



# **MINUTES**

**of the**

**Special Post Election Meeting of the Council**

**held in the**

**Cultural Centre Hall, 118 Victoria Street, St George**

**on**

**Tuesday 14th April 2020**

**Commencing at 9.00am**

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# MEETING BUSINESS BY CORPORATE FUNCTION

## OPENING

The Chief Executive Officer declared the Meeting open at 9.00am.

## WELCOME BY BALONNE SHIRE COUNCIL CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Chief Executive Officer welcomed the newly elected Councillors.

## COUNCIL PRAYER

The Chief Executive Officer led the Council in the Opening Prayer.

## ATTENDANCE

Crs S O'Toole (Mayor), R Avery, R Fuhrmeister, R Lomman, S Scriven, I Todd and B Winks.

Mr Matthew Magin (Chief Executive Officer) and Mrs Michelle Clarke (Director Financial & Corporate Services)

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

# (OCEO) OFFICE OF THE CEO

OCEO1

## DECLARATION OF OFFICE - MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS

Declaration of Office - Mayor and Councillors

In accordance with section 169(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the elected Councillors made their declaration of office.

The Declaration of Office, as prescribed in S254 of the Local Government Regulations 2012, was as follows:

*I, Councillor Samantha O'Toole (Mayor)*

*Councillor Rodney Avery*

*Councillor Robyn Fuhrmeister*

*Councillor Richard Lomman*

*Councillor Scott Scriven*

*Councillor Ian Todd*

*Councillor William Winks*

*having been elected/appointed as a councillor of the Balonne Shire Council, declare that I will faithfully and impartially fulfil the duties of the office, in accordance with the local government principles and code of conduct under the Local Government Act 2009, to the best of my judgment and ability.*

The meeting adjourned for morning tea 9.13am.

The meeting reconvened at 9.42am. Cr O'Toole commenced the role as Chairperson. Andrew Boardman (Director Infrastructure Services ) and Digby Whyte (Director Environmental & Regulatory Services) entered the meeting, the time being 9.42am.

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Fuhrmeister seconded:

That Council resolves that:

1. the principles underpinning the *Local Government Act 2009* and the roles and responsibilities of the Mayor and Councillors have been noted; and
2. the Code of Conduct for Councillors in Queensland has been noted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Three nominations for Deputy Mayor were received from the floor:

Cr Robyn Fuhrmeister  
Cr Richard Lomman  
Cr Scott Scriven

#### **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR BY BALLOT**

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Lomman seconded:

That Council resolve:

1. To undertake a secret ballot to appoint the Deputy Mayor; and
2. To appoint the Chief Executive Officer as the Returning Officer; and
3. That the Returning Officer is authorised to declare the successful candidate appointed at the outcome of the ballot.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### OCE02 **APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

Appointment of Deputy Mayor

Cr Avery moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council resolves to:

- (a) appoint Councillor Richard Lomman as Deputy Mayor pursuant to Section 175(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009*; and
- (b) note that a Deputy Mayor will act for the Mayor during the absence or temporary incapacity of the Mayor; or a vacancy in the Office of Mayor.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### OCE03 **FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES AND TIME**

Future Council Meeting Dates and Time

Cr Todd moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council resolves that the General Meetings of Council be held in the Council Chambers located

at 118 Victoria Street St George, on the third Thursday of each month, commencing at 9.00am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **CHANGE OF COUNCIL MEETING DATE**

Cr Scriven moved and Cr Avery seconded:

That Council hold its General Council Meeting on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 9.00am.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### OCE04 **CODE OF MEETING PRACTICE**

Code of Meeting Practice

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Todd seconded:

That Council resolves that the Code of Meeting Practice be noted by the incoming Council for the regulation and the conduct of meetings of the Council and its Standing Committees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **(FCS) FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES**

### FCS1 **COUNCILLOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES AND SUPERANNUATION**

Councillor Reimbursement of Expenses, Provision of Facilities and Superannuation

Cr Lomman moved and Cr Avery seconded:

That Council resolves to:

1. Not enter into a superannuation scheme arrangement with its councillors; and
2. Adopt the Reimbursement of Expenses and provision of facilities policy, as attached.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### FCS2 **LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP**

Local Disaster Management Group membership

Cr Todd moved and Cr Scriven seconded:

That Council resolves to appoint Cr O'Toole as Local Disaster Management Group Chairperson and Cr Lomman as Deputy Chairperson from its elected members in accordance with Section 10 of the Disaster Management Regulations 2003.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### FCS3 **AUDIT & RISK COMMITTEE**

Membership of the Audit & Risk Committee

Cr Fuhrmeister moved and Cr Lomman seconded:

That Council resolves to:

1. appoint Cr O'Toole and Cr Todd to the Audit & Risk Committee; and
2. amend the Terms of Reference for the Audit & Risk Committee to reflect the membership change.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There being no further business, the Meeting closed, the time being 11.16am.

Confirmed at a General Meeting of Council held on 30 April 2020.

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**MAYOR**