Nhulunbuy Town Board  
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting  
Nhulunbuy Corporation Board Room, Nhulunbuy, Northern Territory  
Tuesday 21 August at 8:49am

Present  
Adam Seiler (AS)  Chairperson (Nhulunbuy Corporation)  
Zenel Bajraktari (ZB)  Member  
Lynne Walker (LW)  Member  
Jim Rogers (JR)  NT Government (NTG) Representative  
Melissa Cruickshank (MC)  Rio Tinto (RT) Gove Operations  
Stacie Irving (SI)  Secretary  

1. Apologies  
Hannah Fincham-Thomson (HFT)  Member  
Megan Niven (MN)  Member  

2. Conflict of Interest  
No conflicts recorded  

3. Confirmation of Minutes - 24 July 2018  
Moved: MN  
Seconded: MC  
Carried  

4. Business Arising from Minutes  
It was resolved that the following from the Action List were updated (see Action List July 2018).  

05/18: Hydramet Water Fluoridation – BOD considered a report on the water fluoridation reinstatement work and will issue a response once minutes from August BOD meeting have been circulated. Review September 2018  

20/18: Crocodile Management Plan - CEO to supply Members with a copy of the Crocodile Management Plan for viewing. Awaiting final update and confirmation of adoption prior to release. Review September 2018  

22/18: Outdoor Cinema - CEO and the Corporation’s Community Engagement Facilitator unable to find any records on the outdoor cinema. Review September 2018  

23/18: CCTV in Nhulunbuy - CEO keep liaising with Police Commissioner, Reece Kershaw and request consideration for the installation of CCTV in Nhulunbuy. JR confirmed Nhulunbuy is listed as a site for CCTV installation in NT Budget and confirmed it was on the program. CEO called for it to be reworded as a live action and called for revisiting and that no correspondence be entered unless the project loses momentum. Review September 2018  

24/18: Lighting Miwatj South - CEO to have NCL’s Electrician investigate the most cost-effective source of lighting to have installed along the foot path between Miwatj Health and South. Review September 2018  

25/18: Hagney Park – NCL electrician determined that there is no electricity supply in close proximity to Hagney park - Review August 2018  

26/18: BBQ’s Skate and Hagney Parks - Corporation’s Manager - Strategic Infrastructure provided a quotation, freight and installation of two commercial BBQ’s. (1 x Hagney Park...
and 1 x Skate Park). One of the quotations was higher due to the lack of electricity close to Hagney Park being $19k and $13k respectively. Completed August 2018

27/18: Grand Stand Seating - CEO to work with Community Engagement Facilitator (CEF) and have two of the portable grand stands secured on Hindle Oval 2 and one on Hindle Oval 1 for community use/trial. CEF will seek to install by end-July 2018. Complete.

28/18: Bike Path - CEO to engage with major stakeholders and discuss if there would be any interest in the future to build a bike path from Beagle Circuit to Middle Beach carpark. Ongoing, will be a project for incoming CEO. CEO noted that he needs to find feasibility study in relation to NCL’s approach moving forward. Review December 2018

29/18: Town Centre Beautification - CEO to review the Tredwell Feasibility Plan on Recreation Facilities and Open Spaces in Nhulunbuy (Nov 2017) and provide members with the Corporation’s approach moving forward. Review September 2018

5. Monthly Operations Report - June 2018
The Monthly Operations Report was included within the agenda and referenced by the Town Board members with responses provided on exception.

1.2 Internal Governance – LW when did the current EBA expire? AS noted April 2018 and that negotiations were well underway as meeting 5 had been held with representatives.

6. Correspondence
Out
- Letter of Support – 2JS Mining Pty Ltd
- Letter of Support – Liseybelle Bakes
- Letter of Support – Melani’s Traditional Greek Food/Desserts.

7. Community Heritage update

MR spoke about the following highlights:
- Walking trail trailhead signs 90% complete, ready to be ordered
- Bollards from REPLAS made from recycled plastic have been ordered and will positioned at 42 GPS locations along the trail.
- Town Lagoon interpretation signs ordered and a scope of works has been done with Datjala work camp to reuse existing fixings currently in place at the lagoon.
- Tourism NT funded a grant for the Driving Trail signage through East Arnhem Land Tourist Association (EALTA) for $10,000
- Lowlight 2 grants through building better regions unsuccessful one for heritage management plan and the other a tour guide training plan. MR passing relevant information onto Klaus Helms from Gumatj Aboriginal Corporation as he is working on a tour guide grant currently.

