

# **WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL MINUTES**

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
LOT 62, WAGAIT TOWER ROAD  
20 SEPTEMBER 2016**



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## **1.0 PRESENT**

President Peter Clee  
Vice President Brad Irvine  
Cr Shenagh Gamble  
Cr Kurt Noble

CEO Deborah Allen

### **1.1 OPENING OF MEETING**

President Peter Clee declared the meeting open at 7.13pm and welcomed all councillors to the meeting.

### **1.2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

<p><b>Resolution No. 2016/ 072</b> <b>That the apology of Cr Alex Richmond be accepted and approved.</b> <b>Moved: President Peter Clee</b> <b>Seconded: Cr Shenagh Gamble</b> <b>Vote: Carried</b></p>
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## **2.0 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

NIL

## **3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **3.1 Confirmation of 16 August 2016 Council Meeting**

<p><b>Resolution No. 2016/ 073</b> <b>That the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of 16 August 2016 be confirmed.</b> <b>Moved: President Peter Clee</b> <b>Seconded: Cr Kurt Noble</b> <b>Vote: Carried</b></p>
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#### **3.1.1 Matters arising from the August 2016 Minutes - Nil**

## 3.2 Darwin Regional Transport Plan – 20 September 2016



MEETING DATE: 7PM 20 SEPTEMBER 2016  
MEETING TYPE: ORDINARY  
FILE REF: \\Server\data\Council Meetings\2016\September 2016  
ATTACHMENTS: No

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<b>Agenda Item No: 3.2</b>
<b>Report Title:</b> Darwin Regional Transport Plan 2016
<b>Attachments:</b> No

**Summary:**

This report has been provided to inform Council about the Department of Transport's 'Darwin Regional Transport Plan 2016' and any potential impacts for the Cox Peninsula.

**Background:**

The Darwin Regional Transport Plan (the Transport Plan) sets out the NT Government's strategic vision, key issues and priorities for transport within the Darwin Region. For the purposes of the Transport Plan, the boundaries of the Darwin Region mirror the boundaries of the Darwin Regional Land Use Plan 2015, incorporating the administrative boundaries of Darwin, Palmerston, Litchfield, Coomalie, Cox Peninsula and Finniss.

The Transport Plan identified the following goals and actions and refer to the Cox Peninsula:

1. Goal - Integrating Transport and Land Use:  
"Looking to the future, should opportunities for development of the Cox Peninsula emerge, improving transport connections to the Peninsula in consultation with local communities will be an essential enabler of development. Potential for the development of a vehicle ferry, including the development of supporting infrastructure and reservation of suitable land will need to be investigated."
2. Action - Consistent with the Roads and Bridges Strategy use updated transport modelling to confirm forecasts for improving the road network including  
"Duplicate the Stuart Highway from Cox Peninsula Road to Acacia Hills."

3. Goal – Fast, Frequent, Reliable, Accessible and Comfortable Public Transport  
“The current passenger ferry between Cullen Bay and Mandorah is privately operated and is expected to continue to provide an alternative transport route between the Darwin CBD and the Cox Peninsula. The Darwin Regional Land Use Plan has highlighted that longer term, there may be potential for further development of harbour ferry services, depending on the ability of these services to compete with alternative modes of commuter transport. The viability of additional harbour ferry services will increase with population growth. In the future, it is likely that additional or alternative ferry terminal infrastructure will be required in addition to the existing Cullen Bay facilities. Planning for potential additional infrastructure is required in the medium to long term to support the development of harbour ferry services.

The full Transport Plan can be located via the following link;  
[https://transport.nt.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/297452/DOT-DwnRegionalTransportPlan2016.pdf](https://transport.nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/297452/DOT-DwnRegionalTransportPlan2016.pdf)

**Consultation:**

Not applicable at this point in time.

**Statutory Obligations:**

No statutory obligations identified at this point in time.

**Policy Implications:**

No policy implications identified at this point in time.

