

CITY OF MASVINGO

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE 1070th ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL OFFICES ON MONDAY 27
OCTOBER 2025 AT 4.46 P.M.**

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor Councillor A. Tabe
Deputy Mayor Councillor D. Mberikunashe
Councillor S. Chikwangwani
Councillor B. Hwata
Councillor R. Musekiwa
Councillor M. Madhuna
Councillor A. Time
Councillor E. Zishiri
Councillor S.T. Marombedze
Councillor S. Manyanga
Councillor B. Muchokwa
Councillor S. Shonhiwa
Councillor S. Manyanga

APOLOGY:

Councillor W. Sitemere

IN ATTENDANCE:

Chiwen T: Local Governance Studies Student: GZU
Vhomo W: Local Governance Studies Student: GZU

OFFICIALS:

Town Clerk
Chamber Secretary
Director of Housing and Social Services
Finance Director
Acting Director of Engineering Services
Director Health Services
Housing and Social Services Manager
Committee Officers II (2)

297. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

RESOLVED

THAT the minutes of the meetings held on 29 September 2025, and 1 October 2025 be taken as read, confirmed as correct records and signed.

Proposed by Councillor R. Musekiwa

Seconded by Councillor A. Time

(29.09.25)

Proposed by Councillor A. Time

Seconded by Councillor R. Musekiwa

(1.10.25)

298. MATTER ARISING

(i). Minute 262 (i): Movement of Long Distance Buses to Mucheke Bus Terminus

On the progress regarding relocation of long distance buses from the Central Business District to Mucheke Bus Terminus, the house raised concern that the matter had been

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outstanding for a long time. The Town Clerk highlighted that Masimba Construction had agreed to establish a proper drop off and pick up point at Corner Bradburn Street and Industria Road as part of their corporate social responsibility. The need for enforcement of the Council resolution to move all buses to Mucheke Bus Terminus was highlighted.

299. COMMUNICATIONS

The Town Clerk reported that Councillor W. Sitemere was not able to attend the Council meeting due to a family bereavement. The report was noted.

300. HEALTH, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor M. Madhuna Seconded by Councillor A. Time

“THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee held on 6 October 2025 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 Health, Housing and Environmental Services Committee held on 6 October 2025 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed as follows:

1. THAT the minutes of the meetings held on 22 September 2025 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.
2. THAT Council grants permission for the renovations and extension of the Mucheke Opportunistic Infections Unit by Aids Healthcare Foundation Zimbabwe.
3. THAT Council waives plan approval fees for the proposed renovations and extension of the Mucheke Opportunistic Infections Unit by Aids Healthcare Foundation Zimbabwe.
4. THAT Council provides manpower for construction, plumbing and other works to be carried out in the renovations and extension of the Mucheke Opportunistic Infections Unit by Aids Healthcare Foundation Zimbabwe, as part of its contribution to the partnership.
5. THAT the report of the Director of Health Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolution passed in relation thereto.
6. THAT the application by Divine Takaedza Munyanyi for a Bottle Store liquor development permit on stand number 528 (56) Greenfield Street, Masvingo be granted.

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7. THAT the application by Life Moyo for a Wholesale liquor development permit on stand number 4321 Gerald Heasman Westview Industrial Area, Masvingo be granted.
8. THAT the application by Life Moyo for a Restaurant Special permit on stand number 4321 Gerald Heasman Westview Industrial Area, Masvingo be turned down.
9. THAT the application by Rock and Roll Generation to implement community empowerment and soft intervention projects in Masvingo be granted subject to clearance from the office of the District Development Coordinator.
10. THAT subject to registration of Rock and Roll Generation by the District Development Coordinator, Council enters into a partnership and sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Rock and Roll Generation to operate in Masvingo urban wards.
11. THAT Council Council prioritizes the construction of a Secondary school in the 2026 Budget.
12. THAT Council adopts and approves the implementation of Environmental Management plans including, Wetland Management plan, Land reclamation management plan, Fire management plan, Land afforestation management plan, Urban Greenery and Beautification Management plan.
13. THAT the Chamber Secretary be instructed to convene a sensitisation workshop to familiarise Council with the Environmental Management Plan.
14. THAT the report of the Director of Housing and Social Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.
15. THAT the report of the Chamber Secretary be approved and adopted.

301. 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 October 2025 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto”

On minute 280(i) regarding lack of water supply along Chibi, Moyondizvo and Vambire Streets in Mucheke, it was reported that the problem had not been solved to date. It was suggested and agreed that the Acting Director of Engineering Services should explore the feasibility of upgrading the water supply infrastructure as a permanent solution to the problem.

