



Country Mayors Association of NEW SOUTH WALES

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AGM MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2020, COCKLE BAY ROOM, INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE,
SYDNEY

The meeting opened at 9.05 a.m.

1. ATTENDANCE:

Armidale Regional Council, Mr Viv May, Administrator
Armidale Regional Council, Mr John Rayner, Acting CEO
Berrigan Shire Council, Cr Matthew Hannan, Mayor
Bland Shire Council, Cr Brian Monaghan, Mayor
Blayney Shire Council, Cr Scott Ferguson, Mayor
Blayney Shire Council, Ms Rebecca Ryan, General Manager
Broken Hill City Council, Cr Darriea Turley, Mayor
Cabonne Shire Council, Cr Kevin Beatty, Mayor
Cabonne Shire Council, Mr Brad Burns, General Manager
Coffs Harbour City Council, Cr Denise Knight, Mayor
Coffs Harbour City Council, Cr George Cecato, Deputy Mayor
Coffs Harbour City Council, Mr Stephen McGrath
Coolamon Shire Council, Cr Bruce Hutcheon, Deputy Mayor
Coolamon Shire Council, Mr Tony Donoghue, General Manager
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Cr Abb McAlister Mayor
Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council, Mr Phil McMurray, General Manager
Dubbo Regional Council, Cr Ben Shields. Mayor
Dungog Shire Council, Cr John Connors, Mayor
Dungog Shire Council, Mr Gareth Curtis, General Manager
Eurobodalla shire Council, Cr Liz Innes, Mayor
Forbes Shire Council, Cr Phyllis Miller, Mayor
Forbes Shire Council, Cr Chris Roylance, Deputy Mayor
Forbes Shire Council, Mr Steve Loane, General Manager
Glen Innes Shire Council, Cr Carol Sparkes, Mayor
Gunnedah Shire Council, Cr Jamie Chaffey, Mayor
Gwydir Shire Council, Cr John Coulton, Mayor
Gwydir, Shire Council, Mr Max Eastcott, General Manager
Hay Shire Council, Cr Jenny Dwyer, Mayor
Hay Shire Council, Mr David Webb, General Manager
Kempsey Shire Council, Cr Liz Campbell, Mayor
Kempsey Shire Council, Mr Craig Milburn, General Manager

Leeton Shire Council, Cr Paul Maytom , Mayor
Leeton Shire Council, Ms Jackie Kruger, General Manager
Lithgow City Council, Cr Wayne McAndrew, Deputy Mayor
Lithgow City Council, Mr Craig Butler, General Manager
Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Cr Doug Hawkins, Mayor
Liverpool Plains Shire Council, Ms Joanna Sangster, General Manager
Moree Plains Shire Council, Cr Katrina Humphries, Mayor
Murray River Council, Cr Christopher Bilkey, Mayor
Murray River Council, Cr Nikki Cohen Deputy Mayor
Murray River Council, Mr Des Bilske, General Manager
Narrabri Shire Council, Cr Ron Campbell, Mayor
Narrabri Shire Council, Mr Stewart Todd, General Manager
Oberon Council, Cr Kathy Sajowitz, Mayor
Oberon Council, Mr Gary Wallace, General Manager
Orange City Council, Cr Reg Kidd, Mayor
Parkes Shire Council, Cr Ken Keith, Mayor
Queanbeyan-Palerang Regional Council, Mr Tim Overall, Mayor
Shoalhaven City Council, Cr Amanda Findley, Mayor
Singleton Council, Cr Sue Moore, Mayor
Singleton Shire Council, Mr Jason Linnane, General Manager
Temora Shire Council, Cr Rick Firman, Mayor
Temora Shire Council, Mr Garry Lavelle, General Manager
Tenterfield Shire Council, Cr Peter Petty, Mayor
Tenterfield Shire Council, Mr Terry Dodds, General Manager
Uralla Shire Council, Cr Michael Pearce, Mayor
Uralla Shire Council, Ms Kate Jessop, General Manager
Warren Shire Council, Milton Quigley, Mayor
Warren Shire Council, Mr Rolly Lawford, Divisional Manager Engineering Services
Warrumbungle Shire Council, Cr Ambrose Doolan, Mayor
Warrumbungle Shire Council, Mr Roger Bailey, General Manager
LGNSW, President, Cr Linda Scott

APOLOGIES:

As read

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 1 November 2019 be accepted as a true and accurate record (Singleton Shire Council /Tenterfield Shire Council).

