

# TOWN of BASSENDEAN

## MINUTES

### SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING – ELECTIONS

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 48 OLD PERTH ROAD,  
BASSENDEAN, ON TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER 2015, AT 7.00PM

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#### **1.0 SWEARING-IN OF NEW COUNCILLORS**

The CEO introduced Mr Michael Kar JP, who was in attendance to swear in the new Councillors.

Mr Michael Kar JP called forward the successful candidates of the 17 October 2015 Town of Bassendean Elections:

- John Ross Henry Gangell
- Robert Harold Brown
- Renee Joy McLennan

The three Councillors made a Declaration of Office.

#### **2.0 ELECTION OF MAYOR & DEPUTY MAYOR**

##### **2.1 Election of the Mayor**

The CEO called for nominations in writing for the position of Mayor. Three nominations were received in accordance with the Local Government Act - Cr Paul Bridges, Cr John Gangell and Cr Robert Brown.

Mr Andrew Wilson and the CEO conducted the election of the Mayor by secret ballot in accordance with the Local Government Act – Schedule 2.3.

Candidate	Votes
Paul Bridges	2
John Gangell	3
Robert Brown	1
Total	6

The CEO declared Cr John Gangell elected to the position of Mayor.

Cr John Gangell made a Declaration of Office before Mr Michael Kar JP.

His Worship the Mayor, Cr John Gangell, assumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

## **2.2 Election of the Deputy Mayor**

The Mayor called for nominations in writing for the position of Deputy Mayor. Two nominations were received in accordance with the Local Government Act. Cr Gerry Pule nominated Cr Mike Lewis, and Cr Robert Brown nominated himself.

Mr Andrew Wilson and the CEO conducted the election of the Deputy Mayor by secret ballot in accordance with the Local Government Act – Schedule 2.3.

Candidate	Votes
Cr Mike Lewis	4
Cr Robert Brown	2
Total	6

The Mayor declared Cr Mike Lewis elected as Deputy Mayor.

Cr Mike Lewis made a Declaration of Office before Mr Michael Kar JP.

## **3.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

His Worship the Mayor declared the meeting open and welcomed all those in attendance.

## **4.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Mr Don Yates, 10 Thompson Road, Success Hill

Mr Yates asked when the Annual Electors Meeting will be held.

Officers responded that it is proposed for the end of November and that this date will be considered by Council at the October Council Meeting.

Mr Yates asked if the newly elected Mayor and Deputy Mayor will ensure that those policies and promises that have been made will be implemented.

The Mayor responded that it is the Council as a whole that sets the direction of the Town and he is sure that the Council will be keen to get working on this.

## **5.0 ATTENDANCES, APOLOGIES & APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

### Present

#### Councillors

His Worship the Mayor, Cr John Gangell  
Cr Mike Lewis, Deputy Mayor  
Cr Gerry Pule  
Cr Paul Bridges  
Cr Robert Brown  
Cr Renee McLennan

#### Officers

Mr Bob Jarvis, Chief Executive Officer  
Mr Michael Costarella, Director Corporate Services  
Mr Graeme Haggart, Director Community Development  
Mr Simon Stewert-Dawkins, Director Operational Services  
Mr Brian Reed, Manager Development Services  
Mrs Amy Holmes, Minute Secretary  
Mrs Sue Perkins, Executive Assistant

#### Guests

Mr Andrew Wilson, Returning Officer  
Mr Michael Kar JP

#### Public

20 members of the public were in attendance.

#### Press

One member of the press was in attendance.

### **5.1 Leave of Absence**

Cr Paul Bridges requested a leave of absence for the period 31 October to 15 November 2015, inclusive.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – ITEM 5.1

**SCM – 01/10/15** MOVED Cr Pule, Seconded Cr McLennan that Cr Paul Bridges be granted a leave of absence for the period 31 October to 15 November 2015.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 6/0

**6.0 DRAWING OF LOTS FOR SEATING OF COUNCILLORS**

Council's Standing Orders Local Law 2006, Part 4, clause 30, provides for the method of allocating seating positions to elected members.

The Chief Executive Officer and the Returning Officer conducted a random draw for seating positions in accordance with the Standing Orders. The outcome was:

Seat number 1	Cr Paul Bridges
Seat number 2	Cr Renee McLennan
Seat number 3	Cr Mike Lewis
Seat number 4	Cr Robert Brown
Seat number 5	Cr Gerry Pule

**7.0 CLOSURE**

The Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance and invited all those in attendance to partake of refreshments in the Committee Room.

There being no further business, the Mayor closed the meeting, the time being 7.21pm.