



REPORT TO THE MSUNDUZI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

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5TH Level: COUNCIL: 30 March 2017

OVERSIGHT REPORT 2015/2016

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To present to Council for adoption the Oversight Report on the Annual Report 2015/2016
- 1.2 To recommend to Council the adoption of the Annual Report 2015/2016, with reservations

2. ANNEXURES

- 2.1 Oversight Report 2015/2016 (distributed separately)
- 2.2 Annual Report 2015/2016 (distributed separately)

3. LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS

- 3.1 Municipal Finance Management Act, No.56 of 2003 (MFMA)
- 3.2 Circular 32 issued by National Treasury

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Municipal Accounts Committee established by Council is responsible for the drafting of the Oversight Report on the Annual Report
- 4.2 The adoption of the Oversight Report is the concluding step in the annual reporting process of a municipality and is a requirement in terms of Section 129 of the MFMA, which requires the Council to adopt an Annual Report.

- 4.3 Once the Annual Report is tabled, the Council has two (2) months in which to consider the report, invite the public submissions and to finalize its Oversight Report.
- 4.4 Council must consider the Annual Report and adopt an Oversight Report that includes a statement with one of the following:
- Approval of the report with or without reservations
 - Rejection of the Report; or
 - Referral of the report back for revision of those components that can be revised.
- 4.5 The Oversight Report is a separate document from the Annual Report. The Annual Report is submitted to the Council by the Accounting Officer and the Mayor and is part of the process of discharging accountability by the Executives and Administration for their performance in achieving objectives and goals set by the municipality in the relevant financial year. The Oversight Report follows consideration and consultation on the Annual Report and is considered to be a report of the Municipal Council.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

- 5.1 The Annual Report was tabled in Full Council 26 January 2017.
- 5.2 Immediately after tabling, the Annual Report of the Msunduzi Municipality was made available on the Municipal website, as well as the Area Base Management (ABM) offices. The Annual report was also made available to the following offices;
- Office of the Auditor General
 - National Treasury
 - The MEC – KZN Treasury
 - The MEC – KZN Department of Local Government
- 5.3 The Annual report has been subject to the Oversight process as the provisions of S129 of the MFMA and adopted Oversight Process Plan on the 2015/2016 Annual Report (attached as Annexure “A” to the Oversight Report).
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- 5.5 The minutes of all the meetings the Msunduzi Municipality's Annual Report was discussed are attached (attached as Annexure "C" – "J") as part of the Oversight Report, which has been distributed separately.
- 5.6 Attached as Annexure "K" is the Annual Report Checklist issued by National Treasury. This serves as a guide to determine whether all the requisite content is contained in the Annual Report of 2015/2016

Overview of the Findings of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee on the Annual Report 2015/2016

- The Municipal Public Accounts Committee is satisfied that the 2015/2016 Annual report have been through a vigorous process that complies with relevant legislation as well as an Oversight Process Plan
- Various amendments have been effected and do not warrant specific mention in this report as they have been captured in the attached minutes.

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 ~~FINANCIAL~~

6.1.1 N/A

6.2 LEGAL

- 6.2.1** The report has been compiled accordingly to the requisite legal requirements as per the Municipal Finance Management Act, No.56 of 2003 (MFMA) and Circular 32 as issued by the National Treasury.

6.3 COMMUNICATION

- 6.3.1** The 2015/2016 Annual Report and Oversight Report will be submitted to the;
- National Treasury
 - Auditor General

- MEC: KZN Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs
- MEC: KZN Provincial Treasury
- KwaZulu Natal Provincial Legislature

6.3.2 Both reports will be published on the Msunduzi Municipalities website.

6.4 **COMMUNITY**

6.4.1 the community was invited to make comment on the Annual Report as a means for public input during the Oversight process, no comment was received.

7. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

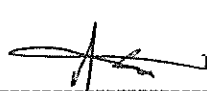
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- 7.9 That the General Manager: Community Services submit a comprehensive plan on the maintenance of halls which will ensure that facilities are thoroughly checked before and after events and caretakers be allocated to all halls throughout the municipality to prevent vandalism and ensuring their up keeping
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- 7.16 That the Acting City Manager, in the interest of better communication with the public, prepares an abridged version of the Annual Report 2015/2016.