**Budget/Financial Implications:**

No budgetary or financial implications identified at this point in time.

**Strategic Implications:**

Council need to ensure they are engaged as a stakeholder should development opportunities present in the future.

**Sustainability Implications:**

No sustainability implications identified at this point in time.

**Governance**

No governance requirements identified at this point in time.

**Environment**

There are no known significant environmental implications relating to this report or the officer's recommendation.

**Social**

There are no known significant social considerations relating to this report or the officer's recommendation.

**Recommendations:**

1. THAT Council receive and note the report.

Recommending Officer: DEBORAH ALLEN – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**Resolution No. 2016/ 074**

**That Council receive and note the Darwin Regional Transport Plan 2016.**

**Moved: President Peter Clee**

**Seconded: Cr Shenagh Gamble**

**Vote: Carried**

#### 4.0 QUESTIONS AND FEEDBACK FROM THE PUBLIC

Nil

#### 5.0 INWARDS AND OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE – AUGUST

##### 5.1 Inwards Correspondence

12/08/2016	Department of Business - Cindy Bravos	Funding - Alcohol Action Initiatives	CO
12/08/2016	NT Government - David Welling	Local Government Funding Levels - 2016-2017	CO
12/08/2016	Department of Transport	MVR Rego, Holden Colorado	Admin
18/08/2016	Solomon Gaturu - NT Govt	Dog By-Laws - drafting of the instructions is currently underway	CEO
19/08/2016	Resident	Minutes posted on website in timely manner and feed back on recent consultation.	admin
22/08/2016	NT Government	\$13280 First Quarter 2016/2017 FAA Roads	admin
22/08/2016	NT Government	\$2172 First Quarter Release 2016/2017 FAA General Purpose	admin
22/08/2016	Peter Clee	TOPTOC Minutes of Meeting	admin and councillors
23/08/2016	MVR	Certificate of Registration, Works Ute	admin
24/08/2016	Valuations Rolls Administrator - Dept Lands/Planning	Proposed Vs Current UCV Report - Wagait	admin
29/08/2016	West Arnhem Regional Council	Lobby Group for Rural and Remote Local Government	admin
31/08/2016	NT Government	Audit - Confirmation of grants received 2015/2016	admin
1/09/2016	Nexia Edwards Marshall NT	June Review of Financial reports	admin
5/09/2016	VJ Thorpe	Resignation of Councillor VJ Thorpe	admin
5/09/2016	Local Government	Submission on the proposed changes to the Local Government (Accounting)_ Regulations	P Clee
6/09/2016	West Arnhem Regional Council	meeting to lobby Govt over widespread concerns by NT local govt. councils	
6/09/2016	Dept of Lands, Planning & Environment	Monthly reconciliation report	admin
7/09/1931	NTEPA	NT EPA seeking comment on their environmental draft reform	admin
7/09/2016	resident	resident query on the amalgamation of properties	admin
7/09/2016	Resident	Letter - rates assessment applied to 3 properties	admin

