MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING OF WITZENBERG MUNICIPALITY, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL OFFICES, 50 VOORTREKKER STREET, CERES ON FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2016 AT 10:00

#### **PRESENT**

### Councillors

TT Godden (Speaker)

BC Klaasen (Executive Mayor)

K Adams (Deputy Executive Mayor)

R Badela

P Daniels

JJ du Plessis

MC du Toit

JP Fredericks

WJ Hanekom

S Louw

MA Mentor

JS Mouton

SM Ndwanya

JT Phungula

MI Saula

EM Sidego

RJ Simpson

A Smit

**HJ Smit** 

D Swart

JJ Visagie

### Officials

Mr D Nasson (Municipal Manager)

Mr J Barnard (Director: Strategic Services)
Ms J Krieger (Director: Community Services)

Mr HJ Kritzinger (Director: Finance

Mr M Mpeluza (Director: Corporate Services)

Mr JH Swanepoel (Acting Director: Technical Services)

Mr A Hofmeester (IDP Manager) Mr G Louw (Head: Internal Audit)

Mr CG Wessels (Manager: Administration)
Ms M Arendse (Principal Administrative Officer)

### Other representatives

Mr N Bettesworth (Ceres Business Initiative)

### 1. OPENING AND WELCOME

The Speaker requested Councillor R Simpson to open the meeting with prayer where after he welcomed everyone present.

### NOTED.

# 2. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE, IF ANY (3/1/2/1)

None.

NOTED.

### 3. STATEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MATTERS RAISED

## 3.1 Gratitude, Congratulations and Commiseration (11/4/3)

Council's congratulations are conveyed by Councillor J Phungula to the following councillors and/or spouses on their birthdays:

Councillor J du Plessis
 Councillor E Sidego
 Councillor H Smit
 25 February

Councillor D Swart, on behalf of the DA coalition, extended condolences to Councillor J Fredericks on the passing away of his father.

The Speaker requested a minute of silence for the passing away of the fathers of Councillor J Fredericks and the Manager: Traffic Services.

NOTED.

## 3.2 Matters raised by the Speaker (09/1/1)

- The Speaker congratulated councillors who received an invitation to a SALGA certification ceremony regarding Leadership and Governance.
- The Speaker expressed his gratitude for the blessing of welcome rain in this time of drought.

NOTED.

## 3.3 Matters raised by the Executive Mayor (09/1/1)

- The Executive Mayor mentioned that the municipality has been funded with R27 million to build a dam in Tulbagh.
- The Executive Mayor thanked the Municipal Manager and executive team for services rendered with regard to the water crisis.
- The Executive Mayor congratulated the municipality on receiving an award for excellent administrative management.
- The Executive Mayor announced that Witzenberg Municipality was identified as a rural industrial municipality by the state president in his State of the Nation Address.

- The Executive Mayor requested councillors to convey the message to the communities that water should be used sparingly.
- The Executive Mayor announced that savings will be introduced in respect of transport, accommodation and refreshments for councillors.
- The Executive Mayor referred to the council resolution with regard to electronic equipment and use of tablets by councillors and requested that the decision be obeyed for saving purposes.

NOTED.

### 4. MINUTES

## 4.1 Approval of minutes (3/1/2/3)

The minutes of the council meeting, held on 25 January 2016, are attached as **annexure 4.1**.

- (a) Councillor M du Toit requested that the minutes of the council meeting held on 25 January 2016 in respect of resolution 8.1.7 which reads "That Council accepts the Adjustment Budget of Witzenberg Municipality for the financial year 2015/2016" be amended to read "That Council takes note of the tabling of the Adjustment Budget of Witzenberg Municipality for the financial year 2015/2016".
- (b) Councillor J Phungula mentioned that the matter discussed at outstanding matters in respect of parking at the back of the Technical Services building was not minuted.

The Municipal Manager explained that the matter was attended to in the Adjustment Budget.

