



**GANNAWARRA**  
*Shire Council*

**Monday, 12 November 2018**

**9:00am**

**Council Chambers**

**Kerang**

**MINUTES**

**Special Council Meeting**

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**MINUTES OF GANNAWARRA SHIRE COUNCIL  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KERANG  
ON MONDAY, 12 NOVEMBER, 2018 AT 9:00AM**

**PRESENT:**

Cr Brian Gibson (Mayor)	Patchell Ward
Cr Lorraine Learmonth (Deputy Mayor)	Yarran Ward
Cr Steven Tasker	Murray Ward
Cr Sonia Wright	Yarran Ward
Cr Charlie Gillingham	Avoca Ward
Cr Jodie Basile	Patchell Ward
Cr Mark Arians	Patchell Ward

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Tom O'Reilly	Chief Executive Officer
Geoff Rollinson	Director Infrastructure and Development
Lisa Clue	Acting Director Corporate Services
Stacy Williams	Director Community Wellbeing
Alissa Harrower	Acting Manager Governance

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## **1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Tom O'Reilly, Chief Executive Officer acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the land, and paid his respect to elders both past and present.

## **2 OPENING DECLARATION**

The Councillors read the Opening Declaration

## **3 BUSINESS REPORTS FOR DECISION**

### **3.1 APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIR**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To appoint a Temporary Chair for the Special Council Meeting for the Election of the Mayor.

#### **RESOLUTION**

Moved: Cr Charlie Gillingham

Seconded: Cr Mark Arians

**That Cr Basile act as Temporary Chairperson to oversee:**

- **Nominated Term of the Mayor**
- **Nominations for the Election of the Mayor.**

**CARRIED**

Cr Basile took the Chair.

### **3.2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

### **3.3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Under section 79C of the *Local Government Act 1989* a Councillor does not have a conflict of interest if the matter relates to the election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor.

### **3.4 OUTGOING MAYORAL SPEECH**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2017/2018 Mayor to provide an overview of the year as the Mayor.

**Cr Brian Gibson gave the outgoing Mayoral Speech.**

### **3.5 MAYORAL TERM - 2018/2019**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Under Section 71(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*, before a Mayor is elected under section 71, the Council may resolve to elect a Mayor for a term of two years. If no decision is made, the term of the Mayor remains one year. Historically, this Council has elected a Mayor for a one year term only.

There was no resolution for a two year Mayoral term.

### **3.6 ELECTION OF MAYOR - 2018/2019**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To present to Council the information in relation to the election of the Mayor in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*. This report outlines the process and statutory requirements for the election of Mayor. The election of Mayor will take place as part of this report.

The temporary Chairperson, Cr Basile called for Nominations for the position of Mayor.

Cr Wright nominated Cr Gillingham for the position of Mayor, Cr Arians seconded the nomination. Cr Gillingham accepted the nomination.

Cr Tasker nominated Cr Learmonth for the position of Mayor, Cr Gibson seconded the nomination. Cr Learmonth accepted the nomination.

**Cr Gillingham addressed the Council.**

**Cr Learmonth addressed the Council.**

**Voting**

The temporary Chairperson, Cr Basile called for a show of hands for each candidate.

The votes recorded for each were:

Cr Gillingham – Three votes

Cr Learmonth – Four votes

The temporary Chairperson, Cr Basile declared Cr Learmonth, Mayor of the Gannawarra Shire Council for 2018/2019 and invited Mayor Learmonth to come forward to receive the Mayoral Chains.

Temporary Chairperson, Cr Basile vacated the chair and Cr Learmonth took the Chair as Mayor.

### **3.7 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR - 2018/2019**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To present to Council the information in relation to the election of the Deputy Mayor. If the Council resolves to appoint a Deputy Mayor, nominations will be sought, and will require a nominator and a seconder.

The Mayor called for Nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Cr Gibson nominated Cr Basile for the position of Deputy Mayor, Cr Gillingham seconded the nomination.

Cr Basile accepted the nomination.

Cr Tasker nominated Cr Gillingham for the position of Deputy Mayor, Cr Wright seconded the nomination.

Cr Gillingham accepted the nomination.

**Voting**

The Mayor called for a show of hands for each candidate.

The votes recorded for each were:

Cr Basile – Two votes

Cr Gillingham – Five votes

The Mayor declared Cr Gillingham Deputy Mayor for the Gannawarra Shire Council for 2018/2019.

**3.8 INCOMING MAYORAL SPEECH**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2018/2019 Mayor to provide an overview of the year ahead.

**Mayor Learmonth gave the Incoming Mayoral Speech.**

Crs Gibson, Basile, Arians and Tasker responded.

**The Meeting closed at 9:22am.**

**The Minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of the Gannawarra Shire Council held on 21 November, 2018.**

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**Cr Lorraine Learmonth - Mayor**  
**CHAIRPERSON**