## 5.2 Outwards Correspondence

10/08/2016	Ironbark	Signed Agreement	email
17/08/2016	Solomon & Lee - NT Gov	Update on Dog By-Law status	email
17/08/2016	Norsign	Follow up for quote for WSC	email
17/08/2016	Lowry's Accounting	Quotation for Asset Register	email
22/08/2016	Lowry's Accounting	signed R2R report	email
23/08/2016	Dept of Sports & Rec	Application for grant for resurface playing courts at sportsground	email
23/08/2016	Mark Hagger - LGANT	Agree to contribute to the funding of engaging a consulatant - joint insurance project	email
23/08/2016	Department of Business	Community benefit Fund - Small Grant application - received	email
29/08/2016	ATO	Tax Declaration Forms	mail
29/08/2016	NT Electoral Commission - Mr Wayne Harlock	Wagait Shire Council Electoral Review	email
31/08/2016	Allen Chisolm - Dept of Infrastructure	Completed and signed R2R Annual Report for 2015-2016	email
31/08/2016	Mark Hagger - LGANT	Collaboration on Insurance	email
31/08/2016	Jardine Lloyd Thompson	Workers Compensation Adjustment - 2015-16	email
5/09/2016	Michael Gunner - Minister for Local Govt	Resignation - Councillor Thorep	mail
5/09/2016	Wayne Harlock - NT Electoral Commission	Resignation - Councillor Thorep	mail
6/09/2016	Hon Michael Gunner	Wagait Shire Council Electoral Review	mail
8/09/2016	Luke - Green Frogs System	Solar Street Lighting Proposal	email
8/09/2016	Dept of Education	Shelter Group Update - September	mail
8/09/2016	CBA	Commbiz account autorhity form - Credit card	mail
9/09/2016	Resident	Letter - rates assessment regarding three properties	mail

### **Resolution No. 2016/ 075**

**That the correspondence for the month of August 2016 be noted.**

**Moved: Vice President Brad Irvine**

**Seconded: Cr Shenagh Gamble**

**Vote: Carried**

## 6.0 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

### 6.1 - PRESIDENTS REPORT

#### **Purpose of Report**

To Inform Council and community of the Presidents activities and to provide the community at large with information that the president sees as important and noteworthy.

#### **What's been happening.....**

**The NT ELECTIONS** were held on 27<sup>th</sup> August and as everyone is aware labour led by the new Chief Minister Michael Gunner was successful in forming government. The Minister for Housing and Community Development who has responsibility for Local Government is Gerry McCarthy. We have already written to the new minister in relation to the decisions taken to reduce the councillor numbers for Wagait Shire and in relation to legislative changes. We have requested a meeting with the new minister to discuss our Shire Plan and Amalgamation Proposals.

The recent **Hard Waste Collections** have been completed. The next collections will be at Christmas time between 16 – 30 December. There was a lot of items that are not considered hard waste. This increases the

costs of disposal and will lead to an increase in the Waste levy that is applied to residents. The CEO will report on these additional costs when they are known

Council has established an **Audit Committee**. The committee will meet on 18<sup>th</sup> October and will meet quarterly or thereabouts. This committee is designed to provide oversight and guidance to the CEO. The audit committee is an NTG requirement for all councils.

The **Public Meeting** that was held on August 2 at the Community Centre recommended changes to the size of the council. The recommendation to reduce the number of elected councillors from 7 to 5 has been adopted by council and the recommendation has been forwarded by the CEO to the NT Electoral Commission for approval.

**KENBI** has settled and handback of some of the lands to the traditional owners has commenced. So far the lands to the south of Belyuen that have been earmarked as KENBI ABORIGINAL TRUST LANDS have been handed back. Additional Lands that will be freehold will be handed back in 2017. (See Attachment)

**Amalgamation discussions** have been ongoing over the last 12 months. Council will continue discussions in good faith in anticipation of options and recommendations forthcoming from consultants who have been commissioned to do so. Council will present amalgamation and regional council recommendations to the community for consideration.

**Ventia Utility Services Pty Ltd**, the contractor that is undertaking the remediation work on the old Radio Australia sites; **The Commonwealth of Australia** and the **Australian Communications and Media Authority** have donated the old Radio Towers to Wagait Council to assist in regional communications solutions. The disassembly of the towers commenced in early September and the towers are currently being delivered to the council.

Vice President Irvine and myself met with **Deputy Chief Minister Manison** offices to discuss: -

- A recent review of Mandorah Wharf and Boat ramp was conducted. The report is not available publicly because it contains commercially sensitive data but a redacted version will be available very soon. The review has recommended several options to upgrade or replace this infrastructure. A design for a new boat ramp and ferry landing will be released shortly.
- Introduction of a Bus service at Wagait Beach – to be reviewed.
- CCTV at Mandorah jetty and Car Park – under consideration.
- Jetty maintenance – to be reviewed.
- Long term plans for relocation of Darwin Ferry terminal – is ongoing with no decisions at this time. We advised parking was becoming an issue.
- UHF Repeater and Tower Project – Application for funding tower installation to be considered.

