

**Minutes of Annual Meeting of Tullamore Town Council held in the
Town Hall, Tullamore on Monday, 15th June, 2009**

In Attendance :-

Cllr. S. O'Brien	Cllr. T. McKeigue	Cllr M. Buckley
Cllr. B. Killeavy	Cllr. S. Dooley	Cllr. P. Rowland
Cllr. T. McCormack	Cllr. L. Byrne	Cllr. D. Harvey
Mr. D. Kirrane (Town Manager)	Mr. P. Devaney (Town Engineer)	Ms. M. Brady (SSO)
Mr. G. Conlon (AO)	Ms. R. McNally (Town Clerk)	

The Town Clerk took the Chair and confirmed the names of persons elected following the local elections on June 5th, 2009 and congratulated the members on their election and wished them well over the next five years.

1. Election of Cathaoirleach

The Town Clerk called for nominations and the following were received :-
Cllr. T. McKeigue - Proposed by Cllr. Buckley and seconded by Cllr. O'Brien
Cllr. S. Dooley – Proposed by Cllr. Rowland and seconded by Cllr. McCormack

A vote was then called for the result of which was as follows :-

Those in Favour of Cllr. McKeigue – Cllr Buckley, Cllr. O'Brien, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Killeavy, Cllr. McKeigue – **Total of 5**
Those in Favour of Cllr. Dooley – Cllr Roland, Cllr McCormack, Cllr. Harvey, Cllr. Dooley – **Total of 4**

The Town Clerk confirmed the election of Cllr. McKeigue as Cathaoirleach who then assumed the Chair

2. Election of Leas Cathaoirleach

The Cathaoirleach called for nominations and the following were received :-
Cllr. Buckley - proposed by Cllr. Byrne and seconded by Cllr. O'Brien
Cllr. Rowland - proposed by Cllr. Dooley and seconded by Cllr. McCormack

A vote was then called for the result of which was as follows :-

Those in Favour of Cllr. Buckley – Cllr. Buckley, Cllr. O'Brien, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Killeavy, Cllr. McKeigue – **Total of 5**
Those in Favour of Cllr. Rowland – Cllr. Roland, Cllr. McCormack, Cllr. Harvey, Cllr. Dooley – **Total of 4**

The Cathaoirleach confirmed the election of Cllr. Buckley as Leas Cathaoirleach

3. Nomination of Representatives to Offaly Vocational Educational Committee

The Cathaoirleach confirmed that there were two positions to be filled and called for nominations. The following were received :-
Cllr. Killeavy – Proposed by Cllr. Buckley and seconded by Cllr Byrne.

Cllr. Byrne – Proposed by Cllr. O’Brien and seconded by Cllr. Killeavy
Cllr. Dooley – Proposed by Cllr. Rowland and seconded by Cllr. McCormack

A vote was then called for the result of which was as follows :-

Those in Favour of Cllr. Killeavy - Cllr. Buckley, Cllr. O’Brien, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Killeavy, Cllr. McKeigue – **Total of 5**

Those in Favour of Cllr. Byrne - Cllr. Buckley, Cllr. O’Brien, Cllr. Byrne, Cllr. Killeavy, Cllr. McKeigue – **Total of 5**

Those in Favour of Cllr. Dooley - Cllr. Roland, Cllr. McCormack, Cllr. Harvey, Cllr. Dooley – **Total of 4**

The Cathaoirleach confirmed the nomination of Cllr. Killeavy and Cllr. Byrne to these positions.

4. Nomination of Representative to the Association of Municipal Authorities of Ireland

The Cathaoirleach confirmed that there were two positions to be filled and called for nominations. The following were received :-

Cllr. Byrne – Proposed by Cllr. O’Brien and seconded by Cllr. Killeavy

Cllr. O’Brien – Proposed by Cllr. Buckley and seconded by Cllr. Byrne

The Cathaoirleach confirmed the nomination of Cllr. Byrne and Cllr. O’Brien to these positions.