### **RESOLVED**

(a) that resolution 8.1.7 of the minutes of the council meeting, held on 25 January 2016, which reads "That Council accepts the Adjustment Budget of Witzenberg Municipality for the financial year 2015/2016" be amended to read:

"That Council takes note of the tabling of the Adjustment Budget of Witzenberg Municipality for the financial year 2015/2016."

(b) that the minutes of the council meeting, held on 25 January 2016, as amended, be approved and signed by the Speaker.

# 4.2 Outstanding matters (3/3/2)

File reference	Heading, item	Directorate	Action	Progress	Target date
	no. and date				
17/19/P	Extended Public Works Program (EPWP) Policy: 2015/2016	Community Services	Policy to be workshopped by Council	Speaker to determine workshop date.	
	8.3.1 of Council 25-01-2016				

7/1/4/2	Confirmation of previous sale of	Municipal Manager	(a) That matter be held in	Office of Municipal	
	erven 1238, 1239 and 1240, Tulbagh	Ü	abeyance until next council	Manager busy compiling list.	
	8.4.2 of Council		meeting. (b) that		
	25-01-2016		Municipal		
			Manager compiles a list of		
			all similar cases		
			and submits same at the next		
			council meeting.		

### **RESOLVED**

that the outstanding matters be noted.

5.	MOTIONS AND NOTICE OF SUGGESTIONS

None.

NOTED.

### 6. INTERVIEWS WITH DELEGATIONS

None.

NOTED.

### 7. GEDELEGEERDE BEVOEGDHEDE / DELEGATED POWERS

# 7.1 Minutes: Committee meetings (03/3/2)

The reports/minutes of the following meetings are attached:

- (a) Municipal Public Accounts Committee, held on 26 May 2015: **Annexure 7.1(a)**.
- (b) Komitee vir Behuisingsaangeleenthede, gehou op 12 November 2015: **Bylae 7.1(b)**.
- (c) Executive Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 November 2015: Annexure 7.1(c).
- (d) Committee for Technical Services, held on 25 November 2015: **Annexure 7.1(d)**.
- (e) Komitee vir Gemeenskapsontwikkeling, gehou op 26 November 2015: **Bylae 7.1(e)**.
- (f) Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, held on 26 November 2015: **Annexure 7.1(f)**.
- (g) Komitee vir Behuisingsaangeleenthede, gehou op 11 Desember 2015: **Bylae 7.1(g)**.

### **RESOLVED**

that the minutes of the committee meetings be noted.

### 8. GERESERVEERDE BEVOEGDHEDE / RESERVED POWERS

### 8.1 Direktoraat Finansies / Directorate Finance

# 8.1.1 Monthly reports of the Department Finance: September, October, November and December 2015 (9/1/2/2)

The following items refer:

- (a) Item 7.1.1 of the Executive Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 November 2015.
- (b) Item 6.4.1 of the Performance, Risk and Audit Committee meeting, held on 27 November 2015.
- (c) Item 8.1.1 of the council meeting, held on 25 January 2016.
- (d) Item 7.1.1 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 2 February 2016.
- (e) Item 7.1 of the meeting of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, held on 10 February 2016.

The following monthly reports of the Department Finance are attached:

(a) September 2015 Annexure 8.1.1(a) (b) October 2015 Annexure 8.1.1(b)

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 November 2015 that the matter of the monthly reports of the Department Finance for September and October 2015 be held in abeyance until the next meeting.

Extract from the minutes of the Performance, Risk and Audit Committee meeting, held on 27 November 2015:

The Performance, Risk and Audit Committee suggested that consideration be given to the National Treasury e-tender for possible ideas and methods and that feedback be given at the next meeting.

It was also suggested that incidents such as misconduct and theft be reported quarterly with reference to the scenario and processes followed.

The Performance, Risk and Audit Committee resolved on 27 November 2015 that cognisance be taken of the monthly reports of the Department Finance for September and October 2015.