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- 7.18 That the Oversight Report be made public in accordance with section 129(3) of the Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003.
- 7.19 That the 2015/2016 Annual Report and Oversight Report, including the minutes where the Annual Report was discussed, be submitted to the following offices in terms of Section 129(2) of the MFMA:-
- National Treasury
 - Auditor General
 - MEC: KZN Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs
 - MEC: KZN Provincial Treasury
- 7.20 That the Oversight Report be submitted to the Provincial Legislature in accordance with Section 132(2) of the Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003.
- 7.21 That the 2015/2016 Annual Report and the Oversight Report, including the minutes where the Annual Report was discussed, be submitted to the following offices in terms of Section 123 (2) of Section 129 (2) of the MFMA:-
- National Treasury
 - Auditor General
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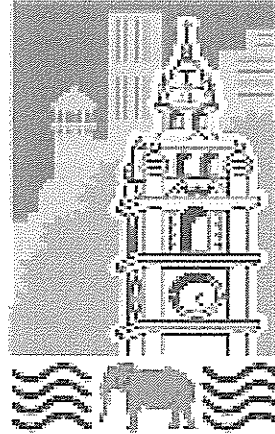
8. SUBMITTED BY:



Cllr M Schalkwyk
MPAC CHAIR

DATE: 30/03/2017

CITY OF CHOICE



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OVERSIGHT REPORT

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2015/2016

Councillors:

Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee
Councilor M Schalkwyk

Councilor N Ngubo
Councilor NC Gambu
Councilor SI Madonda
Councilor SD Ngubane
Councilor MB Mkhize
Councilor XE Ngongoma
Councilor NB Ahmed
Councilor BE Zuma
Councilor LJ Winterbach
Councilor R Jugmohan
Councilor R Niemand
Councilor P Duma

Administrative Support:

Mr Hlalani Zondi: Office of the MPAC Chair: Manager
Mr Indrasen Chetty, Manager: Strategic Analysis and Research (Acting)
Mr Bonga Halimana, Performance Management Practitioner (Acting)
Mr Latha Dlamini, Assistant Performance Management Practitioner
Nomthandazo Sikhakhane: Municipal Manager's Representative
Ms Thabile Makhathini: Committee Officer

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Annual Report is a key instrument of transparent government and accountability. It is a post-financial year document, which provides an overview of the process of the financial and non-financial performance in respect of the previous financial year, in this instance 2015/2016.

The Municipal Finance Management Act (MFMA) assigns specific oversight responsibilities of an Oversight Report.

Given the processes required by Council to effectively undertake its oversight role, the establishment of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee of Council will provide the appropriate mechanism in which Council could fulfill its oversight responsibilities.

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee and herein referred to as the oversight Committee, has the primary role to consider the Annual Report, receive input from various role players and to prepare a draft Oversight Report for consideration by Council.

2. BACKGROUND

The oversight role of Council is an important component of the financial reforms and it is achieved through the separation of roles and responsibilities between council, the Executive (Mayor and Executive Committee) and Administration. Good governance, effective accountability, and oversight can only be achieved if there is a clear distinction between the functions performed by the different role players.

Non-executive Councilors are required to maintain oversight on the performance of specific responsibilities and delegated powers that they have given the executive (Mayor/Executive committee). In other words, in exchange for powers in which Council have delegated to the Executive, Council retains a monitoring and oversight role ensuring that there is accountability for the performance or non-performance of the municipality.

The Municipality Finance Management Act, No.56 of 2003 (MFMA) vests in Council specific powers of approval and oversight.

- Approval of budget
- Approval of Budget related Policies; and
- Review of the Annual Report and adoption of the Oversight Report

3. THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

3.1 COMPOSITION

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee is a Committee of Council established under section 79 of the Municipal Structures Act, 1998. Due to the separation of roles and responsibilities, between Council and the Executive (Mayor and Executive Committee) it is not appropriate that members of the Executive Committee be members of the Oversight Committee.

