



MINUTES OF THE NHILL TOWN COMMITTEE HEALTH MONDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2022 AT THE NHILL MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CENTRE, 77-79 NELSON STREET NHILL AND VIA ZOOM, COMMENCING AT 8.00PM.

Members:

Alana Storey (Chair), Brock Stephens (Assistant Chair), Jenny Dufty, Cr Melanie Albrecht (Mayor).

In attendance:

Catherine Bates, Emily Graham, Pauline McCracken, Daniel Griffiths

1. Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community

A Storey opened the meeting at 8.00pm by acknowledging the Indigenous Community.

2. Apologies

Rhys Webb, Darryl Hall and Vicki Natt were noted as apologies.

**3. Disclosure by Committee members or Councillors or Council Officers of any interest or conflicts of interest in any item on the agenda
Confirmation of minutes**

A Member with a conflict of interest in an item on the Agenda must indicate that they have a conflict of interest by clearly stating:

- The item for which they have a conflict of interest;
- Whether the conflict is **general** or **material**; and
- The circumstances that give rise to the conflict of interest.

Declaration of material or general conflicts of interest must also be advised by Members at the commencement of the discussion of a specific item.

There were no conflicts declared.

4. Confirmation of minutes

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Nhill Town Committee Meeting held on Monday 18 October 2021 at the Nhill Memorial Community Centre circulated to Committee Members be taken as read and confirmed.

Moved: Cr M Albrecht/B Stephens

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CARRIED

5. Correspondence

5.1 Inward:

- Invitation to the 2022 Rainbow Local Government Conference
- Invoice for Truck Bay pressure washing
- Budget Requests

5.2 Outward

- General Christmas Carols correspondence

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the inward and outward correspondence.

MOVED: Cr M Albrecht/B Stephens

That the Committee notes the inward and outward correspondence.

6. General business as notified to the Chair

Members noted that Pauline McCracken and Vicki Natt had expressed interest in joining Nhill Town Committee. **Members noted their support for the two additional members and recommend to Council that these expressions were endorsed.** Members acknowledged that further recruitment could still occur to reach the maximum allowance for Town Committee membership.

It was noted that Leith Dean had tendered her resignation and Members would like to thank Leith for her contribution to Nhill Town Committee which was greatly appreciated.

The procurement process was explained to new Members which requires all purchases under \$2,000 to be approved in the minutes. Council staff representative, D Griffiths, will

then complete the internal purchase order and provide it to the Committee Member to enable purchase of the goods.

For items over \$2,000 endorsement of the Committee's recommendation is required by a motion of Council.

Members noted that prior to next meeting, an annual quote from the Nhill Free Press & Kaniva Times for advertising would enable one motion to be moved for a purchase order.

Members were advised of the Rainbow Local Government Conference to be held Friday 20 May, online, and that Council would fund the registration for two Committee Members. B Stevenson expressed his interest. Further expression of interests should be forwarded to the Chair prior to the next meeting.

Members were advised that the Committee had a presence at the Nhill Lions Market during 2021. It was an effective public relations exercise for community members to learn about Town Committee and provide community engagement.

Members noted email correspondence had been received relating to small event grants and a contribution of \$500 was made towards the Christmas Carols event. Members were encouraged to utilise the grant opportunities that would present over the year.

Members were advised that the Committee was in communication with GWM regarding the option of a project involving the painting of the Nhill Water Tower. GWM had agreed to undertake a safety survey to determine if painting the Tower would be possible at no cost to the Committee. If the Committee was interested in pursuing the project, grant funding would be required.

Members were updated on the 'Welcome to Nhill' project which involved developing a brochure and pack to welcome new residents to the area. This project is still in its infancy and could be further developed in 2022 with new Members.

Members were advised that the Nhill Christmas Carols and Christmas lights events had been successful again in December 2021. C Bates offered her assistance for the 2022 event.

Members were advised that the Committee had been exploring on behalf of Council community consultation about a dog park in Nhill. The first step is to complete community consultation and consensus about the preferred location of a dog park. This project could be considered by the new 2022 Committee.

Members were advised that community consultation had indicated there was a desire for more youth events to support people young adults 20-40 in the area. Nhill Town Committee had a number of events planned for 2021 but due to COVID-19 these were unable to be held.

Members were updated on the Nhill Truck Stop Project which has been a revitalisation project of the garden area around the Nhill Truck Stop adjacent to the Nhill Showgrounds. Positive feedback has been provided by truck drivers who have thanked volunteers for their hard work in beautifying the area.

Members were informed that Council has progressed the budget process and any projects that require costing for consideration should be forwarded to Council as soon as possible. A Nhill Caravan Master plan has been proposed.

Members discussed opportunities to focus on beautifying shop buildings in the main street, including cleaning shop fronts to remove cobwebs and bird droppings both on the building and adjoining footpath.

A Member noted community interest in a 'Nhill' mural, similar to the 'Horsham' mural and possible locations were discussed.

7. Financial Report for the period ending 31 January 2022

The Financial Report for the period ending 31 January 2022 has been prepared and is presented for the information of Council.

Members noted that an additional expense relating to the Christmas Decorations had been recorded by Council staff. It was determined in future that quotes for additional works by Council staff should be forwarded to the Committee for approval prior to the works being completed.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee notes the Finance Report for the period ending 31 January 2022 as presented.

MOVED: CR M Albrecht/B Stevenson

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CARRIED

8. Meeting Closed

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.37pm.