



Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20 July 2022 at Council Chambers, 67 Herbert Street, Bowen

The purpose of this Special Meeting was to appoint an Acting Mayor, noting Cr Brunner had indicated he will resign from the role as of 12pm on 20th July 2022.

Council acknowledges and shows respect to the Traditional Custodian/owners in whose country we hold this meeting.

Councillors Present:

Jan Clifford, Al Grundy, John Collins, Michelle Wright, Gary Simpson and Michael Brunker.

Council Officers Present:

Rod Ferguson (Chief Executive Officer); Julie Wright (Director Community Services); Neil McGaffin (Director Development Services); Jason Bradshaw (Director Corporate Services); Adam Hagy (Director Infrastructure Services); Greg Martin (Communications and Marketing Manager); Tailah Jensen (Governance Administration Officer/Minute Taker)

Other Officers Present (Partial Attendance):

James Ngoroyemoto (Manager Governance and Administration); Rebekah Sinclair (Governance and Legal Coordinator)

Other Details:

The meeting commenced at 12.00pm

The meeting closed at 12.07pm

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1 APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

There were apologies or leaves of absence for this meeting.

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## 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations for this meeting.

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The Chief Executive Officer advised that the purpose of the meeting is to firstly acknowledge Councillor Brunkers resignation for the role as Deputy and Acting Mayor and secondly, to appoint an Acting Mayor for a period until a new Mayor is elected after the 13 August 2022.

Cr Brunker formally declared to the meeting that he is resigning from the position of Acting Mayor forthwith.

RESOLUTION SM2022/07/20.1

Moved By: CR J CLIFFORD

Seconded By: CR G SIMPSON

That Council accept Cr Bunker's resignation and move a vote of thanks for his service in the role as Acting Mayor, especially during the budget process.

MEETING DETAILS

The motion was Carried 6 / 0.

CARRIED

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*The Chief Executive Officer advised the meeting that noting Cr Brunkers resignation from the Acting Mayor position, a motion will need to be moved to appoint a chair for the balance of the meeting.*

### RESOLUTION SM2022/07/20.2

**Moved By: CR G SIMPSON**

**Seconded By: CR M WRIGHT**

**That Council appoint Cr Collins to chair the balance of the special meeting, 20 July 2022.**

### MEETING DETAILS

The motion was Carried 6 / 0.

**CARRIED**

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Cr Collins chaired the meeting from this point forward.

3 OFFICERS REPORTS

3.1 Office of the Mayor and CEO

3.1.1 - Appointment of Acting Mayor

PURPOSE

This report provides the background and outlines that Council will need to appoint an Acting Mayor on basis that the Mayoral role is vacant and awaiting the upcoming by election. The current Deputy Mayor has indicated that he will resign from the role of Acting Mayor from 12pm on the 20 July 2022.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council appoint *Councillor xxxx* as Acting Mayor for a period until the appointment of the new Mayor following the by-election on Saturday 13 August 2022 in accordance with Section 165 (2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2009*.

RESOLUTION SM2022/07/20.3

Moved By: CR J CLIFFORD

Seconded By: CR A GRUNDY

Cr Collins accepted the nomination.

That Council appoint Councillor Collins as Acting Mayor for a period until the appointment of the new Mayor following the by-election on Saturday 13 August 2022 in accordance with Section 165 (2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 2009*.

MEETING DETAILS

The motion was Carried 6/0.

CARRIED

Cr Collins acknowledged the work of Cr Brunner and thanked him for his work especially during the budget process.

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**The Meeting closed at 12.07pm.**

**Confirmed as a true and correct recording this 27 July 2022.**

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**Cr John Collins  
ACTING MAYOR**