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee consists of the following Councilors;

Councilor M Schalkwyk
Councilor N Ngubo
Councilor NC Gambu
Councilor SI Madonda
Councilor SD Ngubane
Councilor MB Mkhize
Councilor XE Ngongoma
Councilor NB Ahmed
Councilor BE Zuma
Councilor LJ Winterbach
Councilor R Jugmohan
Councilor R Niemand
Councilor P Duma

Councilor M Schalkwyk serves as Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee.

3.2 AUTHORITY AND POWERS

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee is a Council committee established in terms of section 33 and 79 of the Municipal Structures Act, No.117 of 1998. In terms of accountability, the committee accounts directly to council.

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee is delegated the responsibility to conduct meetings and to hold public hearings to receive and hear public submissions on the Annual Report, on behalf of Council.

Timely notices off all public meetings should be given and all meetings held by the Municipal Public Accounts Committee must be open to the public and minutes of the meeting must be submitted to council meetings.

3.3 ANNUAL REPORT OVERSIGHT FUNCTION

The Annual Report oversight functions of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee are to;

- Undertake the review and analysis of the Annual Report
- Invite, receive and consider inputs from Council and Portfolio Committee, on the Annual Report
- Consider written comments received in respect of the Annual Report from the public consultation process.
- Conduct Public Hearing(s) to allow the local community or any organs of state to make representation on the Annual Report.
- Receive and consider Council's Audit Committee views and comments on the annual financial statements and the performance report.
- Preparation of the draft Oversight Report, take into consideration, the views and input of the public, representative(s) of the Auditor-General, organs of state, Council's Audit Committee and Councilors.

4. THE OVERSIGHT REPORT PROCESS PLAN

Section 129 of the Municipal Financial Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) requires the Council to consider its Annual Report and to adopt an Oversight Report.

In order for the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to conduct its oversight over the 2015/2016 Annual Report, an Oversight Process Plan was developed and adopted by Council on the 23th of January 2017 (**attached as Annexure “A”**)

The approved Oversight Process Plan in respect of the 2015/2016 Annual Report indicates amongst others; that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee should scrutinize the Annual Report and all the other support documents, solicit comments from the public, generate questions and submit to the City Manager for response, hold public meetings, draft an oversight report and unanimously adopt it prior to this report serving in Council within two months.

The Annual Report 2015/2016 was submitted to Council at its meeting held on the 23th January 2017, and was referred to the Municipal Public Municipal Accounts Committee subject to minor amendments to the Report. The community was advised through the print medium of the availability of the Annual Report and were invited to submitted representation on the report (**attached as Annexure “B”**)

The Annual Report was available at all Area Base Management (ABM) satellite offices in the 5 Zones, the municipal Information Centre at City Hall and the office of the Municipal Manager. It was also placed on the Msunduzi Municipality website (www.msunduzi.gov.za). At the closing date for public submissions of concerns on the Annual Report, 24th of February 2017, *no submissions* were received. The Public were invited to the tabling of the Oversight Report to Council on 30th of March 2017.

Meetings of the Oversight Committee were scheduled and held as follows;

ACTIVITY	DATE
Submission of Oversight Process Plan for adoption by Full Council	Wednesday 25 January 2017
Place advertisement in the local news papers	Thursday and Friday 26/27 January 2017
Introduction Meeting on the Interrogation on the Annual Report 2015/2016	Friday 3 February 2017
MPAC Meeting Corporate Services	Friday 10 February 2017
MPAC Meeting Infrastructure Services	Monday 27 February 2017
MPAC Meeting Community Services	Friday 17 February 2017
MPAC Meeting Economic Development	Friday 3 March 2017

MPAC Meeting Finance Services Unit	Monday 6 March 2017
MPAC Meeting Corporate Business unit	Thursday 09 March 2017
Confirmation of Minutes, Presentation of Draft Oversight Report, Presentation of Revised Annual Report 2015/2016 excluding the engagements with Infrastructure Services Business Unit	28 March 2017
Submission to MEC COGTA, A-G, Provincial Treasury	Tuesday 05 April 2016

The schedule of proposed dates of meetings attached as Annexure 'B' was advertised on 26 and 27 January 2017; however due to unforeseen circumstances, some of the meetings had to be rescheduled as per the above table.

