MINUTES

OF THE

3rd ORDINARY MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2008

of

MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY

held on

THURSDAY, 29 MAY 2008

at

10:00

COUNCILLORS ATTENDANCE: COUNCIL MEETING: 29 MAY 2008

ANC

	PROPORTIONAL			
1.	Leeto NS (Executive Mayor) (Apology)	14.	Radebe ML (MMC)	
2.	Baaitjies M	15.	Ramaisa KA (Absent)	
3.	Dlova TW (MMC) (Apology)	16.	Senoge MM	
4.	Humphries MF	17.	Sephiri MJ (Chief Whip)	
5.	Masoleng NI	18.	Speelman NW (MMC)	
6.	Matlabe MMT	19.	Qwesha GL	
7.	Sentle AN (Apology)	20.	Thuthani ZA (MMC)	
8.	Ntsebeng MH (MMC)	21.	Radebe MC	
9.	ZP Noveld (MMC)	22.	TIhone ML	
10.	Molefi MJ	23.	Tsubane ME	
11.	Nyembe ME	24.	Twanana M	
12.	Petleki Kl	25.	Vanga NM	
13.	Qabela V	26.	TD Khalipha	
		27.	Majoe TS (Absent)- did not sign	
		ARD		
28.	Dlamini SC	44.	Motshabi MP	
29.	Kotzee AP (MMC)	45.	Mphikeleli MA	
30.	Mahloko NN	46.	Nakwa TA	
31.	Majwede MC (Absent)	47.	Ntsala NS	
32.	Makgowe PV	48.	Peterson E	
33.	Mankayi NE	49.	Radebe LLF	
34.	Manzana NR	50.	Rubulana L	
35.	Masienyane MD	51.	Nteo SD	
36.	Mathebula MA	52.	Sejane LM	
37.	Mfebe MSE(MMC)	53.	Semela ME	
38.	Mkhusane NC	54.	Sithole B	
39.	Moahloli MS (Apology – Sick)	55.	Taliwe FE	
40.	Mokhuma MS	56.	Thembani PP	
41.	Mokobori KE (Absent)	57.	Tsatsa SJ	
42	Monjovo NE			
43.	Montshioa BA (MMC)			

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

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	PROPORTIONAL	
70.	Coetzee BJA	

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		PROPORTIONAL
71.	Mofoka MA (Apology)	

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	WARD
72.	Liphoko SJ

OFFICIALS

Dr L Moorosi	:	Acting Municipal Manager
Mr MNS Moletsane	:	Director Corporate Support Services
Mr M Besani	:	Director Infrastructure
Me KR Maloka	:	Director Social Services and Law Enforcement
Mr LB de Bruyn	:	Acting Chief Financial Officer
Me A Schoeman	:	Administrative Officer (Corporate Services)
Me T Lenong	:	Acting Administrative Officer (Corporate Services)

SECTION A

1. OPENING

Pastor Tshabalala opened the meeting with Scripture reading and prayer.

The Speaker requested condoning of the late distribution of the agenda due to the fact that the meeting could no longer be postponed.

2. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

See Councillors Attendance List on pages I and II of these minutes.

3. OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE SPEAKER

- **3.1** The Speaker announced that Cllr BA Montshioa was appointed as Acting Executive Mayor in the absence of the honorable Executive Mayor.
- **3.2** The Speaker allowed the Acting Executive Mayor to share some information with the Council.

Cllr BA Montshioa, Acting Executive Mayor, informed Council that on Tuesday, 27 May 2008, the Minister of Water and Forestry, Minister Hendricks, visited Matjhabeng as part of the annual Water Week, but it was also a specific visit where the Minister announced in that meeting that after having interacted with the Municipality of Matjhabeng with regard to the pollution that was caused within Council's area of jurisdiction, the Department was left with no option but to issue a directive against Matjhabeng Municipality. The directive relates to the contravention of the provisions of Chapter 4 of the National Water Act and specifically section 22 of the Act. The directive also put Council on terms that by 27 June 2008 Council should have done the following:

- (a) To provide the Department with a detailed, updated Action Plan that focuses on municipal infrastructure.
- (b) To specify the financial breakdown in the Action Plan according to the actions that are required.
- (c) To specify the timeframes for the specific actions to be completed.
- (d) To address the lack of human resources to sustain waste water management in accordance with the requested Action Plan.

The Acting Executive Mayor announced that the Executive Mayor immediately appointed a task team that must see to the adherence of that directive as issued by the Ministry. The Acting Executive Mayor made a special request that a Special Council meeting be arranged to discuss and debate the directive as well as the tabling of the report on the action the Municipality would be taking to adhere to the directive as issued by the Ministry.

3.2 The Speaker introduced Cllr KL Meyer who filled the vacancy that existed in the DA after Cllr Styger was elected as a Ward Councillor.

4. MOTIONS OF SYMPATHY AND CONGRATULATIONS BY THE SPEAKER

4.1 The Speaker informed the meeting that Cllr Dlova's sister and his sister's son passed away. A moment of silence was observed.