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Concern was raised on lack of road services to the infill stands in the area bordering Alliance Church and Full Gospel Church in Mucheke near Great Zimbabwe University Mucheke Campus. The concern was noted and the Acting Director of Engineering Services was tasked to liaise with the Finance Director on the modalities of funding the project and prepare a report to the Public Works and Planning Committee for consideration.

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 October 2025 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed as follows:

1. THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 19 September 2025 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed.
2. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to plan a portion of land along Lundi Star Drive (left side) near institutional Stand Number 30588, and create four (4) low density residential stands, one (1) institutional and one (1) open space subject to Ministerial approval in terms of Section 205 of the Urban Councils Act, Chapter 29:15.
3. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed explore the feasibility of upgrading the water supply infrastructure along Chibi, Moyondizvo and Vambire Streets in Mucheke as a permanent solution to the water supply problem in the area.
4. THAT the Acting Director of Engineering Services be instructed to liaise with the Finance Director and identify source of funding for the provision of road works to the infill stands in the area passing between Alliance Church and Full Gospel Church in Mucheke.
5. THAT the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

302. FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor B. Muchokwa seconded by Councillor M. Madhuna

“THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 22 October 2025 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto”.

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

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THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 22 October 2025 be adopted subject to the resolutions passed as follows:

1. THAT the minutes of the meeting held on 22 September 2025 be taken as read and confirmed as a correct record and signed.
2. THAT the Finance Director be instructed to engage Central Government and other debtors with a view that they settle their debts and Council utilizes the proceeds therefrom to pay its apportionment of Local Authorities Pension Fund (LAPF) actuarial deficit.
3. THAT Council adopts the roadmap for the implementation of the ERP township regularisation and debt management proposed by Redforce Investments (Pvt) Ltd as follows;
 - 3.1 The Town Clerk be instructed to set up a technical team to conduct a full review of the Redforce Investments (Pvt) Ltd system's current performance at the Chitungwiza Municipality or any other local authority where it is operational.
 - 3.2 THAT Council and Redforce Investments (Pvt) Limited shall sign a non-disclosure agreement
 - 3.3 THAT upon satisfactory conclusion of the due diligence process, Council may proceed to sign a memorandum of understanding with Redforce Investments (Pvt) Limited and a contract in compliance with all due processes as outlined in the Public Procurement and Disposal of Public Assets Act (Chapter 22:23)
4. THAT the report of the Finance Director be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.
5. THAT the report of the Town Clerk be approved and adopted.
6. THAT Mr. Coster Sesenyani, Acting Chief Security Officer be appointed the City of Masvingo Armorer responsible for the safe custody of all Council Firearms.
7. THAT Council renews licenses for nine firearms at a cost of USD 905.00
8. THAT the report of the Chamber Secretary be approved and adopted subject to the resolutions passed in relation thereto.

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9. THAT the valuation report for sale of additional stands being stand number 28773, 28776, 28777 and 28778 to the Public Service Pension Fund at a total cost of USD 545,440 as detailed below be approved.

STAND	SIZE (m ²)	RATE/m ²	VALUE (USD)
28773	9347	22.04	206,000.00
28776	9123	22.03	201,000.00
28777	2056	28.75	59,110.00
28778	3599	22.04	79,330.00
TOTAL			545, 440.00

10. THAT lease rentals for Lot 124/5 for a piece of land allocated to Wezhira Youth Park and Entertainment Centre be fixed at USD 108.00 per month.
11. THAT the monthly lease rentals for the piece of land formerly stand number 27944 Rujeko C allocated to Rehoboth Lighthouse Full Gospel Church to establish a greenhouse project be set at USD 160 per month.
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 request by the Acting Director of Engineering Services for a 12-hour Guard at staff house, stand number 29852 and 872 Shakashe Drive, Eastvale, Masvingo be referred back to Management for consideration.
14. THAT the report of the Acting Director of Engineering Services be approved and adopted subject to the resolution passed in relation thereto.

303. MOTION FOR COUNCIL TO TURN ITSELF INTO COMMITTEE.

IT WAS MOVED BY Councillor A. Time seconded by Councillor M. Madhuna

“THAT Council turns itself into Committee for purposes of confirming the minutes of the 1069th Ordinary Council In Committee meeting held on 29 September 2025, and adopting the minutes of the Human Resources and Gender Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025 and Audit Committee meetings held on 30 September 2025 and 23 October 2025”.

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

RESOLVED

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THAT Council turns itself into Committee for purposes of confirming the minutes of the 1069th Ordinary Council In Committee meeting held on 29 September 2025, and adopting the minutes of the Human Resources and Gender Committee meeting held on 13 October 2025, and Audit Committee meetings held on 30 September 2025 and 23 October 2025”

The meeting ended at 5.57 p.m.

CONFIRMED THIS

DAY OF

2025

MAYOR

TOWN CLERK