

Kamra tal-Periti

Minutes of the 104th Anuel General Meeting

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Date: 2nd December 2024

Time: 6pm

Venue: Palazzo La Salle, Republic Street, Valletta

Agenda:

1. Approval of Minutes 2023
2. Presentations:
 - Perit Andre Pizzuto- President's report
 - Perit Matthew J Mercieqa – Report on the KTP business plan
 - Perit Rebecca Dalli Gonzi – Report on the Continuing professional development (CPD)
 - Perit Claude Busuttil- Report on the Restoration Chapter
3. Matters arising
4. Presentation and Approval of Accounts
5. Motions
6. Election of Council Members
7. Concluding Remarks

Attendance:

38 members were registered on the attendance sheet.

1. Approval of minutes of 2023 AGM

The minutes of the Previous AGM (2023) were reviewed and unanimously approved by the assembly

2. President's Report

Perit Andre Pizzuto as president of KTP addressed the floor. The transcript of his speech is attached herewith. The speech provided a comprehensive overview of the Kamra's achievements, challenges, and plans moving forward. The following supporting presentations were delivered:

- Perit Matthew J Mercieqa – Report on the KTP business plan.
- Perit Rebecca Dalli Gonzi – Report on the Continuing professional development (CPD)
- Perit Claude Busuttil- Report on the Chapter of conservation Architects.

The presentations in PDF format are attached herewith for ease of reference.

The following points were raised following the presentations:

Prof Alex Torpiano (AT): Appreciation towards the hard work done during this year.

Observation1: AT has no objection with the formation of the National Building Council (NBC) however the KTP council has ignored its statutory position at the BCCC (Building and Construction Consultative Council). AT advised that KTP should keep attending BCCC meetings.

Observation2: Regarding the Warranting board. AT pointed out that the elections for new board members have not been held and that it is KTP's remit to hold them. AT explained to the assembly that he was unable to accept KTP nomination on the warranting board due to a disagreement on the terms of reference that included the forwarding of minutes of the warranting board meetings to the KTP council. It is the view of AT that during the warranting board meetings, sensitive information on the individual performance of the applicants is discussed and that information does not need to be shared to the KTP council.

In reply Perit Andre Pizzuto (AP):

BCCC: AP explained the relationship between BCCC and KTP and the limited effectiveness of that body. AP added that the newly formed National building Council is an independent body can set its own agenda regardless of third-party policy. AP added that the available KTP resources are better channelled through NBC.

Warranting board: AP explained that the terms of reference presented to AT were the same that were accepted by him in the previous year. No changes in the scope were affected. Regarding the elections, these shall be held to fill the vacant positions on the Periti Warranting Board pursuant to the Periti Act, Cap. 622: one candidate shall be elected from the list of Periti Arkitetti in the warrant register, and another candidate shall be elected from the list of Periti Inġiniera Ċivili in the warrant register. KTP is obliged to hold the elections electronically and the allocation of funds to support this exercise was discussed. To conclude, the delay of the warranting board elections was squarely due to a delay from the governments side in allocating the necessary funds that only materialized after July 2024. following an intervention of the president of the republic.

Perit Cathrine Galea (CG):

Warranting board: CG stated that in the past she was a member of the warranting board and that decisions taken during the meetings were minuted and circulated to the KTP council.

Perit Simone Vella Liniker (SVL):

Regarding the Conservation Chapter: She agrees that the conservation chapter should include an engineer. She also notes that a better definition of experience is needed.

Regarding the CPD: A revision is necessary to the audit regime and the consequence of qualifying (failing) the Audit.

Regarding the Business plan: She is in agreement with the distinction between executive and visionary aspects of the plan, however she has her reservations on the concept of delegating professional conduct proceedings. In reply Perit Matthew Mercieqa stated that Conduct procedures are so time consuming that little time is left for council to delf into other matters, therefore a separate board is being proposed in the business plan.

Regarding the funding. SVL asked about the terms of reference on the Euro150,000 given to KTP. In reply AP replied that the funds will be used to fulfil statutory obligations.

3. Presentation and approval of accounts

Perit Ivynne Gixti presented the financial statements for the periods 2023-2024

4. Motions

Motion 1

It is proposed that the financial statements of 2023-2024 are approved and cleared for Audit.

Vote against 0

Abstentions 2.

Motion 1 approved.

Motion 2

It is proposed that the assembly reappoints Mr Andre Ellul as Auditor of KTP for the 2024-2025

Vote against 0

Abstentions 2

Motion 2 approved

Motion 3

Motion 3 Unanimously approved

Motion 4

Motion 4 Unanimously approved

Motion 5

Prof Alex Torpiano proposed a motion of thanks to the president and the council for the work done this year. Motion Seconded by Perit Cathrine Galea

Motion 5 Unanimously approved

5. Election of Council Members

Only 8 members have forwarded their nominations. A motion was prepared to co-opt 2 members in the future.

Motion to co-opt Unanimously approved

6. Elected Members

The following members were automatically elected to the council:

- Perit Andre Pizzuto
- Perit Toni Bezzina
- Perit Ivynne Gixti
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- Perit Matias Camilleri de Marco
- Perit Sebastian Grima
- Perit Matthew J Mercieqa
- Perit Nicholas Mallia

The meeting concluded at 9pm with attendees thanked for their participation.

Minutes prepared by:

Perit Nicholas Mallia

Honorary Secretary Kamra tal-Periti

Subsidiary documents will be available soon.