

MINUTES

OF THE

**10TH ORDINARY MEETING
FOR THE YEAR 2002**

of

MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY

held on

TUESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2002

at

16:00

COUNCILLORS PRESENT : COUNCIL MEETING : 29 OCTOBER 2002

ANC

PROPORTIONAL			
1.	Leeuw SJ (Executive Mayor)	14.	Dlova TW
2.	Matsepe TV (Speaker)	15.	Ikaneng MI
3.	Chao MK	16.	Mafantire MJ
4.	Menong KS (Apology - sick leave)	17.	Mafongosi VZ (Apology)
5.	Ramaisa KA	18.	Mashinini NL
6.	Tladi RE	19.	Alexander RR (Apology)
7.	Thuthani ZA	20.	Radebe ML (Apology)
8.	Matosa AN	21.	Sephiri MJ
9.	Matlabe MMT	22.	Tihone ML (Apology)
10.	Mbana MA	23.	Vanga M
11.	Mokhathi PE	24.	Kotzee D
12.	Bengu VV (Apology)	25.	Segalo SS
13.	Dali VN	26.	Kujoana MA
WARD			
27.	Matsbukanye MM (Apology)	42.	Mfebe MSE
28.	Tshabangu SE (Apology)	43.	Mhlaba N (Apology)
29.	Mohlodi PP	44.	Mokolutlo LA
30.	Mogole RR	45.	Montshioa BA
31.	Liphoko SJ (Absent without apology)	46.	Mosala MS
32.	Mokoena ME (Apology)	47.	Nakwa TA
33.	Masienyane MD	48.	Ngangelizwe S (Apology)
34.	Baaitjies M	49.	Radebe LLF
35.	Dassie YS	50.	Ramojela JN (Absent without apology)
36.	Dlamini SC (Apology)	51.	Rubulana L (Apology)
37.	James TH	52.	Seboholi CP
38.	Khalipha TD	53.	Taliwe FE
39.	Mabuya FF	54.	Thoabala TE
40.	Manzana NR	55.	Tsoene TD
41.	Masoka NL (Absent without apology)	56.	Tsatsa SJ

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PROPORTIONAL			
57.	Fourie JJC	61.	Maqena AM
58.	Marais (Dr) JS	62.	Ntsala MM
59.	Auret IH	63.	Olivier JJ (Apology)
60.	Neumann VH	64.	Styger A
WARD			
65.	Bothma B	68.	Edeling JH
66.	Louw ML	69.	Van Rooyen HC
67.	Smit DC	70.	Du Toit JJB

UDM

PROPORTIONAL	
71.	Motshabi MP

PAC

PROPORTIONAL	
72.	Majoe TS

OFFICIALS

Mr RSB Sesele	–	Municipal Manager
Mr R Spies	–	Corporate Executive Manager : Engineering Services
Mr V Basson	–	Acting Corporate Executive Manager : Community Services and Social Development
Mr BP Molatseli	–	Executive Manager : Corporate Services
Mr SB Mhlambi	–	Executive Manager : Legal Services
Dr K van der Walt	–	Executive Manager : Economic Development And Spatial Planning
Mr S Makhasi	–	Executive Manager : Human Resources
Mr TM Ngesi	–	Executive Manager : Housing Development and Environmental Management
Mr MD Segalo	–	Manager : Internal Auditing
Ms A Sephton	–	Scribe

1. OPENING

Pastor EN Moholo and Dean JJ Andrade opened the meeting with Scripture reading and a prayer.

2. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE SPEAKER

None

3. REPORTS OF THE SPEAKER IN TERMS OF RULES 15(1) AND 99(4)

None

III

4. APPLICATIONS AND APPEALS FROM COUNCILLORS IN TERMS OF RULES 14(1), 67 AND 72

None

5. REPORTS RECEIVED FROM THE SPEAKER

Item A80/2002 will be dealt with in conjunction with Item 14 of this agenda.

6. MOTIONS OF SYMPATHY AND CONGRATULATIONS BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker congratulated the following Councillors on their birthdays :

D Coetzee	12 November
M Baaitjies	15 November

7. MOTIONS OF SYMPATHY AND CONGRATULATIONS FROM OTHER MEMBERS

7.1 None. However the Speaker and the Executive Mayor thanked the Councillors for their participation in the campaign where the Councillors met the people and listened to their inputs.

The Speaker expressed his utter shock on the mishap of Clr KS Menong who was attacked and badly hurt. He reported that Clr Menong is still recovering. The Speaker mentioned that this just shows that even politicians or Councillors are not excluded from being victims of criminal attacks.

8. DEPUTATIONS AND INTERVIEWS

None

9. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None

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10. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

During discussion of the minutes of the previous meeting dated 25 September 2002 the opposition party was of the opinion that Item A78/2002 was not a true reflection of the resolution that was taken at the meeting. It was then requested that a verbatim report of Item A78/2002 be submitted within 7 days of the date of this meeting. The minutes were approved excluding Item A78/2002. The consideration of the adoption of this item is to stand over to the next Council meeting.

COUNCIL RESOLVED : (29 OCTOBER 2002)

That the minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2002 **BE APPROVED** and **CONFIRMED** with the exclusion of Item A78/2002.

FORMAL SIGNING OF MINUTES

Not signed due to the fact that the minutes were not a true reflection of the deliberations.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

13. QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

None

14. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR AND COMMITTEES

A81/2002 - A83/2002 and C3/2002

15. REPORTS OF DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

None - will be tabled at the next meeting

16. MOTIONS

None

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17. MATTERS OUTSTANDING

Not considered.

