

**Executive Meeting No. 3 of 2009/2010
2 September 2009 at Umuwa
Minutes**

Present:

Chairperson	Bernard Singer
Amata	
Anilayla	Kawaki Thompson
Indulkana	Ronnie Brumby
Kaltjiti	Murray George (10:35)
Mimili	
Murputja	Anton Baker
Pukatja	Jamie Nyangu
Kalka/Pipalyatjara	Milyika Paddy (10:55)
Watarru	Charlie Anytjipalya
APY	Rex Tjami, Ken Newman, Peter Huntington, Rodney Edwards

Apologies: Colin Koch, ILC Consultants

Visitors: Anne Prince, Tony Davies, Erin Hansen

Welcome

Bernard Singer opened the meeting at 9:58 am with a prayer by Kawaki Thompson.

1. Previous Minutes of Meeting No. 2 – 4/5 August 2009

Rodney Edwards, A/General Manager read through the Minutes of 4-5 August 2009 which were accepted without alteration.

Moved: Jamie Nyangu
Second: Anton Baker
Carried: All

2. Waste Management

Tony Davies, Erin Hansen and Anne Prince provided an update on the waste management plan for the APY Lands. Erin works for Zero Waste SA and works towards having less waste go to landfill. Anne provided a summary of their report that was finished in July 2009 and talked about some trial programs being conducted across the Lands. Tony Davies continued the presentation about hard waste management and the need to have licensed tips. Tony provided Members with a draft set of rules for car removal from the APY Lands. This will be discussed further tomorrow at the inter-agency stakeholders' meeting being held at Umuwa.

In relation to the vehicle removal from Fregon, Tony advised the contractor had done a good job although it would be preferred to have an overall approach rather than just some selected communities that are easier to access.

Executive Board members were invited to attend the meeting tomorrow and learn more information about the overall plan.

3. Permit Issue re: Waste Management

Rodney Edwards advised of a Contractor that went to Fregon to do car crushing and removal. They had no permits, although they had community approval. Dennis Coulson, Turkey Bore complained about their coming. APY let the Contractor have a permit, if they applied and provided police certificates. One person had a significant criminal history and APY cancelled the permits of the Contractor and they are now off the Lands after removing a number of vehicles from Fregon. However, they have re-applied for permits to come and they have been talking directly to some communities.

It is recommended that the permits not be approved at this time. Zero Waste Management will be advertising for expressions of interest for vehicle removal across the APY Lands and the Company should be encouraged to apply at that time.

Action: Write to Metal Recyclers advising of the above information.

4. Development and Planning

Ken Newman gave a background briefing on how APY sought advice from Salisbury Council about our planning and development functions. In their report, Salisbury advised that APY does not have to have the technical expertise, as that can be outsourced, but there is a need for good consultation across the APY Lands for development proposals.

After conferring with the Director and Chairperson, it was decided to approach Mary Anderson to come back and work for APY as our Development and Planning Officer. At the same time, Jude Allen has been seconded from Housing SA to work with Mary and develop the role over the next 6 months.

They started yesterday and they have been invited along today to give the Executive Board information about their job and a summary of what they will be doing.

Mary and Jude then provided a summary of development applications that are to be considered over the next month or so and will report back to the next Executive meeting. In relation to the Anangu Housing at Pukatja, the Executive Board was asked to consider approving a resolution which the Legal Officer presented.

Peter Huntington advised that the housing MOU with Housing SA was signed at Umuwa in the presence of the Minister on 31 August 2009 and that a fourth variation to the ground lease is ready for approval pending confirmation of site locations, etc. This is for the construction of 5 new houses next year, including three to be constructed by the Army and two by Housing SA.

Resolution

That APY sign a fourth variation to the housing ground lease to deal with construction of new and upgraded housing at Pukatja subject to the conditions and lot numbers being acceptable to the General Manager and Director.

Moved: Bernard Singer
Second: Ronnie Brumby
Carried: All

5. Land Management Matters

a. Agistment Agreements

A draft agistment agreement has been developed. This will be the basis of future agreements but each agreement will need some modifications to suit the business.