The following monthly reports of the Department Finance are attached:

(a) November 2015 Annexure 8.1.1(c) (b) December 2015 Annexure 8.1.1(d)

Council resolved on 25 January 2016 that the matter be held in abeyance until the next council meeting.

Extract from the minutes of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 2 February 2016:

The Municipal Manager enquired as to the progress of meter readings and the estimations thereof.

The Director: Finance indicated that the number of meter reading estimations has declined from 12 % to 9 % and although it is within the acceptable range, the goal is to decrease it even further.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 2 February 2016 to recommend to Council that cognisance be taken of the monthly reports of the Department Finance for September, October, November and December 2015 and same be accepted.

Extract from the minutes of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services meeting, held on 10 February 2016:

Councillor du Plessis mentioned that the outstanding debts of Government Departments were collected positively in comparison with November 2015.

Councillor du Plessis also stated that there was a significant increase regarding outstanding debt by councillors and officials.

The Chief Financial Officer mentioned that the concession by Council to reconnect electricity over the festive season resulted that consumers misused Council's goodwill by not paying their municipal accounts.

The Chief Financial Officer informed the meeting that the debt collection service providers are currently busy focusing on employees' municipal accounts.

The Chief Financial Officer reported that the Section: Income is currently in the process of calculating the rand value of the 2014/2015 financial year per town for water usage. The aim is to determine the effect it will have on the higher tariffs as implemented by Council. It was further mentioned that the implementation of the higher tariffs for consumers, especially during the drought, will encourage consumers to use water sparingly.

The Committee for Corporate and Financial Services resolved on 10 February 2016 that cognisance be taken of the monthly reports of the Department Finance for November and December 2015 and same be accepted.

Questions of clarity were posed regarding the following:

- (a) The expense incurred on an excursion to the Inverdoorn game reserve with a delegation from Belgium.
- (b) The increasing outstanding debt.

The questions for clarity were responded to by the Municipal Manager and Chief Financial Officer.

### **RESOLVED**

that Council takes note of the monthly reports of the Department Finance for September, October, November and December 2015 and same be accepted.

# 8.1.2 Monthly reports: Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan: October and December 2015 (5/1/5/8)

The following items refer:

- (a) Item 7.1.2 of the Executive Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 November 2015.
- (b) Item 7.1.2 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 2 February 2016.

The monthly report of the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan for October 2015 is attached as **annexure 8.1.2(a)**.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 November 2015 that the matter of the SDBIP monthly report for October 2015 be held in abeyance until the next meeting.

The monthly report of the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan for December 2015 is attached as **annexure 8.1.2(b)**.

Councillor S Louw enquired as to why the level of work place skills is extremely low and requested urgent attention to the matter.

The Municipal Manager indicated that attention will be given to the matter in the second half of the financial year.

The Executive Mayor mentioned that the turnaround time with regard to the upgrading of roads by subcontractors is too long and unacceptable.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 2 February 2016 to recommend to Council that cognisance be taken of the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan monthly reports for October and December 2015 and same be accepted.

#### **RESOLVED**

that Council takes note of the Service Delivery and Budget Implementation Plan monthly reports for October and December 2015 and same be accepted.

# 8.1.3 Fees payable for the reconnection of electricity disconnected due to outstanding municipal accounts (05/12/4)

The following items refer:

- (a) Item 7.3 of the meeting of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, held on 25 August 2015.
- (b) Item 7.1.3 of the Executive Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 21 October 2015.
- (c) Item 8.1.3 of the council meeting, held on 9 December 2015.
- (d) Item 8.1.4 of the council meeting, held on 25 January 2016.

(e) Item 7.1.3 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 2 February 2016.

The following memorandum, dated 14 August 2015, was received from the Director: Finance:

### "1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is:

 To submit the fees payable for the reconnection of electricity disconnected due to outstanding municipal accounts, for consideration to Council.

### 2. Legal framework

The following reconnection fees were approved annually with the budget by Council:

	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016
Office hours	35	37	39
After hours	150	159	168

Although separate tariffs were approved for after-hours reconnections, the tariff was not implemented.