03 February 2017 – INTRODUCTORY MEETING REFER ANNEXURE “C”

This was an introductory meeting which includes a general presentation outlining the Oversight process and requirements. Members were advised that the invitations to meetings of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee were sent to all General Managers.

10 FEBRUARY 2017 – CORPORATE SERVICES REFER ANNEXURE “D”

The following sections were dealt with in the Corporate Services Business Unit:

- Human Resource Services
- Information and Communication Technology Services
- Legal Services
- Organizational Development Performance
- Political Governance and Administration Governance

Various amendments within the Business Unit were requested to be made and submitted to the Organizational Performance Management Unit prior to the final print of the Annual Report 2015/16.

03 MARCH 2017- CORPORATE BUSINESS UNIT REFER ANNEXURE “E”

The following sections were dealt with within the Business Unit:

- Office of the Mayor
- Office of the Speaker
- Office of the Municipal Manager
- Internal Audit
- Report on Audit Committee Recommendation.

Various amendments within the Business Unit were requested to be made and submitted to the Organizational Performance Management Unit prior to the final print of the Annual Report 2015/16.

06 MARCH 2017- FINANCIAL SERVICES BUSINESS UNIT REFER ANNEXURE “F”

The following sections were dealt with within the Business Unit:

- Financial Services
- Supply Chain Management
- Financial Performance
- Annual Financial Statements
- Report of the Auditor General 2015/16
- Response to the Auditor General

The report on Indigents (Free Basic Services) was not reflected under the Financial Services Business Unit. It was further requested that management amends the responses to the Auditor-General's report and submit amendments to the Organizational Performance Management Office prior to the final print of the Annual Report 2015/2016.

07 MARCH 2017- SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CITY ENTERPRISES BUSINESS UNIT REFER ANNEXURE "I"

The following sections were dealt with within the Business Unit:

- Planning
- Local Economic Development
- Airport
- Building Control and Signage
- Market
- Human Settlements

15 MARCH 2017- COMMUNITY SERVICES BUSINESS UNIT REFER "J"

The following sections were dealt within the Business Unit:

- Waste Management Services
- Art Gallery
- Theatres and Halls
- Cemeteries and Crematoria
- Environmental Health
- Bio-Diversity and Landscape
- Traffic and Public Safety
- Fire
- Disaster Management
- Sports and Recreation
- Library Services
- Safe City (Municipal Entities)

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27 MARCH 2017- INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES BUSINESS UNIT REFER ANNEXURE "K"

The following sections were dealt with in the Business Unit:

- Water Services
- Sanitation Services

- Electricity Services
- Roads
- Transportation Planning
- Storm Water
- Fleet Management
- Waste Management- Landfill Site
- Report of the Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG)

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5. THE FINDINGS OF THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE 2015/2016 ANNUAL REPORT

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee is satisfied that the 2015/2016 Annual report have been through a vigorous process that complies with relevant legislation as well as an Oversight Process Plan

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The Municipal Public Accounts Committee takes pleasure in presenting the Oversight Report to Council with the following recommendations for consideration:-

IT WAS RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND:

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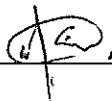
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6. **CONCLUSION**

The current report provides the oversight on the Annual Report of the Msunduzi Municipality and its entities for the Financial Year 2015/2016 in terms of provisions of the Municipal Finance Management Act as well as the process that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee undertook to comply with the applicable legislation.

Furthermore, it is recommended by the Municipal Public Accounts Committee that corrective measures be taken by General Managers within their respective Business Units to address all matters raised in the Annual Report 2015/2016.

