

Minutes of Belyuen Community Government Council meeting held on 5th September 2012

Present: Bill Stuchbery Manager BCGC

Cathy Winsley CEO BCGC

Manager opened the meeting at 12.30 pm

1. Apologies

None

2. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 1st July 2012

ACTION: The Manager confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 1 July 2012

3. Business Arising from Minutes

3.1 ABA Grant

ACTION: The Manager requested the CEO to follow up with ABA the release of the grant funds.

4. General Business

4.1 Purchase of Backhoe

The CEO presented a quote from Wester Diesel for a new 2010 Case backhoe. The quote was for \$111070. Council had received a CTG from Local Government for \$100000 to go towards a backhoe. Council disposed of the old backhoe for \$5500. Council contributed the additional funds.

ACTION: The Manager accepted the quote from Western Diesel for the purchase of the backhoe.

The CEO presented the acquittal for the CTG backhoe.

ACTION: The Manager accepted the acquittal for the purchase of the backhoe CTG \$100000.

4.2 Acquittal of security fence at the Recreation Hall

CEO advised that the fence had been completed and payment made.

CEO advised that the fence was done as part of the hall refurbishment but the funding source was separate to the main refurbishment. When SKM the Project Managers recommended payment they withheld 7.5% retention. This should not have been done however it was not picked up at the time.

CEO advised that a letter explaining what happened will be forwarded with the acquittal.

ACTION: The Manager accepted the acquittal for the erection of the security fence for the recreation hall SPG \$42700

4.1 Acquittal of SPG for verandas and carport.

CEO advised that the veranda at the workshop and the carport at the aged care centre had been completed.

ACTION: The Manager accepted the acquittal for the veranda and carport SPG \$81400

4.2 Acquittal of Facility Grant for new floor for the Hall.

CEO advised that the new concrete floor at the hall was completed. The floor was partly funded by a Facility Grant NRETAS of \$39000 and the remaining from the ABA Grant.

ACTION: CEO to prepare acquittal to NRETAS for the \$39000.

4.3 NT Leasing

The Manager advised that negotiations were still taking place re the MOU with the Land Councils for the fee structure for items such as parks, ovals, halls. The Manager will be seeking further advice from the incoming NT Government.

4.4 Local Government Report – Constitutional Recognition

Report Tabled.

4.5 LGANT Directory

Directory Tabled.

4.6 FACHSIA workplace health and safety checks.

Check List for facilities built between August 2007 and August 2012.

Note: Council did not have any new facilities built in this period.

4.7 Darwin Rotary

Letter to Peter Hopton Principal Project Officer Rotary Club of Darwin thanking them for their support and confirming support for the Project Viking 2012/2013 Remote Community Project.

5. Other Business

5.1 Cemetery Fee

The CEO raised the matter of charging a small fee for digging graves at the Cemetery. The CEO commented that since Council’s backhoe stopped working community members have paid a backhoe operator from Wagait \$370 to dig the grave. A Council worker then fills it in.

CEO would like to see Council charge a fee of \$200 to dig the grave. As Council fills it in then \$200 is considered a reasonable fee.

ACTION: The Manager approves charging community members a fee of \$200 plus gst to dig and fill in a grave site.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.30pm

Confirmation of Minutes.....

Date.....

