



Country Mayors Association of NEW SOUTH WALES Inc

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AGM MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY, 18 NOVEMBER 2022, THEATRETTE, PARLIAMENT HOUSE, SYDNEY

The meeting opened at 10.45 a.m.

1. ATTENDANCE:

Armidale Regional Council, Mayor, Cr Sam Coupland, Mayor
Ballina Shire Council, Cr Sharon Cadwallader, Mayor
Bathurst Regional Council, Cr Robert Taylor, Mayor
Bega Valley Shire Council, Cr Russell Fitzpatrick, Mayor
Bellingen Shire Council, Cr Steve Allan, Mayor
Berrigan Shire Council, Cr Matthew Hannan, Mayor
Bland Shire Council, Cr Brian Monaghan, Mayor
Bland Shire Council, Mr Grant Baker General Manager
Blayney Shire Council, Cr Scott Ferguson, Mayor
Blayney Shire Council, Mr Mark Dicker, General Manager
Byron Shire Council, Cr Michael Lyon, Mayor
Byron Shire Council, Mr Mark Arnold, General Manager
Coolamon Shire Council, Cr David McCann, Mayor
Coolamon Shire Council, Mr Tony Donoghue, General Manager
Coonamble Shire Council, Cr Tim Horan, Mayor
Coonamble Shire Council, Mr Ross Earl, Acting General Manager
Dubbo Regional Council, Cr Mathew Dickerson, Mayor
Dungog Shire Council, Cr John Connors, Mayor
Gilgandra Shire Council, Cr Doug Batten, Mayor
Gilgandra Shire Council, Mr David Neeves, General Manager
Glen Innes Shire Council, Cr Rod Banham, Mayor
Glen Innes Shire Council, Cr Troy Arandale, Deputy Mayor
Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Cr Bob Peter Walker, Mayor
Goulburn Mulwaree Council, Mr Aaron Johansson, CEO
Gunnedah Shire Council, Cr Jamie Chaffey, Mayor
Gunnedah Shire Council, Mr Eric Growth, General Manager
Gwydir Shire Council, Cr John Coulton, Mayor
Hilltops Council, Cr Margaret Roles, Mayor
Inverell Shire Council, Cr Paul Harmon, Mayor
Kempsey Shire Council, Cr Leo Hauville, Mayor
Kempsey Shire Council, Mr Craig Milburn, General Manager
Kiama Municipal Council, Cr Neil Reilly, Mayor

Kiama Municipal Council, Ms Jane Stroud, General Manager
Kyogle Council, Cr Kylie Thomas, Mayor
Lachlan Shire Council, Cr John Medcalf, Mayor
Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Cr Doug Hawkins, Mayor
Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Ms Joanna Sangster, General Manager
Lockhart Shire Council, Cr Greg Verdon, Mayor
Lockhart Shire Council, Mr Peter Veneris, General Manager
Mid-Western/Mudgee Regional Council, Cr Des Kennedy, Mayor
Mid-Western/Mudgee Regional Council, Mr Brad Cam, General Manager
Murray River Council, Cr Christopher Bilkey, Mayor
Murray River Council, Mr Terry Dodds, General Manager
Narrabri Shire Council, Cr Ron Campbell, Mayor
Narrandera Shire Council, Mr George Cowan, General Manager
Narromine Shire Council, Cr Craig Davies, Mayor
Parkes Shire Council, Cr Ken Keith, Mayor
Port Stephens Council, Cr Ryan Palmer, Mayor
Port Stephens Council, Mr Tim Crosdale, General Manager
Shoalhaven City Council, Cr Paul Ell, Deputy Mayor
Singleton Council, Cr Sue Moore, Mayor
Snowy Valleys Council, Cr Ian Chaffey, Mayor
Tamworth Regional Council, Cr Russell Webb, Mayor
Temora Shire Council, Cr Rick Firman, Mayor
Temora Shire Council, Mr Gary Lavelle, General Manager
Tenterfield Shire Council, Cr Bronwyn Petrie, Mayor
Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Cr Pam Kensit, Mayor
Uralla Shire Council, Cr Bob Crouch, Deputy Mayor
Uralla Shire Council, Ms Christine Valencius,, Director Corporate and Community
Wagga Wagga City Council, Cr Dallas Tout, Mayor
Walcha Council, Cr Eric Noakes, Mayor
Walcha Council, Mr Barry Omundson, General Manager
Warren Shire Council, Cr Milton Quigley, Mayor
Warrumbungle Shire Council, Cr Ambrose Doolan, Mayor
Warrumbungle Shire Council, Mr Roger Bailey, General Manager
Weddin Shire Council, Cr Craig Bembrick, Mayor
Weddin Shire Council, Ms Noreen Vu, General Manager
Wingecarribee Shire Council, Mr Viv May, Interim Administrator
Wingecarribee Shire Council, Ms Lisa Miscamble, General Manager
ALGA, Cr Linda Scott, President
Office of Local Government, Ms Ally Dench, Executive Director
Office of Local Government, Ms Karen Purser, Manager Engagement

APOLOGIES

AS READ

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Adjourned Annual General Meeting held on 11 March 202 be accepted as a true and accurate record (Temora Shire Council / Bathurst Regional Shire Council).

