

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE NA GAILLIMHE

Galway County Council

Ceantar Bardasach Bhaile Átha an Rí

Municipal District of Athenry

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Municipal District of Athenry held in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, on Tuesday 2nd June, 2020.

I LATHAIR:

BAILL: Cllr. J. Cuddy (Cathaoirleach),
Cllr. G. Cronnelly,
Cllr. J. Charity,
Cllr. L. Carroll,
Cllr. D. Collins,
Cllr. A. Dolan.

APOLOGIES: Cllr. S. Herterich Quinn.

OIFIGIUGH: Mr. M. Owens, A/Director of Services,
Ms. G. Healy, A/Administrative Officer.

Cllr. Cuddy, Cathaoirleach of Athenry Municipal District Council, welcomed all present at the Annual General Meeting. He said it had been an honour to serve the people of the Municipal District over the past year and he reflected on the past number of months when Covid-19 had resulted in many restrictions. He wished to remember the families who had lost loved ones during the pandemic. He referred to the people who had lost their jobs but he expressed the hope that people would be back to work again in the near future.

He thanked the Director of Services, the Administrative Staff and the Staff of the Municipal District, especially the outdoor Staff, for their work with other agencies during the pandemic and for their ongoing day-to-day work on behalf of the public.

Election of Cathaoirleach of the Athenry Municipal District Council 2020 - 2021

AMD 40

Cllr. Carroll **PROPOSED** that Cllr. Cronnelly be elected as Cathaoirleach and this proposal was **SECONDED** by Cllr. Collins and **AGREED**.

Cllr. Cronnelly **ACCEPTED** the nomination.

As there was no other nomination, the Cathaoirleach **DECLARED** Cllr. Gabe Cronnelly **ELECTED** as Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District Council of Athenry for the year 2020/2021.

Cathaoirleach Cronnelly then assumed the Chair.

The newly elected Cathaoirleach thanked his proposer and seconder and said he felt privileged to have been elected without opposition and he thanked all of the Members for their support. He complimented the outgoing Cathaoirleach, Cllr. Cuddy, stating that he had been an outstanding Cathaoirleach for the past year, meeting challenges and carrying out his duties in a very professional and efficient manner. He also thanked the Director of Services, the Administrative and Engineering Staff and the outdoor Staff for their work. He said he looked forward to working with everybody during the year ahead and said he would be available at any time to deal with issues arising.

Cathaoirleach Cronnelly said he wished to remember all of the people who had passed away during the Covid-19 pandemic, whether due to Covid-19 or other causes, and who were not afforded the traditional Irish funeral and celebration of their lives, due to Covid-19 restrictions. He asked that all present at the Meeting observe a minute's silence to reflect on the past number of months and remember the deceased and their families and friends.

Election of Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Athenry Municipal District Council 2020 - 2021

AMD 41

Cllr. Charity **PROPOSED** that Cllr. Collins be elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach and this proposal was **SECONDED** by Cllr. Cuddy and **AGREED**.

Cllr. Collins **ACCEPTED** the nomination.

As there was no other nomination, the Cathaoirleach **DECLARED** Cllr. David Collins **ELECTED** as Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Municipal District Council of Athenry for the year 2020/2021.

Cllr. Collins thanked his proposer and seconder and stated that he was honoured to be elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach for the year.

To fix a Schedule of Meetings for the Municipal District Council

AMD 42

On the **PROPOSAL** of Cllr. Cronnelly, **SECONDED** by Cllr. Charity, the Members **AGREED** that the Meetings of the Athenry Municipal District Council would take place bi-monthly on the second Tuesday of the Month, at 2pm in the Council Chamber, as follows:

Tuesday 14th July 2020 at 2pm

Tuesday 8th September 2020 at 2pm

Tuesday 10th November 2020 at 2pm

Tuesday 12th January 2021 at 2pm

Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 2pm

Tuesday 11th May 2021 at 2pm

The Cathaoirleach wished everybody well until the next Meeting.

Criochnaigh an Cruinniú Ansin

Approved by:

Gabe Cronnelly
CATHAOIRLEACH ✓

Date: 8/9/20

