

CITY OF MASVINGO

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, MUNICIPAL OFFICES ON MONDAY, 20 MARCH 2023 AT 4:45 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillor A. Chiteme (Chairman)
Councillor R. Musekiwa
Alderman S. Maridza
Councillor B. Beta

IN ATTENDANCE: Public Relations Graduate Trainee: T. Gwizhi
Local Governance Studies Student: F. Mudzamiri
Public Relations Student: T. Muzivi

OFFICIALS: Town Clerk
Finance Director
Chief Environmental Health Officer
Acting Director of Housing and Social Services
Acting Director of Engineering Services
Chief Internal Auditor
Senior Environmental Health Officer
Chief Security Officer
Administration Officer
Public Relations Officer
Assistant Committee Officer

107. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Before the confirmation of minutes, 050 (E) on disposal of Commercial stands, it was reported that stand number 27576, Rujeko measuring 270 m² was omitted from the list of stands earmarked for disposal, therefore the minutes were amended to read, "THAT the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services be authorized to dispose of the five (5) commercial stands in Eastvale and Mucheke as follows:

- i. Stand 27572 measuring 1126m²
- ii. Stand 27574 measuring 159m²
- ii. Stand 27573 measuring 159m²
- iii. Stand 30001 Mucheke measuring 180m²
- v. Stand 27576 Rujeko measuring 270m²"

RESOLVED

1. THAT minute 050 (E) be amended to read,

"THAT the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services be authorized to dispose of the five (5) commercial stands in Eastvale and Mucheke as follows:

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2. THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2023 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

*Proposed by Alderman S. Maridza
Seconded by Councillor A. Chiteme*

108. REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER**A. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SECTION**

The report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer on the Environmental Health Section activities for the month of February 2023, covering premises inspections, health inspection statistics, issued notices, water quality control, meat inspection, meat condemned during abattoir inspections, tuberculosis management, diseases surveillance, Covid 19 statistics and dog bites was considered. The report was noted.

B. CURATIVE HEALTH SERVICES

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer on Curative Health Services statistics for the month of February 2023 covering Masvingo Urban Demographic data, Mother and Child healthcare services, patients' attendances, drug availability, outpatients, chronic infections, Covid 19 vaccination statistics, growth monitoring, transport services, PMCT services, mental health and key populations.

The Chief Environmental Health Officer reported that there was one confirmed case of cholera in Masvingo Province. It was noted that Northwest Medical Clinic was earmarked as the Cholera Isolation Centre due to its closed sanitary disposal system which helps reduce the spread of the disease in the event of an outbreak. It was reported that the Masvingo Provincial Hospital also pledged to assist Council with staff, supplies and other related services in the event of a Cholera outbreak.

On the mental health report, the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services requested the Chief Environmental Health Services to investigate and render assistance in accessing treatment, to a Council employee who was suspected of suffering from Tuberculosis.

C. CLEANSING, REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer for the month of February 2023 covering number of operational refuse trucks, refuse removal statistics, garden waste, pest control, disposal site, waste recycling and collection and Health Clubs activities.

On refuse collection activities, the Town Clerk reported that the process of procurement of a new refuse truck had been initiated and ongoing. The report was noted.

With regards to Health Clubs, it was reported that they were assisting the Environmental Health Technicians in issuing notices to residents in a bid to reduce refuse dumping in the commonage.

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The report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer for the month of February 2023 on the National Aids Council activities was considered. The report was noted.

E. Adoption of Report**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

THAT the report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

109. REPORT OF THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND SOCIAL SERVICES.**A. NOTIFICATION OF THE UNTIMELY DEATH OF AN EARLY CHILDHOOD ECD(B) LEARNER: SHARON CHAMBOKO D.O.B. 07/11/16 DIKWINDI PRIMARY SCHOOL.**

The report of the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services on the notification of death of an Early Childhood Development (ECD) B learner who was hit by a car while walking along the road at Chesvingo residential suburb on 5 February 2023 and passed on the same day at Morgenster Mission hospital was noted.

B. RUNYARARO PRIMARY SCHOOL 2023 SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

Consideration was given to the report of the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services on the membership of the newly appointed School Development Committee for Dikwindi Primary School. It was reported that the membership consisted of the following;

NAME	DESIGNATION
Marozva Forgiveness	Chairperson
Matutu Mandi	Vice Chairperson
Chisedzi Pedzisai	Treasurer
Mutoti Tinashe	Secretary
Vengai Mukambisa	Vice Secretary

The report was noted.

C. RUJEKO PRIMARY SCHOOL 2023 SDC COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

Consideration was given to the report of the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services on the membership of the newly appointed School Development Committee for Rujeko Primary School was considered. It was reported that the members consisted of the following;

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NAME	SEX
Mhangami	M
Makamure	M
Mujeuri	F
Mamvura	M
Mboko	M

The report was noted.

