mayor, Allan McKay advised that he has been very busy over the last few weeks and today he attended through LGANT the Mayors and Presidents Meeting at which there were 13 Mayor/Presidents in attendance, most of them new to the position. The Meeting was mainly an introduction to each other with the main issues being Planning and concerns of the Shires.

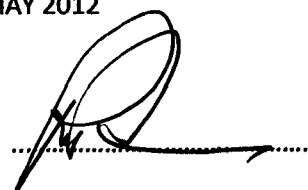
The Mayor advised he had met with Mr Cartwright during the week discussing his problem and on last Sunday met with two residents in relation to the access regarding Oscar and Hana Roads which is a very difficult situation to resolve.

The Mayor advised he would be meeting tomorrow afternoon with the relevant Government Departments in relation to the Abattoir and later in the afternoon with AACo and would report back to Council.

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It was **resolved** that the Mayor's Report be noted.

MOVED: V. STATHAM
SECONDED: T. RICHARDS
CARRIED

13. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT: MAY

The Chief Executive Officer provided Council with an update of the negotiations regarding Inpex trucks use of Thorngate Road.

The Chief Executive Officer advised he today had attended through LGANT the Chief Executive Officers meeting. He advised that a national procurement has been rolled out in relation to cost savings when buying equipment. It revolves around buying locally with savings and the local businesses receiving a discount from the suppliers.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that there are 10 nominations for the positions on the LGANT Executive which will be voted on at Fridays General Meeting.

It was **resolved** that the Chief Executive Officer's Report be noted.

MOVED: M. BOWMAN
SECONDED: M. SALTER
CARRIED

14. URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS: MAY Nil

15. NOTICE OF MOTION: MAY Nil

16. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY: MAY

Judy Cole asked several questions of Council in relation to planning in the rural area, sewerage pond at McMillans Road, surveyors on Stevens Road and traffic issues at Howard Springs lights

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and on the Arnhem Highway and the pool. Council answered as best it could as all items raised came under the control of the Northern Territory Government.

17. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS: MAY

Councillors gave an overview of happenings in the Wards

18. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS: MAY

19. ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN MEETING:

That pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration Regulations) the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda at 8.00 p.m.

MOVED: M. BOWMAN

SECONDED: V. STATHAM

CARRIED

20. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS:

20.1 PA12/CAM/010 SETTING OF FEES AND ALLOWANCES FOR SITTING MEMBERS

It was **resolved** that Council adopts the Minister for Local Government guidelines for Council Member Allowances applicable from the 1st July 2012.

MOVED: T. RICHARDS

SECONDED: M. SALTER

CARRIED

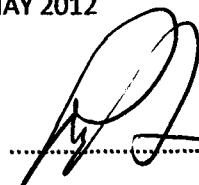
20.2 FR12/RTP/185: COMPLAINT AGAINST LITCHFIELD COUNCIL FROM Ms ELLEN SEYMOUR

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- a) acknowledge the Ombudsman's comments;
- b) waive the outstanding interest;

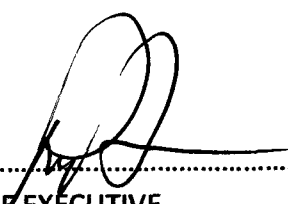
MOVED: M. BOWMAN
SECONDED: V. STATHAM
CARRIED

21. NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY 22ND MAY 2012

The Meeting closed at 8.10 P.M.

MINUTES CONFIRMED
22ND MAY 2012


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