Action: The APY Executive Board endorses the agistment agreement as presented and should go to the pastoral licensee meeting.

b. Strategy for APY Pastoral and Livestock Management

ILC Consultants: Ian MacLean and Phillip Holm are here to help develop the long term strategy for supporting the LM Unit.

APY Pastoral Business: The pastoral program needs to become sustainable and one option is to develop a cattle business for APY.

Action: The APY Executive Board supports LM to investigate business models and report back to a future Executive Board meeting.

c. Dog Baiting

All the grazing licensees have asked for LM to start dog baiting on pastoral areas only.

Action: The APY Executive Board approves this being discussed at the pastoral licensee meeting.

d. Pastoral Licensee meeting

This meeting was scheduled for last month but could not proceed. This is a priority and a date still needs to be set. **The date proposed is Wednesday 16 September 2009 at Umuwa.**

e. Roger Kayipipi Camel Project

A briefing on the history of the yards was provided as per the request from last month. At 4 pm, Roger Kayipipi and Paddy McHugh attended the meeting to discuss camel business at Kaltjiti. Paddy addressed the meeting and said he believes there is a viable camel industry for the APY Lands. He is here to buy camels from Roger. Paddy pays \$130 - \$250 per camel, depending upon circumstances. Paddy thinks the time is right to start exploiting the industry. The camels he is purchasing from Roger are going to Peterborough, SA for slaughter.

There was general support for developing Anangu businesses. However, there is also concern that if unregulated, it will lead to conflicts between other Anangu traditional owners. It was suggested that Roger needs to speak to an accountant and a lawyer to structure a registered business. He and Paddy should report back to a future Executive Board meeting with a business plan that outlines what is proposed, the area to be covered, fees, etc.

Roger said he is worried about his country and the protection of waterholes, etc. The Executive approved continuing to muster the camels and remove them and build the yards while they are developing the business plan.

Bernard Singer had to leave the meeting at 5 pm.

f. Future of Kuka Kanyini Watarru

Letter from DEH – requesting continuation of the KK Project until the end of the year and recommendations from a review to be completed by end of year.

John Kite tabled a request from some Traditional Owners of Watarru asking that the community be given responsibility for the Kuka Kanyini project.

Rodney Edwards explained that he has been with LM for almost three years. The original Kuka Kanyini project was conducted by the community and DEH changed those arrangements. John Kite said that no funding goes into the community. It is administered by DEH and the community wants responsibility for the project to ensure their community survives.

Charlie Anytjipalya said LM was not supporting Watarru and was working against Anangu. Rodney explained that he met with DEH as a direction of the Executive at the last meeting. He explained that because of the problems in the past at Watarru, the Working on Country funding was suspended for 12 months.

Action: Rodney Edwards to arrange a meeting between DEH, Watarru and APY as soon as practicable to discuss the Kuka Kanyini project and the meeting is to be held at Umuwa on Friday 11 September 2009.

g. Threatened Species project at Watarru

Tjakura and Macquarie University – APY supported a funding application for Macquarie Uni to assist in tjakura monitoring. This is planned to occur in October.

Action: This is to be addressed at the meeting on 11 September 2009

h. AW NRM Issues

4 Projects - a letter from Minister advising that entry permits will be issued to staff working on the 4 projects, however the 4 projects have not been approved.

Action: Letters to Minister and to AW NRM

Expressions of Interest - Letters to individual families requesting an expression of interest was sent to some Anangu. This resulted in Anangu coming to the meeting at Marla and submitting project applications. The GM of AW NRM has put this on hold as it's 'not political' to do this now.

Action: The Minister should be advised to these actions

i. IPA Planning

Kalka/Pipalyatjara - Frank Young and Sam Matthews presented draft plain English plan of Management to the communities. Generally they are happy with the plan overall. There will be another meeting to go through a draft operational plan for the first three years of the project. Kalka/Pipalyatjara - APYLM is joining CLC on a plant and animal survey in the Walytjatjata area this week.

Sandy Bore - Further meetings are required, meetings have been held with not all traditional owners present. No decisions have been made in regards to this plan. A meeting has been advertised for the second week of September.

Apara/Makiri- we are currently working to source a consultant to undertake planning for this area. Sam is moving to Adelaide at the end of this year. We need to advertise this position as soon as possible so that we can try to employ them starting from November. This would allow an overlap period for a handover to take place.

