

Glenelg Shire Council

Minutes of the Statutory Council meeting

Wednesday, 8 November 2017, at 6.00pm at

Glenelg Shire Municipal Offices,

71 Cliff Street, Portland.

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TIME

6.02pm

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Greg Burgoyne will Chair the meeting until the Temporary Chairperson is appointed.

PRESENT:

Cr Anita Rank, Cr Robert Halliday, Cr Chrissy Hawker, Cr Alistair McDonald, Cr Karen Stephens, Cr Geoff White, Cr Gilbert Wilson.

Also in attendance Chief Executive Officer (Mr Greg Burgoyne), Acting Director Corporate Services (Mr David Hol) Director Assets (Mr Robert Alexander) Group Manager Special Projects (Mr Paul Healy), Director Community Services, (Ms Edith Farrell), Acting Council Support Coordinator (Ms Kim Overall) Senior Administration Officer (Ms Rachael Fellows), Marketing and Tourism Manger (Ms Liz McKinnon).

OPENING PRAYER:

The Chief Executive Officer opened the Meeting with the Council Prayer.

ABORIGINAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

The Chief Executive Officer read the Aboriginal Acknowledgement.

RECEIPT OF APOLOGIES:

Nil.

A. MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

A1. MAYORAL REPORT 2016/17

The previous Mayor Councillor Anita Rank presented her 2016/17 Mayoral report.

It's been a very busy and productive year and we should all be very proud. Proud for a number of reasons:

Proud because how we as a council re-engaged with our community through an extensive consultation process that resulted in us agreeing, as a Council what is important to us. And the feedback we received indicated that Council is heading in the right direction.

Our Annual Report will highlight a number of achievements but I would like to take the time to mention a few.

It's probably fair to say that getting the call that the Smelter's been turned off in the first month of being elected was a bit of a shock but with financial support packages from the Federal and State Government and the up relinquished it was reassuring that the State's biggest exporter still has a major role to play in the nation's economic future.

This goodwill continued when the Prime Minister and the Premier visited Lake Condah on the day of the announcement to confirm their support for the Budj Bim Landscape to be included in the UNESCO World Heritage listing.

It would be reminisce of me not to mention our successful Road Advocacy that has resulted in \$120 million in State and Federal Government funding to fix the Shires broken roads that are currently underway now that the weather has fined up.

Sporting Facilities, Heritage Funding and Arts and Culture remain a focus and will continue to be supported by this Council. As will special events and tourism.

We have had one of the busiest events calendars in the region attracting people from all round Australia to our iconic events, including the Great South Coast Cycling Tour, the Car Rally and the Fishing Competition and there is no doubt that next year's Kelpie Festival will be the biggest in its 21 year history with the opening of the Kelpie Interpretative Centre.

But more importantly, what these achievements translate into is Job opportunities, improved quality of life for our residents young and old and an inclusive and welcoming community that embraces all walks of life while acknowledging our European and Indigenous Culture.

Together as a council we have created momentum and opportunities, we have not waited for opportunities to come to us, we have gone out and created our own and as a result been the focus of attention from our state and national counterparts.

A1. MAYORAL REPORT 2016/17

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But this focus does not happen overnight, we have all played a role and some of us for many years. Recently we celebrated with fellow Councillors their commitment to our community.

- Councillor Halliday serving 25yrs;
- Councillor White 20 years;
- Councillor Stephens 15 years; and
- In 2013 Councillor Wilson was acknowledged at the MAV Awards with 15 years' service bringing his current years of service to 19.

This means we have four Councillors and their families who have committed almost 80 years of service to our community.

But we all have to start somewhere and Councillors McDonald and Hawker have bought different perspectives and ideas to the table that will add to our mix of talent and experience for many years.

But as they say you can't win a Brownlow on your own, you need support staff, administrators, volunteers and management that work cohesively, with energy and enthusiasm towards a shared vision. Our CEO, Greg has developed a productive "can do" culture that inspires staff to achieve above and beyond and for that, we thank you.

A great example of this willingness of Staff to be involved is when we hosted the biggest crowd in the State as part of the Governments Regional Assembly. The Portland Civic Hall was packed with people from around the region to hear from State Leaders and the Premier about their vision for the future including the announcement of \$1.5 million towards stage 1 of the Henty Employment Precinct. Over 30 staff volunteered their time in various ways to make this event a huge success and again we thank you.

