

Special Meeting of Council

Minutes | 18th October 2021

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SHIRE OF QUAIRADING

Special Meeting of Council

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on Monday 18th October 2021 commencing at 6.07 pm.

Swearing in of New Elected Members

The Swearing In Ceremony for the new four (4) elected members was conducted prior to the commencement of the meeting and was officiated by the Chief Executive Officer and witnessed by Mrs Shirley Stacey, Justice of the Peace.

ITEM 1 OPENING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

In accordance with Schedule 2.3 (3) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the CEO is to preside at the Meeting until the Office of Shire President is filled.

The Chief Executive Officer opened the Meeting at 6.07 pm.

"Before we start our Meeting, I would like to acknowledge that we are meeting on Noongar / Ballardong land and we pay respect to the original custodians...past, present and future and welcome you all here today for this Meeting".

The Chief Executive Officer welcomed Councillors and Visitors to the meeting and advised that the order of proceedings would be the Election of Shire President and the Election of Deputy Shire President.

The Chief Executive Officer also welcomed Mrs Shirley Stacey, Justice of the Peace, who would witness the Declaration of Offices for the Shire President and Deputy Shire President.

ITEM 2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Councillors

Cr PD Smith	Shire President (Assumed the Chair at 6.20 pm)
Cr TJ Stacey	Deputy Shire President
Cr E Cheang	
Cr BR Cowcill	
Cr JC Hayes	
Cr JN Haythornthwaite	
Cr JR Hippisley	
Cr B McGuinness	

Council Officers

Mr GA Fardon	Chief Executive Officer
Mrs LM Horton	Executive Manager of Corporate Services
Mr A Rourke	Executive Manager of Works & Services
Mr RM Bleakley	Executive Manager of Community, Projects and Strategy

Justice of the Peace

Mrs Shirley Stacey

Observers/Visitors

Mrs Liz Smith
Ms Jill Hayes
Mr Greg Hayes
Ex- Shire President Mr Brian Caporn
Ex-Shire President Mr Wayne Davies
Mr Braden Hayes
Mrs Mary Stacey

Apologies

Shire Freeman Mr Don Brown
Ex-Shire President Mr Darryl Richards

Leave of Absence Previously Granted

Nil.

ITEM 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil at this time.

ITEM 4 ELECTION OF SHIRE PRESIDENT

The Chief Executive Officer advised that nominations for the Office of Shire President must be in writing to himself in accordance with Schedule 2.3, Division 2, Part 8(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995*. The following written nominations had been received:-

Cr Trevor Stacey nominated Cr Brett McGuinness;

Cr Becky Cowcill nominated Cr Jo Haythornthwaite;

Cr Jonathan Hippisley nominated Cr Peter Smith.

Cr McGuinness, Cr Haythornthwaite and Cr Smith all verbally accepted their nominations.

The Chief Executive Officer called for any further nominations and there were no further nominations received.

As there was more than one nomination received, the Chief Executive Officer advised that a secret ballot would now be held to determine the Office of Shire President.

The Chief Executive Officer determined that the order of the candidate names appearing on the ballot paper would be in the order that the nominations had been received by the CEO. The order of the candidate names on the ballot paper was as follows:

Cr Brett McGuinness;

Cr Jo Haythornthwaite;

Cr Peter Smith.

Ballot papers were then drawn up and authenticated by the Chief Executive Officer and distributed to all Elected Members.

When all votes had been cast, the Chief Executive Officer counted the votes. The election process was conducted by the CEO and Council Executive Staff, with the independent witness being the Justice of the Peace, Mrs Shirley Stacey.

In accordance with Regulation 11F of the Local Government (Constitution) Regulations 1998, the Chief Executive Officer advised that Cr Peter Smith received 4 votes, Cr Brett McGuinness received 2 votes and Cr Jo Haythornthwaite received 2 votes.

The Chief Executive Officer declared Cr Peter Smith the successful candidate having received the highest number of votes and was therefore elected to the Office of Shire President for a term of two (2) years concluding in October 2023.

Cr Peter Smith proceeded to take the Declaration of Office of Shire President officiated by the Chief Executive Officer and witnessed by Mrs Stacey, Justice of the Peace.

Cr Peter Smith assumed the Chair at 6.20 pm and welcomed the new Councillors and thanked fellow Councillors for their support in electing him to the Office of Shire President.

ITEM 5 ELECTION OF DEPUTY SHIRE PRESIDENT

The Shire President requested that the Chief Executive Officer continue with the election process for the Office of Deputy Shire President.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the following written nominations had been received: -

Cr Brett McGuinness nominated Cr Trevor Stacey;

Cr Peter Smith nominated Cr Jonathan Hippisley.

Cr Stacey and Cr Hippisley both verbally accepted their nominations.

The Chief Executive Officer called for any further nominations and there were no further nominations received.

As there was more than one nomination received, the Chief Executive Officer advised that a secret ballot would now be held to determine the Office of Deputy Shire President.

The Chief Executive Officer determined that the order of the candidate names appearing on the ballot paper would be in the order that the nominations had been received by the CEO. The order of the candidate names on the ballot paper was as follows:

Cr Trevor Stacey;

Cr Jonathan Hippisley.

Ballot papers were then drawn up and authenticated by the Chief Executive Officer and distributed to all Elected Members.

When all votes had been cast, the Chief Executive Officer counted the votes. The election process was conducted by the CEO and Council Executive Staff, with the independent witness being the Justice of the Peace Mrs Shirley Stacey.

In accordance with Regulation 11F of the Local Government (Constitution) Regulations 1998, the Chief Executive Officer advised that Cr Trevor Stacey received 5 votes and Cr Jonathan Hippisley received 3 votes.

The Chief Executive Officer declared Cr Trevor Stacey the successful candidate having received the highest number of votes and was therefore elected to the Office of Deputy Shire President for a term of two (2) years concluding in October 2023.

Cr Trevor Stacey proceeded to take the Declaration of Office of Deputy Shire President officiated by the Chief Executive Officer and witnessed by Mrs Stacey, Justice of the Peace.

ITEM 6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions only to relate to the Items of Business listed for this Special Council Meeting.

Nil questions received.

ITEM 7 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Shire President closed the Meeting at 6.29 pm.

I certify the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 18th October 2021 were confirmed on 28th October 2021 as recorded on Resolution No. 47-21/22

Confirmed.......... 28/10/2021