



SPECIAL COUNCIL MINUTES

LITCHFIELD COUNCIL MEETING

**Minutes of Special Meeting
held in the Council Chambers, Litchfield
on Wednesday, 13 September 2017 at 6:00pm**

Present	Maree Bredhauer Doug Barden Kirsty Hunt Mathew Salter Christine Simpson	Mayor Councillor South Ward Councillor East Ward Councillor North Ward Councillor Central Ward
Staff	Kaylene Conrick Debbie Branson	Chief Executive Officer Executive Assistant
Public	Kezia Purick Judith Cole Sue Coward Solomon Gatura David Kingston David Jan Amber Sayers Jeremy Hunt Pam Hunt Margaret Keller Mat & Cheryl Ashton Simpson Trisha Simpson Spencer Simpson Aaron Simpson H Chow A Sayer P Sayer Diana Rickard Greg Chapman Therese Blanzategui Terry Foley Sarah Lloyd Tracy Cranfield Gerard Bredhauer Nick Sayers Debbie Turner	Member for Goyder Fred's Pass Board Livingstone Reserve Local Government Division, DH&CS Litchfield Council Litchfield Council Girraween Wagaman Wagaman Bees Creek Howard Springs Girraween Girraween Girraween Virginia Humpty Doo Humpty Doo Humpty Doo Tumbling Waters Tumbling Waters Fly Creek Fly Creek Bakewell Muirhead Humpty Doo Humpty Doo Humpty Doo

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Chief Executive Officer opened the meeting and welcomed the special guests and members of the public.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL OWNERS

On behalf of Council, the Chief Executive Officer acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land on which the Council meet on. The Chief Executive Officer also conveyed Council's respect to the Elders past, present and future for their continuing custodianship of the land and the children of the land across generations.

3. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Chief Executive Officer acknowledged apologies from the special guests:

Senator for the NT – Malarndirri McCarthy
Senator for the NT – Hon Nigel Scullion
Member for Lingiari – Warren Snowdon
Member for Nelson, Gerry Wood
Member for Daly, Gary Higgins
Kon Vaskalis, Lord Mayor City of Darwin
Mark Blackburn, Official Manager, City of Palmerston
Lee Williams, Executive Director, Local Government Division, Department of Housing and Community Service
John Maley, former President 1985-1986
Mary Walshe, former President 2003-2012
Frank Crawley – Former Official Manager 2015
Neville Driver, Public Officer – Palmerston & Rural Seniors

4. GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

The Chief Executive Officer read the Statement of Results from the correspondence received by the Northern Territory Electoral Commission as follows:

Litchfield Mayor – Elected Candidate 1 – Elected Candidate - Maree Bredhauer
Litchfield Council – South Ward Election of 1 Councillor – Elected Candidate - Doug Barden
Litchfield Council – East Ward Election of 1 Councillor – Elected Candidate - Kirsty Hunt
Litchfield Council – North Ward Election of 1 Councillor – Elected Candidate - Mathew Salter
Litchfield Council – Central Ward Election of 1 Councillor – Elected Candidate - Christine Simpson

5. DECLARATION OF OFFICE - MAYOR

The Mayor made her Declaration of Office as the Mayor, signed the declaration and resumed the chair.

6. MAYORAL ADDRESS

The Mayor delivered a Mayoral Address to those in attendance.

7. DECLARATION OF OFFICE – CR BARDEN

Doug Barden made his Declaration of Office as Councillor for the South Ward and signed the declaration of office.

8. DECLARATION OF OFFICE – CR HUNT

Kirsty Hunt made her Declaration of Office as Councillor for the East Ward and signed the declaration of office.

9. DECLARATION OF OFFICE – CR SALTER

Mathew Salter made his Declaration of Office as Councillor for the North Ward and signed the declaration of office.

10. DECLARATION OF OFFICE – CR SIMPSON

Christine Simpson made her Declaration of Office as Councillor for the Central Ward and signed the declaration of office.

11. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The Mayor advised that any member of Council who may have a conflict of interest, or a possible conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting or a Committee meeting should declare the conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict in accordance with its obligations under the Local Government Act and its policies regarding the same.

No interests were disclosed.

12. NORTHERN TERRITORY ELECTORAL COMMISSION – RECEIPT OF LETTER

Moved: Cr Hunt
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council receive and note the correspondence from the Northern Territory Electoral Commission regarding the Statement of Results for the Council General Election 2017.

CARRIED-1718/043

13. PRESENTATIONS

Solomon Gatura, Acting Director, Legislation, Policy and Regions, Department of Housing & Community Development – Local Government Division delivered an address on behalf of the department.

14. OFFICERS REPORTS

14.1 Appointment of Deputy Principal Member

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Cr Barden

THAT Council adopt Council policy EM01 Elected Members.

CARRIED-1718/044

The Mayor will call for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Moved: Cr Barden
Seconded: Cr Simpson

I nominate, Councillor Hunt for the position of Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor enquires that the nominee accepts the nomination. Cr Hunt advised she accepted the nomination for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Mayor called for a vote on nominations.

THAT Councillor Hunt is duly elected as Deputy Mayor for a twelve-month term ending at the first ordinary council meeting held in September 2018.

CARRIED-1718/045

14.2 Chairperson Casting Vote Policy

Moved: Cr Hunt
Seconded: Cr Simpson

THAT Council adopt EM04 Casting Vote Policy, requiring the Chair of Council Meetings to exercise a casting vote during the event of an equality of votes.

CARRIED-1718/046

14.3 EM02 Code of Conduct

Moved: Cr Simpson
Seconded: Cr Hunt

THAT Council adopt the updated EM02 Code of Conduct for Elected Members.

CARRIED-1718/047

The Mayor and Councillors signed the *Code of Conduct for Elected Members*.

15. CLOSE OF MEETING

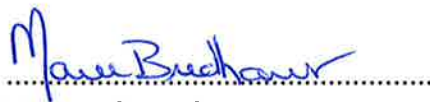
The Chair closed the meeting at 6:38pm.

16. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 20 September 2017.

MINUTES TO BE CONFIRMED

Wednesday 18 October 2017



Mayor of Litchfield
Maree Bredhauer



Chief Executive Officer
Kaylene Conrick

