



MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
7TH AUGUST 2026
9:00am

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1. NOTICE OF MEETING

I hereby give notice that a Special Meeting of Council was held on:

Date: 7th August 2026
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Council Chambers
22 Cameron Road, Batchelor NT 0845

Any member of Council and staff who may have a conflict of interest or perceived conflict of interest regarding any item of business to be discussed at a Council meeting should declare that conflict of interest to enable Council to manage the conflict and resolve it in accordance with its obligations under the *Local Government Act 2019*.

The Special Meeting of Council was open to the public.

The meeting was recorded for minuting purposes only.



Natasha Chapman

Acting Chief Executive Officer.

RESOLUTION: 2026/08/15/005

That the Public Minutes of the Special Meeting held on 7th August 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Cllr Strettles

Seconded: DP Whatley

Carried

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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BATCHELOR

ON 7TH AUGUST 2026

The President of the Council, Mr. Ross McGorman declared the meeting open at 9:00 am and welcomed all in attendance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land commonly referred to as Coomalie. I pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

3. PERSONS PRESENT

ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT

President	Ross McGorman (via electronic means)
Deputy President	Chris Whatley
Councillor	Sharon Beswick (via electronic means)
Councillor	Mae Mae Morrison (via electronic means)
Councillor	Greg Strettles (via electronic means)

STAFF PRESENT

Acting Chief Executive Officer	Natasha Chapman
Acting Corporate Services Manager	Luke Ackland

VISITORS PRESENT

4. APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Date: 7th August 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table for Council's record any apologies and requests for leave of absence received for the Special Meeting held on 7th August 2026.

RESOLUTION: SPEC2026/08/07/001

That Council receives and notes the apology of Councillor Alan Roe for the Special Meeting held 7th August 2026.

Moved: Clr. Beswick

Seconded: DP Whatley

Carried

5. ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

Date: 7th August 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

PURPOSE

This report is to table, for Council's record, any requests, and permissions for Electronic Attendance.

RESOLUTION: SPEC2026/08/07/002

That Council acknowledges and accepts President McGorman, Councillor Beswick, Councillor Morrison and Councillor Strettles attendance to the meeting of 7th August 2026 via electronic means.

Moved: Clr. Beswick

Seconded: Clr. Morrison

Carried

6. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Date: 7th August 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachments: Nil.

7. REPORTS REQUIRING THE DECISIONS OF COUNCIL

7.1 LGANT REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATION: NT GRANTS COMMISSION

Date: 7th August 2026
Author: Natasha Chapman, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Attachment: LGANT Representative Nomination Form

PURPOSE

To seek Council's endorsement of a nomination to represent LGANT on the NT Grants Commission.

RESOLUTION: SPEC2026/08/07/003

That Council;

- a) receives and notes the report entitled LGANT Representative Nomination: NT Grants Commission; and
- b) approves the nomination of Deputy President Chris Whatley to be submitted to LGANT as a representative on the NT Grants Commission.

Moved: Clr. Morrison

Seconded: President McGorman **Carried**

Motion:

RESOLUTION: SPEC2026/08/07/004

That Council defer the two confidential items in this agenda until the August 2026 OGM:

8.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S EMPLOYMENT UPDATE

CONFIDENTIAL: Regulations 51(a) information about the employment of a particular individual as a member of the staff or possible member of the staff of the council that could, if publicly disclosed, cause prejudice to the individual; and (d) information subject to an obligation of confidentiality at law, or in equity

8.2 AWARDED OF TENDER RFT2026-002 – GRADING AND ROAD MAINTENANCE

CONFIDENTIAL: 51 (1) (c) (i) cause commercial prejudice to, or confer an unfair commercial advantage on, any person.

Moved:	DP Whatley	
Second:	Clr. Beswick	Carried

8. CLOSURE OF MEETING.

The meeting closed at 9:10am.