Respectfully Submitted



Cllr M Schalkwyk
Chairperson: Municipal Public Accounts Committee

"ANNEXURE A"

OVERSIGHT PROCESS PLAN IN RESPECT ON THE 2015/2016 ANNUAL REPORT

ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME	VANUE	MAIN CONSIDERATIONS
Submission of Oversight Process Plan for adoption by Full Council	Wednesday 25 January 2016	09h30	City Hall, Council Chamber	Oversight Process Plan presentation to Full Council
Place advertisement in the local news papers	Thursday and Friday 26/27 January 2017			Announcing dates and inviting public comment on the Annual Report 2015/2016
MPAC Meeting	Friday 3 February 2017	14h15	City Hall, Council Chamber	Introductory Meeting on the Interrogation on the Annual Report 2015/2016
MPAC Meeting Corporate Services	Friday 10 February 2017	09h00	City Hall, Council Chamber	Solicit input from Officials and Public
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MPAC Meeting	Friday 17 March 2017	09h00	City Hall, Council Chamber	Oversight Report presentation to Full Council
Submission to MEC COGTA, A-G, Provincial Treasure	Tuesday 05 April 2017			Submission of Annual Report with the Oversight Report

ANNEXURE 'B'



The Hollywoodbets Dolphins will be buoyed by the fact that the tournaments leading run scorer Khaya Zondo (Pictured) returned to form with a century and a fifty in their last Sunfoil Series outing as they prepare for a must-win against the Multiply Titans this week

The Hollywoodbets Dolphins' base camp will move up the N3 this week as they make the Pietermaritzburg Oval home once again for their crucial Sunfoil Series against the defending champions the Multiply Titans from Thursday 2 February to Sunday 5 February.

As the Sunfoil Series heads into its final two rounds of fixtures the title is achievable for all six franchises, which puts the second place Dolphins under pressure as they hope to leapfrog the VKB Knights in to top spot should they win this week.

"We have got a squad of 14 players with us in Pietermaritzburg," Hollywoodbets Dolphins coach Grant Morgan said on

Dolphins in action at the Oval

Tuesday.

"We will take the same eleven that drew to the Lions with Craig Alexander and Cody Chetty remaining in the squad.

"The only addition to that squad is Praelan Subrayen.

"Sibz Makhanya has a slight side strain which means he might not be able to bowl in the match but we will have enough fire power in the bowling ranks to do the job."

Morgan is hoping that he can select the same eleven players that put a potentially strong Lions team under pressure in Pietermaritzburg a fortnight ago and he is happy with the direction his team is going in.

"It's everything on the line for all the teams going into these final two games and I am really happy with how the boys have bounced back from a disappointing T20 campaign.

"This week we are going up against a strong Titans side and they will be coming here to get a win following their defeat to the Cobras - who are putting some big pressure on all the other teams now.

Following a disappointing T20 campaign

and a soul-searching break the Hollywoodbets Dolphins have been in strong positions in all three of the Sunfoil Series matches, which is a testament to the attitude of the players.

This week's fixture will be the first in a coaching capacity for Imraan Khan who retired from the game recently to take up the position as assistant coach with the Dolphins.

The Dolphins will be encouraged by the return to form of the tournaments leading run scorer Khaya Zondo, who has scored 714 runs in his eight games, whilst Vaughn van Jaarsveld is second on that runs scorers list with 710 runs in eight games.

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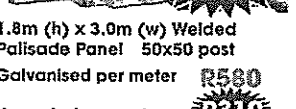
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THE MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NOTICE SUPPLY AND SERVICES CONTRACT NO. 59 OF 2017 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MEDICATION

The Msunduzi Municipality hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified and experienced Service Providers for the supply and delivery of medication for a period of three years.

Only Service Providers who are registered with the South African Pharmacy Council (SAPC) shall be eligible to submit tenders.

Tender documents will be available to tenderers from 12h00 on Thursday, 02 February 2017. Tender documents can be downloaded and printed at the tenderer's cost from the National Treasury e Tender Publication Portal on www.tenders.gov.za. Printed copies of the tender documents shall also be available from the Supply Chain Management Unit Offices, 5th Floor, A S Chetty Centre, 333 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, at a non-refundable tender deposit fee of R450.30 (including VAT) for each document drawn. Only cash, bank guaranteed cheques or EFT payments will be accepted.

