

**CITY OF MASVINGO**

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, MUNICIPAL OFFICES ON THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER 2025 AT 4. 35 P.M.**

**PRESENT:** Councillor R. Musekiwa (Chairman)  
Councillor E. Zishiri  
Councillor S. Chikwangwani  
Councillor B. Hwata  
Councillor S. Manyanga

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ministry of Local Government and Public Works: Mr L. Magwati

**OFFICIALS:** Town Clerk  
Chamber Secretary  
Director of Housing and Social Services  
Acting Director of Engineering Services  
Housing and Social Services Manager  
Senior Health Officer  
Internal Audit Manager  
Public Relations Officer  
Committee Officer II

**346. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 17 November 2025 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

*Proposed by Councillor E. Zishiri  
Seconded by Councillor B. Hwata*

**347. MATTERS ARISING**

**(i). Minute 315(G)(vi): Tower Lights maintenance**

It was reported that the Tower Light in Ward 6 in Target Kopje had not been repaired for some time. The Acting Director of Engineering Services was advised to attend to the matter.

**348. REPORT OF THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**A. WATER SUPPLY**

Consideration was given to the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services on water supply covering water treatment chemicals stock levels, status of the intake tower, treatment works, pumping mains, water supply situation, cost of water treatment chemicals procured, water quality and activities of the Water Fitting Section for the month of November 2025.

**(i). Water Treatment Chemical Stock Levels**

It was reported that stocks of Aluminium Sulphate would be adequate for about 53 days, Hydrated lime was stocked to meet requirements for the next 144 days, Chlorine Gas lasting

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81 days, and adequate stocks of Chlorine HTH and Activated Carbon were available for use when needed. The report was noted.

**(ii). Intake Tower**

It was reported that Pump number 4 and 6 were operational during the month of November 2025.

**(iii). Treatment Works**

It was reported that Pump Number 1, 2 and 3 were operational during the month under review. The electronic motor for pump number 3 highlift pump broke down and had been taken for repairs.

It was suggested and agreed that the Committee should conduct a tour of the Water Works station to appreciate the water treatment processes. The Acting Director of Engineering Services was instructed to organize a tour of the Bushmead Water Treatment Plant at the next meeting.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to organize a tour of the Bushmead Water Treatment Plant by the Public Works and Planning Committee at the next meeting to appreciate the water treatment processes.

**(iv). Chemical Dosing Pumps**

It was reported that dosing equipment was operating well. The report was noted.

**(v). Water Supply situation**

It was reported that the water level of Lake Mutirikwi as at 3 November 2025 was 83.59% with capacity of 1 151 989 Mega liters.

**(vi). Water Quality**

It was reported that the treated water met the Standards Association of Zimbabwe (SAZ) standards.

**(vii). Water Fitting**

It was reported that the Section recorded 73 pipe bursts, 5 water connections, 99 water meter replacements during the month of November 2025.

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On the installation of pressure reducing valves to reduce pipe bursts, it was reported that the pressure reducing valves had not been installed in the current year due to financial constraints. The project would be rolled over to 2026 under non revenue water activities.

**B. SEWAGE RETICULATION, TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL.**

Consideration was given to the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services on sewage reticulation, treatment and disposal covering the status of the raw pump station and Rujeko Pump Station, Effluent Pump Station, and Biological-Nutrient Removal Plant for the month of November 2025.

**(i). Sewage Reticulation**

It was reported that three hundred and ninety two (392) blockages had been recorded and attended to during the month of November 2025, whilst two hundred and fifty four (254) wheelbarrows of grit were removed from the grit channels. Two hundred and eighty two and a half (282.5) bins of waste were removed from the grit screens, and eleven (8) sewer connections were fixed during the same period. The report was noted.

**(ii). Raw Pump Station**

It was reported that Pump No.2 had been operational during the month of November 2025 and 96 638m<sup>3</sup> of raw waste water had been pumped to the treatment plant. The report was noted.

**(iii). Rujeko Pump Station**

It was reported that Pump No. 2 had been operational during the month of November 2025 and 156 228m<sup>3</sup> of raw wastewater had been pumped to the Treatment Plant.

**(iv). Primary Settling Tanks (PST).**

It was reported that all Primary Settling Tanks (PST) were operational during the month of November 2025.

**(v). Digesters**

It was reported that Digester pump No. 2 and 3 was operational during the month of November 2025. The report was noted.

**(vi). Effluent Pump Station**

It was reported that both Pump No. 1 and 2 were operational during the month of November 2025 and 147 362m<sup>2</sup> of effluent were pumped to standard farm.

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**(vii). Trickling filters**

It was reported that all the three Trickling filters required some repairs on distribution arms and pockets. It was also reported that there was need to paint and repair guard rails which had been affected by corrosion.

