

**MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN BALLYVARY
CENTRAL NATIONAL SCHOOL, BALLYVARY, CASTLEBAR, ON MONDAY,
8th MAY, 2006, AT 4.00 p.m.**

The Cathaoirleach, Cllr. H. Kenny, was in the Chair.

The other Councillors present were:-

Cllrs. M. Mulherin, J. Munnelly, Johnnie O'Malley, A.M. Reape, E. Staunton, S. Weir, P. O'Brien, D. Ryan, H. Walsh, G. Coyle, M. Holmes, M. McNamara, T. Quinn, S. Bourke, C. Burke, A. McDonnell, P. McGuinness, M. Carty, T. Connolly, J. Cribbin, P. McHugh, E. Lavin, J. Maloney, J. Mellett, G. Murray, M. Adams, F. Chambers, A.F. O'Malley, John O'Malley.

Apology received from Cllr. J. Mee for inability to attend the Meeting.

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. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services, Mr. S. Granahan, Dir. of Services, Mr. R. Norton, Dir. of Services, Mr. J. Coll, Dir., Community & Enterprise, Mr. P. Duggan, Head of Finance, Mr. N. Burke, Sen. Engineer, Mr. B. O'Reilly, Sen. Engineer, Ms. D. Cunningham, A/Sen. Ex. Planner, Ms. C. Kenny, Asst. Staff Officer.

At the outset, Fr. Peter Waldron, Parish Priest, Keellogues, and the Cathaoirleach, Cllr. H. Kenny, welcomed the Elected Members and Staff, members of the Press and public to the Meeting in Ballyvary Central National School.

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

Proposed by Cllr. H. Kenny

Seconded by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Resolved:-

"That we hereby accord a Civic Reception to the Mayo Under-21 All-Ireland Champion Football Team to be held in Áras An Chontae, Castlebar, on Monday, 12th June, 2006, at 7.00 p.m., and that the necessary expenditure be and is hereby authorised".

The Council Congratulated the Team on winning the Clarke Cup and wished them every success for the future.

A brief discussion took place on the Advantica Independent Safety Review into the onshore section of the Corrib gas pipeline which was recently published.

ITEM NO. 1.

MIONTUAIRISCI DE CRUINNIU COMHAIRLE CHONTAE MHAIGH EO A BHI AR SIUL AR AN 10^u AIBREAN, 2006, A DEIMHNIU.
TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10th APRIL, 2006.

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

“Go n-aontaíomar le Miontuairisci Cruinniu Comhairle Chontae Mhaigh Eo a bhi ar siul ar an 10^u Aibreán, 2006”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Mayo County Council Meeting held on 10th April, 2006, be taken as read, approved and signed as a correct record”.

ITEM NO. 2.

TO NOTE 2006 GRANT ALLOCATIONS FOR THE LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEME.

The 2006 Grant Allocations for the Local Improvements Scheme, as circulated, were noted by the Council.

ITEM NO. 3.

TO CONSIDER REPORT DATED 13th APRIL, 2006, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PART 8 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT) REGULATIONS, 2001, AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 2001, IN RESPECT OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AT BOG ROAD, BALLINROBE.

Proposed by Cllr. P. O'Brien

Seconded by Cllr. D. Ryan

Resolved:-

“That we hereby adopt Report dated 13th April, 2006, in accordance with Part 8 of the Local Government (Planning and Development) Regulations, 2001, and the Local Government Act, 2001, in respect of proposed development at Bog Road, Ballinrobe”.

Cllr. H. Walsh dissented from this proposal

ITEM NO. 4.
TO NOMINATE ONE MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL TO THE FAI MAYO
FOOTBALL PARTNERSHIP.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. C. Burke

Resolved:-

“That Cllr. J. Mee be nominated to the FAI Mayo Football Partnership”.

ITEM NO. 5.
TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF (0.53 HA) 1.313 ACRES OF LAND AT
OLD KILKELLY ROAD, KNOCK, CO. MAYO, TO MR. VINCENT SALMON,
DERRYVOOL, KNOCK, CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE
DATED 31st MARCH, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. M. Carty