It is unfortunate that Councillor VJ Thorpe has resigned. VJ has been a valuable contributor to council and will be missed. We wish her luck in the future and hope to see her back some time soon.

**TOPROC** is a group of council who wholly surround the Darwin Harbour. They include Darwin, Palmerston, Litchfield, Coomalie, Belyuen and Wagait. TOPROC have the responsibility of developing and governance of the Regional Waste site once it is confirmed by the incoming government. TOPROC is very concerned with the lack of detailed development masterplans for all of the member areas.

I have appeared on **ABC radio** twice in the last month promoting the community and answering questions.



## 6.1 - PRESIDENTS REPORT (Continued)

### Where have I been .....

10 <sup>th</sup> August	Wagait Emergency Recovery Committee
12 <sup>th</sup> August	TOPROC Meeting @ Litchfield Shire Council
15 <sup>th</sup> August	Meeting with Department of Transport – Bus Transport on Cox Peninsula
16 <sup>th</sup> August	Weekly Meeting with CEO
16 <sup>th</sup> August	Ordinary Council Meeting
17 <sup>th</sup> August	Special TOPROC meeting with Chief Minister
17 <sup>th</sup> August	Seniors Day celebrations @ Territory Wildlife Park
17 <sup>th</sup> August	ABC Radio Interview
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Weekly Meeting with CEO
25 <sup>th</sup> August	Meeting with VENTIA on Cox Peninsula
31 <sup>st</sup> August	ABC Radio interview – Grass Roots
1 <sup>st</sup> September	Weekly Meeting with CEO
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting with VENTIA on Cox Peninsula
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Weekly Meeting with CEO
12 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting with Freo Cranes
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Weekly Meeting with CEO
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting with VENTIA on Site at ACMA compound
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting with Deputy Chief Minister Manison
20 <sup>th</sup> September	Weekly Meeting with CEO
20 <sup>th</sup> September	Ordinary Council Meeting

### Attachments

Map and details of Kenbi lands.

### DETAILS OF KENBI LAND RELEASE



The Aboriginal Land that has already been handed back comprises of 51,152 hectares that are now designated as Aboriginal land, to be granted to the Kenbi Aboriginal Land Trust. Communal title will be vested in the trust for the benefit of traditional Aboriginal owners, the Larakia and Belyuen residents. Aboriginal land is inalienable — it cannot be bought or sold, but it can be leased with the informed consent of the traditional owners, who will also have a right of veto over mining and exploration;

Another 10,766 hectares of land in the northern part of the Cox Peninsula will be granted as NT freehold to the Kenbi Land Trust. It is designed to work similarly to Aboriginal land, and communal title will be vested in the trust for the benefit of the traditional owners, the Larakia and Belyuen residents. The informed consent of traditional owners will be required for surrender or lease of the land. **No permit system will apply, but the laws of trespass will apply** because the land will be private freehold. The owners of the land will have no right of veto over exploration and mining. This area of land is expected to be handed back sometime in 2017.

An area of land near the old Wagait Shire landfill tip comprising 1636 hectares will be granted to the Larakia Development Corporation as NT freehold land. The LDC will be free to develop and sell this land as it sees fit, in accordance with planning and other laws. This area of land is also expected to be handed back sometime in 2017.

Entry onto Aboriginal Land (Pink Area on map) requires a permit. Unauthorised entry onto aboriginal land can result in a fine of up to \$1000. The Northern Land Council (NLC) is responsible for administering the permit system. Aboriginal land is privately owned. It is not Crown land, nor public land. Like other landowners in Australia, Aboriginal people have the legal right to grant or refuse permission to people wishing to enter or travel through their land. A permit is a written permission from the traditional owners to enter the private land of a family or group of Aboriginal people. The permit system is designed to help protect the privacy of Aboriginal communities, preserve Aboriginal culture, safeguard the natural environment and promote visitor safety. Visitors to Aboriginal Lands should give due consideration and respect the lands and the traditional owners and avoid sacred sites.