### 3. <u>Discussion</u>

The monthly administrative cost of providing reconnection services after hours is approximately R17 500.00.

The cost of disconnection of conventional meters is R160.00 and the cost of the reconnection is R160.00 as well. The total cost is therefore R320.00."

The Municipal Manager mentioned that the implementation of the proposed increase for the reconnection fees will result in significant financial losses for the municipality. It is also noted that a great amount of indigent households will not be able to afford the increase in reconnection fees.

The following options could be considered:

- Subsidise re-connection fees of electricity
- Decrease re-connection fees of electricity
- Maintain re-connection fees of electricity

The Municipal Manager mentioned that the above will not have a significant financial loss for the municipality.

The Committee for Corporate and Financial Services resolved on 25 August 2015 that the matter regarding fees payable for the reconnection of electricity disconnected due to outstanding municipal accounts be referred to the Executive Mayoral Committee for further deliberation.

The Executive Mayoral Committee resolved on 21 October 2015:

- (a) That the matter be held in abeyance in order to obtain more information regarding the rates of conventional and prepaid electricity per unit.
- (b) That a special Executive Mayoral Committee meeting be held before the council meeting of 28 October 2015 after (a) supra has been investigated.

Council resolved on 9 December 2015 that the matter regarding fees payable for the reconnection of electricity disconnected due to outstanding municipal accounts be held in abeyance.

Council resolved on 25 January 2016 that the matter regarding fees payable for the reconnection of disconnected electricity be held in abeyance until a workshop has been held.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 2 February 2016 to recommend to Council:

- (a) that the tariffs for the reconnection of disconnected electricity be fixed at R39 for prepaid users and R100 for conventional users.
- (b) that the amended tariffs for the reconnection of disconnected electricity be approved.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (a) that the tariffs for the reconnection of disconnected electricity be fixed at R39 for prepaid users and R100 for conventional users.
- (b) that the amended tariffs for the reconnection of disconnected electricity be approved.

### 8.1.4 Quarterly Budget Statement Report for period 1 October to 31 December 2015 (9/1/1 & 9/1/2/2)

The following items refer:

- (a) Item 7.2 of the meeting of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, held on 10 February 2016.
- (b) Item 7.1.3 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 February 2016.

The Quarterly Budget Statement Report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2015 is attached as **annexure 8.1.4**.

The Committee for Corporate and Financial Services resolved on 10 February 2016 to recommend to Council:

That cognisance be taken of the Quarterly Budget Statement Report for the period 1 October 2015 until 31 December 2015 and same be accepted.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 February 2016 to recommend to Council that the Quarterly Budget Statement Report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2015 be noted and same be accepted.

#### **RESOLVED**

that the Quarterly Budget Statement Report for the period 1 October to 31 December 2015 be noted.

### 8.1.5 Mid-year adjustment of 2015/2016 top layer SDBIP targets (5/1/5/8)

Item 7.1.4 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 February 2016, refers.

The following report, dated 12 February 2016, was received from the Acting Director: Technical Services:

"The proposed mid-year adjustment of the 2015/16 top layer SDBIP targets is herewith presented.

The proposed adjustments are required after the evaluation of the outcomes of the 2014/2015 Annual Report and the 2015/2016 Mid-year report.

The KPI's to be adjusted are as follows:

Ref	Directorate	KPI Name	Current annual target	Proposed annual Target	Comments
TL10	Technical Services	Kilometres of roads upgraded and rehabilitated	2.3 km	9.41 km	Increase due to implementation of Vredebes housing project.
TL11	Technical Services	Number of subsidised serviced sites developed.	150	600	Increase due to implementation of Vredebes housing project.
TL15	Technical Services	Number of subsidised electricity connections installed.	0	158	Connections for Pine Valley housing project.
TL17	Corporate Services	Percentage of people from employment equity target groups employed in the three highest levels of management.	75 %	74 %	Adjust target to December 2015 actual reported.
TL34	Community Services	Number of Rental Stock transferred.	100	55	Delays experienced by transferring attorney in terms of contacting beneficiaries as well as transfer approvals.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 February 2016 to recommend to Council that the proposed new targets of the mid-year adjustment of 2015/2016 Top Layer SDBIP targets be approved.

