

**KATHERINE SHOWGROUNDS AND MULTI-PURPOSE ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY 02 MAY 2022 AT 5.30PM, CIVIC CENTRE**

**MINUTES**

**1. WELCOME**

Meeting opened at 5.30 pm.

Welcome from Mayor to all the members and their clubs present.

In Attendance:

Amanda Kingdon	KTC Elected Member Chair and minute taker
Brendan Pearce	KTC Director Infrastructure & Environment
Mark Robertson	Katherine Dirt Kart Club
Kylie Leonhardt	Australian Stockhorse Society
Anna Kerwin	Katherine District Show Society
Tia Solloway	Turf Club
Rodney Hoffman	Turf Club
Shannon Jackson	AFLNT

**2. APOLOGIES**

Virginya Boon	KTC Infrastructure and Environment Operations Manager
Melinda Wheelan	Katherine Rope and Barrel Club
Tim Delany	Katherine Camels
David Flood	Blue Eagle Mau Thai

**3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Moved: Kylie Leonhardt/ Tia Solloway

That the minutes from the Katherine Showgrounds and Multi-Purpose Advisory Special Committee meeting held on 8 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried: 5 / 0

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Follow ups:**

- Blue Eagle Muay Thai power outage query
- KTC advised Pedro is still doing electrical checks
- Katherine Dirt Kart Club asked about usage contribution.  
All user groups have submitted and will be processed to issue invoices according to days of usage by each group. Payment will be based on Council's adopted Fees and Charges and individual clubs' anticipated usage.

**5. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Report from user groups**

**Katherine Dirt Kart Club**

Fire breaks have been delayed due to rain. It has been hard to get a tractor/ slasher. Mark has done some ride on mowing work. There are a lot of weedy overgrowth and suggested spraying needs to be done.

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**Katherine District Show Society**

The Campdraft Arena Lighting Project is running about two weeks behind schedule. The new lighting tower poles (20m high) have not arrived therefore the project has been delayed. They are being manufactured and delivered from Perth, WA.

As there is a major camp-draft event on at the end of this month they will need to ensure the site remains safe by the placement of barricades, etc.

Community Benefit Fund requires acquittal by 30 June 2023. They will be submitting a proof of delay to request an extension to the acquittal date.

**Australian Stockhorse Society**

Major event is on at the end of May. Two events with youth clinic sessions in June have been postponed due to the delay with the lighting upgrade project.

**Turf Club**

No recent break-ins. Glass doors have been ordered and have not arrived yet. Will be boarded up. They have organized and tidied up around inside of track. They have requested that the inside of the Buntine Pavilion is cleaned following the recent vandalism.

A liquor license has been approved. The new sand on the race track is looking good. The sand was hauled and placed last year.

KTC advised that the new fire-hydrant upgrades have been completed. The new system meets the required standards for flow rates and pressure. The contractor has to correct some tags on water valves to get final signoff. This will need to occur before being able to use Pavilion for any event requiring a liquor license.

**AFLNT**

Shannon Jackson was welcomed to the Committee. He has just arrived in Katherine and is looking forward to the role. He has observed that there are lights on the AFL Arena that need replacement.

Action item agreed: Shannon to submit a list of light poles that need bulb replacements to Infrastructure & Environment.

Started competition last weekend which was a little difficult with Christian Convention event. There was one complaint of intoxication of AFL member of public.

Shannon has a security background and will be able to respond to safety and security issues in the right way.

A temporary scoreboard is being obtained which will be in a trailer and run by a generator. The current scoreboard has not been working well for over a year.

A robotic line marker has been hired that is very efficient and effective, saving a lot of manpower.

This weekend will have 6 teams playing Friday night and all-day Saturday. Shannon advised that after finals behavior last year, that an E point system should be in place to give incentive to encourage good behavior. Police have also been informed of the event.

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**5.1 General Discussions:**

Anna requested a fence replacement due to ongoing damage creating holes in wire fencing from Showgrounds entry gate around to Golf side.

**Recommendation for Council**

That the chain mesh fence from behind rodeo laneway entrance gates around to the 4-strand barb wire fence, between the Showgrounds and the Golf Club be considered for replaced/renewal in the 2023/24 Council budget. The pedestrian gate in the fence line to the Golf club side is to remain.

Moved by: Anna Kerwin

Seconded by: Kylie Leonhardt

Carried.

**6. ACTION LIST**

Refer to table for updates, completions, and new items.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

A crane is required for electrical light repairs.

Hot water is an issue when large events go on and Anna receives many complaints. Users need to time their showers. The cost will be high to increase hot water infrastructure.

- Members are concerned about the Flood levee plan for the South side.

KTC advised it is planned to run alongside the Victoria Highway to Murphy Street entrance and will limit access to car parking on the road corridor adjacent to the showground. The project will be delivered by NTG's DIPL with the plan to commence this dry season.

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

4 July 2023

**9. MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting was closed at 6:30 pm

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MEETING DATE	ACTION ITEM	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	STATUS / COMMENTS
2/05/23	Fence on Golfy border to be replaced	I&E	
2/05/23	Tree maintenance needed especially with the Gum trees	I&E	
2/05/23	Replace oval light bulbs not working	I&E	<a href="#">2.05.23 Awaiting list from Shannon</a>

*I&E = KTC Infrastructure & Environment Services*

*C&S = KTC Community Services*