

MINUTES

OF THE

**4th ORDINARY MEETING
FOR THE YEAR 2010**

of

MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY

held on

MONDAY, 31 MAY 2010

at

14:00

COUNCILLORS ATTENDANCE: COUNCIL MEETING: 31 MAY 2010

ANC

PROPORTIONAL			
1.	Ngangelizwe S (Executive Mayor)	14.	Radebe ML
2.	Baaitjies M	15.	Ramaisa KA
3.	Dlova TW	16.	Senoge MM
4.	Humphries MF	17.	Sephiri MJ (Chief Whip)
5.	Masoleng NI	18.	Speelman NW
6.	Matlabe MMT	19.	Qwasha GL
7.	Sentle AN	20.	Thuthani ZA (Written Apology)
8.	Mbana MA	21.	Radebe MC
9.	ZP Noveld	22.	Tihone ML
10.	Molefi MJ	23.	Tsubane ME
11.	Nyembe ME (Absent)	24.	Twanana M
12.	Petleki KI	25.	Vanga NM (Absent)
13.	Qabela V(Written Apology)	26.	Kotzee D
		27.	Majoe TS
WARD			
28.	Phokwana SL	44.	Mphikeleli MA
29.	Kotzee AP	45.	Nakwa TA
30.	Mahloko NN	46.	Ntsala NS
31.	Makgowe PV	47.	Peterson E
32.	Mankayi NE	48.	Phetise ME
33.	Manzana NR	49.	Radebe LLF
34.	Masienyane MD	50.	Rubulana L (Speaker)
35.	Mathebula MA (Absent)	51.	Nteo SD
36.	Mfebe MSE	52.	Sejane LM
37.	Mkhusane NC	53.	Semela ME (Absent)
38.	Moahloli MS	54.	Sithole B
39.	Mokhuma MS	55.	Taliwe FE
40.	Mokobori KE	56.	Themhani PP(Written Apology)
41.	Monjovo NE	57.	Tsatsa SJ
42.	Montshioa BA		
43.	Motshabi MP		

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PROPORTIONAL			
58.	Edeling JH	62.	Mhlafu BD
59.	Fourie JJC	63.	Mokotedi TG
60.	Marais JS (Written Apology)	64.	Neumann VH
61.	Meyer KL		
WARD			
65.	Beneke R	68.	Styger A
66.	Botha PF	69.	Van Rooyen HC (Written Apology)
67.	Smit DC		

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PROPORTIONAL	
70.	Coetzee BJA (Written Apology)

ACDP

PROPORTIONAL	
71.	Meko MA

IND

WARD	
72.	Liphoko SJ (Absent)

OFFICIALS

Mr THE Pietersen	:	Municipal Manager
Mr S Makhubu	:	Executive Director: Strategic Support Services
Mr MP Matsie	:	Acting Executive Director: Corporate Support Services
Me KR Maloka	:	Executive Director: Social Services and Law Enforcement
Me C Strickett	:	Chief Financial Officer
Mr TR Shiringani	:	Acting Snr Manager Council Administration
Mr JKF Jankowitz	:	Administrative Officer (Corporate Services)

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SECTION A

1. OPENING

The Speaker welcomed the residents of Matjhabeng as well as the invited guests present.

Reverend Lekoana of Uniting Reformed Church opened the meeting with Scripture reading and prayer.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

See Councillors Attendance List on **pages I and II**.

3. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

3.1 The Speaker indicated that Items A31/2010 and A32/2010 would be dealt with as the last items on the agenda.

4. MOTIONS OF SYMPATHY AND CONGRATULATIONS BY THE SPEAKER

None.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

6. DEPUTATIONS AND INTERVIEWS

None.

7. QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

None.

8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

IT WAS RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

1. That the minutes of the 2nd Special Council Meeting held on 26 March 2010 **BE APPROVED**.
2. That the minutes of the 3rd Ordinary Council Meeting held on 30 March 2010 **BE APPROVED** in conjunction with the following amendment:

IV

A20/2010

AMENDMENT OF THE RULES AND ORDERS (3/1B) (EDCSS)

That the word *the* be inserted between with and exception in paragraph 1 of the resolution.

9. FORMAL SIGNING OF MINUTES

The Speaker indicated that he would sign the minutes after the meeting.

10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

SECTION B

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

A27/2010 – A29/2010.

12. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

A30/2010 – A36/2010

13. MOTIONS

None.

14. CLOSING REMARKS

The Speaker thanked the members of the community who attended the meeting.

15. CLOSURE

The Speaker terminated the meeting at **17:15**.

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L RUBULANA (SPEAKER)

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DATE

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//The Speaker requested Council to appoint an Acting Speaker in order to enable him to present items A27/2010 to A29/2010 to Council.

Cllr TS Majoe was unanimously appointed as Acting Speaker.//

A27/2010

MUNICIPAL COUNCILLORS PENSION FUND (3/1/4/5)(Speaker)

PURPOSE

To submit feedback to Council regarding a Municipal Councilor's pension fund meeting held on the 6th of May 2010 in Durban

DISCUSSIONS

Cllr L Rubulana presented the item to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

That Council **TAKES NOTE** of the report on the Municipal Councillors Pension Fund meeting held on 6 May 2010 in Durban.

A28/2010

SOUTH AFRICAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FREE STATE PROVINCIAL MEMBERS ASSEMBLY 15-16 APRIL 2010 (15/2/1/24)(SPEAKER)

PURPOSE

To submit feedback to Council of the South African Local Government Association Free State Provincial Members Assembly held from the 15th to 16th April 2010 in Clarens.

DISCUSSIONS

Cllr L Rubulana presented the item to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

That Council **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the South African Local Government Association Free State Provincial Members' Assembly held on 15 to 16 April 2010 in Clarens.