### **RESOLVED**

that the proposed new targets of the mid-year adjustment of 2015/2016 top layer SDBIP targets be noted and same be approved.

# 8.1.6 Adjustment budget for condonation of unauthorised expenditure relating to non-cash items: 2014/2015 (5/1/1/13)

Item 7.1.5 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 February 2016, refers.

The following documents are attached:

- (a) Memorandum from the Director: Finance, dated 16 February 2016: **Annexure 8.1.6(a)**.
- (b) Schedule B: Annexure 8.1.6(b).

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 February 2016 to recommend to Council:

- that it is noted that the unauthorised expenditure relates to overspending of various votes as highlighted in the report and that such overspending could not have been easily avoided;
- that it is noted that the unauthorised expenditure does not relate to any mala fide actions or misappropriation of funds by any official and that no money needs therefore to be recovered from any person;
- (iii) that the unauthorised expenditure therefore be authorised via an adjustment budget by the Council;
- (iv) that the Accounting Officer not be held liable in terms of Section 32(1) (b) of the Municipal Finance Management Act as the unauthorised expenditure was not deliberately or negligently incurred by the Accounting Officer; and
- (v) that the adjustment budget for the 2014/2015 financial year be approved.

### **RESOLVED**

- (a) that Council takes note of the following:
  - (i) that the unauthorised expenditure relates to overspending of various votes as highlighted in the report and that such overspending could not have been easily avoided;
  - (ii) that the unauthorised expenditure does not relate to any mala fide actions or misappropriation of funds by any official and that no money needs therefore to be recovered from any person;

- (b) that the unauthorised expenditure therefore be authorised via an adjustment budget by the Council;
- (c) that the Accounting Officer not be held liable in terms of Section 32(1) (b) of the Municipal Finance Management Act as the unauthorised expenditure was not deliberately or negligently incurred by the Accounting Officer; and
- (d) that the Adjustment Budget for the 2014/2015 financial year be approved.

## 8.1.7 Adjustment budget: 2015/2016 (5/1/1/14)

Item 7.1.6 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 February 2016, refers.

The following documents are attached:

- (a) Memorandum from the Director: Finance, dated 18 January 2016: Annexure 8.1.7(a).
- (b) Adjustment budget: 2015/2016 2017/2018: **Annexure 8.1.7(b)**.
- (c) Schedule B: Annexure 8.1.7(c).

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 February 2016:

- (a) That the Adjustment Budget for 2015/2016 be workshopped by Council.
- (b) To recommend to Council:

that Council approves the Adjustment Budget of Witzenberg Municipality for the financial year 2015/2016.

### **RESOLVED**

that Council approves the Adjustment Budget of Witzenberg Municipality for the financial year 2015/2016.

### 8.2 Direktoraat Tegniese Dienste / Directorate Technical Services

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### 8.3 Direktoraat Gemeenskapsdienste / Directorate Community Services

### 8.3.1 Declaration of a local state of disaster for the current drought situation (16/2/5/1)

Item 7.3.1 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 February 2016, refers.

The following memorandum, dated 14 January 2016, was received from the Manager: Disaster Management and Fire Services:

#### "Purpose

That Council considers declaring the drought in the municipality as a local state of disaster and as such promotes the declaration to the Provincial Disaster Management Centre.

#### **Background**

Below normal rainfall and mild winters have resulted in the municipality facing a water crisis.

