

MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE MARINE INSTITUTE, FURNACE, NEWPORT, ON MONDAY, 19th APRIL, 2004, AT 4.00 p.m.

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. F. Chambers, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

Cllrs. B. Golden, S. Molloy, A.M. Reape, E. Staunton, S. Weir, M. Burke, J. Mannion, D. Ryan, G. Coyle, P. Kilbane, F. Leneghan, T. Quinn, S. Bourke, C. Burke, B.C. Flynn, T.D., H. Kenny, A. McDonnell, M. Carty, J. Cribbin, R. Finn, P. McHugh, J. Flannery, J. Maloney, J. Mellett, G. Murray, M. Adams, M. Ring, T.D., P. Sweeney.

The Council Staff in attendance were:-

Mr. D. Mahon, Co. Manager, Mr. J. Beirne, Dir. of Services / Co. Engineer, Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, Mr. J. Condon, Meetings Administrator, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. P. Mahon, A/Dir. of Services, Mr. B. O'Reilly, Sen. Engineer, Mr. T. Reidy, Sen. Engineer, Ms. C. Kenny, Asst. Staff Officer.

At the outset, the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. F. Chambers, welcomed the Elected Members and Staff, members of the Press and public to the Meeting in Furnace.

Tributes were paid to the Cathaoirleach for the manner in which he carried out his duties during his term of Office.

Dr. Ken Whelan, Director of the Marine Institute, gave a Presentation on the important work being carried out by the Institute at its facility in Furnace.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Quinn
Seconded by Cllr. F. Leneghan

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Erris United on winning the FAI Under-18 Championship and to Mr. Henry Coyle, Doolough, Geesala, Ballina, who won the National Welterweight Title and that an appropriate function be held to honour the Team and Mr. Coyle”.

It was agreed that the Council would write to the Irish Amateur Boxing Association to express their concern regarding the exclusion of Henry Coyle from competing in an Olympic Games qualifier in Azerbaijan.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mellett
Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Mr. Kevin Geraghty, Swinford, on winning his third consecutive All-Ireland Singles Handball Championship”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Burke
Seconded by Cllr. E. Staunton

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Ms. Maire Ni Ghiollabhain, St. Fionan’s Road, Achill Sound, on being selected the National Finalist of Ros Fodhla, the Irish Language and Culture representative, for the Rose of Tralee International Festival”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Ring
Seconded by Cllr. P. Sweeney

Resolved:-

“That a Vote of Congratulations be extended to Mr. Joseph Nevin, Collacoan, Louisburgh, Mr. Raymond Moylette, Islandeady, Castlebar and Mr. Danny Coughlan, Celtic Court, Westport, on winning their respective titles for St. Anne’s Boxing Club, Westport, at the All-Ireland Boxing Championships”.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape
Seconded by Cllr. J. Maloney

Resolved:-

“That the County Council Meeting scheduled to take place on Monday, 10th May, 2004, be held at 3.00 p.m.”.

ITEM NO. 1.

**MIONTUAIRISCI DE CRUINNITHE COMHAIRLE CHONTAE MHAIGH EO A BHI AR SIUL AR AN 1^u MARTA AGUS 8^u MARTA, A DEIMHNIU.
TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETINGS HELD ON 1st MARCH AND 8th MARCH, 2004.**

Mhol Comhairleoir P. McHugh
Chuid Comhairleoir S. Molloy leis
Ghlacu leis an tairiscint:-

“Go n-aontaíomar le Miontuairisci Comhairle Chontae Mhaigh Eo a bhi ar siul ar an 1^u Marta agus 8^u Marta, 2004”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh
Seconded by Cllr. S. Molloy

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meetings held on 1st March and 8th March, 2004, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record”.

ITEM NO. 2.

TO CONSIDER ROADWORKS SCHEME FOR 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh
Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Roadworks Scheme for 2004, as circulated, be adopted by the Council”.

Various queries raised by the Members under the Roadworks Scheme, were replied to by Mr. J. Beirne, Dir. of Services / Co. Engineer and Mr. D. Mahon, Co. Manager.

ITEM NO. 3.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 8th MARCH, 2004, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROJECT TO PROVIDE FOR THE UPGRADING, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE PRODUCTION FACILITIES ON 13 PRIVATE GROUP WATER SCHEMES IN COUNTY MAYO.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 8th March, 2004, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of Project to provide for the upgrading, operation and maintenance of the production facilities on 13 Private Group Water Schemes in County Mayo”.

ITEM NO. 4.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 6th APRIL, 2004, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO. TRADITIONAL TYPE RURAL DWELLING AT MONAGARRAUN, GLENISLAND, CASTLEBAR.

Proposed by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Seconded by Cllr. H. Kenny

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 6th April, 2004, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of the construction of 1 No. traditional type rural dwelling at Monagarraun, Glenisland, Castlebar”.

ITEM NO. 5.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF 1.37 ACRES OF LAND AT DRUMCONLON, CASTLEBAR, TO RESPOND HOUSING ASSOCIATION, ORANMORE, CO. GALWAY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 30th MARCH, 2004, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of 1.37 acres of Land at Drumconlon, Castlebar, to Respond Housing Association, Oranmore, Co. Galway, for €74,930.00, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 30th March, 2004, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 6.

TO APPROVE PRELIMINARY REPORT DATED 30th MARCH, 2004, IN RESPECT OF KILMAINE SEWERAGE SCHEME.

Proposed by Cllr. D. Ryan

Seconded by Cllr. M. Burke

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve Preliminary Report dated 30th March, 2004, as circulated, in respect of Kilmaine Sewerage Scheme”.