Fellow Councillors expressed their appreciation to former Mayor Cr Anita Rank.

The Chief Executive Officer made a presentation to the former Mayor Cr Anita Rank.

A2. APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON

Director: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services
Author: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services

Report

The Chief Executive Officer will call for nominations from Councillors for the appointment of a Temporary Chairperson.

MOTION

MOVED Cr Wilson

That Cr. Halliday be appointed as the Temporary Chairperson to conduct the meeting until the Mayor is elected.

SECONDED Cr Stephens

CARRIED

A3. DETERMINATION OF MAYORAL TERM OF OFFICE

Director: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services
Author: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services

Background

Section 71(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* provides that 'At a meeting of the Council that is open to the public, the Councillors must elect a Councillor to be the Mayor of the Council.'

Report

The Glenelg Shire Council Governance Local Law 2013 Council Meeting Procedure incorporates a document titled 'Glenelg Shire Council Election of the Mayor Procedure'. Clause 3.2 of this procedure states that the term of office for the Mayor can be for either one or two years.

In addition to the above, Section 71(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 states 'that before the Mayor is elected the Council may resolve to elect a Mayor for a term of 2 years and Section 71(3) provides that:

- (3) The Mayor is to be elected-
 - (a) after the fourth Saturday in October but not later than 30 November in each year; or
 - (ab) if under subsection (2), the Mayor is elected for a term of 2 years, the next election of Mayor is 2 years after the fourth Saturday in October but not later than 30 November in the second year after the election; or
 - (b) as soon as possible after any vacancy in the office of Mayor occurs.

The term of office for previous Mayors of the Glenelg Shire Council has traditionally been a one year term

Officer Recommendation

That Council elects a Councillor to the position of Mayor for a term of one year.

MOTION

MOVED Cr White

That Council elects a Councillor to the position of Mayor for a term of one year.

SECONDED Cr McDonald

CARRIED

A4. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR

Director: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services
Author: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services

<u>Separate Circulation - Non Confidential</u>

No.	Separate Circulation Title, Date and Author as detailed on the ECM		
	separate circulation (where applicable)		
1.	Departmental Procedure titled 'Election of the Mayor' as 19700	97	
	incorporated in the Glenelg Shire Council Governance Local Law		
	2013, Council Meeting Procedure.		

Background

Section 71(1) of the *Local Government Act 1989* provides that: 'At a meeting of the Council that is open to the public, the Councillors must elect a Councillor to be the Mayor of the Council.'

Report

The Departmental Procedure titled 'Election of the Mayor', separately circulated with this report, specifies the way in which the Election of the Mayor is to be conducted and is outlined in summary below:

- 1. Procedure for voting for the election of Mayor "Show of Hands"
 - a. Temporary Chairperson calls for nominations for the position of Mayor.
 - b. All nominations must be moved and seconded to be accepted by the Temporary Chairperson;

MOTION

1. Cr Hawker nominated Cr Rank for the position of Mayor for the 2017/2018 mayoral term.

The nomination was seconded Cr Stephens.

Those voting for Cr Rank: Cr Halliday, Cr Wilson, Cr White, Cr McDonald, Cr Hawker and Cr Stephens.

SECONDED Cr Stephens

CARRIED

The Temporary Chairperson declared Cr Rank duly elected to the position of Mayor for period 8 November 2017 to 6.00am on 8 November 2018.

A4. ELECTION OF THE MAYOR

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Chief Exectuve Officer Greg Burgoyne presented Cr Rank with the Mayoral Regalia.

Mayor Cr Rank assumed the chair and addressed the meeting.

It's an honour and privilege to be elected for a second term as Mayor of the Glenelg Shire.

With the support of my fellow Councillors and staff we are committed to delivering positive outcomes that benefit our community. Whether it is economic development, improvements in health and wellbeing or connectivity we have both the vision and the enthusiasm to succeed.

Our role as Councillors is to mirror the aspirations and dreams of our Shire, so I encourage people to keep talking to us so we can make the most of every opportunity and continue to tell our story.

A5. ARRANGEMENTS FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS 2017/2018 FOR THE MAYORAL YEAR

Director: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services
Author: David Hol, Acting Director Corporate Services

Background

Section 83 of the *Local Government Act 1989* provides that:

The Council may hold-

- (a) ordinary meetings at which general business of the Council may be transacted; and
- (b) special meetings at which the business specified in the notice calling the meeting may be transacted.

