### WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WARRUMBUNGLE SHIRE COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COONABARABRAN ON THURSDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2016 COMMENCING AT 9.30AM PAGE 1

**PRESENT:** Cr Brady, Cr Capel, Cr Doolan, Cr Hill, Cr lannuzzi, Cr Lewis, Cr Shinton, Cr Todd, General Manager (Steve Loane), Director Corporate & Community Services (Stefan Murru), Director Technical Services (Kevin Tighe) and Director Development Services (Leeanne Ryan).

In attendance: Manager Administration and Executive Assistant to the General Manager – Sally Morris (minutes) and Administration Officer - Erin Player (minutes)

The General Manager, Steve Loane, acknowledged country and the Gamilaroi people, the traditional owners of the land on which Council were meeting, and also acknowledged the Elders past, present and future.

The General Manager then invited local Elder Aunty Maureen Sulter to perform Welcome to Country.

# APOLOGIES: Cr Clancy

The apologies of Cr Clancy were noted.

The first item of business to be transacted relates to the taking of an Oath of office or making of an Affirmation of office.

The General Manager advised the meeting that the Oath or Affirmation would be conducted as per the provisions of the Oaths Act 1900 No 20.

## 9.37am

# Item 1S Oath or Affirmation for Councillors

Each individual Councillor is to take an oath or make an affirmation at this first meeting of the Council.

The General Manager invited each Councillor to individually come forward to take the Oath or make an Affirmation

Councillor Kodi Brady came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Anne-Louise Capel came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Ambrose Doolan came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Wendy Hill came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Aniello lannuzzi came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Ray Lewis came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Peter Shinton came forward to take the Oath of office.

Councillor Denis Todd came forward to take the Oath of office.

## 9.50am

The General Manager (acting as Returning Officer for the election under Schedule 7 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005), addressed the meeting and stepped out the process and advised Council that the method of voting needed to be dealt with before taking nominations.

Cr lannuzzi and Cr Doolan addressed the meeting.

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**47/1617 RESOLVED** that the election of the Mayor proceed by Open Vote by show of hands.

Todd/Lewis The motion was put and carried

# Item 2S Election of Mayor

The General Manager called for nominations for the position of Mayor.

The General Manager announced that two (2) nominations had been received for the position of Mayor being a nomination for Councillor Lewis and a nomination for Councillor Shinton.

The vote was conducted by show of hands with Councillor Lewis receiving four (4) votes and Councillor Shinton also receiving four (4) votes.

As the votes were of equal numbers the names were written on slips and placed in a bowl. The name on the slip drawn from the bowl is chosen.

A member of the gallery, Mr Richard Blackman was invited to draw the slip from the bowl.

The General Manager declared Councillor Shinton elected to the position of Mayor for the period 29 September 2016 to the September 2018 Council meeting.

# Item 3S Election of Deputy Mayor

Councillor Hill addressed the meeting.

The General Manager called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor.

The General Manager announced that two (2) nominations had been received for the position of Deputy Mayor, being a nomination for Councillor Denis Todd and a nomination for Councillor Anne-Louise Capel.

**48/1617 RESOLVED** that the election of the Deputy Mayor proceed by Open Vote by show of hands.

## Lewis/Todd The motion was put and carried

The vote was conducted by show of hands with Councillor Todd receiving four (4) votes and Councillor Capel also receiving four (4) votes.

As the votes were of equal numbers the names were written on slips and placed in a bowl. The name on the slip drawn from the bowl is chosen.

A member of the gallery, Mr Peter Brookhouse, was invited to draw the slip from the bowl.

The General Manager declared Councillor Denis Todd elected to the position of Deputy Mayor for the period 29 September 2016 to the September 2017 Council meeting

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49/1617 RESOLVED that that the ballot papers be destroyed.

Todd/Capel The motion was put and carried

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.00am.

CHAIRMAN