For any technical related enquiries, please contact Sipho Sithole (Occupational Health Clinic) on direct Telephone No. 033 - 393 5090 or e-mail address sipho.sithole@msunduzi.gov.za.

For any procurement related enquiries, please contact Vinay Mohanlal (Supply Chain Management Unit) on direct Telephone No. 033 - 392 2862 or e-mail address vinay.mohanlal@msunduzi.gov.za.

Tenders contained in sealed envelopes and marked with "Supply and Services Contract No. 59 of 2017: Supply and Delivery of Medication" must be placed in the Tender Box, located in the Foyer, Ground Floor, City Hall, 169 Chief Albert Luthuli Street, Pietermaritzburg, 3201, not later than 12h00 on Monday, 06 March 2017, when they will be publicly opened. Only tenders placed in the Tender Box shall be accepted.

Tender Validity Period: Ninety (90) days commencing from the closing date of tender.

Tender Evaluation Criteria: The tender shall be evaluated on the 90/10 Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 8 of 2000.

The Msunduzi Municipality does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to accept the whole or any part of a tender. Each tenderer will be informed of the tender result.

The Msunduzi Municipality expects businesses within the Pietermaritzburg and Midlands Region to support its contract and BEE/SME initiatives.

MR SIZWE HADEBE (ACTING CITY MANAGER)

Msunduzi Municipality
Public Notice
Annual Report 2015/2016

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Mrs TC Ndlela - Municipal Manager

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**MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
 INTRODUCTORY MEETING ON THE INTERROGATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT
 2015/16**

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
 ON **FRIDAY, 03 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 09h45**

PRESENT: Councillors M Schalkwyk (Chairperson), M Ngubo, SD Ngubane, XE Ngongoma, NB Ahmed, SI Madonda, P Duma and R Jugmohan

ABSENT: Councillors NC Gambu, MB Mkhize, LJ Winterbach, R Niemand and BE Zuma

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Messrs and Mesdames: H Zondi (Manager: Municipal Public Accounts Committee Office), Sthabile Msomi (Manager: Internal Audit and Forensic Investigations), I Chetty (Manager: Performance Management Systems), B Halimana (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), L Dlamini (Performance management Systems Practitioner) and T Makhathini (Committee Officer).

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE

(Item 1 of the agenda)

The Chairperson greeted all present and apologised for starting the meeting late.

Applications for leave were received from Councillors LJ Winterbach who was on sick leave and MB Mkhize who was on family responsibility leave.

It was

RESOLVED

That Councillors LJ Winterbach and MB Mkhize be granted leave of absence from the current Municipal Public Accounts Committee meeting.

2. INTRODUCTORY OF OVERSIGHT REPORT PROCESS PLAN IN RESPECT OF THE ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

Report dated 03 February 2017 incorporating recommendations by the Manager: Office of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee

(Tabled at the meeting)

The Committee requested that the attendance of General Managers per business unit be compulsory for the purpose of providing meaningful input with regards to issues raised.

It was

RESOLVED

- a) That the report on the Introductory of the Oversight Report process plan in respect of the Annual Report 2015/2016 be **NOTED**.
- b) That the Chairpersons of concerned business units and General Managers be invited to

attend the Oversight Report meetings.

4. MSUNDUZI MUNICIPALITY ANNUAL REPORT CHECKLIST 2015/2016

(Document by the Manager: Performance Management Systems)

(Tabled at the meeting)

It was

RESOLVED

That the Msunduzi Municipality Annual Report Checklist 2015/2016 by the Manager: Performance Management Systems be **NOTED**.

5. PRESENTATION BY THE PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT UNIT

Service Delivery Budget Implementation Plan (SDBIP) and Operational Plan (OP)

Presentation by Mr. B. Halimana (Performance Management Systems Practitioner)

The Performance Management Systems Practitioner went through the following:

- The Brief Overview of the Organizational Performance Policy
- The Purpose of the Organizational Performance Management System Policy (OPMS)
- The Purpose of the Individual Performance Management Systems Policy (IPMS)
- Differences Between the OPMS and IPMS policies
- The relationship between the Integrated Development Plan, SDBIP and Scorecard

It was

RESOLVED

That the presentation by the Performance Management Unit on the basic elements of analyzing the Annual Report for Councillors be **NOTED**.

