

CITY OF MASVINGO

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE 1049th ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL OFFICES, ON WEDNESDAY 29
NOVEMBER 2023 AT 4.55 P.M.**

PRESENT: His Worship the Mayor Councillor A. Tabe
Councillor S. Chikwangwani
Councillor M. Madhuna
Councillor W. Sitemere
Councillor T. Masimba
Councillor R. Musekiwa
Councillor B. Muchokwa
Councillor S. Manyanga
Councillor A. Time
Councillor E. Zishiri
Councillor S.T. Marombedze

APOLOGY: Deputy Mayor Councillor D. Mberikunashe

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

528. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meetings held on 30 October 2023 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

*Proposed by Councillor A. Time
Seconded by Councillor S. Manyanga*

529. COMMUNICATIONS

(i). Apology.

The Town Clerk reported that the Deputy Mayor Councillor D. Mberikunashe had advised that he would not be able to attend the Council meeting.

530. HEALTH, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor M. Madhuna seconded by Councillor R. Musekiwa

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“THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee held on 6 November 2023 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto”.

The Director of Housing and Social Services declared interest on minute 469(A) and moved out of the meeting.

On minute 469(C) on Liquor Development Permit application, it was clarified that the application was for a Special Restaurant with Liquor. The application was granted.

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

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 6 November 2023 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto as follows;

1. THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee held on 4 October 2023 be confirmed as a correct and signed.
2. THAT the report of the Chief Environmental Health Officer be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.
3. THAT the application by Takudzwa Mandishona, for a liquor development permit to operate a Sports bar on Stand Number 30370, Yemukono Street be granted.
4. THAT the application by Liberty Manyaza for a liquor development permit to operate a Bar on Stand Number 5040 Mhizha Street, Chesvingo, Masvingo be granted.
5. THAT the application by Nelson Hwande, for a Special Restaurant with liquor Development permit to operate a Special Restaurant with liquor on Stand Number 28117 Hillside Extension, Masvingo be granted.
6. THAT the application by Willard Nhire, for a Wholesale Liquor Permit to operate a Wholesale Liquor stockist on Stand Number 1311 Lithium Road, Mhunga Garage, Masvingo, Masvingo be granted.
7. THAT the application by Bicro Investments, for a Liquor Development permit to operate a Bottle store on Stand Number 521 Greenfield Street, Masvingo be granted.
8. THAT the application by Herblin Investments, for a Liquor Development permit to operate a Bottle Store on Stand Number 7 Raramai Street, Muccheke A Business Centre, Masvingo be granted.

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9. THAT Council evicts all illegal tenants residing in Council rented houses based on the following.
 - i. All tenants residing in Council rented houses whilst owning a property in Masvingo.
 - ii. All tenants who have relocated outside Masvingo but with property kept in the Council rented house.
 - iii. All tenants residing in Council rented houses, who have illegally stayed for a period of less than five (5) years.
10. THAT Council regularizes all tenants who have stayed in the Council rented houses for a period exceeding 5 years.
11. THAT the Director of Engineering Services in liaison with the Director of Housing and Social Services be instructed to identify 21 residential stands in one of the residential areas preferably Runyararo Northwest and advise the Ministry of Local Government and Public Works on the availability of the stands to enable the Ministry through its Disaster Protection Unit to map the way forward.
12. THAT the report of the Director of Housing and Social Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.
13. THAT the report of the Town Clerk be adopted.

531. PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor R. Musekiwa seconded by Councillor E. Zishiri

“THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Public Works and Planning Committee held on 9 November 2023 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto”

Minute 475 (ii) regarding the application for extra land to establish a playground adjacent to Stand 21045 Zuva Street, Runyararo West Masvingo, the item was referred to the Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee.

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

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Public Works and Planning Committee held on 9 November 2023 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed as follows:

1. THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 5 October 2023 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.
2. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to submit a report on the status of all boreholes in the city with a view

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to fine and register all unregistered private boreholes.

3. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to investigate the status of Stand Number 7049 Shudu Street, Target Kopje on whether it is operating as a Lodge.
4. THAT the application by the United Methodist Church In Zimbabwe to acquire a piece of land measuring 2 245 square metres adjacent to Stand Number 3201 Zambuko Street, Chesvingo, for the purpose of establishing a Vocational Training Centre be granted on a lease with option to purchase.
5. THAT the application by Edenvale Preparatory School in Runyararo West to acquire extra land adjacent to their School to establish a playground be referred to the Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee for consideration.
6. THAT the application by Honourable E.R. Chadzamira, for subdivision of Stand number 28634, Charumbira Drive, Masvingo measuring 5 951 square metres into two portions measuring 2 037 square metres and the remainder measuring 3 914 square metres be granted.
7. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to create a Secondary School site in Zimre Park near Clovelly Township.
8. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to withdraw the Council Liebherr Dozer from Vitrans Engine Services in Mutare, whilst Council maps a way forward on the piece of equipment.
9. THAT Minute 475 (ii) regarding the application for extra land to establish a playground adjacent to Stand 21045 Zuva Street, Runyararo West Masvingo, be referred to the Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee
10. THAT the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

532. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor B. Muchokwa seconded by Councillor R. Musekiwa

“THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 20 November 2023 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 meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 20 November 2023 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed as follows:

1. THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 27 October 2023 be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record and signed.
2. THAT Management be tasked to explore modalities of ensuring that the Promun Billing System can handle multi currencies to reduce incidence of pilferages and that a receipt is issued in the currency tendered.
3. THAT the Finance Director be instructed to submit a report to the next meeting on the way forward regarding replacement of non functional water meters with a view of reducing losses arising from non-revenue water.
4. THAT the application by Mr Samuel Marindire (Acting Parks Supervisor) Comp. No.130118's for an educational loan amounting to USD620.00 (payable at prevailing bank rate) to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Management with Zimbabwe Open University be granted subject to availability of funds in the educational loan account and conditions governing educational loans.
5. THAT the application of Mr Isaac Kurunda (Accounts Clerk Salaries) Comp. No.120197 for an educational loan amounting to USD1008.00 (payable at prevailing bank rate) being tuition towards a Master of Commerce in Forensic Auditing and Accounting with Midlands State University be granted subject to availability of funds in the educational loan account and conditions governing educational loans.
6. THAT the application of Ms Ruth Mapiye (General Hand Grade 1 Rujeko Clinic) Comp. No.130436 for an educational loan amounting to ZW1 650 000.00 to pursue a Nurse Aide course with Zimbabwe Red Cross Society be granted subject to availability of funds in the educational loan account and conditions governing educational loans.
7. THAT the application of J. Chivafa (104542), Driver to encash 50 days cash in lieu of leave days to pay school fees for his child (a student at University of Zimbabwe) and proceed on vacation for 22 days be granted.
8. THAT the application of Mr T. Mhungu (130144) to encash 60 days in lieu of leave to pay off for the repair of a Council vehicle

registration number AAE 6450 following a disciplinary hearing be approved it being noted that the proceeds of the leave days encashed would be channelled towards reducing his indebtedness to Council arising from the vehicle repairs amounting to USD4 881.93.

- 9. THAT the report of the Town Clerk be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.
- 10. THAT pending the submission of a detailed report on Council taking over some of its leased premises to run them, the rentals for Council leased liquor outlets be reviewed by 100%.
- 11. THAT the report of the Director of Housing and Social Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolution passed in relation thereto.
- 12. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to create ten infill stands being stand numbers 27581, 27579,27580, 27582, 27583, 27584, 27585, 27578, 27586 and 27593.
- 13. THAT the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

533. MOTION FOR COUNCIL TO TURN INTO COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor R. Musekiwa seconded by Councillor S. Manyanga

“THAT Council turns itself into Committee for purposes of confirming the Minutes of the 1048th Ordinary Council In Committee meeting held on 30 October 2023, and adopting the minutes of the Human Resources and Gender Committee meeting held on 16 November 2023, and the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 23 November 2023”.

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

RESOLVED

THAT Council turns itself into Committee for purposes of confirming the Minutes of the 1048th Ordinary Council In Committee meeting held on 30 October 2023, and adopting the minutes of the Human Resources and Gender Committee meeting held on 16 November 2023, and the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 23 November 2023.

The meeting ended at 5.26 p.m.

CONFIRMED THIS DAY OF 2023

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK