

Minutes of Annual General Meeting of West Clare Municipal District, held on 23rd June, 2021 at 12.20pm in the Council Chamber, Clare County Council New Road Ennis Co. Clare

Cathaoirleach sa Cathair:

Cllr. Joe Garrihy

I Láthair:

Cllr. Shane Talty, Cllr. Gabriel Keating, Cllr. Joe Killeen, , Cllr. Ian Lynch (online), Cllr. Cillian Murphy, Cllr. PJ Kelly

Cllr. Bill Chambers, Cllr. Susan Crawford (online).

Officials present:

Mr. Leonard Cleary, Area Co-Ordinator & Director of Service

Mr. John O'Malley, A/Senior Executive Officer & Meetings Administrator, West Clare Municipal District

Mr. Enda MacNamara, SEE, West Clare Municipal District

Mr. Steve Lahiffe, Senior Staff Officer

AGM had been due to commence at 12 noon adjournment was proposed by Cllr. Garrihy seconded by Cllr. Keating and agreed.

Cllr. Garrihy re-convened the meeting at 12.20pm and welcomed those in attendance. The Cathaoirleach thanked his fellow councillors and the executive team for all their support & assistance over the past year. It was an honour to serve as the chair for the last year of the West Clare Municipal District. He noted the great working together of the nine members of the two electoral areas.

On behalf of the executive, Leonard Cleary thanked Cllr. Garrihy for all his work over the last year.

Cllr. Garrihy's colleagues also thanked for his support & leadership over the past year and commented on his phenomenal ability to bring all the councillors together. The Leas Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Cillian Murphy also thanked Cllr. Garrihy for his work over the last year, that it was a privilege to have worked with him.

1. Election of Cathaoirleach for 12 months.

Cllr. Cillian Murphy was proposed by Cllr. Bill Chambers seconded by Cllr. Keating.

Cllr. Murphy was invited to take the Chair. Cllr. Murphy advised that he was a little bit emotional and preceded to firstly through Irish and then English to state that it was a huge honour for him and his family to take on the role of Chair of the West Clare MD. He thanked the Chief Executive and staff, thanked his fellow councillors and noted all their commitment to ensuring decisions taken were for the good of all the MD. He specifically wished to thank Cllr. PJ Kelly.

Cllr. Murphy also emphasized the huge thanks he owed to his wife, Mary.

He also wished to thank former Councillor Pat Keane.

On behalf of the executive Leonard Cleary congratulated Cllr. Murphy on his election.

Cllr. Murphy was congratulated by all his colleagues.

2. Election of Leas Cathoirleach for 12 months

Cllr. Shane Talty was proposed by Cllr. Joe Killeen and seconded by Cllr. Joe Garrihy.

Cllr. Talty was congratulated by his colleagues.

Cllr. Talty thanked the Members for his nomination. Congratulated Cllr. Murphy on his election, and advised he was looking forward to working with his colleagues and the staff. The model of working collectively has been working well and wished for this to continue.

On behalf of the executive, Leonard Cleary, congratulated Cllr. Talty.

3. Approval of payment of allowance to Cathoirleach of Municipal District

Cllr. Garrihy proposed the motion and it was seconded by Cllr. Chambers and agreed.

4. Schedule of Meetings for the coming year

Cllr. Keating proposed the motion and it was seconded by Cllr. Talty.

- Tuesday 6th July at 4pm
- Tuesday 7th September at 4pm
- Tuesday 2nd November at 4pm
- West Clare MD GMA Budgetary Meeting circa 16th November - date to be confirmed.
- Tuesday 14th January at 4pm (Proposed - to be decided at November meeting)
- Tuesday 1st March at 4pm
- Tuesday 3rd May at 4pm
- Proposed date for AGM Tuesday 21st June at 4pm

5. Any other business.

- Cllr. Keating advised that he would be putting motion re LIS at the next main meeting and he called on his colleagues to support.
- Communication – Cllr. Lynch advised that in future for plans being developed such as Ennis 2040 that the Municipal District would be met rather than being met by Party.
- Engagement – it was highlighted that the recent public consultation by the Planning Department that took place in the Square in Ennistymon was very successful.

The meeting then concluded.

Signed:

**Cllr. Cillian Murphy,
Cathoirleach**

Signed:

**John O'Malley,
Meetings Administrator**

Dated this the _____ day of July 2021.