The water scarcity situation in the Tulbagh area was brought to the attention of Council on 27 May 2015 which resolved:

- (a) That a circular be issued to the Tulbagh community to use water economically.
- (b) That the following be implemented:
- (i) That no watering of gardens will be allowed.
- (ii) That no washing of vehicles by means of a hosepipe will be allowed.
- (iii) That the water restriction tariffs be charged as follows at Tulbagh to ensure that consumers utilise less water.

These water restrictions were implemented as from 13 June 2015. Despite these restrictions, the situation worsened and required that further water restrictions be implemented in the Tulbagh area as of 16 November 2015.

On 26 November 2015 Council resolved to implement water restrictions in Ceres, Nduli, Bella Vista, Wolseley, Op-die-Berg and Prince Alfred's Hamlet due the state of the Koekedouw Dam.

In terms of Section 55 of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002), the council of a municipality having primary responsibility for the co-ordination and management of a disaster is authorised to publish the declaration of a local state of disaster in the Provincial Gazette should current legislation and contingency measures be insufficient to deal with the situation effectively or other special circumstances warrant such a declaration. The requirements of Sections 23, 35, 49, 56 and 57 also have to be complied with in order to declare a local state of disaster. These sections of the said act clearly guide the responsibilities and competencies of local, provincial and national government structures during disastrous events of this nature and the consequent processes that follow afterwards in order to declare a state of disaster.

The current state of the water resources within the municipality warrants that this situation be declared a disaster in order for additional resources to be made available to deal with this crisis."

The Executive Mayor enquired with regard to the many new carwash businesses and households utilising more than 20 kilolitres of water per month, due to the many complaints received by the Executive Mayor's office.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 February 2016 to recommend to Council:

- (i) that Council declares the water crisis a local state of disaster with all due processes to be followed and to publish the declaration of a local state of disaster after consideration by the Provincial Cabinet and classification and verification by the National Disaster Management Centre; and
- (ii) that the Provincial Disaster Management Centre be advised accordingly and requested to promote the request in terms of the relevant legal requirements and prescribed procedures to the Provincial Cabinet and National Disaster Management Centre.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (a) that Council declares the water crisis a local state of disaster with all due processes to be followed and to publish the declaration of a local state of disaster after consideration by the Provincial Cabinet and classification and verification by the National Disaster Management Centre; and
- (b) that the Provincial Disaster Management Centre be advised accordingly and requested to promote the request in terms of the relevant legal requirements and prescribed procedures to the Provincial Cabinet and National Disaster Management Centre.

## 8.3.2 Ceres railway line and golf estate (17/19/2/28 & 15/4/1/1/5)

Item 7.3.2 of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee meeting, held on 23 February 2016, refers.

A letter from Mrs CM Lackay from HJ Nicholls & Sons, dated 19 February 2016, is attached as annexure 8.3.2.

The Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee resolved on 23 February 2016 to recommend to Council that Transnet and all parties concerned be invited to a meeting to discuss the concerns of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee.

### **RESOLVED**

that Transnet and all parties concerned be invited to a meeting to discuss the concerns of the Executive Mayor and Mayoral Committee.

### 8.4 Direktoraat Korporatiewe Dienste / Directorate Corporate Services

# 8.4.1 Bedanking as Voorsitter van Munisipale Publieke Rekeninge Komitee (Clr/Sidego EM)

'n Brief vanaf raadslid EM Sidego, gedateer 25 Januarie 2016, word aangeheg as bylae 8.4.1.

Die Uitvoerende Burgemeester bedank raadslid Sidego vir haar termyn as Voorsitter van die Munisipale Publieke Rekeninge Komitee asook vir die resultate wat behaal is.

#### **BESLUIT**

dat kennis geneem word van raadslid EM Sidego se bedanking as Voorsitter en lid van die Munisipale Publieke Rekeninge Komitee.

The DA coalition requested a caucus break from 11:39 until 11:55.

The ANC requested a caucus break from 11:55 until 12:00.

### 8.4.2 Appointment of chairperson for Municipal Public Accounts Committee (2/1/2)

The following report, dated 19 February 2016, was received from the Municipal Manager:

### "Purpose

To recommend to Council that a Chairperson for the Municipal Public Accounts Committee as well as further members of the committee be appointed.