3. Chairman's Report

Chairman Cr Ken Keith outlined the years highlights and thanked everybody for their support during his terms

RESOLVED That the Chairman's report be received and noted (Parkes Shire Council /Bathurst Regional Council)

4. Secretaries Report – Financial Report

RESOLVED That the financial reports for the 2021/22 year as tabled be accepted (Narromine Shire Council Council/ Bland Shire Council)

5. Position of Immediate Past President

RESOLVED that notice of 2 months be given to members to change the Associations Constitution to provide for the position of Immediate Past President to be a member of the Executive (Singleton Council / Goulburn Mulwaree Council)

6. Returning Officer

RESOLVED That the Returning Officer for the conduct of the elections be Mr Allan Burgess (Inverell Shire Council / Bland Shire Council)

7. Election of Office Bearers

7.1 Chairperson

The Returning Officer advised that nominations closed on the 15 November 2022 and that he had received one nomination in writing for Cr Jamie Chaffey, Gunnedah Shire Council, who was nominated by Temora Shire Council and Narromine Shire Council. As there was only one nomination the Returning Officer declared Cr Jamie Chaffey elected Chairman for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 years

7.2 Vice Chairperson

The Returning Officer advised that nominations closed on the 15 November 2022 and that he had received one nomination in writing. for Cr Rick Firman, Mayor, Temora Shire Council who was nominated by Gunnedah Shire Council and Narromine Shire Council As there was only one nomination the Returning Officer declared Cr Rick Firman elected as Vice Chairperson for the 2022/23 years

7.3 Secretary/Public Officer

RESOLVED That Mr Eric Growth General Manager Gunnedah Shire Council, be appointed Secretary/Public Officer (Parkes Shire Council / Uralla Shire Council)

7.4 Executive

Twelve nominations were received for the eight ordinary members of the Executive Committee. Nominations were received for Clr Sam Coupland Armidale Regional Council, Clr Craig Davies, Narromine Shire Council, Clr Russell Fitzpatrick, Bega Valley Shire Council, Clr Matthew Hannan, Berrigan Shire Council, Clr Paul Harmon, Inverell Shire Council, Clr Pam Kensit, Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Cr Ken Keith, Parkes Shire Council, Clr John Medcalf, Lachlan Shire Council, Clr

Phyllis Miller, Forbes Shire Council, Clr Sue Moore, Singleton Council, Clr Kylie Thomas, Kyogle Council and Clr Russell Webb, Tamworth Regional Council As it was resolved earlier in the meeting that the Immediate Past President shall be a committee member when the constitution is changed Cr Ken Keith withdrew his nomination from the ballot leaving eleven nominations for eight positions. Ballot papers were distributed and a count of the ballot papers was conducted by Clr Linda Scott and Ms Ally Dench. The meeting continued

8. Signatories to CMA Bank Accounts

RESOLVED that the signatories to the CMA Bank Accounts No 260210575727 and No 250210246625 be the General Manager, CFO (Accountant), and Director Corporate Services of Gunnedah Shire Council (Gwydir Shire Council / Upper Lachlan Shire Council)

9. SETTING OF ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

RESOLVED That the fees for the 2022/23 year remain at \$750 for Councils with a population of 10,000 and over, and Councils with a population of less than 10,000 paying 75% \$562.50 (Lockhart Shire Council / Inverell Shire Council)

8. Secretariat

RESOLVED That Allan Burgess trading as Alkanat Consulting be appointed the Secretariat (Gwydir Shire Council / Dubbo Lachlan Council)

9. Meeting dates for 2021

RESOLVED that the meeting dates for 2023 be 10 March, 26 May, 4 August and 3 November (Coonamble Shire Council / Inverell Shire Council)

10. Executive

To allow the counting of votes to continue the AGM was adjourned at 11.07am and resumed at 11.52am

Following the count of the votes the Returning Officer declared the following delegates elected to the Executive for the 2022/23 and 2023/24 years

- Clr Russell Webb Tamworth Regional Council
- Clr Sam Coupland Armidale Regional Council
- Clr Craig Davies Narromine Shire Council
- Clr Russell Fitzpatrick Bega Valley Shire Council
- Cr Kylie Thomas Kyogle Council
- Clr Sue Moore Singleton Council
- Clr John Medcalf Lachlan Shire Council

- Cllr Phyllis Miller Forbes Shire Council

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.54 am.

Cr Ken Keith
Chairman Country Mayor's Association of NSW