D. REQUEST FOR ALLOCATION OF A STAND OR BUILDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MAGISTRATES' COURT IN MUCHEKE SUBURB, MASVINGO: JUDICIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

The report of the Acting Director of Housing and Social Services on the request by S. Msipa from the Judicial Service Commission, for relevant requirements for the purchase of a stand offered by Council for construction of a Magistrate Court in Mucheke suburb was considered. It was reported that Council offered a stand measuring 1509 square meters in Mucheke suburb which the Judicial Services Commission accepted and was requesting Council to provide the relevant requirements for the purchase and development of the piece of land in compliance with the required procedures.

The Acting Director of Housing and Social Services recommended that the identified stand number 16986 RSW measuring 1509 square meters be advertised in the press for objections. The Committee adopted the recommendation.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

THAT Acting Director of Housing and Social Services be instructed to advertise in the press, the offer of stand number 16986 RSW Mucheke suburb, measuring 1509 square meters to the Judicial Services Commission for construction of a Magistrates Court.

ADHSS

E. HOUSING ISSUES

Consideration was given to the report of the Acting Director of Housing and Community Services for the month of February 2023, covering housing waiting lists, and housing routine business for Mucheke, Chesvingo and Rujeko Administration Offices.

F. WELFARE SECTION

The report of the Acting Director of Housing and Community Services on the Welfare Section for the month of February 2023 covering revenue raised by the section, leased property payment status, pre-schools, libraries, community development and Welfare trainings, Alpha Cottages, Mucheke Old People's Home, welfare programmes, and recreational facilities repairs and maintenance was considered.

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On Alpha Cottages, it was reported that Mr Karidza reported Council to the Ministry of Public Service, Labour, and Social Welfare, citing unfair dismissal and unpaid dues, following his retirement as the Alpha Cottages Home Superintendent.

G. PARKS SECTION

The report of the Director of Housing and Social Services on the Parks Section for the month of February 2023 covering staff welfare, state of tractors and other equipment, islands, gardens and open spaces, trees and plantations, Parks, nursery, cemeteries and revenue collected from grave fees was noted.

H. APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO OPERATE A LIQUOR STOCKIST ON STAND NUMBER 684 FACTORY ROAD, MASVINGO: AURTHUR MOLAI.

Consideration was given to the application by Auther Molai, for a Liquor Development Permit to operate a Liquor Stockist, on Stand Number 684, Factory Road, Masvingo. The request was granted.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

THAT the application by Auther Molai, for a Liquor Development Permit to operate a Liquor Stockist, on Stand Number 684, Factory Road, Masvingo be granted. **ADHSS**

I. APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT, TO OPERATE A BOTTLE STORE ON STAND NUMBER 30372, YOMUKONO STREET, CHESVINGO, MASVINGO: SUSAN KWASHIWA.

Consideration was given to the application by Susan Kwashiwa, for a Liquor Development Permit to operate a Bottle Store on Stand Number 30372, Yomukono Street, Chesvingo, Masvingo. The request was granted.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

THAT the application by Susan Kwashiwa, for a Liquor Development Permit to operate a Bottle Store on Stand Number 30372, Yomukono Street, Chesvingo Masvingo be granted. **ADHSS**

J. Adoption of Report**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

THAT the report of the Director of Housing and Social Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

110. REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**A. ACTIVITIES OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE: FEBRUARY 2023.**

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Consideration was given to the report of the Town Clerk on the activities of the Municipal Police for the month of February 2023, covering Human and Material Resources, operational activities, Traffic Offences, commonage patrols, vending, boom gate activities and status of ranking of buses at Mucheke Bus Terminus. The Section attended to 1030 violations in the commonage and raised a total of USD12 820 during the month of February 2023.

(i) Human and Material Resources

It was reported that the section comprised of Chief Security Officer, Operations Officer, 5 Sergeants, 4 Corporals, 53 Constables, 16 trained Guards and 22 untrained Guards against its establishment of one hundred and ten (110) police officers. Thus, the section was critically short staffed, in need of uniforms for Dog Handlers, transport for operations and training of 22 Guards.

(ii). Joint Operations

The Section conducted operations with other stakeholders like Environmental Health Agency, Zimbabwe Republic Police and Vehicle Inspection Department, Housing, Health and Debt Collection Unit in decongesting the City and other illegal operations.

(iii). Mucheke Bus Terminus

It was reported that buses were ranking at Mucheke Bus Terminus in the evening in order to compete for customers in the early hours of the next day in town. On the enforcement of revenue collection at Croco Motors, the Town Clerk reported that the matter would be submitted to a Special Council meeting for consideration.

The Committee urged Management to look into the proposed procurement of operational vehicles for the Municipal Police, and engagement of the Zimbabwe Republic Police for enforcement of payment of ranking fees.

B. Adoption of Report**RESOLVED**

THAT the report of the Town Clerk be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

The meeting ended at 5:37 p.m.

CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2023

CHAIRMAN

TOWN CLERK