### Background

Councillor E Sidego has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee on 25 November 2014 as per council resolution 6.4.1. The said councillor gave verbal notice at the council meeting of 25 January 2016 where it was indicated that a formal item be tabled, which has been done under item 8.4.1 of this meeting.

In terms of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee Charter the chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee must be appointed by Council.

Council further resolved on 23 August 2012 that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee will be represented by each political party. There is currently only two serving members on the Municipal Public Accounts Committee, namely Councillors J Phungula and J Mouton. Council is requested to consider the appointment of the Chairperson as well as the other members of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee.

The Speaker put the election of a Chairperson for the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to vote and the outcomes were:

Councillor M Mentor: 12 votes
 Councillor M du Toit: 8 votes

Councillor K Adams abstained from voting.

The Speaker declared Councillor M Mentor as duly elected as Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee.

Councillor J Phungula and J Mouton verbally tendered their resignation as members of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee and will tender same in writing.

Councillor P Daniels was nominated by the DA as a member of Municipal Public Accounts Committee.

The Speaker stated that the resignation as members of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee be dealt with at the next council meeting.

### **RESOLVED**

- (a) that the resignation of Councillor EM Sidego as Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee be accepted.
- (b) that the resignation of Councillor EM Sidego as member of the Oversight Committee be accepted.
- (c) that Councillor M Mentor be elected as Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee.
- (d) that the resignation of Councillors J Phungula and J Mouton as members of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee be accepted.
- (e) that the nomination of Councillor P Daniels as a member of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee be accepted.

#### 9. URGENT MATTERS SUBMITTED AFTER DISPATCHING OF THE AGENDA

## 9.1 Amendment of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy (05/12/4)

The following items refer:

- (a) Item 7.2 of the meeting of the Committee for Corporate and Financial Services, held on 25 August 2015.
- (b) Item 8.1.2 of the council meeting, held on 9 December 2015.
- (c) Item 8.1.3 of the council meeting, held on 25 January 2016.

The Committee for Corporate and Financial Services resolved on 25 August 2015 to recommend to Council:

- (a) That paragraph 6.1 of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy be deleted.
- (b) That schools and hostels be removed from paragraph 5.1 of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy.

Council resolved on 9 December 2015:

- (a) That the matter regarding the amendment of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy be held in abeyance.
- (b) That the amendment of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy be workshopped by Council.

Councillor D Swart proposed, seconded by Councillor BC Klaasen, that the recommendation be accepted.

Councillor MC du Toit proposed, seconded by Councillor K Adams, that the matter be held in abeyance until same has been workshopped by Council.

The chief whip of the DA, Councillor D Swart, requested a caucus break of ten minutes on behalf of the DA coalition.

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 and resumed at 10:47.

Councillor D Swart withdrew his proposal as seconded by Councillor BC Klaasen.

Council resolved on 25 January 2016 that the matter regarding the amendment of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy be held in abeyance until a workshop has been held.

The following documents are attached:

- (a) A memorandum from the Director: Finance, dated 14 August 2015: Annexure 9.1(a).
- (b) Consumer Payment Incentive Policy: **Annexure 9.1(b)**.
- (c) Presentation of the Director: Finance: **Annexure 9.1(c)**.

### **RESOLVED**

- (a) that paragraph 6.1 of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy be deleted.
- (b) that schools and hostels be removed from paragraph 5.1 of the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy.
- (c) that the Consumer Payment Incentive Policy, as amended, be accepted.

10.	FORMAL AND STATUTORY MATTERS
	None.
	NOTED.
11.	QUESTIONS and/or MATTERS RAISED by COUNCILLORS
	None.
	NOTED.
12.	ADJOURNMENT
	The meeting adjourned at 12:06.
Approve	ed on 30 March 2016 without amendments.
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