

CITY OF MASVINGO

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE 1033RD ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL OFFICES ON MONDAY, 30 MAY 2022 AT 6.20 P.M

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor, Councillor C. Maboke
Deputy Mayor Councillor W. Mawende
Alderman S. Maridza
Councillor A. Chiteme
Councillor R. Musekiwa
Councillor R. Kamuzonda
Councillor S. Manyanga
Councillor D. Mberikunashe
Councillor A. Tabe

APOLOGY: Councillor B. Beta

BY INVITATION: Mr. L. Magwati - Assistant District Development Co-ordinator

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms. R. Mapamba - Public Administration Graduate Trainee
Mr N. Sozinyo - Local Governance Student
Mr. J. Sigauke - Local Governance Studies Student
Mr. W. Muunga - Local Governance Studies Student

OFFICIALS: Town Clerk
Chamber Secretary
Director of Housing and Social Services
Chief Environmental Health Officer
Acting Director of Engineering Services
Deputy Director of Housing and Social Services
Chief Internal Auditor
Committee Officer
Assistant Committee Officer
Assistant Human Resources Officer

225. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 21 April 2022 and 23 May 2022 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

*Moved by Alderman S. Maridza
Seconded By Councillor R. Musekiwa*

226. COMMUNICATIONS

i) Apologies and late attendance of the Ordinary Council meeting by Councillor B. Beta

His Worship the Mayor reported that Councillor B. Beta had advised that he would be joining the meeting at a later stage.

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227. HEALTH HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE HELD ON 5 MAY 2022

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor A. Chiteme seconded by Alderman S. Maridza

"THAT the minutes of the Health Housing and Environmental Services Committee held on 5 May 2022 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto".

WHEREUPON the original motion was put as the substantive motion and it was

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Health Housing and Environmental Services Committee held on 5 May 2022 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

228. PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 9 MAY 2022

Before moving for the adoption of the minutes, it was moved by Councillor S. Manyanga seconded by Alderman S. Maridza that the following corrections be made to the minutes;

- Minute 189 (C)(iv) on the application for a development of student accommodation, private College, Cluster housing project and ancillary services on remainder of stand number 896 Fort Victoria Township, Masvingo by Isolake Zimbabwe (Pvt) Limited, the resolution was amended to read;

"THAT the application by Isolake Zimbabwe (Pvt) Limited, for establishment of students accommodation, private College, Cluster housing Project and ancillary services on remainder of stand number 896 Fort Victoria Township, Masvingo be granted".

- On the request for clarification by Council regarding alleged reports of fish dying in water bodies as a result of alleged contamination of water bodies due to the release of raw sewage, the Town Clerk advised Council that following some investigations carried out together with officials from the Environmental Management Agency (EMA) a press statement was issued on 26 May 2022.

It was reported that two points of raw sewage discharge were identified, one point being a result of vandalism and the second point of discharge being a result of non-functionality of the Rujeko Sewage Pump Station. The Town Clerk noted that the point of discharge resulting from vandalism of the reticulation system was duly attended to and spares to bring Rujeko Pump Station back to functionality had been procured and Council employees were attending to the repairs.

The Town Clerk reported that Council and EMA had collected samples from down and upstream of the sources of contamination and sent them to independent laboratories for analysis. The results of the tests would be shared by EMA and Council. The Town Clerk advised Council that the laboratory results would provide a scientific outcome of the causes of the fishing dying in the water bodies. The report was noted.

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- On the state of the garbage collection vehicles, the Acting Director of Engineering Services advised Council that two Compactors were on the road despite constant breakdown due to engine problems and overuse and the ultimate solution was to procure new refuse collection trucks. A new engine procured was expected to be delivered within three to four weeks.

Council raised concern on the need to expedite the engagement of corporates that had been identified by Council to be approached seeking assistance to acquire garbage collection equipment given the financial challenges faced by Council. The Town Clerk advised Council that he was handling the matter and would visit one of the targeted corporates in the following week to pave way for Council to formally engage them.

The Town Clerk further reported that a tender had been flighted for the procurement of a new Refuse Compactor truck and the documents had been re-submitted to the Procurement Regulatory Authority of Zimbabwe (PRAZ) for review.

WHEREUPON the original motion was put as the substantive motion and it was

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the Public Works and Planning Committee held on 9 May 2022 be adopted subject to;

1. The application by Isolake Zimbabwe (Pvt) Limited, for establishment of students' accommodation, private College, Cluster housing Project and ancillary services on remainder of stand number 896 Fort Victoria Township, Masvingo be granted

229. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON 16 MAY 2022.

Before moving for the adoption of the minutes the following correction was made;

- Minute 193 (F) on the request for review of the price on offer to purchase conditions of service vehicle by former Director of Engineering Services T. Gozo was withdrawn.

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor Manyanga seconded by Alderman S. Maridza

"THAT the minutes of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 16 May 2022 be adopted subject to Minute 193 (F) on the request for review of the price on offer to purchase conditions of service vehicle by former Director of Engineering Services T. Gozo being withdrawn".

WHEREUPON the original motion was put as the substantive motion and it was

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 16 May 2022 be adopted subject to;

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1. Minute 193 (F) on the request for review of the price on offer to purchase conditions of service vehicle by former Director of Engineering Services T. Gozo being withdrawn.

230. MOTION TO TURN INTO COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Alderman S. Maridza seconded by Councillor S. Manyanga that Council turns itself into Committee for the purposes of confirming minutes of the meetings held on 21 April 2022, Audit Committee held on 17 and 20 May 2022 and Human Resources and Gender Committee held on 23 May 2022.

WHEREUPON the original motion was put as the substantive motion and it was

RESOLVED

THAT Council turns itself into Committee for the purposes of confirming minutes of the meetings held on 21 April 2022, Audit Committee held on 17 and 20 May 2022 and Human Resources and Gender Committee held on 23 May 2022

The meeting ended at 7.20 p.m

CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2022

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK