

CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 18th MARCH,
2016 AT 2.30 P.M.**

Mayor, Councillor Joe Malone, Presiding.

Present:-

Councillors: Matt Doran, Michael Doyle, David Kennedy, Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere, Malcolm Noonan, David Fitzgerald, Patrick McKee, Breda Gardner.

Apologies: Patrick O’Neill, Andrew McGuinness.

Also Present: Mr. Seamus Kavanagh, A/Senior Engineer and Ms. Catherine Cooney, Staff Officer.

Mayor’s Summons of Meeting:

Notice dated 15th March, 2016, convening a Monthly Meeting for this date was read.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meetings:

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 19th February, 2016 having been previously circulated was tabled for confirmation. It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Matt Doran
Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy
And Resolved

“That the minutes as presented to this meeting be and are hereby adopted.”

2. Matters brought forward by direction of the Mayor.

The Mayor and Members extended their congratulations to Cllr. Kathleen Funchion on her recent election to Dáil Eireann representing Carlow/Kilkenny. Members also offered their commiserations to those candidates who were unsuccessful in the campaign.

Members raised issues in relation to the putting up of Election Posters during the campaign which they felt was excessive in some cases and suggested that the County Council prepare a protocol for election signage which should be circulated to each candidate prior to an election. The Mayor requested that this item be placed on the Agenda for the next Municipal District Meeting.

The Mayor congratulated all those involved in the success of the following recent events and upcoming events:

- Chernobyl Fashion Show held on 10th March, 2016.
- 1916 Commemoration Event held in Duiske Abbey on 11th March, 2016.
- Tree Planting Ceremony held in the grounds of County Hall as part of Kilkenny 2016 Commemoration Plan to commemorate the centenary of the 1916 Rising.
- Congratulations to Mr. Pat Shortiss, Freeman of Kilkenny City, on reaching his 95th birthday.
- Organisers of the re-enactment of 1916 Rising held in Callan on 15th March, 2016.
- Congratulations to the St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee on the organising of a very successful event.

Votes of Sympathy

Members joined with the Mayor in offering a Vote of Sympathy to the families of the following:

Larry Britton, Hillcrest, Greenshill, Kilkenny.
Gretta Murphy, 20, Maudlin Street, Kilkenny.
Mortimer O'Shea, Archersfield, Bennettsbridge Road, Kilkenny.
Vincent Byrne, Knockbutton, Windgap, Co. Kilkenny
Andy Wall, 14, New Orchard Estate, Kilkenny.
Michael Morris, Fr. Albert Place, Kilkenny.
Mary Mackey, Michael Street, Kilkenny.
Bridget O'Brien, 10, Loreto Avenue, Bishops Meadows, Kilkenny.
Anna Oakes, Talbots Inch, Kilkenny.
Mamie Byrne, Fr. Albert Place, Kilkenny.
Eileen Connolly, 8, Newpark, Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny.
Eddie Mason, Mill Road, Inistioge, Co. Kilkenny.

The resolution was then put to the meeting and respectfully passed in silence, all present standing.

Location of Hurling Monument

The Mayor explained that as agreed at the In-Committee Meeting held at 2.00 p.m. prior to the Municipal District Meeting at 2.30 p.m. the proposal to be put forward is the hurling monument will be located at Canal Square.

A further proposal by Cllr. David Fitzgerald and seconded by Cllr. Michael Doyle to defer the item to the next Municipal District Meeting was not proceeded with and Members decided to proceed with the following:

Proposed by: Cllr. Patrick McKee
Seconded by: Cllr. Peter 'Chap' Cleere

“that the Hurling Monument commissioned by Kilkenny County Council be located at Canal Square, Kilkenny, and arrangements be made to transport the monument from the workshop in Clare to the location designated on Canal Square.”

Following a roll call vote the motion was carried by eight votes to one, with members voting as follows:

For the Motion: Cllrs. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere, Michael Doyle, Matt Doran, Breda Gardner, David Kennedy, Joe Malone, Patrick McKee and Malcolm Noonan (8)

Against the proposal: Cllr. David Fitzgerald (1)

Absent: Cllrs. Andrew McGuinness, Patrick O’Neill and Kathleen Funchion.

3. Adoption of Schedule of Municipal Works.

Following the circulation of the report on the Schedule of Municipal Works by Mr. Seamus Kavanagh, Senior Engineer, Cllr. Matt Doran, highlighted that no funding has been included in the Scheme for public lighting at the Fairgreen in Callan despite a commitment at the February meeting to provide same. During a further discussion on the issue Members agreed to go in-committee with the meeting to try and resolve the issue.

When the meeting resumed, the matter still remained unresolved and it was decided to defer the matter for a Special Meeting to be held on Thursday, 24th March, 2016, at 2.30 p.m. in order to receive clarification from Mr. Simon Walton, Director of Services.

4. Formation of Woodstock Gardens Steering Committee.

It was unanimously agreed to reform the Woodstock Gardens Steering Committee and the following nominations were put forward:

Cllr. Michael Doyle	-	Proposed by Cllr. Breda Gardner Seconded by Cllr. David Kennedy
Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere	-	Proposed by Cllr. Malcolm Noonan Seconded by Cllr. Michael Doyle
Cllr. David Kennedy	-	Proposed by Cllr. Breda Gardner Seconded by Cllr. Michael Doyle
Cllr. Malcolm Noonan	-	Proposed by Cllr. Breda Gardner Seconded by Cllr. Matt Doran.

5. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere received 5th January, 2016.

Proposed by: Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere
Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy

And Resolved

“That Kilkenny Municipal District Council would support the introduction of additional speed and traffic calming measures outside the GAA grounds and church in Clara.”

6. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere received 7th January, 2016.

Proposed by: Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere
Seconded by: Cllr. Malcolm Noonan

"That Kilkenny Municipal District Council would support the people of Graiguenamanagh who have had 6 water outages of greater than 24 hours in the last 3 months alone, and that this council writes to Irish Water on behalf of the people of Graiguenamanagh requesting that the water charges be frozen for all patrons affected by these outages for a period of 12 months or until such time as the water quality / service issue are restored to a satisfactory manner.”

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: _____
MAYOR

Date: _____