**Resolution No. 2016/ 076**

**That the President'0889s report be received and noted.**

**Moved: President Peter Clee**

**Seconded: Vice President Brad Irvine**

**Vote: Carried**

## **7.0 OFFICERS REPORTS**

### **7.1 Chief Executive Officer's Report**

#### **Important Dates**

Next hard waste collection: 16 - 30 December  
Council meeting every third Tuesday of the month

#### **Meetings CEO Attended**

Weekly meetings with President  
10 August – Emergency Management Recovery – Wagait  
25 August – CEO's Litchfield and Coomalie – Darwin  
25 August – CouncilBiz – Darwin  
25 August - DLGCS Dog By-law - Darwin

#### **CEO Key Objectives Endorsed By Council August 2016**

- 1. Dog management:** Wagait Shire Council to have by-laws by June 2017: CEO to report on progress at every meeting.
  - 23 June - met with Department of Local Government and Community Services (DLGCS) for a briefing on the process to make by-laws
  - 29 July – emailed DGLCS to advise that the CEO is the instructing officer and the type of by-law required
  - 25 August – met with DGLCS to receive feedback on by-law requirement
  - 29 August – received an email from DGLCS advising to contact Darwin City Council (DCC) and discuss the issues that DCC have encountered to ensure a sound understanding of what is involved, including the pros and the cons before the by-law process is started
- 2. Roads upgrades:** Road upgrade plan and budget presented to Council at September meeting: CEO to report on progress at every meeting

Council's 2015 – 2016 Roads to Recovery (R2R) annual report was accepted by the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development on 31 August. This satisfies council's reporting requirements for the expenditure on roads last FY. R2R funded works have not been identified for the 2016 – 2017 FY at this point in time.

A number of road shoulders adjacent to resident's driveways have been reinstated with dirt aggregate in this FY. Funding for the works has been via Council's allocation in its budget. Sourcing aggregate suitable for this type of road maintenance has become difficult since the Kenbi Land settlement. Other more expensive forms of road maintenance may have to be considered in the future.

Cold asphalt has been purchased and the works team will start to repair pot holes in the sealed road areas throughout the year.

**3. Electoral review and election preparation:** Electoral review completed prior to 2017 elections: CEO to report on progress at every meeting

The electoral review has been completed and the Electoral Commissioner has been advised of the outcomes IAW Part 6 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations. The general consensus of the community during the review was to reduce the number of councillors from seven to five. This outcome has been forwarded to the DLGCS and the relevant Minister with a request to consider and approve a reduction in elected members accordingly.

Advice and guidance has been sort from DCC regarding preparation for the Local Government election in August 2017. The Executive Manager has very kindly offered to go through a document DCC has drafted specifically for the procedure. I'll arrange to meet with him when timings allow.

### **Acting CEO**

Identifying possible Acting CEO/s was a task identified during the CEO's annual review. Two very experienced Managers from DCC were identified by the DCC CEO and have expressed an interest in the role. Their resumes will be provided at an 'In-camera' session for Council to consider.

### **Waste Management**

The skip bins were placed in situ from 02 – 16 September. Unfortunately, some residents continue to deposit general household waste, tyres and large amounts of cardboard in the bins. To ensure emptying of the bins isn't refused by Shoal Bay Transfer Station due to none hard waste items being placed in them, the works team have been partially emptying the bins to remove waste that won't be accepted and then reloading them with accepted waste. This is not efficient use of the works team hours nor is it safe for staff to handle mixed waste without appropriate machinery or safety equipment. Fencing around the bins with set opening hours along with manning of the site is being considered to ensure responsible waste disposal during the next collection. Given the current level of complacency from some residents when depositing hard waste, it will not be unreasonable to expect a similar attitude will exist when depositing green waste. Similar management measures should be put in place before establishing a green waste site near Cloppenburg Park.