Emerging issues:
- Bird Hide infrastructure repairs/Town Lagoon walk clearing/reposition of interpretation signs
- Once lagoon opens bird hide will need to be excluded from public use. Assessment and quotes are being conducted in the next few months.

Top priorities:
- Walking trails - delivery and installation of bollards; ordering and ship trailhead signs; ship and install Town Lagoon interpretation signs
- Collect donated signs and cabinets for AHS site
8. General Business

**Home trading Application – Gerard Roberts**

Gerard Roberts requested the Town Board to approve and support her Home Trading application for "Landscape Handyman", a new business to Nhulunbuy.

The following documentation was tabled:
- Home Trading application
- Request for permission to operate a home business
- Business insurance Adjustment.

*It was resolved that:*
Town Board members approve and support Gerard Roberts application for Landscaping Home Handyman.

**Moved:** ZB  
**Seconded:** JR  
**Carried**

**Mobile Vendor Service Provider Permit Application – Kath Hewitt**

The following documentation was tabled:
- Mobile Vendor Service Provider Permit Application
- Home trading Application
- Certificate to operate from the Department of Health
- Plan to scale of property, buildings and floor area to be used for trading within the property
- Letter of permission to operate a home business
- Certificate of Currency

*It was resolved that:*
Town Board members approve and support Kath Hewitt application for Let’s Get Real Food”.

**Moved:** LW  
**Seconded:** JR  
**Carried**

9. Any other business

**Proposed Variation to Liquor Trading Hours – Gove Peninsula Surf Lifesaving Club**

LW confirmed she is a patron of GSLSC with no decision-making power.
- New hours to be Mon – Sun 11am – 11pm
- For community sporting events so that revised hours do not require separate lengthy paperwork and court appearances each time.
- Also, the Outback Spirit possibly will be dining on Tuesdays during dry season. Town Board give in principle support LW suggested it would be a good idea for CEO to draft a letter of support of the variation and to note that the club is a well-run club and manage patrons and rarely issues with the club.

**Moved:** LW  
**Seconded:** JR  
**Carried**
Town Patrol
JR confirmed the Australian Government is responsible for funding the Town Patrol service in Nhulunbuy and have done so for the last 3 years, prior to that it was the NT Government.

The Commonwealth have provided East Arnhem Regional Council in writing an 8-week extension commencing on the 9 July 2018 on last year’s services, this means continuing the service here in Nhulunbuy for a further 8 weeks. In the meantime, the council is required to run consultations across the peninsula area predominantly in Yirrkala and Gunyangara to gather future service requirements.

JR stated NT Government are strongly advocating through their department executive to continue the service. JR said the Town Board should continue to advocate/support a continued night patrol service.

Town board requested a letter be drafted to the HON Senator Nigel Scullion as a matter of urgency outlining the limited Night Patrol service currently in place extended till end of August 2018.

Lynne Walker
LW tabled and highlighted the following topics:
- PMC engaged a consultant – Chris Hayward JR met with Chris Hayward and encouraged him strongly to engage with the Town Board.
- Extension to NP service ends at the end of August.
- JR noted that shutting down the NP service provides a significant risk to family members accompanying intoxicated people not being able to get home safely.
- JR noted work needed to be done in relation to a sobering up shelter in conjunction with a fully funded NP service for Nhulunbuy.
- PMC is funding Chris Hayward’s visit but he’s providing consultation for EARC.
- LW asked on the licensing front with the Responsible Service of Alcohol what additional support does law enforcement have? JR responded hotels can be given a 48-hour suspension as has been seen in other NT communities recently.
- The TB called for Dan Whitfield Jones to consult with them on community issues and noted that Night Patrol is one measure of harm reduction. JR added police are notified of royalty pay dates. Licencing in town needs to be managed and is a large amount of work for one person.
- JR noted that Dan is also focused on the hard drug issues and JR encourages all community members to report.
- LW noted that Night Patrol is just one measure of harm reduction unless we deal with causal factors, drugs coming into town, irresponsible service of alcohol, lack of resources to police that through licencing.
- JR stated Reilly review alcohol management across the territory bought in some significant improvements liquor act. The next step in that process is to look regional implementation of that and to look at alcohol management on the peninsula and harm minimisation activities.
- LW proposed that Dan Whitfield Jones be invited to speak at the next TB meeting to speak about managing alcohol and explore how as a town board Nhulunbuy Corporation can support him.

There being no further business, the Chairperson declared the meeting close at 10:15am.

Next meeting: Tuesday 25 September 2018, commencing 8:30am.