18. CLOSURE

The meeting ended at 18:50.

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DATE

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TV MATSEPE (SPEAKER)

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A80/2002

STANDARDIZATION OF MUNICIPAL BY-LAWS : (OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER) (1/2/1) (MCA) (P 1 : ANNEXURES P 1 - 12)

COUNCIL RESOLVED : (29 OCTOBER 2002)

- [MM] 1. That the Municipal Manager **COMPILES** a schedule with timeframes on how he intends to standardize by-laws for Matjhabeng and **PRESENTS** same at the next Council meeting.
- [MM] 2. That the schedule referred to in paragraph 1 above, **INCLUDE** the repeal of obsolete by-laws and the consideration of the amendment of old by-laws in terms of new legislation.
- [MM] 3. That the Municipal Manager as a matter of urgency **CHECKS** the validity of all By-Laws and policies already adopted by Council and **SUBMITS** a report on corrective measures to Council, if the need arises.
- [EMLS] 4. That the Legal Department **SHOULD** do the drafting of by-laws.
- [MM] 5. That the Municipal Manager **INTERACTS** with the District Municipal Manager and the Chief Executive Officer of SALGA (Free State) **TO ENSURE** that official forums are created for officials to interact as this will speed up delivery and making up for lack of expertise in certain areas.
- [SPEAKER] 6. That The Speaker **INTERACTS** with the Transitional Facilitation Committee and SALGA (Free State) **TO ENSURE** that the standardization of by-laws is attended to as a matter of priority.

A81/2002

MEDICAL AID AND NORMS (5/4/4/1/1) (EMHR) (P 5)

A82/2002

COUNCIL RESOLVED : (29 OCTOBER 2002)

- [EMHR] 1. That the Council **GIVES** the mandate on the proposal from the mediator.
- [EMHR] 2. That Council **CONTRIBUTES** 60% up to the amount of R1 639,00 of the medical aid.

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- [EMHR] 3. That Council **RESERVE** the right **NOT TO GIVE** its opinion of the streamlining of Medical Aid Schemes.

A82/2002

MATJHABENG - FINANCIAL REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2002 (12/1/2/3)
(CEMFM) (P 7)

During discussion of this matter the Executive Mayor explained that it was not procedural that the Finance Portfolio make recommendations straight to Council, and thus had to exercise his executive authority regarding the recommendations :

Council was of the opinion that the Municipal Manager is the sole responsible official to oversee the finances of Council. The opposition was of the opinion that not only the Municipal Manager, but the Executive Mayor, Mayoral Committee and Municipal Manager are responsible. Council can lead but not prescribe, as the Acts that guide the Municipal Manager are very clear. It was requested that the Municipal Manager give a verbal report followed by a written report to Council on exactly what measures are being taken to improve the financial situation of Council. The question was also raised why measures are only put in place now that Council is in financial trouble. Why was it not in place from 2000 when this Council took over. The Executive Mayor agreed with some of the sentiments and informed Council that he was accountable and welcomed all innovative recommendations. The opposition then withdrew their earlier proposal that the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee Members also be held accountable.

COUNCIL RESOLVED : (29 OCTOBER 2002)

- [MM] 1. That the Municipal Manager **BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE** for the financial situation of the municipality.
- [MM] 2. That the Municipal Manager **ENSURE** that the financial position **IMPROVE** before the end of November 2002.
- [ALL MANAGERS] 3. That all officials **BE INFORMED** of the serious nature of the cashflow of Council and that all **SHOULD WORK** together **TO REDUCE** costs and **TO INCREASE** income.

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- [ALL COUNCILLORS] 4. That all Councillors **WORK** together so as to ensure that the income of the municipality increase.
- [MM] 5. That cash resources of the municipality **BE MANAGED** in a cost-effective manner so as **TO REDUCE** complaints from the public regarding service delivery and payment of creditors.
- [CEMFM] 6. That credit control and debt collection and the disconnection due to non-payment to those households that can afford to pay for services **BE IMPROVED** as a matter of urgency.
- [CEMFM] 7. That all sections in the finance department **REPORT** to Council on a monthly basis regarding the progress made in normalizing the financial situation of the municipality.

A83/2002

MATJHABENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY : APPROVAL OF THE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN (2002-2007) (18/1/18) (MM - MIDP) (ADDENDUM P 1 : ANNEXURES P 13 - 14)

COUNCIL RESOLVED : (29 OCTOBER 2002)

- [M:IDP] That Council **APPROVE** the Integrated Development Plan of Matjhabeng Municipality.

C3/2002

VIRGINIA TRANSITIONAL LOCAL COUNCIL : FORENSIC REPORT ~ OVERTIME (6/12/2/1) (MM) (MIA) (P 11)

During discussion of this matter the officials and public were requested to leave the chamber as the Council went in camera for the deliberations.

COUNCIL RESOLVED : (29 OCTOBER 2002)

That this report regarding the Virginia Transitional Local Council's forensic report on overtime **BE REFERRED BACK** to the Performance Audit Committee **TO INVESTIGATE** the validity of overtime of all other officials implicated in the said forensic audit and that all the applicable documentation, any source of information as well as the relevant minutes pertaining thereto **BE SUBMITTED** to the Performance Audit Committee for perusal and consideration.

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That a report regarding the outcome of paragraph 1 above, be submitted to the Council for consideration.

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