



GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS MINUTES

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WEDNESDAY 20 JANUARY 2021 – 6.00PM



NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

Dear Elected Member & Community Members,

You are respectfully advised the next General Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Williams will be held on Wednesday, 20 January 2021, in the Shire of Williams Council Chambers, 9 Brooking Street, Williams, commencing at 6.00 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Geoff McKeown', written in a cursive style.

Geoff McKeown
Chief Executive Officer

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1.0 Official Opening / Welcome by Shire President

The Shire President presided at the General Meeting of Electors in accordance with Section 5.30 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Shire President, Cr Jarrad Logie declared the Meeting open at 6.02pm.

2.0 Attendance / Apologies / Leave of Absence

Attendances:

Jarrad Logie (President and Presiding Member)
Natalie Major
Bernie Panizza
Bob Baker
Simon Harding
Britt Logie
James Lenehan
Jim Epiro
Geoff McKeown (CEO and Minute Taker)

Apologies:

Tracey Price
Gil Medlen
Moya Carne

3.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Attachment 1 - Minutes of the Shire of Williams General Meeting of Electors held on 18 December 2019.

Officer's Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Shire of Williams General Meeting of Electors held on 18 December 2019, as presented, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Resolution

Baker/Harding

That the Minutes of the Shire of Williams General Meeting of Electors held on 18 December 2019, as presented, be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Carried 8/0

4.0 Consideration of the 2019/2020 Annual Report

Attachment 2 - 2019/2020 Shire of Williams Annual Report

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16 December 2020 (Item No. 8.2.3) Council adopted the 2019/2020 Annual Report that included the Annual Financial Report for the 2019/2020 financial year.

The CEO, Geoff McKeown, explained to the Meeting the factors that contributed to the delay in adopting the Annual Report and the subsequent delay in holding the General Meeting of Electors. In previous years these actions have been completed within six months of the end of the financial year, however a change to regulations contributed to a delay in receipt of the Independent Auditor's Report.

4.1 Receipt of Annual Report

Officer's Recommendation

That the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2020, as circulated, be received.

Resolution

Epiro/Harding

That the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2020, as circulated, be received.

Carried 8/0

5.0 Other General Business

Consistent with Section 5.27(3) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*, Electors in attendance at the General Meeting of Electors are invited to raise matters of general business.

The President invited those present to raise any matters of general business.

Jim Epiro raised the following matters:

- The roundabout in Brooking Street had a light installed prior to the recent upgrade and he requested that Council consider reinstating a light, maybe with a solar option.
- The footpath between Elders and the Post Office is in poor condition and needs attention.
- Encouraged the Shire to continue with the development of community housing in the town.

James Lenehan raised the following matters:

- The parking bay opposite the BP Roadhouse has deteriorated in recent years and needs upgrading.
- The yellow hatched no parking zone in the Lions Parks carpark is being used by visitors for parking as it is close to a park bench. Is there more that can be done to discourage this practice?
- There is concern about people buying blocks in town and living in sheds without approval. This practice has resulted in unsightly properties. The Council is encouraged to be firm and not allow this to occur.
- Would like to see a number of commercial/public buildings in Brooking Street painted to brighten up the appearance of the area and make it more attractive to visitors. This project will have more success if driven by a community group.

Jim Epiro extended a vote of thanks, on behalf of the ratepayers and residents, to the Council for the work they do for the community.

6.0 Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the President declared the Meeting closed at 6.27pm.