

Municipal District of Tuam – 12th June 2023

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TUAM HELD AT THE OFFICES OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF TUAM, TUAM, COUNTY GALWAY ON MONDAY 12th JUNE 2023 AT 12:00 noon.

CATHAOIRLEACH: Cllr. Keaveney

I LÁTHAIR FREISIN Cllr. McHugh Farag, Cllr. Reddington, Cllr. Roche, Cllr. Killilea, Cllr. Sheridan, Cllr. Hoade.

AS LÁTHAIR

BAILL OIFIGIGH: Mr. Derek Pender D.O.S. - Infrastructure & Operations, Mr. Paul Connolly – Senior Executive Engineer, Mr. Tom Regan – Executive Engineer, Ms. Geraldine Byrne - Meetings Administrator, Ms. Sinéad Naughton – Staff Officer

Cllr. Keaveney welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting of Tuam Municipal District stating that it was an honour to have been Cathaoirleach over the last twelve months. He thanked the Director of Services, Derek Pender and the Executive Team for their help throughout the year. He acknowledged all the Elected Members for working incredibly hard over the past year and for their engagement with the community and their clear vision for Tuam town and environs.

Cllr. Keaveney said it was a pleasure to be Cathaoirleach during the preparation of Tuam Local Area Plan. He referred to an unprecedented amount of LA housing due to come in line and changes in education with the amalgamation of schools and called for a strategic plan to provide providing significant amenity space for young people in the area.

Each of the Elected Members thanked Cllr. Keaveney for his term in the chair and Mr. Pender thanked outgoing Cathaoirleach Cllr. Keaveney on behalf of the Executive for his 12 months term as Cathaoirleach.

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Item no. 1 – Election of Cathaoirleach for the Municipal District of Tuam for year 2023/2024

Cllr. Keaveney proposed that Cllr. Killilea be elected Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam for the coming year. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. Hoade. There were no other nominations. Cllr. Killilea was deemed elected as Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam.

Cllr. Killilea took the chair and thanked the members for the nomination and accepted the role as Cathaoirleach. He said it would be his 4th time being Cathaoirleach and it was a great honour.

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Item no. 2 – Election of Leas Cathaoirleach for the Municipal District of Tuam for year 2023/2024

Cllr. Keaveney proposed that Cllr. Hoade be elected Leas Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam for the coming year. This proposal was seconded by Cllr. Sheridan. There were no other nominations. Cllr. Hoade was deemed elected as Leas Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District of Tuam. Cllr. Hoade thanked the members for the nomination and accepted the role as Leas Cathaoirleach.

Cllr. Killilea proposed that Tuam MD reintroduce civic receptions and acknowledge local groups that carry out great works at local level. He suggested that the members have a private meeting before the next MD meeting in relation to same. Cllr. Roche suggested that future meetings would be held in various locations throughout the MD.

Cllr. Killilea thanked Paul Connolly for stepping into the role of Acting Senior Executive Engineer over the last 6 months adding that all the voluntary organisations around the MD think very highly of him and he would not like this to go unnoticed. Cllr. Reddington referred to him as the “ultimate public servant”, having a way with people and all the members agreed that he had great communication skills providing them with comprehensive summaries on a regular basis.

Cllr. Roche commented that he hoped the staffing team in Tuam would remain in place in the long term for the betterment of Tuam MD. Mr. Pender advised he was going to raise this matter under Directors business and was pleased to advise that Mr. Connolly was staying in the Tuam MD and said he had clearly demonstrated his ability to lead over the last number of months and with John Coyle returning on Monday he will have the a very competent team in Tuam with Tom Regan, EE, Paul Connolly, EE and John Coyle, SEE.

Mr. Connolly thanked everyone for their comments stating it was a fantastic experience to be the SEE in Tuam MD and that the job was made easier help from the elected members and all his technical and administrative teams in the Tuam MD.

Cllr. Roche referred to Jim Carney, a local man who had launched a special publication entitled “Seán Purcell and Frank Stockwell: from a childhood friendship to Gaelic football fame and Glory” in the Ard Rí Hotel with all proceeds going towards Tuam Cancer care, praising him for what he called a “unique publication”. Cllr. Hoade, Cllr. Sheridan and Cllr. Killilea wished to be associated with Cllr. Roches comments and commend Jim Carney on his publication.

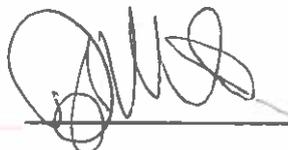
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Item no. 3. – Schedule of dates for Municipal District of Tuam meetings for year 2023/2024

Cllr. Keaveney sought the dates for the MD meetings and Ger Byrne, Meetings administrator advised she would circulate them to all members after the meeting. Cllr. Keaveney requested that they be hyperlinked so that they would link in their diaries. Cllr. Killilea queried the continuance of the 12.30pm commencement time for the meetings, there was no objection for this arrangement to continue as per the Standing Orders.

Chríochnaigh an cruinniú ansin @ 12.23 a.m.

Approved by:



Cathaoirleach

Date:

10/7/23