



Minutes of the West Arnhem Regional Council Minjilang Local Authority
Monday, 9 September 2024 at 10:00 am
Council Chambers

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY AND OPENING OF MEETING

Chairperson Matthew Nagarlbin declared the meeting open at 10:19 am, welcomed all in attendance and did an Acknowledgement of Country.

APPOINTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson	Matthew Nagarlbin
Member	Shane Wauchope
Member	Clint Wauchope
Member	Charles Yirrawala
Member	David Makings
Member	Josephine Cooper

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor	James Woods
Deputy Mayor	Elizabeth Williams

STAFF PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer	Andrew Walsh
Governance Advisor	Jasmine Mortimore
General Manager Technical Services (acting)	Clem Beard

3 APOLOGIES AND ABSENCES

Agenda Reference:	3.1
Title:	Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Apologies, Leave of Absence and Absence Without Notice.

MIN29/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member S Wauchope
Seconded Member Makings

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Notes the absence of Member Audrey Lee.
2. Notes the absence of Cr Henry Guwiyul.
3. Determines Cr Henry Guwiyul is absent without permission of the Authority; and
4. Determines Member Audrey Lee is absent with permission of the Authority.

CARRIED

4 ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda Reference:	4.1
Title:	Acceptance of Agenda
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Acceptance of Agenda.

MIN30/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Yirrawala
Seconded Member C Wauchope

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY accept the agenda papers as circulated for the Minjilang Local Authority meeting held on 9 September 2024.

CARRIED

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS OR STAFF

Agenda Reference:	5.1
Title:	Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Disclosure of Interest of Members or Staff.

MIN31/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member S Wauchope
Seconded Member Makings

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receives no declarations of interest as listed for the Minjilang Local Authority meeting held on 9 September 2024.

CARRIED

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Agenda Reference:	6.1
Title:	Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Confirmation of Local Authority Meeting Minutes.

**MIN32/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Mayor Woods
Seconded Chairperson Nagarlbin**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY adopts the minutes of the 5 June 2024 Minjilang Local Authority as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Reference:	7.1
Title:	PowerWater- 4G Power Meter System
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on PowerWater- 4G Power Meter System.

**MIN34/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member S Wauchope
Seconded Mayor Woods**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Notes the presentations on the Meter Replacements by Power Water Corporation; and
2. Thanks presenter Jayde Armstead from Power Water Corporation.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.2
Title:	NT Health - Community Alcohol Plan
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on NT Health - Community Alcohol Plan.

**MIN35/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Chairperson Nagarlbin
Seconded Member Yirrawala**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Notes the presentations on Community Alcohol Plan by NT Health; and
2. Thanks presenter Sofia McPherson from NT Health.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.3
Title:	Aboriginal Peak Organisation Northern Territory - Aboriginal Education Steering Committee
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Aboriginal Peak Organisation Northern Territory - Aboriginal Education Steering Committee.

**MIN36/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Makings
Seconded Member Yirrawala**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY notes the Aboriginal Peak Organisation of the NT did not present to the Authority.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.4
Title:	NT Police - Law and Order Update
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on NT Police - Law and Order Update.

MIN38/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Yirrawala
Seconded Member S Wauchope

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Notes the presentations on Law and Order Update by NT Police.
2. Thanks presenter Chris Harden from the NT Police.
3. Request a letter be sent to Territory Families, Housing and Communities regarding concerns over known behaviours of Territory Families client transporting illegal substances into community; and
4. Invite Territory Families, Housing and Communities to attend the Local Authority meeting to discuss consideration and needs for a safe house in Minjilang.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	7.5
Title:	National Indigenous Australians Agency - Remote Jobs and Economic Development
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on National Indigenous Australians Agency - Remote Jobs and Economic Development.

MIN39/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Mayor Woods
Seconded Member Makings

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY

1. Notes the presentations on the overview of the Remote Job Economic Development by National Indigenous Australians Agency; and
2. Thanks presenter Bec Langdon from the National Indigenous Australians Agency.

CARRIED

8 ACTION REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	8.1
Title:	Finance Report for the period ended 31 July 2024
Author:	Corey White, Management Accountant

The Local Authority considered a report on Finance Report for the period ended 31 July 2024.

MIN37/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Yirrawala
Seconded Member S Wauchope

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receive and note the report titled *Finance Report for the period ended 31 July 2024*.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.2
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Title:	Review of Action Items
Author:	Ben Heaslip, Information Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Review of Action Items.

MIN33/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Makings
Seconded Member C Wauchope**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Review of Action Items*; and
2. Review the outstanding action items and gave approval for completed items to be removed from the register.

CARRIED

Agenda Reference:	8.3
Title:	Minjilang Cemetery Update
Author:	Sara Fitzgerald, Waste and Resource Coordinator

Broke for lunch at 12:57 and recommenced 13:18

The Local Authority considered a report on Minjilang Cemetery Update.

MIN40/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member S Wauchope
Seconded Member Yirrawala**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY:

1. Receive and note the report titled *Minjilang Cemetery Update*.
2. Approve for Solar Light to be the first priority if surplus funds are available after tender works are completed.
3. Approve plumbing works to be the second priority if surplus funds are available after tender works are completed.
4. Request the Cemetery facing east; and
5. Add additional gates to plans.

CARRIED

9 RECEIVE AND NOTE REPORTS

Agenda Reference:	9.2
Title:	CSM Operations Report on Current Council Service
Author:	Rick Withers, Council Services Manager

The Local Authority considered a report on CSM Operations Report on Current Council Service.

MIN41/2024 RESOLVED:

**On the motion of Member Yirrawala
Seconded Member S Wauchope**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY receive and note the report titled *CSM Operations Report on Current Council Service*.

CARRIED

10 LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBER QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

Agenda Reference:	10.1
Title:	Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice
Author:	Jasmine Mortimore, Governance Advisor

The Local Authority considered a report on Local Authority Member Questions with or without Notice.

**MIN42/2024 RESOLVED:
On the motion of Member Yirrawala
Seconded Member Makings**

THAT THE LOCAL AUTHORITY recorded no action the following questions from Members.

CARRIED

11 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on 25 November 2024.

12 MEETING DECLARED CLOSED

Chairperson Matthew Nagarlbin declared the meeting closed at 2:09 pm.

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