The kerbside waste collection contractor has advised that some residents place additional rubbish bags placed alongside their wheelie bin on collection day. While the contractor has been utilising small trucks that require the operator to assist with emptying wheelie bins, the operator has been good enough to throw the additional bags into the compactor.

This practice will cease when the side lift truck is operational again and the operator won't be required to exit the vehicle.

The school bus driver has asked if residents can place their wheelie bin about a meter from the edge of the bitumen as he is sometimes left with little room to manoeuvre when another vehicle is coming towards him on the opposite side of the road.

## **Administration**

The date for the first Audit Committee meeting has been moved to 18 October. This is to facilitate an opportunity for the committee to review the Auditor's Annual Report prior to it being submitted to the DLGCS.

The Administration Officer will be on leave for most of September and that position will be filled by a participant of the Community Development Program (CDP). Ongoing administration support is a must for the CEO and Council during annual leave, rostered days off and personnel leave as it is in excess of two months per year. While not ideal, the CDP participant is available from 8am – 12.30pm on a daily basis which alleviates some of the daily front of house duties during leave periods.

## **7.2 Works Supervisor Officer's Report**

There hasn't been any wild dogs trapped for several months nor have the works team received any reports of wild dogs wandering around the estate.

Cold asphalt has been purchased to repair pot holes in the sealed roads and repairs are underway.

Council's tip truck received maintenance for the intermittent tipping fault and it is expected that the replacement of a faulty solenoid will see the problem resolved. The works ute has been serviced, had two new tyres fitted and a wheel alignment to rectify an issue with the front tyres scrubbing out.

The works team have carried out a survey of the restricted use area in regard to the presence of target weeds and are pleased to report that there has been reduced count of weeds compared to the previous year. There are a number of Neem trees of various sizes still to remove before November.

A new wind sock has been assembled and will soon be fixed to the roof of the jetty shelter. Removal of barnacles from the jetty landings is well underway and is being carried out when tides permit. Algae has been removed from the boat ramp.

The Wagait Tower Road beach access was in a very poor state of repair. The works team have removed the old chains and timber slats and are in the process of attaching a combination of new recycled plastic slats and refurbishing the remaining timber slats. The sand dune will be reinstated and a longer section of new/refurbished slats will be laid along the access point.

Other jobs during August include fitting a new public toilet sign to the Forsyth Rd street pole, snipping of the estate where needed and archives destroyed. All Contract obligations have been met.

### 7.3 Sports and Recreation Officer's Report

We are having a variety of activities with cooking still the favourite. Our veggie patch has produced some zucchini so far which the children can pick and use in their cooking. Our netball game on Thursdays is up and down but those who turn up regularly enjoy it. It is open to all ages and standards.

Tuesday night tennis is trying to make a comeback with some new faces in town. We had six turn up last week and look forward to more.

Sewing has been popular with both the boys and the girls. Thank you to Shenagh Gamble for the donation of another sewing machine.

	Aug-01	Aug-08	Aug-15	Aug-22	Aug-29
MONDAY	L	Ukulele 7	Ukulele 3	Ukulele 4	Ukulele 3
TUESDAY	E	Sewing 9	Craft 5	Funbus-9 Sewing-8	Sewing/Craft 10
WEDNESDAY	A	Tennis 5	Basketball 4	Tennis 7	Basketball 6
THURSDAY	V	Soccer-11 Netball-13	BMX-0 Netball-4	Soccer-7 Netball-6	
FRIDAY	E	Cooking 18	Cooking 10	Cooking 15	
SATURDAY		Movie Night 5			

**Resolution No. 2016/ 077**

**That the Officer's reports' for the month of August 2016 be received and accepted.**

**Moved: President Peter Cleo**

**Seconded: Councillor Shenagh Gamble**

**Vote: Carried**

The meeting noted that finalisation of the shoulder remediation is not included in our current budget and will need to be included in the budget for 2017/18.