The meeting terminated at 10h49

Confirmed by

CHAIRPERSON

PIETERMARITZBURG

13 February 2017

ACCOUNTABILITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS				
Document	Name	Designation	Signature	Date
Prepared by	Ms T Makhathini	Committee Officer		13/02/2017
Checked by	Ms N Sikhakhane	Secretariat Manager		
Cleared for distribution by	Mr S Dubazana	Process Manager: Sound Governance		

MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE CORPORATE SERVICES BUSINESS UNIT
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MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
 ON FRIDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 09h45

PRESENT: Councillors M Schalkwyk (Chairperson), M Ngubo, NC Gambu, R Niemand, SD Ngubane, XE Ngongoma, NB Ahmed, SI Madonda, BE Zuma and R Jugmohan

OTHER
 COUNCILLORS: Councillor P Sithole (Chairperson: Corporate Services Portfolio Committee)
 PRESENT

ABSENT: Councillors MB Mkhize, LJ Winterbach and P Duma

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 PRESENT: Messrs and Mesdames: H Zondi (Manager: Municipal Public Accounts Committee Office), M Molapo (General Manager: Corporate Services), S Dubazana (Senior Manager: Secretariat and Auxiliary Services), F Ndlovu (Senior Manager: Human Resource Management and Employee Relations), X Ngebulana (Senior Manager: Information Communication Technology), K Thaver (Legal Advisor), N Sikhakhane (Municipal Manager's Representative), L Dlamini (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), B Khuzwayo (Translator) and T Makhathini (Committee Officer).

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2. NOTING OF MINUTES: MEETING HELD 10 FEBRUARY 2016

Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Corporate Services Business Unit meeting held on 10 February 2016

(Page 1 of the agenda)

Minutes presented for reference purposes

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Corporate Services Business Unit meeting held on 10 February 2016 be **NOTED**.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

(Raised verbally)

The Committee raised a concern with regards to the abbreviations noted on the report, members of the community might find it difficult to read the document due to the number of abbreviations and it was requested that words/phrases be written in full first before acronyms/ abbreviations are used.

4.1. CHAPTER 2: COMPONENT A

Political Governance and Administrative Governance

(Page 30 of the Annual Report)

The Chairperson highlighted that the purpose of the current meeting, stating that members of the MPAC had to interrogate and raise queries on issues of concern as part of their oversight role as highlighted under the heading Introduction to Political Governance on Page 30 of the Annual Report.

NOTED.

4.2. CHAPTER E: CORPORATE SERVICES

Human Resource Services, Information and Communication Technology Services (ICT), Legal Services and Organisational Development Performance.

(Page 170 of the Annual Report)

The members requested an update in terms of commitments made by management and whether the processes that were pending at the time of the release of the Annual Report regarding the Contract Staff Absorption and the Placement Process were concluded. The Committee further requested an update on the status quo of the performance of the Legal Services Division as it appeared to be understaffed hence the municipality was relying heavily outsourced legal services. The Committee also raised a concern that mechanisms of addressing the short staff challenge was not mentioned in the Annual Report.

The General Manager: Corporate Services confirmed that she and her section managers had seen the Annual Report and confirmed correctness and accuracy of the information in the report. She further mentioned that she was open to respond to queries raised by the Committee and took the committee through the processes that had transpired since the Annual Report was written.

She indicated that Corporate Services Business Unit was currently facing a challenge that was similar organisationally in respect of high vacancy rates as a result of the outcome of the migration process.

In response to the concern raised by the Committee on the high vacancy rates throughout the organisation, she advised that there was funding available for the filling of vacancies and the Human Resource Management Unit was in the process of drafting adverts for publication in order to fill vacant posts in all Business Units. She added that in terms of the Allocation Policy the Msunduzi Municipality was compelled to advertise internally first once off and then proceed with external adverts only if there was no suitable candidate internally. She elaborated that the progress to date was at the point of resolving all staff disputes arising out of staff allocation that took place in 1 June 2016.