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: (2008-05-29)

- 8.1 That the Minutes of the 2nd Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 31 March 2008 **BE APPROVED** and **CONFIRMED** subject thereto that the **(MMC)** next to Cllr Dlamini's name **BE DELETED**.
- 8.2 That the Minutes of the 1st Special Council meeting held on 16 April 2008 BE APPROVED and CONFIRMED subject thereto that:
 (a) The (MMC) next to Cllr Dlamini's name BE DELETED.
 - (b) The presence of Cllr Taliwe at the meeting **BE VERIFIED**.
- 8.3 That the Minutes of the 2nd Special Council meeting held on 30 April 2008 BE APPROVED and CONFIRMED subject thereto that:
 (a) The (MMC) next to Cllr Dlamini's name BE DELETED.
 - (b) The presence of Cllr Taliwe at the meeting **BE VERIFIED**.

The Speaker reiterated the fact that if Councillors did not sign the Attendance Register they would be deemed absent.

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9. FORMAL SIGNING OF MINUTES

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

10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Noted.

SECTION B

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

A36/2008

12. REPORTS OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

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13. CLOSING REMARKS

- **13.1** The Speaker invited Ward Councillors in particular to attend a meeting at Lejweleputswa on their Budget.
- **13.2** The Speaker invited Councillors for refreshments at Room 428.

14. CLOSURE

The Speaker terminated the meeting at **11:45**.

L RUBULANA (SPEAKER)

DATE

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//THE SPEAKER REQUESTED THAT THE ITEMS BE DEALT WITH IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER: A39/2008, A36/2008, A38/2008, A37/2008//

A36/2008

FREE STATE MUNICIPAL PENSION FUND : ELECTION OF COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE FREE STATE MUNICIPAL PENSION FUND (4/1/2/2) (Office of the Speaker)

PURPOSE

To request Matjhabeng Municipality to elect Councillor Representatives to serve on the Free State Municipal Pension Fund.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (29 MAY 2008)

That Council **ELECTS** Councillors L Rubulana, TA Nakwa, MJ Molefi, MSE Mfebe, MA Mathebula and VH Neumann as representatives on the General Committee of the Free State Municipal Pension Fund.

A37/2008

THE 2008-2009 ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY (6/1/1/1 – 2008/2009)(ACFO)

PURPOSE

To submit to Council the draft Annual Budget for the 2008-2009 financial year.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (29 MAY 2008)

- 1. That the increase of 8% for tariffs (Assessment Rates, Sewer and Refuse) BE APPROVED.
- 2. That the 6% increase for water **BE APPROVED**.
- 3. That the 14% increase for electricity BE APPROVED.
- 3. That the Operating Budget of R 1,022,119,049 and the Capital Budget of R 139,681,762 BE APPROVED.

//BEFORE DISCUSSION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEM THE ANC REQUESTED A CAUCUS.//

A38/2008

FINAL IDP REVIEW DOCUMENT (18/1/18) (AMM)

PURPOSE

To present to Council the Final IDP Review Document.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (29 MAY 2008)

That Council APPROVES the IDP Review document.

A39/2008

REPORT ON FINDINGS BY THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE BASED ON THE MATJHABENG MUNICIPALITY'S ANNUAL REPORT 2006/2007 (4/1/2/2) (Oversight Committee)

PURPOSE

To submit to Council the report on findings by the Oversight Committee based on the Matjhabeng Municipality's Annual Report 2006/2007.

Cllr Motshabi presented the report on the findings by the Oversight Committee based on the Matjhabeng Municipaliy's Annual Report for 2006/2007.

Cllr Motshabi indicated that the only amendment to the previous report was on page 14 of the Annexures, i.e. the inclusion of point 5 under 6. Proposals to Council.

Cllr Motshabi indicated that the Annual Report was not correct and the manner in which it was presented to them made it impossible to use a ward-based format.

Cllr Motshabi thanked the Members of the Oversight Committee for dedicating their time to compile the report, especially members of the public who was part of the Committee.

COUNCIL RESOLVED (29 MAY 2008)

1. That Council **ADOPTS** the report on the findings of the Oversight Committee with regard to the Matjhabeng Municipality's Annual Report for 2006/2007 subject to the following amendments:

- (a) That point 4 under 6. Proposal to Council on page 10 of the report BE AMENDED to read as follows:
 - 4. That the Municipal Manager should work with the Oversight Committee directly.
- (b) That point 5 under 6. Proposal to Council on page 10 of the report BE AMENDED to read as follows:
 - 5. That an investigation **BE DONE** and a report **BE TABLED** before Council on Councillors and all employees owing the Municipality money.
- 2. That the Annual Report for the 2006/07 Financial Year **BE SUBMITTED** to the MEC for Local Government and Housing.
- 3. That the Executive Mayor **MUST TABLE A REPORT** on what action had been taken against people who did not co-operate with the Oversight Committee at the next meeting.
- 4. That the report on the investigation with regard to Councillors and employees owing Council money **BE TABLED** at the next meeting.