Action: Proceed with recruitment

j. APY Working on Country Rangers

The Rangers from Walalkara have told staff they want to cancel their contracts, so that they can receive CDEP payment again. A letter of resignation has not been received.

The APY WOC Ranger Project will need to be significantly reworked for this financial year. Out of a possible 9 positions, it is likely that only 4-5 of these positions will be filled during this period. APY LM is currently advertising for two more part time rangers to start working in Kalka / Pipalyatjara area. We are planning to interview before the end of the month.

6. Legal Report

The legal report has been deferred until the next meeting.

7. Correspondence In/Out

In

06/08/09	Minister Weatherill	MoU and direction to APY
06/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Stores policy
06/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Mullighan Inquiry
11/08/09	DFC Housing	Lease for housing lots
11/08/09	DFC Housing	Mimili cultural heritage clearance
12/08/09	DFC Housing	Development approval Pukatja
13/08/09	Minister Rankine	Thank you
13/08/-9	DPC	Community Initiatives Fund
14/08/09	J Kite	Support for UNITAR
18/08/09	SA Heritage Council	Consultation workshops
21/08/09	Bungala	Shade sail construction in communities
20/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Court and Community Safety Complex
20/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Various: Permits, Regional Council, other
20/08/09	DFC Housing	Accept planning and development project
24/08/09	DPC-AARD	Consultation re Aboriginal Heritage Act
26/08/09	Zero Waste SA	Waste Management Stakeholder mtg 3 Sept
26/08/09	Chairperson Pukatja	QC Advice
27/08/09	Minister Rankine	Children's Protection Amendment Bill
27/08/08	DPC-AARD	ANZAC Day Commemoration Fund
27/08/09	DPC-AARD	Appln for Court and Community Safety Centre

27/08/09	DPC-AARD	Report on govt response to Mullighan Inquiry
27/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Refrain from responding to AWNRM
28/08/09	DFC Housing	Various approvals sought
28/08/09	DFC	Minister Rankine's itinerary
13/08/09	DFC Housing	Mimili 3 houses
31/08/09	DEH Exec Director	Continuation of Kuka Kanyini Agreement
01/09/09	Chairperson Pukatja	Pukatja Sports Weekend 25-28 Sept
01/09/09	Indigenous Sport WA	Tri-state coordination mtg in Alice
01/09/09	DPC-AARD	Land Rights funding Agreement 09/10
02/09/09	DFC Housing	Transfer of rent moneys
02/09/09	Armstrong Muller Consultants	Consultation SANFL football/softball complex
02/09/09	AW NRM	Request to hold Board mtg in Umuwa in Oct

Out

06/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Police/Courts Admin Complex Umuwa
06/08/09	Minister Weatherill	Visit to Lands 4-5 Aug
14/08/09	Minister Weatherill	MoU with AW NRM and direction to APY
17/08/09	DEH	Extension to Kuka Kanyini project
20/08/09	DFC Housing	Approval for 3 Mimili houses
20/08/09	Community Chairpersons	Community service delivery
20/08/09	All Communities	QC legal advice
20/08/09	All Communities	Notice of Exec mtg
20/08/09	Robert Stevens	R McDonough permit cancelled
27/08/09	All Communities	Reminder of Exec mtg

8. Date of Next Executive Board Meeting

The next Executive Board meeting will be on Wednesday 7 October 2009 at Umuwa.

Other Business

9. Amata Membership

Members asked about the Amata member. Mr George said he would talk to Mr Burton next week in Adelaide and see what he intends to do. The Board desires there to be effective representation from Amata. This can be by way of participation by telephone or by nominating a proxy, however the Board wishes Amata to be represented at the meetings. (After the meeting, Mr George attempted to phone Mr Burton but there was no answer.)

10. Roads on the APY Lands

Members are concerned about the state of the roads on the APY Lands. Jamie Nyangu said that ABC Transport may not deliver food to the community stores because of the roads.

Action: Daryl Matters of DTEI is to be asked to attend the next Executive Board meeting and explain the course of action proposed.

The meeting ended at 6:50 pm with a closing prayer by Mrs Paddy.

Minutes by Ken Newman