The meeting noted that companion animals should be microchipped but no proposal to have a register maintained locally. There is a national register.

## 8.0 FINANCIAL REPORT

### 8.1 Income and Expenditure Cash Report

<b>WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL - Income &amp; Expenditure Cash Report -31 August 2016</b>							
	<b>Month to Date</b>			<b>Year to Date</b>			<b>Full Year</b>
	<b>Actual \$</b>	<b>Budget \$</b>	<b>Variance \$</b>	<b>Actual \$</b>	<b>Budget \$</b>	<b>Variance \$</b>	<b>Budget \$</b>
<b>INCOME</b>							
Rates and charges	\$79,096	\$18,240.83	\$60,855	\$80,649	\$36,481.66	\$44,167	\$218,980
Grants	\$18,247	\$20,564.58	-\$2,318	\$90,559	\$41,129.16	\$49,430	\$246,775
Grant - Sports & Recreation		\$1,750.00	-\$1,750		\$3,500.00	-\$3,500	\$21,000
Contract Income	\$4,776	\$12,063.63	-\$7,288	\$9,778	\$24,127.26	-\$14,349	\$132,700
Waste Management	\$38,793	\$9,700.00	\$29,093	\$38,810	\$19,400.00		\$116,400
Rental	\$400	\$220.00	\$180	\$600	\$440.00	\$160	\$2,640
Interest Received	\$757		\$757	\$757	\$0.00	\$757	
Other Income		\$3,083.33	-\$3,083		\$6,166.66	-\$6,167	\$37,000
					\$0.00		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$142,068</b>	<b>\$65,622</b>	<b>\$76,446</b>	<b>\$221,153</b>	<b>\$131,245</b>	<b>\$70,498</b>	<b>\$775,495</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b>							
Administration	\$3,101	\$6,516	-\$3,414	\$10,848	\$13,031.66	-\$2,184	\$78,190
Employment	\$23,878	\$32,600	-\$8,722	\$49,118	\$65,200.00	-\$16,082	\$391,200
Roads	\$13,343	\$5,000	\$8,343	\$22,332	\$10,000.00	\$12,332	\$60,000
Contracts & materials	\$263	\$238	\$26	\$454	\$475.00	-\$21	\$2,850
R&M Town Assets	\$3,002	\$1,592	\$1,410	\$3,444	\$3,183.32	\$261	\$19,100
Veh & Plant Exp	\$1,302	\$5,508	-\$4,206	\$2,011	\$11,015.00	-\$9,004	\$66,090
Grant Exp	\$1,197	\$2,145	-\$948	\$1,197	\$4,290.00	-\$3,093	\$25,740
Other Operational Exp (waste mngt)	\$4,667	\$10,117	-\$5,449	\$10,062	\$20,233.32	-\$10,171	\$121,400
Services	\$930	\$858	\$72	\$3,758	\$1,716.66	\$2,041	\$10,300
Capital Purchases					\$879.35		
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>\$51,684</b>	<b>\$64,572</b>	<b>-\$12,889</b>	<b>\$103,225</b>	<b>\$130,024</b>	<b>-\$25,920</b>	<b>\$774,870</b>
<b>OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>\$90,384</b>	<b>\$1,050</b>	<b>\$89,334</b>	<b>\$117,928</b>	<b>\$1,220</b>	<b>\$96,418</b>	<b>\$625</b>