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of (0.53 ha) 1.313 acres of Land at Old Kilkelly Road, Knock, Co. Mayo, to Mr. Vincent Salmon, Derryvol, Knock, Co. Mayo, for €195,000, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 31st March, 2006, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 6.
TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF SITE OF PROPERTY OF CIRCA 0.25
ACRES AT STRAKE, CLARE ISLAND, CO. MAYO, TO CLIARA
DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LTD., COMMUNITY CENTRE, CLARE ISLAND,
CO. MAYO, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 13th APRIL, 2006,
ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of site of property of circa 0.25 acres at Strake, Clare Island, Co. Mayo, to Cliara Development Company Ltd., Community Centre, Clare Island, Co. Mayo, for a rent of €100 per annum, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 13th April, 2006, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 7.
TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF .5522 HECTARES OF LAND AT
MONEEN INDUSTRIAL PARK, CASTLEBAR, TO BRIAN MORAN, ANTHONY
McHUGH AND JAMES McTIGUE, CASTLEBAR, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
NOTICE DATED 20th APRIL, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. C. Burke

Seconded by Cllr. F. Chambers

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of .5522 hectares of Land at Moneen Industrial Park, Castlebar, to Brian Moran, Anthony McHugh and James McTigue, Castlebar, for €1,650,000, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 20th April, 2006, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 8.

TO APPROVE OF THE DISPOSAL OF SITE OF PROPERTY OF CIRCA 0.082 ACRES AT BRIDGE ROAD, BELMULLET, CO. MAYO, TO THE ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION, RNLI HEAD OFFICE, WEST QUAY ROAD, POOLE, BH15 1HZ, IN ACCORDANCE WITH NOTICE DATED 25th APRIL, 2006, ALREADY CIRCULATED.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That we hereby approve of the disposal of site of property of circa 0.082 acres at Bridge Road, Belmullet, Co. Mayo, to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, RNLI Head Office, West Quay Road, Poole, BH15 1HZ, for a rent of €100 per annum, in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001, and Notice dated 25th April, 2006, already circulated”.

ITEM NO. 9.

TO ARRANGE A DATE FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That the Annual Meeting of the Council be held on Monday, 19th June, 2006, at 4.00 p.m.”.

ITEM NO. 10.

REVIEW OF MAYO COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

Mr. J. Loftus, Dir. of Services, outlined the details of this Item.

It was agreed that Workshops would be held during the month of July.

ITEM NO. 11.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 30th JANUARY, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Mulherin

Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Roads and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 30th January, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 12.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF CLAREMORRIS ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON 7th FEBRUARY, 2006, AND 7th MARCH, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. T. Connolly

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Claremorris Electoral Area Committee Meetings held on 7th February, 2006, and 7th March, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 13.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF BELMULLET ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23rd FEBRUARY, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. G. Coyle

Seconded by Cllr. T. Quinn

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Belmullet Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 23rd February, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 14.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF CASTLEBAR ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 27th FEBRUARY, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. C. Burke

Seconded by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Castlebar Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 27th February, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 15.

TO NOTE MINUTES OF BALLINROBE ELECTORAL AREA COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13th MARCH, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. P. O’Brien

Seconded by Cllr. D. Ryan

Resolved:-

“That Minutes of Ballinrobe Electoral Area Committee Meeting held on 13th March, 2006, be noted”.

ITEM NO. 16.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND NASC CONFERENCE – “REGIONAL COMPETITIVENESS & INNOVATION” – TO BE HELD IN THE CENTRAL HOTEL, DONEGAL TOWN, CO. DONEGAL, ON 11th MAY, 2006.

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

Proposed by Cllr. A.M. Reape
Seconded by Cllr. Johnnie O'Malley

Resolved:-

"That Cllr. H. Walsh be nominated to attend NASC Conference – "Regional Competitiveness & Innovation" – to be held in the Central Hotel, Donegal Town, Co. Donegal, on 11th May, 2006".

ITEM NO. 17.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND CONFERENCE – "THE FUTURE OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES – SERVICE PROVIDERS OR REGULATORS?" – TO BE HELD IN KNOCKRANNY HOUSE HOTEL, WESTPORT, CO. MAYO, ON 18th AND 19th MAY, 2006.

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

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

"That Cllrs. M. Carty, F. Chambers, G. Coyle, J. Cribbin, J. Maloney, P. McHugh, M. McNamara, J. Mellett, M. Mulherin, A.F. O'Malley, John O'Malley and E. Staunton be nominated to attend Conference – "The Future of Local Authorities – Service Providers or Regulators?" – to be held in Knockranny House Hotel, Westport, Co. Mayo, on 18th and 19th May, 2006".

ITEM NO. 18.

TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND CONFERENCE – "LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS – ARE THEY STILL THE WAY FORWARD?" – TO BE HELD IN THE HIBERNIAN HOTEL, MALLOW, CO. CORK, FROM 18th TO 20th MAY, 2006.

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

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness
Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

"That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. S. Bourke, C. Burke, A. McDonnell, G. Murray, P. O'Brien, Johnnie O'Malley, A.M. Reape, H. Walsh and S. Weir be nominated to attend Conference – "Local Partnerships – Are They Still the Way Forward?" – to be held in the Hibernian Hotel, Mallow, Co. Cork, from 18th to 20th May, 2006".

