

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF HELSTON TOWN COUNCIL, HELD IN
THE GUILDHALL, HELSTON, ON TUESDAY 15TH MAY 2018 AT 12.00 NOON**

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Councillors: Mrs G A Geer (Town Mayor) in the Chair

R J L Boase
Mrs F N E Boase
M H Thomas

J Martin
D J Potter

T E Grattan-Kane
Rev. D P Reed

Officers: Mr C Dawson (Town Clerk)
Miss P J Lavelle (Deputy Town Clerk)
Mrs J Chambers (Mayor’s Secretary and Administrative Assistant)

The Meeting was preceded with Prayers offered by Councillor Reverend Reed.

1. Election of Town Mayor for 2018/19

(1) The Mayor declared her Term of Office ended and thereupon invited nominations for the Office of Town Mayor for the ensuing year. It was proposed by Councillor Thomas, seconded by Councillor Grattan-Kane, “That Councillor John Martin be elected Town Mayor for the year 2018/19”.

There being no other nominations, the Town Clerk advised that the election would be conducted by means of the ‘long vote’ and upon an open call of the Members present, the voting was recorded as follows:-

Councillor R J L Boase	-	Voted for Councillor John Martin
“ Mrs F N E Boase	-	- ditto -
“ M H Thomas	-	- ditto -
“ J Martin	-	- ditto -
“ Mrs G A Geer	-	- ditto -
“ D J Potter	-	- ditto -
“ T E Grattan-Kane	-	- ditto -
“ Rev. D P Reed	-	- ditto -

It was thereby unanimously

RESOLVED – that Councillor John Martin be elected Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

(2) The retiring Mayor, the newly-elected Mayor and the Town Clerk were conducted by the Town Beadle to the Mayor’s Parlour for the robing of the new Mayor whilst the Members of the Council signed the record indicating the manner in which they had voted.

(3) Upon returning to the Council Chamber, the newly-elected Mayor took the Chair and made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

- (4) The Town Clerk advised that apologies had been received from Councillors Williams, Mrs Roberts, Edgcumbe and Kenchington.
- (5) The retiring Mayor's Consort, Mr J Geer, invested the new Mayoress, Mrs A Boxer, with her Chain of Office. The retiring Mayor's Consort then presented the new Mayoress with a bouquet.
- (6) The Mayor then made his speech following which he formally appointed Councillor Reverend Daniel Reed as his Chaplain for the ensuing year.
- (7) A vote of thanks to the retiring Mayor and Mayor's Consort proposed by the Mayor, was seconded by Councillor Grattan-Kane and the Mayor presented Councillor Mrs Geer with a Town Plaque. Councillor Mrs Geer responded.
- (8) The Mayoress, Mrs Boxer, then presented the retiring Mayor's Consort, Mr Geer, with a gift.

2. Appointment of Sergeants-At-Mace

Mr Frederick Gordon Angove and Mrs Amanda Jane Boxer, having been appointed by the Mayor as Sergeants-at-Mace for the ensuing year, were duly sworn to Office by the Town Clerk.

3. Appointment of Deputy Town Mayor

On the proposition of Councillor Potter, seconded by Councillor Mrs Geer, it was unanimously

RESOLVED – that Councillor Grattan-Kane be appointed as Deputy Town Mayor for the ensuing year.

The Deputy Mayor then made his speech.

4. Adjournment

On the proposition of the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Thomas, it was

RESOLVED – that the Council Meeting stood adjourned until 7.15 pm on Thursday, 17th May 2018 in the Council Chamber.

Meeting closed 12.44 pm

Confirmed

Town Mayor