3. Chairman's Report

Chairperson Cr Katrina Humphries outlined how she enjoyed being Chair for the past four years and thanked everybody for their support during her terms

RESOLVED That the Chairman's report be received and noted (Moree Plains Shire Council /Tenterfield Shire Council)

4. Secretaries Report – Financial Report

RESOLVED That the financial reports for the 2019/20 year as tabled be accepted (Moree Plains Shire Council Council/ Glen Innes Severn Council)

5. Returning Officer

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

The Chairperson Cr Katrina Humphries vacated the chair

7. Election of Office Bearers

7.1 Chairperson

The Returning Officer advised that he had received one nomination in writing for Cr Ken Keith, Parkes Shire Council, who was nominated by Uralla Shire Council and Kempsey Shire Council. The Returning Officer called for any further nominations for the position of Chairperson. No other nominations were received. As there was only one nomination the Returning Officer declared Cr Ken Keith elected Chairman for the 2020/21 year

7.2 Vice Chairperson

The Returning Officer advised that he had received one nomination in writing for Cr Michael Pearce, Mayor, Uralla Shire Council who was nominated by Parkes Shire Council and Temora Shire Council. The Returning Officer called for any further nominations for the position of Vice Chairperson. No other nominations were received. As there was only one nomination the Returning Officer declared Cr Michael Pearce elected as Deputy Chairperson for the 2020/21 year

7.3 Secretary/Public Officer

RESOLVED That Mr Kent Boyd General Manager Parkes Shire Council, be appointed Secretary/Public Officer (Parkes Shire Council / Uralla Shire Council)

7.4 Executive

Nominations for the six positions on the Executive were called for. Nominations were received for Cr Sue Moore Singleton Council, Cr Carol Sparks, Glen Innes Severn Council, Cr Liz Campbell, Kempsey Shire Council, Cr Rick Firman Temora Shire Council, Cr Kathy Sajowitz, Oberon Council, Cr Amanda Findley, Shoalhaven City Council, Cr Jamie Chaffey Gunnedah Shire Council and Cr Peter Petty, Tenterfield Shire Council

RESOLVED That the method of election be by ordinary ballot (Parkes Shire Council/ Uralla Shire Council)

The Chairman Cr Ken Keith took up the position of chairman

Cr Keith thanked Cr Humphries on her four years as Chairman and for the work she did to promote Country Mayors as a voice of rural communities

8. SETTING OF ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

RESOLVED That the fees for the 2020/21 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 (Tenterfield Shire Council / Uralla Shire Council)

8. Secretariat

RESOLVED That Allan Burgess trading as Alkanat Consulting be appointed the Secretariat (Orange City Council / Dubbo Regional Council)

9. Meeting dates for 2021

RESOLVED that the meeting dates for 2021 be 5 March, 28 May, 6 August and 5 November (Temora Shire Council / Forbes Shire Council)

10. Executive

To allow the counting of votes the AGM was adjourned at 9.35am
The AGM was resumed at 10.31am

Following the count of the votes by the Returning Officer and Cr Linda Scott, President LGNSW the Returning Officer declared the following delegates elected to the Executive for the 2019/20 year

- Cr Jamie Chaffey, Gunnedah Shire Council
- Cr Sue Moore, Singleton Council
- Cr Peter Petty, Tenterfield Shire Council.
- Cr Kathy Sajowitz, Oberon Council
- Cr Liz Campbell, Kempsey Shire Council
- Cr Rick Firman Temora Shire Council

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.32 am.

Cr Ken Keith
Chairman Country Mayor's Association of NSW