## 8.2 Financial report for period ending 31 August 2016

<b>WAGAIT SHIRE COUNCIL</b>					
<b>Financial Report for period ending 31 August 2016</b>					
<b>Cash at Bank &amp; on hand</b>					<b>Total</b>
Petty cash					\$ 304.25
Westpac Operational Account					\$ 17,128.41
Westpac Cash Management Account					\$ 860.00
CBA - Online Saver					\$ 5,375.00
CBA - Investment					\$ 957,939.45
<b>Total Cash at Bank &amp; onHand</b>					<b>\$ 981,607.11</b>
<b>Debtors</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>over 30 days</b>	<b>over 60 days</b>	<b>over 90 days</b>	
Trade		\$ 9,144.64			\$ 9,144.64
Rates				\$ 13,091.00	\$ 13,091.00
<b>Total Debtors</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 9,144.64</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 13,091.00</b>	<b>\$ 22,235.64</b>
<b>Creditors</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>over 30 days</b>	<b>Over 60 days</b>	<b>Over 90 days</b>	
Trade	\$ 6,501.00				
<b>Total Creditors</b>	<b>\$ 6,501.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 6,501.00</b>

## 8.3 Rate Payers

Overdue – 14 (of these 3 properties have a payment agreement. 3 properties are more than 3 years overdue and 8 properties are overdue for the 2015/2016 rate year.

## 8.4 Asset List

**July 2016** - Water Tank for carting water - \$879.35



The meeting noted that Supplier Payments need to be tabled and Rates arrears need to be reported by year.

The report notes that there is a balance of \$860 in the WBC investment account. This should be nil.

**Resolution No. 2016/078**

**That the financials for the month of August 2016 be received and accepted.**

**Moved: President Peter Clee**

**Seconded: Councillor Kurt Noble**

**Vote: Carried**

## **9.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**9.1 Shire Plan** – No action

**9.2 Strategic Plan** – No Action

**9.3 Annual Report** – No Action

**9.4 Cox Peninsula Bushfire Shed** - has not progressed.

**9.5 Darwin Duchess Project** – A sponsor has been identified.

**9.6 Street Signs** – Old signs to be auctioned in October

## **10.0 AGENDA ITEMS**

**10.1 Roads 2 Recovery**

**Resolution No. 2016/ 079**

**That Council accept the 2015-2016 Roads to Recovery (R2R) Chief Executive Officer's Financial Statement and Auditor's Report as a true statement of the receipts and expenditure for payments received by Wagait Shire Council under the R2R program.**

**Moved: President Peter Clee**

**Seconded: Councillor Shenagh Gamble**

**Vote: Carried**

**10.2 Letter from West Arnhem Regional Council - Lobby Group for Rural and Remote Local Government**

Council agreed to stay engaged in the process and to participate in this lobby group at this time. Cr Noble agreed to represent this council

### **10.3 Resignation of Councillor VJ Thorpe**

**Resolution No. 2016/ 080**

**That Council receive and note the resignation advice from Councillor VJ Thorpe.**

**Moved: President Peter Clee**

**Seconded: Vice President Brad Irvine**

**Vote: Carried**

### **10.4 Policy – Casual Councillor Vacancy**

Council agreed that if a casual vacancy occurs within six months of the next general election, Council shall not co-opt a person, provided the casual vacancy has not reduced membership of Council below four members. However, if a casual vacancy occurs within more than six months and less than eighteen months until the next general election, Council will co-opt a person to fill the vacancy until the next general election.

**Resolution No. 2016/ 081**

**That Council adopt the policy CASUAL VACANCY ON COUNCIL as tabled.**

**Moved: Councillor Shenagh Gamble**

**Seconded: President Peter Clee**

**Vote: Carried**

### **11.0 UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **11.1 10 December – 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Council Chambers – Community Centre**

Council will hold a small event to celebrate this occasion.

#### **11.2 Australia Day – 26 January 2017**

### **12.0 LATE ITEMS AND GENERAL BUSINESS - NIL**

### **13.0 IN-CAMERA ITEMS**

### **14.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Council Meeting is to be held on Tuesday 18 October 2016 in the Council Chambers,

### **15.0 CLOSE OF MEETING**

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.52pm.