

MINUTES of EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of Leichhardt Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers Leichhardt Town Hall, Norton Street, Leichhardt on 19 May 2011 at 7:00pm.

Present at the commencement of the meeting; The Mayor, Cr Parker in the chair, Councillors D. Byrne, A. Cinis, T. Costantino, V. Hannaford, L. Howison, D. Kogoy, M. McKenzie, C. Plate, R. Porteous, J. Stamolis & G. Weiss.

Staff Present : General Manager, Director Corporate & Information Services, Director Environmental & Community Management, Director Infrastructure & Service Delivery, Manager Administration Services, and Administration Officer.

Meeting Commenced: 7:00pm

**** ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

I acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora nation on whose Country we are meeting today, and their elders past and present.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR

The Mayor welcomed everyone to the meeting. He advised that he would be standing down as Mayor to take up his role as State Member for Balmain. He advised that he would be remaining on Council as a Councillor. He thanked his fellow Councillors and staff and outlined some of Council's achievements during his term as Mayor.

The Mayor then asked Council to determine the method of voting for the Mayoral Election.

METHOD OF VOTING

C167/11 RESOLVED WEISS/CINIS

That the open voting method be used for the election of Mayor.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The Mayor then handed over to the General Manager for the holding of the Mayoral Election.

1. ELECTION OF MAYOR

The General Manager called for nominations for candidates for Mayor. After nominations had closed he announced that nominations had been received from Councillors Porteous, Weiss and Byrne.

The General Manager then called for a show of hands for each candidate, in turn, with the following results;

Councillor Porteous	7 votes
Councillor Weiss	3 votes
Councillor Byrne	2 votes

In accordance with the Local Government Regulations for open voting, if there are three or more candidates the one with lowest votes is to be excluded and a further vote of the two remaining candidates taken.

Therefore, Councillor Byrne having received the lowest number of votes was excluded and the General Manager then called for show of hands for the remaining two Councillors with the following results:

Councillor Porteous	9 votes
Councillor Weiss	3 votes

Accordingly, Councillor Porteous was declared elected as Mayor of the Municipality of Leichhardt for the remainder of the 2011 term until September 2011.

2. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

The General Manager called for nominations for candidates as Deputy Mayor. After nominations had closed he announced that nominations had been received from Councillors McKenzie, Hannaford and Howison.

The General Manager then called for a show of hands for each candidate, in turn, with the following results;

Councillor	McKenzie	7votes
Councillor	Hannaford	3votes
Councillor	Howison	2votes

In accordance with the Local Government Regulations for open voting, if there are three or more candidates the one with lowest votes is to be excluded and a further vote of the two remaining candidates taken.

Therefore, Councillor Howison having received the lowest number of votes was excluded and the General Manager then called for show of hands for the remaining two Councillors with the following results:

Councillor	McKenzie	7votes
Councillor	Hannaford	5votes

Accordingly, Councillor McKenzie was declared elected as Deputy Mayor of the Municipality of Leichhardt for the remainder of the 2011 term until September 2011.

CONCLUDING FORMALITIES

The Mayor, Cr. Porteous then addressed the meeting.

Councillors then spoke congratulating the Mayor and Deputy Mayor on their appointment.

An invitation was then made to all present to join Councillors in the Town Hall for food and drinks.

The meeting closed at 8:06pm