# MINUTES

of the

# 4<sup>th</sup> ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2014

of

# MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY

held on

**TUESDAY, 24 JUNE 2014** 

at

16:00

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC CENTRE, WELKOM

# COUNCILLORS ATTENDANCE: $4^{TH}$ ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: 24 JUNE 2014

## ANC

ANO				
PROPORTIONAL				
1.	Stofile B (Speaker)	12.	Ntsebeng MH MS	
2.	Semela MJ	13.	Petleki KI	
3.	Ngangelizwe S (Executive Mayor)	14.	Radebe MC	
4.	Chaka CP	15.	Radebe ML (Written Apology)	
5.	Kabi M NW (Absent)	16.	Rubulana L	
6.	Kotzee D (Resigned)	17	Sephiri MJ MS	
7.	Mafa DM	18	Speelman	
8.	Mafongosi ZV	19	Tihone ML	
9.	Mbana MA	20.	Tsubane ME (Written Apology)	
10.	Menyatso KJ	21.	Vanga NM (Absent)	
11.	Motshabi MP	22.	Van Rooyen KV	
	WA	ARD		
23.	Dali VN	38.	Morris VR MS (Written Apology)	
24.	Khalipha TD	39.	Mosala MS (Written Apology)	
25.	Mabote TL MS	40.	Mothege MA	
26.	Madumise MM MS	41.	Mphikeleli MA	
27.	Makgowe PV	42.	Ntlele KI	
28.	Masienyane MD	43.		
29.				
30.	Mfebe MSE	45.	Riet MI	
31.	Mokausi LC	46.	Sifatya Z	
32.	Mokhomo HA MS	47.	Taliwe FE	
33.	Molelekoa PA	48.	Thateng MJ	
34.	Molelekoa PMI	49.	Thelingoane TJ	
35.	Molete TN	50.	Tlake KR	
36.	Molupe RT MS	51.	Tsatsa SJ	
37.	Monjovo NE	52.	Tsubella KS	

# DA

PROPORTIONAL			
53.	Banyane ME	58.	Marais JS
54.	54. Badenhorst MJ		Mholo PP MS
55. Botha PF		60.	Mlangeni MG
56.	56. Fanie D		Mokotedi TG
57.	Fourie JJC MS	62.	Styger A MS (Written Apology)
WARD			
63.	Beneke R	66.	Smit DC
64.	De Villiers MT	67.	Van Rooyen MS
65.	Naude HJ MS	68.	Van Schalkwyk HCT
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	PROPORTIONAL			
69.	Malefane DE		71.	May FG(Resigned)
70.	Matlebe MM MS (Absent)			

#### FF+

	PROPORTIONAL		
72.	Taljaard SDM (to be released		
	earlier)		

### **OFFICIALS**

Mr G Ramathebane

Municipal Manager
Executive Director Corporate Support Services
Executive Director Strategic Support Services
Executive Director LED and Planning Mr MF Lepheana Mr S Makhubu

Mr X Msweli

Mr T Tsoaeli Chief Financial Officer

Acting Snr Admin Officer (Corporate Services) Ms DF Ramakhale

(a)	Opening
	The Speaker welcomed everybody present at the 4 <sup>th</sup> Ordinary Council Meeting and declared the meeting opened.
(b)	Applications for leave of absence
	See Councillor's attendance list on pages I and II of these minutes.
(c)	Official announcements of the Speaker
	The Speaker announced that on Saturday, 28 of June 2014 there will be a game organized against crime and gangsters in Virginia which will start at 09:00. All Councillors are invited to be part of the activity due to the fact that the society is being ruled by gangsters and the effect of Drug abuse. Councillors are therefore requested to participate in order to change the perceptions of the community.
(d)	Reports received from the Speaker
	A23/2014 – A25/2014.
(e)	Motions of sympathy and congratulations by the Speaker
	None.

#### (f) Motions of sympathy and congratulations by other Councillors

#### **Sympathy**

- 1. Cllr MJ Badenhorst on behalf of the DA conveyed their condolences to the friends and families of the two divers, Peter Timm and Adele Stegen, who died in a tragic diving accident on Wednesday last week whilst assisting Ezemvelo Wildlife and the SA Association for Marine Biological Research to recover a piece of equipment that had fallen off a research vessel near Umkomaas river in Natal. Her condolences went especially her colleague, Councilor Teresa de Villiers who is a close family member of Peter Timm.
- 2. Cllr KI Petleki expressed a motion of sympathy to the Sefika's family that burnt to death in their shack at Ward 14.
- 3. Cllr MJ Semela also expressed a motion of sympathy to a woman who was raped by four men in Ward 12.
- 4. Cllr FE Taliwe conveyed a message of condolences to the family of the late former Councillor of Matjhabeng Municipality Cllr M Semela.
- 5. Cllr DC Smith conveyed a message of sympathy to the former Councillor and former Mayor of Hennenman, Mr. Klaas Goudriaan who is said that he was critical in hospital and wished him a speedy recovery.
- 6. The Executive Mayor also extended the condolences on behalf of Matjhabeng to the family of the Mayor of Mafube Municipality who lost his wife on Saturday, 21 June 2014.