ITEM NO. 19.

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
CONFERENCE – “ENHANCING AN ENTERPRISE CULTURE – THE ROLE
OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES” – TO BE HELD IN THE GLÓR IRISH MUSIC
CENTRE, ENNIS, CO. CLARE, ON 25th AND 26th MAY, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That the Cathaoirleach, Cllrs. S. Bourke, G. Coyle, A. McDonnell, G. Murray and A.M. Reape be nominated to attend Conference – “Enhancing An Enterprise Culture – The Role of Local Authorities” – to be held in the Glór Irish Music Centre, Ennis, Co. Clare, on 25th and 26th May, 2006”.

ITEM NO. 20.

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND MARINE
TOURISM CONFERENCE – “STOKING THE MARINE TOURISM ENGINE” –
TO BE HELD IN THE HOLY TRINITY HERITAGE CENTRE, CARLINGFORD,
CO. LOUTH, ON 31st MAY AND 1st JUNE, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. M. Adams, C. Burke, A.M. Reape, D. Ryan, E. Staunton and H. Walsh be nominated to attend Marine Tourism Conference – “Stoking the Marine Leisure Engine” – to be held in the Holy Trinity Heritage Centre, Carlingford, Co. Louth, on 31st May and 1st June, 2006”.

ITEM NO. 21.

**TO CONSIDER NOMINATING REPRESENTATIVES TO ATTEND
CONFERENCE – “SOCIAL INCLUSION AND EQUALITY – A FAIRER
ECONOMY AND SOCIETY” – TO BE HELD IN THE WHITE HOUSE HOTEL,
BALLINLOUGH, CO. ROSCOMMON, ON 8th JUNE, 2006.**

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

Proposed by Cllr. M. Mulherin

Seconded by Cllr. T. Connolly

Resolved:-

“That Cllr. J. Mellett be nominated to attend Conference – “Social Inclusion and Equality – A Fairer Economy and Society” – to be held in the White House Hotel, Ballinlough, Co. Roscommon, on 8th June, 2006”.

Michael Davitt Commemoration Conference – Straide, Foxford – 2nd to 4th June, 2006.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. A. McDonnell

Resolved:-

“That Cllrs. S. Bourke, J. Maloney and M. McNamara be nominated to attend Michael Davitt Commemoration Conference to be held in Straide, Foxford, from 2nd to 4th June, 2006”.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

- (a) “That Mayo County Council marks, in an appropriate manner, the major role played by James Daly, Editor, Connaught Telegraph, in the founding of the Land League”.**

It was agreed to defer this Notice of Motion to the June Meeting of the Council.

- (b) “That Mayo County Council review and update procedures for the issue of housing loan cheques to customers”.**

Mr. P. Duggan, Head of Finance and Mr. P. Hynes, Dir. of Services, replied stating that procedures for payment of Housing Loans will be reviewed.

- (c) Proposed by Cllr. J. Munnelly
Seconded by Cllr. E. Staunton**

Resolved:-

“That this Council will support all efforts to bring the 2007 Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann to Ballina, including making financial provision in the 2007 estimates to assist the Committee in running this event”.

- (d) Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness
Seconded by Cllr. Johnnie O’Malley**

“That Mayo County Council agrees to devise and implement a means based waiver scheme for connections to public sewers by pensioners”.

The County Manager indicated that in cases of hardship, sympathetic consideration will be given.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Seconded by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Declan Turnbull, Community & Enterprise, on the death of his Mother, Kitty”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Cribbin

Seconded by Cllr. P. McGuinness

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Regan family, Knockanara, Ballyhaunis, on the death of Mary Regan”.

Proposed by Cllr. M. Adams

Seconded by Cllr. P. McHugh

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Cathy O’Donnell & family, Carrabawn, Westport, on the death of her Husband, Joe”.

Proposed by Cllr. J. Munnelly

Seconded by Cllr. M. Mulherin

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to the Syron family, Ballina, on the death of Martin Syron”.

Proposed by Cllr. P. McHugh

Seconded by Cllr. M. Carty

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mr. Dan Regan & family, Knockanara, Ballyhaunis, on the death of Mary Regan”.

Proposed by Cllr. John O’Malley

Seconded by Cllr. E. Staunton

Resolved:-

“That the sympathy of the Council be extended to Mrs. Cathy O’Donnell & family, Carrabawn, Westport, on the death of her Husband, Joe”.

The Meeting concluded at 6.05 p.m.