A29/2010

SOUTH AFRICAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FREE STATE NATIONAL MEMBERS ASSEMBLY 10-12 MAY 2010 (15/2/1/24)(SPEAKER)

PURPOSE

To submit feedback to Council of the South African Local Government Association National Members Assembly held from the 10 to 12th of May 2010 in Kimberly.

DISCUSSIONS

Cllr L Rubulana presented the item to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

That Council **TAKES NOTE** of the report of the South African Local Government Association Free State National Members' Assembly held on 10 to 12 May 2010 in Kimberly.

//The Speaker, Cllr L Rubulana, resumed his position.//

A30/2010

MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT – APRIL 2010 (CFO) (12/1/2/3)

PURPOSE

To submit to Council the Budget report for April 2010 in terms of Section 71 of the Municipal Finance Management Act number 56 of 2003.

DISCUSSIONS

The Executive Mayor, before presenting the item to Council, introduced the MMC's to the community.

Cllr PF Botha raised the following questions:

- Why only list of 10 biggest creditors are submitted and not all.
- Amount owed to Sedibeng and Eskom not indicated.
- Current situation with creditors outstanding 30, 60 and 90 days.
- Why are outstanding debtors on page 120 of the Annexures taking so long to resolve.
- What measures are put in place to collect the amount of R79 million.
- Accounts not paid but services rendered.
- Finance Department must come up with a workable plan to collect money owed to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

1. That Council **TAKES NOTE** of the Monthly Budget Report for April 2010.
2. That the Budget Report **BE SUBMITTED** to National and Provincial Treasury.

A31/2010

**MATJHABENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY: INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN
FINAL DRAFT, 2010/2011 (18/1/18) (MM)**

PURPOSE

To present to Council for adoption in terms of chapter 5 of the Municipal Systems Act.

DISCUSSIONS

The Draft Integrated Development Plan was presented together with the Annual Budget for Matjhabeng Municipality – **For resolution see Item A32/2010.**

A32/2010

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE 2010-2011 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE
MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY (6/1/1 – 2010/2011) (CFO)**

PURPOSE

To submit to Mayoral Committee the annual budget for the 2010-2011 financial year.

DISCUSSIONS

The Executive Mayor presented the 2010/2011 Annual Budget and the Draft Integrated Development Plan to Council.

*** A copy of the Budget Speech is attached to the minutes.

Cllr PF Botha raised questions and made proposals on electricity and water tariff increases.

The Executive Mayor indicated that it was valid points and that it would be addressed under the Budget review.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

1. That the Operating Budget of **R1 022 333 014**[**R1 419 342 822 (billing revenue) less anticipated bad debts due to 37.5% non collection of revenue) of R397 009 808**] and the Capital Budget of **R 159 604 480** **BE APPROVED**.
2. That the Draft Integrated Development Plan **BE APPROVED**.
3. That the under-mentioned tariffs **BE APPLICABLE** for the 2010/2011 Budget Year:
 - a) **6%** increase in the water tariffs for the 2010/2011 financial year.
 - b) **25%** increase in electricity tariffs for the 2010/2011 financial year.
 - c) **8%** increase in Assessment Rates (**NOTE: This is not in terms of the Property Rates Act – as the Valuation Roll is not accurate**).
 - d) **4%** increase in Refuse and Sewerage Rates.

A33/2010

SECOND IMPRESSION: MANUAL IN TERMS OF PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT (ACT NO 2 OF 2000) (EDCSS) (2/3/4)

PURPOSE

To submit for approval the Promotion of Access to Information Manual.

DISCUSSIONS

The Executive Mayor presented the item to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

1. That Council **APPROVES** the second impression of the Access to Information Manual for Matjhabeng Municipality.
2. That the Manual **BE DISTRIBUTED** in terms of the Legal Deposits Act (Act No. 54) of 1997 and regulation 187 in terms of the Access to Information Act (Act No.2) of 2000.
3. That the Manual **BE TRANSLATED** into four (4) official languages in terms of the Matjhabeng Language Policy.
4. That the Manual **BE DISTRIBUTED** to all employees and Councillors and it **BE INCLUDED** in the induction process.

A34/2010

GENDER POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND GENDER ACTION PLAN – IMPLEMENTATION GUIDELINES FOR MUNICIPALITIES IN THE FREE STATE 2009/2010 (15/2/1/24) (MM)

PURPOSE

To submit to Council the Gender Policy Framework for Local Government and Gender Action Plan – Implementation Guideline for Municipalities 2009/2010.

DISCUSSIONS

The Executive Mayor presented the item to Council.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

1. That the Gender Policy Framework and Gender Action Plan **be adopted** as a guiding document at Municipal level.
2. That Council **DEVELOPES** its own policy with Salga's Policy as a guideline.

A35/2010

PROGRESS REPORT: OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (12/1/1) (ASMCA)

//The item was withdrawn from the agenda.//

A36/2010

HOME LOAN SCHEME FOR COUNCILLORS (3/1/4/5) (SPEAKER) (ASMCA)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

For Council to consider entering into an agreement with Absa Bank to enable the Bank to grant Councillors housing loans on the strength of the guarantee provided by the Councillors Pension Fund.

DISCUSSIONS

The Executive Mayor presented the item to Council.

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COUNCIL RESOLVED (31 MAY 2010)

1. That Council **ENTERS INTO** an agreement with ABSA to provide a home loan scheme for Councillors.
2. That the Matjhabeng Municipality's Legal Unit **MUST DEVELOP** a document to protect the interest of Council and Councillors.
3. That the agreement as per resolution A2/2004 with Standard Bank, **BE CANCELLED.**