

TOWN OF BASSENDEAN

MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 48 OLD PERTH ROAD, BASSENDEAN

ON MONDAY 18 OCTOBER 2021 AT 6.00PM

1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

The Chief Executive Officer declared the meeting open, welcomed all those in attendance and acknowledged the past and present traditional owners and custodians of the land on which the meeting was held.

2.0 ATTENDANCES, APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Present

Councillors

Cr Kathryn Hamilton, Mayor
Cr Renee McLennan, Deputy Mayor
Cr Hilary MacWilliam
Cr Emily Wilding
Cr Jennie Carter
Cr Paul Poliwka
Cr Tallan Ames

Officers

Ms Peta Mabbs, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Paul White, Director Corporate Services
Mr Luke Gibson, Director Community Planning
Mr Phil Adams, Exec Manager Infrastructure
Ms Nicole Davey, Exec Manager Sustainability & Environment
Ms Elizabeth Kania, Manager Governance & Strategy
Mrs Amy Holmes, Minute Secretary

Guests

Mr Andrew Wilson, Returning Officer, WA Electoral Commission
Mr Michael Kar, JP

Public

Approximately 20 members of the public were in attendance.

3.0 SWEARING-IN OF NEW COUNCILLORS

Mr Michael Kar was in attendance to swear in the new Councillors.
The following Councillors made the Declaration of Office:

- Cr Tallan Ames
- Cr Jennie Carter
- Cr Kathryn Hamilton
- Cr Paul Poliwka
- Cr Emily Wilding

4.0 ELECTION OF MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR

Mr Andrew Wilson, Returning Officer for the Town of Bassendean, was in attendance to assist in the election of the Mayor & Deputy Mayor.

4.1 Election of the Mayor

The CEO conducted the election of the Mayor. Nominations were received as follows:

- Cr McLennan
- Cr Hamilton
- Cr Wilding
- Cr Carter

Crs McLennan and Wilding declined the nominations.

Mr Andrew Wilson conducted a secret ballot for the position of Mayor in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 – Schedule 2.3.

Five votes were received for Cr Hamilton. Two votes were received for Cr Carter.

The CEO declared Cr Hamilton elected as Mayor.

Cr Hamilton made the Declaration of Office before Mr Michael Kar, JP.

Her Worship the Mayor, Cr Hamilton, took the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

4.2 Election of the Deputy Mayor

The Mayor conducted the election of the Deputy Mayor. Nominations were received as follows:

- Cr McLennan
- Cr Poliwka

Mr Andrew Wilson conducted a secret ballot for the position of Deputy Mayor in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 – Schedule 2.3.

Four votes were received for Cr McLennan. Three votes were received from Cr Poliwka.

The Mayor declared Cr McLennan elected as Deputy Mayor.

Cr McLennan made the Declaration of Office before Mr Michael Kar, JP.

5.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5.1 Public Question Time

Mr Don Yates, 10 Thompson Road, Bassendean

Will the Council consider bringing forward the budget review to allow the new Councillors time to reflect and review the budget.

The Mayor responded that the Town's financial controller will be facilitating a review and workshop with Councillors on the Town's finances.

Mrs Anne Brinkworth, Ida Street, Bassendean

When will the Queen and flags be returned to the Chamber and why were they taken down.

Cr Hamilton advised that the Chamber was refurbished as it was looking dark and drab and old. The flags fly out the front of the Council building and it isn't necessary to have them inside the Chamber. The Queen and flags are on display at citizenship ceremonies. The Council may consider discussing this in the future.

Mr Terry Hall, Bassendean

The Council needs a better audio system so people can hear.

The Mayor advised that the current microphones are for audio recording of meetings but don't project the sound in the Chamber.

The CEO commented that the system is due to be upgraded this year.

Mr Bill Busby, 53 Hague Street, Bassendean

If somebody's asking a question, they should get an answer. Anne Brinkworth did not get an answer to her question. Can we please have an answer.

The Mayor advised that it is up to the Council to decide if they wish to reinstate the Queen's picture and flags in the Chamber.

6.0 DRAWING OF LOTS FOR SEATING OF COUNCILLORS

The Chief Executive Officer and the Returning Officer conducted a random draw for seating positions in accordance with Council's Meeting Procedures Local Law 2020. The outcome was as follows:

Seat number 1	Cr MacWilliam
Seat number 2	Cr Wilding
Seat number 3	Cr McLennan
Seat number 4	Cr Ames
Seat number 5	Cr Poliwka
Seat number 6	Cr Carter

7.0 APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES AND REPRESENTATIVES TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

APPLICATION

Councillors were requested to consider nominating as delegates and representatives on external committees and organisations for a two year period, expiring on the next ordinary Local Government election day, unless otherwise indicated.

**Council Resolution/Officer Recommendation – Item 7.0(a)
SCM – 1/10/21**

MOVED Cr McLennan, Seconded Cr MacWilliam, that Council appoints the following Councillors to be Members and Deputies:

Committee	Member(s)	Deputy/Deputies
Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council (EMRC)	Cr Hamilton Cr MacWilliam	Cr Wilding
Metropolitan Regional Road Group – Eastern Region	As required	As required
Perth Airports Municipalities Group (PAMG)	Cr Poliwka	Cr Wilding
WALGA — East Metropolitan Zone	Cr McLennan Cr Carter Cr Wilding	Cr MacWilliam
WALGA — Annual General Meeting	Cr Carter Cr Wilding	Cr McLennan

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

**Council Resolution/Officer Recommendation – Item 7.0(b)
SCM – 2/10/21**

MOVED Cr McLennan, Seconded Cr Wilding, that Council endorses the following to sit on the Metro Central Joint Development Assessment Panel, for the term ending 26 January 2022:

Committee	Member(s)	Deputy/Deputies
Metro Central Joint Development Assessment Panel	Cr McLennan Cr Hamilton	Cr Ames Cr MacWilliam

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

Council Resolution/Officer Recommendation – Item 7.0(c)
SCM – 3/10/21

MOVED Cr Ames, Seconded Cr Poliwka, that Council:

1. Appoints the following Councillors to be Members and Deputy Members to the following internal Committees for the 2021/23 term:

Committee	Member(s)	Deputy
Audit and Governance Committee	Cr McLennan Cr Hamilton Cr MacWilliam Cr Poliwka	Cr Carter
Bassendean Local Emergency Management Committee	Cr Ames Cr Poliwka	Cr Carter

2. Notes that all Councillors are members of the Complaints Committee for the 2021/23 term.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

8.0 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting, the time being 7.00pm.