5. Nomination of Representative to the Irish Public Bodies Mutual Insurances Ltd

The Cathaoirleach confirmed that there was one position to be filled and called for nominations. The following were received :-

Cllr. McKeigue – Proposed by Cllr. Byrne and seconded by Cllr. Buckley

The Cathaoirleach confirmed his own nomination for this position.

6. Nomination of Directors to the Board of Tullamore Dew Heritage Centre Limited

The Cathaoirleach confirmed that there were two positions to be filled and called for nominations. The following were received :-

Cllr. McKeigue – Proposed by Cllr. Buckley and seconded by Cllr. Byrne

Cllr. Harvey – Proposed by Cllr. Rowland and seconded by Cllr. Dooley

The Cathaoirleach confirmed the nomination of Cllr. Harvey and himself to these positions.

7. Nomination of Directors to the Board of Tullamore Leisure Limited

The Cathaoirleach confirmed that there were three positions to be filled and called for nominations. The following were received :-

Cllr. Rowland – Proposed by Cllr. McCormack and seconded by Cllr. Dooley

Cllr. Buckley – Proposed by Cllr. Byrne and seconded by Cllr. McKeigue

Cllr. O’Brien – Proposed by Cllr. Byrne and seconded by Cllr. McKeigue

The Cathaoirleach confirmed the nomination of Cllr. Rowland, Cllr. Buckley and Cllr. O'Brien

8. Nomination of Members to witness the affixing of the corporate seal of the Council

On the proposal of Cllr. McKeigue and seconded by Cllr. Buckley it was unanimously agreed that the Cathaoirleach of the Council or any elected member of the council in his or her absence could witness the affixing of the corporate seal.

9. Fixing Time and Date of Monthly Meetings of the Council

It was agreed that the monthly meeting would take place on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 5.00pm and that this would be incorporated into new standing orders to be drafted by the Council.

10. Any Other Business

- (i) ***Tullamore Town Council Representation on Offaly County Development Board, Offaly Local Development Company Ltd. And Offaly County Council Strategic Policy Committees*** – The Town Clerk informed the meeting that representation on these bodies was based on rotational representation between the town councils. The members unanimously agreed to give a mandate to the Cathaoirleach to act on the Town council's behalf in discussions with the other Cathaoirleach. However the nomination of specific members to these bodies would be a matter for consideration by the full council. It was also agreed that nominees to all boards and committees should provide feedback to the full Council on a regular basis and this item be included as a standing item on the monthly agenda for updates where appropriate
- (ii) ***Sub-Committee on Standing Orders*** – A sub-committee consisting of Cllr McKeigue, Cllr. Rowland, Cllr. O'Brien and Cllr. Killeavy was agreed to work with the Town Clerk on updating the current Standing Orders recently circulated to the members. A copy of Offaly County Council's Standing Orders to be circulated to the committee for information and comparison purposes.
- (iii) ***Protocol for Attendance at Conferences*** – On the proposal of Cllr. McKeigue and seconded by Cllr. Buckley it was unanimously agreed that an in-committee meeting of the full council would take place at 4.45pm on the day of the monthly meeting to consider attendance at conferences. It was also agreed that a brief report would be given to the council each month by Councillors who had attended conferences since the previous meetings.
- (iv) ***Notices of Motion*** – The Town Clerk informed the members that it was the intention of Management in future to provide a written response to Notices of Motion where practicable. This was welcomed by members
- (v) ***Town Council Representation on Tullamore Area Committee*** – It was unanimously agreed by the members that in view of the fact that both the Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach were also members of the Tullamore Area Committee that the Town Council representation on

- (vi) ***Chandler-Tullamore Town Twinning Committee*** – The Town Clerk confirmed that the Cathaoirleach and Leas Cathaoirleach were automatically nominated as members of the recently established Town Twinning Committee and that the Secretary of the committee would be notified accordingly.
- (vii) ***Ethics Legislation*** – It was noted that an Annual Declaration under the Ethics legislation would issue from the Ethics Registrar Gabriel Conlon to the newly elected members within the next few days and these should be completed and promptly returned within the statutory time frame.

The meeting then concluded.

Signed:

Cathaoirleach

Town Clerk

Date:
