

CITY OF MASVINGO

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE HEALTH, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, MUNICIPAL OFFICES ON MONDAY, 1 DECEMBER 2025 AT 4:40 P.M.

PRESENT: Councillor M. Madhuna (Chairman)
Councillor R. Musekiwa
Councillor S. Shonhiwa
Councillor A. Time

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr K. Madziva- District Development Coordinator's office
Mr T. Chiwena: Local Governance Studies Student: GZU

OFFICIALS: Director of Housing and Social Services
Deputy Finance Director
Housing and Social Services Manager
Environmental Health Officer: Timothy P.
Acting Chief Security Officer
Administration Clerk
Committee Officer II

334. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2025 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.

*Proposed by Councillor S. Shonhiwa
Seconded by Councillor R. Musekiwa*

335 MATTERS ARISING

Item 311(D): Review and restructuring of Farai Beerhall Lease in line with ZIDA Recommendations

Clarification was sought on why the Committee had agreed to renew the lease with the tenant, Anephen Investments (Pvt) Ltd, given that Council is in the process of crafting the 2026–2030 Strategic Plan. A proposal was made for Council to replan Farai Beerhall and develop designs that align with the Mucheke Rank Upgrading project as well as the new Central Business District. It was explained that Council, in its wisdom, had resolved to allow the tenant to demolish the perimeter wall. Furthermore, the lease was structured as a short-term arrangement, thereby enabling Council to replan the area in line with future developments.

336. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES

A. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SECTION

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Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Health Services on the Environmental Health Section activities for the month of November 2025, covering premises inspections, licensing, water and food quality control, meat inspection, abattoir inspections, intimation notices issued, tuberculosis management, weekly diseases surveillance, dog bites, inspections at Garikai Market, health and hygiene education and SPCA activities

Committee members requested for fumigation of mosquitoes in the commonage.

B. CURATIVE HEALTH SERVICES

The report of the Director of Health Services on Curative Health Services statistics for the month of November 2025 covering Masvingo Urban Demographic data, Mother to Child Health Services, total new attendances, revenue collected, medicines availability, chronic conditions, maternal and child care services, EPI programme, growth monitoring, patients' attendance at Council Clinics, and partnership projects were noted.

C. CLEANSING, REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Health Services for the month of November 2025 covering refuse removal statistics, waste collected for recycling, pest control, waste management and collection, status of public toilets, group work, ward health club supervision and clean up campaigns.

D. NATIONAL AIDS COUNCIL DAAC PROGRAMME.

The report of the Director of Health Services for the month of November 2025 on the National Aids Council activities was noted.

E. Adoption of Report

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

THAT the report of the Director of Health Services be approved and adopted.

337. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

A. HOUSING ISSUES

Consideration was given to the report of the Director of Housing and Community Services for the month of November 2025, covering housing waiting lists, housing routine business for Mucheke, Chesvingo and Rujeko Administration Offices and Home ownership disposal.

The Committee also highlighted the need for the Committee to conduct the tour of housing projects in Zvishavane before year end as previously agreed.

B. SOCIAL SERVICES SECTION

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The report of the Director of Housing and Social services for the period under review covering revenue raised, social amenities uptake, education, workshops and meetings, sports and recreation and library activities was noted.

C. PARKS SECTION

The report of the Director of Housing and Social Services on the Parks Section for the month of November 2025 covering trees and plantations and cemeteries and revenue collected from grave payments was considered.

D. ESTATES AND VALUATION SECTION

The report of the Director of Housing and Social Services on the activities of the Estates and Valuation section covering valuations done, management of lease agreements and rentals, waiting list registration, inspections and land bank management in the month under review was noted.

E. Adoption of Report

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND

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

338. REPORT OF THE CHAMBER SECRETARY

A. ACTIVITIES OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025.

i. SECURITY OF COUNCIL ESTABLISHMENTS.

It was reported that the section provides security to the following Council premises;

1. Chesvingo Administration Office
2. Runyararo West Clinic
3. Mayor's Residence
4. Target Kopje water reservoir
5. Building Brigade
6. Municipal Workshop
7. Municipal Stores
8. Civic Centre
9. Bushmead water purification works
10. Town clerk's Residence
11. Mazorodze Clinic
12. Rujeko Clinic
13. Mucheke Stadium.
14. Runyararo Clinic

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15. Sewage Works
16. Landfill Dumping site
17. Runyararo west borehole
18. City of Masvingo Nursery
19. Kennen Park
20. Sisk Safe Market
21. Rujeko Beerhall
22. Chiwororo Beerhall
23. Runyararo West Dumpsite

B. JOINT OPERATIONS

It was reported that the Section carried out several joint operations with other stakeholders such as the ZRP in the enforcement of traffic, illegal vending, on street services garages and blocking of pavements. The Section conducted blitz on health and environmental issues with personnel from the Health Department. Shop licensing enforcements were also carried out in conjunction with the Debt Collection Section. These operations shall continue to be carried out in a bid to bring sanity in the City.

The table below was a summary of statistics of arrests made as well as revenue realized.

OFFENCES /ACTIVITY	ARRESTS	AMOUNT US\$	AMOUNT ZIG
2.3 Traffic			
Failure to purchase parking disc	55	1100	
Continuous parking after expiry of disc	318	3180	
Storage fee	4	180	
Pick and drop at undesignated points	31	1240	
Impound fee	96	1920	
Wrong parking	12	360	
8 ton vehicle using residential road	1	80	
Improper parking	34	1020	
Wash and repair in any road	8	320	
Towing fees	9	880	
Dangerous parking	172	5160	
Total	740	15 440	
2.4 LICENCING			
Shop licence	423	8460	
Push carts	27	270	
Illegal selling of gas	12	530	
TOTAL	462	9260	
2.5 Environmental Health			
Operating without a bin	148	1480	
Total	148	1480	

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COMMONAGE			
Illegal abstraction of water from rivers	1	20	
TOTAL	1	20	
2.6 VENDING			
Perishables (potatoes, vegetables and fruits) NB. Several perishable items such as cabbages, bananas, vegetables, tomatoes, onions and avocados were recovered from vendors and destroyed at the instance of Health Officers' recommendations whereas non-perishable goods were kept as exhibits and are awaiting disposal through public auction.	52	710	
Non-perishables (bales)	181	2220	
TOTAL	233	2930	
2.7 BOOMGATES			
Croco Motors	898	8095	
WID	583	5830	
L.Takawira	422	4210	
TOTAL	1903	18 135	
GRAND TOTAL	3487	47 265	

C. CASH IN TRANSIT (CIT)

It was reported that the Section collected and banked cash from Bradburn Street Pick up point, Welby Avenue Pick up point, Leopold Takawira Bus Terminus, Garikai Market, Civic Centre, Chiwororo Beerhall, Chidavaenzi Bottle store, Rujeko Beerhall, Runyararo West Clinic, Runyararo Clinic, Mucheke Clinic, Rujeko Clinic and City of Masvingo Nursery. These duties were carried out incident-free.

D. DOGS

It was reported that the Section had two trained Dog Handlers and 1 Municipal Police dog. The dog was assisting in guarding Municipal Workshop, patrolling the streets and commonage area as well as in crowd control in the Central Business District and Garikai Market. Two more officers were seconded to this Section.

The Committee proposed that Council should procure more patrol dogs for the section to ease patrol.

It was reported that the Section provided security to Housing Revenue Collection Officer at Garikai Market and escorted him for banking.

E. Adoption of Report

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RESOLVED

THAT the report of the Chamber Secretary be approved and adopted.

The meeting ended at 5.25 p.m.

CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2025

CHAIRMAN

TOWN CLERK