ITEM NO. 7.

TO APPROVE PRELIMINARY REPORT DATED 5th APRIL, 2004, IN RESPECT OF KILMOVEE SEWERAGE SCHEME.

Cllrs. J. Maloney, J. Flannery, J. Mellett and G. Murray all spoke strongly in favour of Preliminary Report dated 5th April, 2004, in respect of Kilmovee Sewerage Scheme and it was unanimously approved.

ITEM NO. 8.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28th APRIL, 2003.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Planning and Economic Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 28th April, 2003, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 9.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8th DECEMBER, 2003.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Roads and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 8th December, 2003, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 10.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF CULTURAL, EDUCATION, HERITAGE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16th DECEMBER, 2003.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Cultural, Education, Heritage and Corporate Affairs Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 16th December, 2003, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 11.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF WESTPORT ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 15th SEPTEMBER, 2003, 20th OCTOBER, 2003, 17th NOVEMBER, 2003, 15th DECEMBER, 2003, 12th JANUARY, 2004, 20th JANUARY, 2004 AND 2nd FEBRUARY, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Westport Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 15th September, 2003, 20th October, 2003, 17th November, 2003, 15th December, 2003, 12th January, 2004, 20th January, 2004 and 2nd February, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 12.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF BALLINROBE ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 10th NOVEMBER, 2003, 8th DECEMBER, 2003, 12th JANUARY, 2004 AND 9th FEBRUARY, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Ballinrobe Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 10th November, 2003, 8th December, 2003, 12th January, 2004 and 9th February, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 13.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF SWINFORD ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 13th JANUARY, 2004, 11th FEBRUARY, 2004 AND 23rd FEBRUARY, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Swinford Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 13th January, 2004, 11th February, 2004 and 23rd February, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 14.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF CLAREMORRIS ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETINGS HELD ON 3rd FEBRUARY, 2004 AND 2nd MARCH, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Claremorris Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 3rd February, 2004 and 2nd March, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 15.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF BALLINA ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETINGS HELD ON 13th JANUARY, 2004 AND 11th FEBRUARY, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Ballina Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 13th January, 2004 and 11th February, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 16.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF BELMULLET ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 16th JANUARY, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Belmullet Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 16th January, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 17.
TO NOTE MINUTES OF CASTLEBAR ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 27th FEBRUARY, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. S. Molloy

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Castlebar Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 27th February, 2004, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 18.
TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
CONFERENCE – “LOCAL GOVERNMENT 1999 – 2004 – HOW DID WE DO?”
- TO BE HELD IN THE CLONEA STRAND HOTEL, DUNGARVAN, CO.
WATERFORD ON 7th AND 8th MAY, 2004.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. M. Adams, S. Bourke, M. Carty, R. Finn, M. Burke, E. Caffrey, G. Coyle, M. Ring, T.D., and S. Weir be nominated to attend Conference – “Local Government 1999 – 2004 – How did we do?” – to be held in the Clonea Strand Hotel, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, on 7th and 8th May, 2004”.

ITEM NO. 19.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND BALLYMOTE CONFERENCE – “19th CENTURY HISTORY IN 21st CENTURY TOURISM” – TO BE HELD IN THE COACH HOUSE HOTEL, BALLYMOTE, CO. SLIGO, ON 28th AND 29th MAY, 2004.

The Council were informed of the estimated cost of sending a Delegate to this Conference.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. F. Leneghan, R. Finn, J. Cribbin, J. Mannion, G. Coyle and M. Ring, T.D., be nominated to attend Ballymote Conference – “19th Century History in 21st Century Tourism” – to be held in the Coach House Hotel, Ballymote, Co. Sligo, on 28th and 29th May, 2004”.

Europeade Conference 2004 – Westport, Co. Mayo – 22nd and 23rd April, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Sweeney

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. S. Bourke, F. Leneghan, P. McHugh and R. Finn be nominated to attend Europeade Conference 2004 to be held in Hotel Westport, Westport, Co. Mayo, on 22nd and 23rd April, 2004”.

Conference – Dublin – 29th April to 1st May, 2004.

Proposed by Cllr. E. Staunton

Seconded by Cllr. S. Weir

Resolved:-

“That Cllr. E. Caffrey be nominated to attend Conference – “The Challenges of the New European Union” – to be held in Dublin from 29th April to 1st May, 2004”.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

It was agreed to defer Notices of Motion (a) to (c) inclusive, as listed on the Agenda, to the May Meeting of the Council.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. M. Ring

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Cathal Hughes, Rosbeg, Westport, on the death of his Wife, Kim”.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Paddy Jordan & family, Saltfield, Bonniconlon, Ballina, on the death of his Wife”.

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Jim Bowe & family, Riverslade, Ballina, on the death of his Wife”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Sweeney

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Dr. Thora O’Dowd, 16, Rockbarton Rd., Salthill, Galway, on the death of her Husband, David”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Sweeney

Seconded by Cllr. A.M. Reape

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Cathal Hughes, Rosbeg, Westport, on the death of his Wife, Kim”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Mellett

Seconded by Cllr. J. Flannery

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the relatives of Ms. Mary Convey, Main Street and Oziman Estate, Swinford, on the death of Mary Convey”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. & Mrs. Eugene McGinty, Tonragee West, Mulranny P.O., Westport, on the death of their Mother”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Bridget Ann Gallagher, Cashel North, Achill, on the death of her Husband, Michael”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. Kilbane

Seconded by Cllr. G. Coyle

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Davitt & family, Saula West, Achill Sound, on the death of their Mother”.

The Meeting concluded at 6.40 p.m.