On pending waste and water reticulation projects in Runyararo South West Housing Project by Treasure Consultants (Pvt) Limited referred to Management, it was explained that the report on the project had been prepared and would be submitted to Management for consideration.

**(viii). Biological Nutrient Removal Plant (BNRP)**

**Anaerobic Zone**

It was reported that all stirrers were not operational during the month of November 2025.

**Anoxic Zone**

It was reported that three (3) stirrers, 1, 2 and 4 were operational during the month of November 2025.

**Aeration Zone**

It was reported that eight (8) aerators were operational during the month of November 2025 (numbers 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 12, 13 and 14).

**RAS Pumps**

It was reported that two RAS pumps were operational during the month of November 2025. New impellers for the pumps have been procured and were awaiting installation by the fitters.

**Clarifiers**

It was reported that both clarifiers were operating without the rotating bridge for sludge scrapping.

**Cascade**

It was reported that the Cascade was operating well and the effluent was meeting the disposal standards. It was indicated that 130 000m<sup>3</sup> have been released into the river course. The overall EMA band for waste water quality was yellow.

**C. TOWN PLANNING, SURVEY AND TRANSPORT**

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**(i). MASTER PLAN REVIEW PROGRESS REPORT.**

It was reported that the revised Master Plan was still under Ministerial review. The report was noted.

**D. BUILDING INSPECTORATE**

It was reported that seventeen (2) building Plans were approved for Victoria Ranch in the month of November 2025 and a total amount of USD 1 094.00 was raised in plan fees. For the rest of town, 5 building plans were approved and a total of USD 957.00 was raised in plan fees. The report was noted.

**E. WORKSHOP**

The report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services on the state of Council fleet by Department for the month of November 2025 was considered. It was reported that 47 vehicles were operational out of a fleet of 72, which translated to 65% availability for service delivery.

**F. 2026 ZINARA ROAD MAINTENANCE FUNDING.**

Consideration was given to the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services on the 2026 ZINRA Road fund for the City of Masvingo. It was reported that Council had been provisionally allocated a total of ZWG 17 519 799.00 for the 2026 road maintenance projects in the City.

**(i). Procurement of 140G Grader**

It was reported that Council would channel the sum of ZWG 5 million towards the procurement of 140G Grader.

**(ii). Road Resealing 4km**

It was reported that a total of ZWG 9 million would be channelled towards road resealing in the city. The targeted roads were Tangwena Street (0.46km), Mcghie Avenue (3km), Herbert Chitepo Street (0.565km)

**(iii). Pothole Patching 80km**

It was reported that a total of ZWG 2 million of ZINARA funds would be channelled towards pothole patching in 2026 covering the roads stated below.

|   | <b>NAME OF STREET/ AREA</b> |
|---|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Lavender                    |
| 2 | Dindingwe drive             |

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|    |                         |
|----|-------------------------|
| 3  | Rhus Avenue             |
| 4  | R Mugabe Way            |
| 5  | J. Tongogara Avenue     |
| 6  | Mazorodze Street        |
| 7  | Old Great Zimbabwe Road |
| 8  | Baobab Avenue           |
| 9  | C. Majange Street       |
| 10 | Carry Street            |
| 11 | Ingwe Drive             |
| 12 | Jongwe Street           |
| 13 | Chiedza Street          |
| 14 | Bahunia Avenue          |
| 15 | Mushandike Street       |
| 16 | Charumbira Street       |
| 17 | Dare Street             |
| 18 | Bangala Avenue          |
| 19 | Smart Street            |
| 20 | Rugare Street           |
| 21 | Mhizha Street           |
| 22 | Chesvingo Drive         |
| 23 | R. Mugabe Way           |
| 24 | Mboroma Street          |
| 25 | Mashavishavi Street     |
| 26 | Chasura Street          |
| 27 | Mhamhasi Street         |
| 28 | 1 <sup>st</sup> street  |
| 29 | Lundi star Avenue       |
| 30 | A.S. Makasi Street      |
| 31 | Yomukono Street         |
| 32 | Sunflower Street        |
| 33 | Baden Street            |
| 34 | Hay Robertson Street    |
| 35 | McGie Avenue            |
| 36 | C.B.D roads             |
| 37 | Flametree Avenue        |
| 38 | Rujeko B Shops          |
| 39 | Mineral Road            |
| 40 | Majange shops front     |
| 41 | Shakashe drive          |
| 42 | Mucheke rank            |
| 43 | 3 Rd street             |
| 44 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street  |
| 45 | Mutirikwi drive         |
| 46 | R. Tangwena Street      |

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| 47 | Summer Street      |
| 48 | Ralton Road        |
| 49 | Morning side roads |

The pothole patching project funded by ZINARA in 2026 was adopted by the Committee.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