#### **Congratulations**

- 1. Cllr MP Motshabi congratulated both Cllr ME Phethise and Cllr MI Riet for the new responsibilities which they have been assigned by the Council and wished them well going forward.
- 2. Cllr PP Mholo on behalf of the Democratic Alliance congratulated the previous Councillor, Mr. George Michalakis for being elected as a member of National Council of Provinces (NCOP) who will represent the region of Lejweleputswa as a District.
- 4. Cllr A Mbana Congratulated Executive Mayor for holding a successful meeting in Hennenman.
- 5. Cllr MJ Semela Congratulated the former Cllrs D Kotzee from Matjhabeng Municipality for being appointed as the Deputy Chief Whip in the Provincial Legislature. She further indicated that in the Executive of the Premier, three members of the Executive Council are from Matjhabeng and that all of them were groomed by this Council.
- 6. Cllr NW Speelman Congratulated the President of the Country Mr JZ Zuma on his state of nation address. When the President was tabling his Budget he indicated that

	a certain percentage of the budget was going to be spent on revitalization of Matjhabeng Municipality which is affected by declining economy due to the scaling down of mining in the area.			
	. Cllr MM Madumise Congratulated the Provincial Government for upgrading the two roomed houses into 4 room houses in her ward. She further Congratulated herself for donating two houses to two families in her Ward.			
	8. The Executive Mayor also acknowledged the contribution made by the Councillors of the Municipality and the support in terms of compiling the Budget for this financial year.			
(g)	Deputations and interviews			
	None.			
(h)	Disclosure of interest			
	The Speaker indicated that the Municipality has been approached by KPMG to improve the requirements in the declaration of interest forms. The Speaker further informed the Councillors that they are expected as individuals to update their declaration of interest files through the Office of the Municipal Manager. However, if a Coucillor has personal/ financial interest on any matter for consideration by Council such Councillor has to declare interest in the meeting.			
(i)	Minutes of the previous meeting:			
	Council resolved: (24 May 2014)			
	That the minutes of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Ordinary Council meeting held on 30 May 2014 <b>BE APPROVED</b> .			
<b>(j</b> )	Questions of which notice were given			
	None.			
(k)	Report of the Executive Committee/Executive Mayor/Committee Reports			
	A26/2014.			
(1)	Motions			
	None.			

### (m) Questions in terms of rule 53(1)(b) subject to rule 53(2)

With regard to the above, Cllr PP Mholo wanted to know why the questions and motion submitted to the office of the Municipal Manager was not included in the Ordinary Council Agenda.

The Municipal Manager replied that his Office prepared responses to the question raised by Cllr PP Mholo and the said responses were accordingly sent to him. However, due to the fact that he was on his sick leave the items on were not submitted to Council on both the questions and motions and he apologized for that. He indicated that the items will serve in the next Ordinary Council sitting.

#### (n) Closing

The Speaker thanked everyone for their time, energy and preparations for Council meeting.

The Speaker ended the meeting at 17:31

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The Speaker requested Council to appoint an acting Speaker in order to present items A23/2014, A24/2014 and A25/2014 to Council.

Cllr MA Mphikeleli was unimously appointed as acting Speaker.

The Speaker welcomed the members of the Public in the Council sitting.

A23/2014

PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE INVESTIGATION BY THE SPEAKER INTO THE 2012/2013 AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT CONCERNING COUNCILLORS WHO ARE ALLEGEDLY IN ARREARS WITH THEIR MUNICIPAL SERVICES ACCOUNTS (SPEAKER)(4/1/2/2)

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to give feedback to the Council on the investigation conducted by the Speaker on the matter raised by the Auditor General in the 2013 Audit report concerning some Councillors who were allegedly having arrears for their services accounts with the Municipality contrary to the provisions of the Code of Conduct.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Speaker presented the item to Council.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLVED:** (24 JUNE 2014)

That a detailed report on the investigation into the 2012/2013 Auditor General's report concerning Councillors who are allegedly in arrears with their Municipal service accounts **BE PRESENTED** at the next Council meeting.

#### A24/2014

# APPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE CHAIRPERSONS COMMITTEE (SPEAKER) (4/1/2/2)

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this item is to submit a recommendation to Council for the appointment of the Chairperson of the Chairperson's Committee for consideration.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Speaker gave a brief background on the matter before presenting the item to Council.

The Chief Whip Cllr MJ Semela requested the Council to appoint the Chairperson of Disputes Resolution Committee even though the item was not prepared on same. The name of Councillor MI Riet was proposed and recommended as such.

### **COUNCIL RESOLVED:** (24 JUNE 2014)

- 1. That Council **TAKES NOTE** of the resignation of Cllr MD Masienyane as the Chairperson of the Chairperson Committee.
- 2. That Council **APPOINTS** another Councillor as a Chairperson of the Chairpersons Committee.
- 3. That Councillor ME Phethise **BE APPOINTED** as a Chairperson of Chairs Committee.
- 4. That Councillor MI Riet **BE APPOINTED** as a Chairperson of Disputes Resolution Committee.

#### A25/2014

# SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS OF COUNCIL, MAYORAL COMMITTEE AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES FOR JULY 2014 TO JUNE 2015 (SPEAKER) (4/1/2/2)

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To submit the proposed schedule for Council and Section 79 Committee meetings to the Council.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Speaker presented the item to Council.

#### **COUNCIL RESOLVED:** (24 JUNE 2014)

That the schedule for Council and Council Committees meetings for July 2014 to June 2015 **BE NOTED** with the amendment made.

### The Speaker resumed his position

#### A26/2014

### PROGRESS REPORT ON COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS (ED: CSS)(2/2/2)

#### **PURPOSE**

To submit a progress report to Council on Council Resolutions for noting.

#### **DISCUSSION**

The Executive Mayor presented the item to Council.

### **COUNCIL RESOLVED:** (24 JUNE 2014)

- 1. That progress report on all Council Resolutions **BE CONSOLIDATED** at the end of each financial year.
- 2. That the Municipal Manager together with the Chief Financial Officer, Executive Mayor and the MMC: Finance Cllr A Mbana **MUST CONVENE** a formal meeting with the financial institution concern regarding the initial investment made in 1998 and report back at the next Council meeting.