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MINUTES

Special Meeting of Council held in the Council Chambers on Monday, 18 October 2021 called for the purpose of:

1. Election and Swearing-in of Shire President
2. Election and Swearing-in of Deputy President
3. Allocation of Seating Arrangements for the 2021/2023 Term of Office

Note: Newly elected councillors (John Bookless, Julia Boyle, Tracy Lansdell, Sean Mahoney and Amanda Rose were sworn in by Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Once swearing in of newly elected councillors was completed the CEO, Mr T Clynych declared the meeting open at 5.46pm

Attendance & Apologies

Councillors	- J Bookless - J Boyle - B Johnson - T Lansdell - S Mahoney - J Mountford - A Pratico - P Quinby - A Rose
Officer	- T Clynych, Chief Executive Officer - M Larkworthy, Executive Manager Corporate Services - E Denniss, Executive Manager Community Services
Apology	- G Arlandoo, Executive Manager Development & Infrastructure

Attendance of Gallery

L Roberts, N Maxfield, M Richards, T Lockley, J Nicholas, A Nicholas, C Bookless, K Bookless, M Bookless, B Moore, J Moore, C Rose, M Lansdell, A Elder

Public Question Time - Nil

Petitions/Deputations/Presentations - Nil

Comments on Agenda Items by Parties with an Interest - Nil

Notification of Disclosures of Interest

Section 5.65 or 5.70 of the Local Government Act requires a Member or Officer who has an interest in any matter to be discussed at a Committee/Council Meeting that will be attended by the Member or Officer must disclose the nature of the interest in a written notice given to the Chief Executive Officer before the meeting; or at the meeting before the matter is discussed.

A Member who makes a disclosure under Section 5.65 or 5.70 must not preside at the part of the meeting relating to the matter; or participate in; or be present during, any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter, unless allowed

by the Committee/Council. If Committee/Council allow a Member to speak, the extent of the interest must also be stated.

Nil

Business Items

SpC.01/1021. Election of Shire President

The CEO advised he had received one nomination for the position of Shire President, being a self-nomination from Cr Bookless.

The CEO called for further nominations, a self-nomination was submitted by Cr Pratico.

In accordance with Policy M.30, each candidate was requested to make a presentation to the Council.

Cr Bookless presented first. Cr Pratico left the meeting at 5.53pm.

Cr Pratico re-entered the meeting at 5.57pm

Cr Pratico made his presentation.

At the conclusion of the presentations a secret ballot took place. Ballot papers were counted by the CEO, Executive Manager Community Services and Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder.

The result of the secret ballot was:

Councillor	Number of Votes
Cr Bookless	5
Cr Pratico	4

Accordingly, the Returning Officer (CEO) declared Cr Bookless elected President for the term of office expiring on 21 October 2023.

Cr Bookless made a Declaration in the presence of Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder.

Cr Bookless assumed the Chair

SpC.02/1021 Election of Deputy President

The CEO advised he had received two nominations for the position of Deputy President, being self-nominations from Cr Johnson and Cr Mahoney.

The CEO called for further nominations, a self-nomination was submitted by Cr Rose.

In accordance with Policy M.30, each candidate was requested to make a presentation to the Council.

Cr Johnson presented first, followed by Cr Mahoney and Cr Rose.

At the conclusion of the presentations a secret ballot took place. Ballot papers were counted by the CEO, Executive Manager Community Services and Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder.

The result of the secret ballot was:

Councillor	Number of Votes
Cr Johnson	2
Cr Mahoney	5
Cr Rose	2

Accordingly, the Returning Officer (CEO) declared Cr Mahoney elected Deputy President for the term of office expiring on 21 October 2023.

Cr Mahoney made a Declaration in the presence of Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder.

SpC.03/1021 Allocation of Seating Arrangements for the 2021/23 Term of Office

The CEO, with assistance from Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder drew lots for the seating of councillors for the ensuing two year period excepting seat 1 (President's left hand side) which is reserved for the Deputy President.

Seat No.	Councillor
1	Cr Mahoney
2	Cr Pratico
3	Cr Johnson
4	Cr Boyle
5	Cr Quinby
6	Cr Lansdell
7	Cr Mountford
8	Cr Rose

Appreciation

The President extended appreciation to Justice of the Peace, Adrian Elder for officiating at the Special Meeting of Council.

Closure

The President closed the meeting at **6.28pm**

List of Attachments

Attachment	Item No.	Details
1	SpC.01/1021	Policy M.27 - Election of President & Deputy President

Minutes checked and authorised by CEO, Mr T P Clynch		20.10.21
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<p>As Presiding Member, I certify that the Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held 18 October 2021 were confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 28 October 2021.</p> <p>..... 28 October 2021</p>
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POLICY NO.	M.27
POLICY SUBJECT	Election of President & Deputy President
ADOPTION DATE	29 November 2007 (C.13/1107)
LAST VARIATION DATE	30 November 2017 (C.17/1117)
LAST REVIEW DATE	26 November 2020 (C.05/1120)

As newly elected Councillors may be unacquainted with the candidates who have nominated for the positions of President and/or Deputy President, each candidate shall make a presentation of no more than five (5) minutes duration, providing some background information on themselves in support of their nominations prior to ballot papers being distributed.

The process for the election of President and Deputy President shall be as follows:

1. All nominations are to be submitted in writing to reach the CEO by no later than 4.00pm on the day of the Special Meeting where the election will take place. This cut-off time is to allow the CEO sufficient time to prepare ballot papers for the elections of President and Deputy President.
2. At the Special Meeting, the names of the candidates nominated for the position of president will be read aloud by the CEO who will then call upon each candidate to make their presentation. The order of presentation will be determined by ballot.
3. Where there are two or more candidates, all candidates will remain in the room and make their presentation when called upon. Ballot papers will be distributed to all elected members present and at the conclusion of the count the CEO will declare the President elected.
4. Once the election of the President has concluded and the President has assumed the Chair, the CEO will read aloud the names of the candidates nominated for the position of Deputy President. The President will call upon each candidate to make their presentation. The order of presentation will be determined by ballot.
5. Where there are two or more candidates, all candidates will remain in the room and make their presentation when called upon. Ballot papers will be distributed to all elected members present and at the conclusion of the count the CEO will declare the Deputy President elected.