MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING OF WEXFORD BOROUGH DISTRICT HELD AT 7.00 P.M. ON MONDAY 17TH JUNE, 2019 IN WEXFORD ARTS CENTRE, CORNMARKET, WEXFORD.

<u>Councillors:-</u> G. Lawlor, J. Hegarty, L. Kelly, M. Bell, G. Laffan, D. Hynes, T. Forde and outgoing Mayor, Cllr. T. Dempsey.

In Attendance:-

- Mr. T. Enright, Chief Executive.
- Mr. T. Larkin, Director of Services.
- Ms. A.R. Laffan, District Manager.
- Mr. S. Kavanagh, Senior Executive Engineer.
- Mr. K. Sheil, Town Sergeant.

At the outset of the meeting, the outgoing Mayor, Cllr. T. Dempsey, welcomed all present and thanked the Management of Wexford County Council, his fellow Councillors, family and supporters for their assistance during his term of office.

Councillors paid tribute to Cllr. Dempsey on his achievements during his year in office. Mr. T. Enright, Chief Executive, associated with the good wishes on behalf of the management and officials of Wexford County Council.

Cllr. T. Forde and Cllr. D. Hynes thanked the public for their support in the recent local elections but expressed their dissatisfaction with the process for selection of Mayor and what they considered to be a predetermined outcome of the election of Mayor at the Annual Meeting. Both then departed the meeting in advance of nominations.

ELECTION OF MAYOR.

The outgoing Mayor, Cllr. T. Dempsey, then called for nominations for the Office of Mayor.

Cllr. G. Lawlor was proposed by Cllr. M. Bell seconded by Cllr. G. Laffan.

There being only one nomination, Cllr. G. Lawlor was declared elected to the Office of Mayor and assumed the Chair.

The newly elected Mayor thanked his proposer and seconder and set out his priorities for his year in office.

The elected members and Mr. T. Enright, Chief Executive, congratulated Cllr. Lawlor on his election and pledged their support for the coming year.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR.

His Worship the Mayor, Cllr. G. Lawlor, then called for nominations for the Office of Deputy Mayor.

Cllr. M. Bell was proposed by Cllr. G. Laffan seconded by Cllr. L. Kelly.

There being only one nomination, Cllr. M. Bell was declared elected to the Office of Deputy Mayor.

ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS:

On the proposal of Cllr. G. Laffan, seconded by Cllr. M. Bell, the draft Standing Orders, a copy of which had previously been circulated, were unanimously adopted.

SHEDULE OF ORDINARY MEETINGS.

The attached schedule of meetings, a copy of which had previously been circulated, was unanimously adopted on the proposal of Cllr. G. Laffan seconded by Cllr. M. Bell.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING.

SIGNED THIS 22ND DAY OF JULY, 2019.

MAYOR OF WEXFORD.