<u>Report</u>

In accordance with previous Council decisions, Ordinary Council Meetings have been held on the fourth Tuesday of each month except for December and subject to public holidays. Therefore it is recommended that Council adopt the following dates for the monthly Ordinary Council Meetings and Statutory Council Meeting for the 2017/2018 year.

In previous years Ordinary Council meetings have been held in two locations around the Shire other than the Municipal Offices in Portland, as follows:

- 2013 (September) Digby
- 2014 (February) Dartmoor (September) Merino
- 2015 (March) Casterton (September) Nelson
- 2016 (March) Digby (September) Casterton
- 2017 (March) Narrawong (August) Casterton

Council may consider continuing this practice in order to give easier access to residents of the Shire to attend the Ordinary Council meetings in the Mayoral Year 2017/2018.

A5. ARRANGEMENTS FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS 2017/2018 FOR THE MAYORAL YEAR

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Officer Recommendation

1. That the Ordinary Council Meetings be held on the following dates.

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

Tuesday, 27 February 2018

Tuesday, 27 March 2018

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

Tuesday, 22 May 2018

Tuesday, 26 June 2018

Tuesday, 24 July 2018

Tuesday, 28 August 2018

Tuesday, 25 September 2018

Tuesday, 23 October 2018

- 2. That a Statutory Council Meeting be held on Thursday, 8 November 2018 commencing at 6.00pm in accordance with Section 71(3) of the *Local Government Act 1989* for the purpose of electing a new Mayor.
- 3 That the March and September Council Meeting be held at <locations>.
- 4. That Ordinary Council Meetings commence at 7.00pm on the dates specified in item 1 of this recommendation unless resolved otherwise.
- 5. That the venue of Council Meetings be at the Portland Council Chamber unless resolved otherwise.
- 6. That public notice of the dates, times and location for the Ordinary Meetings of Council be placed in the Portland Observer, Casterton News and on Council's website.

A5. ARRANGEMENTS FOR ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS 2017/2018 FOR THE MAYORAL YEAR

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MOTION

MOVED Cr Stephens

1. That the Ordinary Council Meetings be held on the following dates.

Tuesday, 12 December 2017

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

Tuesday, 27 February 2018

Tuesday, 27 March 2018

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

Tuesday, 22 May 2018

Tuesday, 26 June 2018

Tuesday, 24 July 2018

Tuesday, 28 August 2018

Tuesday, 25 September 2018

Tuesday, 23 October 2018

- 2. That a Statutory Council Meeting be held on Thursday, 8 November 2018 commencing at 6.00pm in accordance with Section 71(3) of the *Local Government Act 1989* for the purpose of electing a new Mayor.
- 3 That the March and September Council Meeting be held at Heywood and Casterton.
- 4. That Ordinary Council Meetings commence at 7.00pm on the dates specified in item 1 of this recommendation unless resolved otherwise.
- 5. That the venue of Council Meetings be at the Portland Council Chamber unless resolved otherwise.
- 6. That public notice of the dates, times and location for the Ordinary Meetings of Council be placed in the Portland Observer, Casterton News and on Council's website.

SECONDED Cr Wilson

CARRIED

DIVISION:

Cr Stephens, Cr Rank, Cr Wilson and Cr Halliday voted for the MOTION

Cr McDonald, Cr Hawker and Cr White voted against the MOTION.

INDEX - SEPARATE CIRCULATIONS TO REPORTS

Separate Circulation to Councillors, CEO, Directors and available to the Public

A4. (1) Departmental Procedure titled 'Election of the Mayor' as incorporated in the Glenelg Shire Council Governance Local Law 2013, Council Meeting Procedure.

Officer Recommendation

The documents separately circulated to Councillors, CEO, Directors and available to the Public, as listed above, be received.

MOTION

MOVED Cr Stephens

The documents separately circulated to Councillors, CEO, Directors and available to the Public, as listed above, be received.

SECONDED Cr Wilson

CARRIED

CLOSURE OF STATUTORY COUNCIL MEETING

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MAYOR DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.34pm.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT PAGES 1 TO 11 ARE CONFIRMED AND ARE A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

<u>CR ANITA RANK</u> MAYOR

28 November 2017

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