THAT the 2026 ZINARA fund pothole patching project covering streets stated below be adopted:

|    | <b>NAME OF STREET/ AREA</b> |
|----|-----------------------------|
| 1  | Lavender                    |
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| 5  | J Tongogara Avenue          |
| 6  | Mazorodze Street            |
| 7  | Old Great Zimbabwe Road     |
| 8  | Baobab Avenue               |
| 9  | C. Majange Street           |
| 10 | Carry Street                |
| 11 | Ingwe Drive                 |
| 12 | Jongwe Street               |
| 13 | Chiedza Street              |
| 14 | Bahunia Avenue              |
| 15 | Mushandike Street           |
| 16 | Charumbira Street           |
| 17 | Dare Street                 |
| 18 | Bangala Aavenue             |
| 19 | Smart Street                |
| 20 | Rugare Street               |
| 21 | Mhizha Street               |
| 22 | Chesvingo Drive             |
| 23 | R. Mugabe Way               |
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| 43 | 3 Rd street            |
| 44 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street |
| 45 | Mutirikwi drive        |
| 46 | R. Tangwena Street     |
| 47 | Summer Street          |
| 48 | Ralton Road            |
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**(iv). Drain Lining 2km**

It was reported that a total of ZWG 706 400.00 of the ZINARA funds would be channelled towards Zimuto and Mushandike drains lining project. The request was accepted by the Committee.

**G. Council Funded Roads Project: Regravelling 10km**

It was reported that Council would undertake regravelling of roads around the city at an estimated cost of 450 000.00 ZWG utilizing Council revenue. The streets identified under this project were stated as follows:

|    |                    |      |
|----|--------------------|------|
| 1  | Chinai Street      | 0.27 |
| 2  | Chipembwe Street   | 0.33 |
| 3  | Musaneta Street    | 0.41 |
| 4  | Chipfira Street    | 0.39 |
| 5  | Zvita Street       | 0.52 |
| 6  | Churu Street       | 0.25 |
| 7  | R.Gwara Street     | 0.38 |
| 8  | M.Urimbo Street    | 0.39 |
| 9  | Hillview Street    | 0.62 |
| 10 | Sambarafuta Street | 0.29 |
| 11 | Ngongoni Street    | 0.2  |
| 12 | Hillside street    | 0.48 |
| 13 | Mudekunye street   | 0.38 |
| 14 | Zimuto Street      | 0.45 |

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| 15 | Madyira Street     | 0.33         |
| 16 | Kaguvi Street      | 0.38         |
| 17 | Chimbwido Street   | 0.42         |
| 18 | Rufaro Street      | 0.27         |
| 19 | Rusununguko Street | 0.43         |
| 20 | Zuva Street        | 0.68         |
| 21 | Nhondo Street      | 0.2          |
| 22 | Mudombo Street     | 0.69         |
|    | <b>Total</b>       | <b>10 km</b> |

The list of Council funded roads for regraveling in 2026 was adopted by the Committee.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND**

THAT 2026 Council funded roads regraveling project be undertaken covering the following Streets:

|    | <b>NAME OF STREET</b> | <b>DISTANCE</b> |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------|
| 1  | Chinai Street         | 0.27            |
| 2  | Chipembwe Street      | 0.33            |
| 3  | Musaneta Street       | 0.41            |
| 4  | Chipfira Street       | 0.39            |
| 5  | Zvita Street          | 0.52            |
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| 22 | Mudombo Street        | 0.69            |
|    | <b>Total</b>          | <b>10 km</b>    |

**H. PROJECTS BEING UNDERTAKEN BY COUNCIL.**

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It was reported that brickwork had been completed and painting of the inside wall, ceiling works, Geysers installation, door fittings and plumbing works was in progress. The overall project completion was 85%.

**(ii). Oliver Street Commercial Stands Servicing**

It was reported that Water and Sewer reticulation had been completed and roads construction was 10% complete. The overall project completion status was 70%.

**(iii). Mucheke Light Industry Road Construction**

It was reported that water and sewer connection had been completed, roads construction was at 100%. The overall project progress was at 60% complete.

**(iv). Truck Stop**

It was reported that fisher boards had been fitted and preparations of plumbing works was in progress. The project was 75% complete.

**(v). Runyararo Community Swimming Pool.**

It was reported that construction of pool walls had been completed, and that construction of ablution facilities was underway. The project was 40% complete.

**(vi). Tower Lights Maintenance**

It was reported that four Tower Lights, namely Mucheke Bus terminus, Makuva Street, Chikato Primary School, Tangwena Street and Ngongoni Crescent have been attended to during the month of November 2025.

**(vii). Garikai Market Fencing**

It was reported that installation of thirty meter long (30m) of fence along the Railway line side at Garikai Market was underway.

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

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

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The meeting ended at 5. 22 p.m.

**CONFIRMED THIS**

**DAY OF**

**2025**

**CHAIRMAN**

**TOWN CLERK**