The Committee felt that it was critical for the municipality to capacitate the existing Legal Department so as to minimise or do away outsourcing legal work. It was also noted that financial implications attached to outsourced legal services could not be provided off-hand at the current meeting.

It was

RESOLVED

- a) That the General Manager: Corporate Services provides a report at the next standing meeting of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee detailing the financial implications incurred by the municipality through all services outsourced by legal services.
- b) That the issue of various units within the municipality being understaffed be included in the Oversight Report with the intention to request the Accounting Officer to address this as a matter of urgency.

5. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE MEETINGS, WORKSHOP INVITE AND LATE COMING

(Raised verbally)

The Chairperson announced that the MPAC- Infrastructure Services Business Unit meeting that was scheduled to take place on Monday had been moved to Wednesday the 15th of February 2017, at the Council Chamber at 14h00.

She also announced that the MPAC had been invited to a workshop scheduled to take place in Durban on the 30th and 31st of March 2017 adding that councilors would be informed of the logistical arrangements in due course.

She further urged members to be on time for meetings to avoid starting meetings late as the Rules of Order Bylaws stipulate that the meeting be adjourned should it not quorate within 15 minutes after the scheduled commencement time.

The meeting terminated at 11h14

Confirmed by

CHAIRPERSON

PIETERMARITZBURG

13 February 2017



**MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
CORPORATE BUSINESS UNIT**

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
ON FRIDAY, 03 MARCH 2017 AT 09h25

PRESENT: Councillors M Schalkwyk (Chairperson), M Ngubo, NC Gambu, R Niemand, XE Ngongoma, NB Ahmed, SI Madonda, BE Zuma, P Duma and R Jugmohan

ABSENT: Councillors MB Mkhize, SD Ngubane and LJ Winterbach

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Messrs and Mesdames: B Dlamini (Manager: Speaker's Office), S Zimu (Manager: Integrated Development Planning), I Chetty (Manager: Organisational Compliance, Performance & Knowledge Management-Acting), P Stamper: Chief Audit Executive-Acting), L Dlamini (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), B Halimana (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), H Zondi (Manager: Municipal Public Accounts Committee Office), N Sikhakhane (Municipal Manager's Representative), L Dlamini (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), V Padayachee (Finance Support Services-CBU) and T Makhathini (Committee Officer).

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE

(Item 1 of the agenda)

The Chairperson greeted all present and apologised for starting the meeting late. She further requested Councillor Niemand to open the meeting with a prayer.

Applications for leave were received from Councillors LJ Winterbach and SD Ngubane who were both on sick leave and MB Mkhize who had family responsibility. Apologies were received from the Acting Municipal Manager who was on council business and the Acting Manager: Office of the Municipal Manager who was attending another meeting.

It was

RESOLVED

That Councillors LJ Winterbach, SD Ngubane and MB Mkhize be granted leave of absence from the current Municipal Public Accounts Committee meeting.

2. NOTING OF MINUTES: MEETING HELD 09 MARCH 2016

Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Corporate Business Unit meeting held on 09 March 2016

(Page 1 of the agenda)

Minutes presented for reference purposes

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Corporate Business Unit meeting held on 09 March 2016 be **NOTED**.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

(Raised verbally)

The Committee decided to commence with Chapter 2, Component F which comprised of the Internal Audit Unit Sections.

4.1. CHAPTER 2: COMPONENT F

4.1.1. Internal Audit

(Page 198 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Chief Audit Executive Acting took the Committee through the hierarchical arrangement within the Internal Audit unit, further stating that the unit was under capacitated and that the unit was relying heavily on co-sourced partnership in order to fulfil its functions successfully. Responding to a clarity seeking question, she further advised that the Internal Audit Unit report directly to the Audit Committee that comprised of 5 external members and was guided by the Municipal Finance Management Act as well as the King III guidelines in terms of the functions of the Audit Committee.

The Chief Audit Executive- Acting further highlighted the reasons the Internal Audit Unit ended up performing more audits than initially planned was due to the fact that during the course of the year, the Accounting Officer may allocate provide as and when necessary additional assignments to the Internal Audit Unit.

It was noted that the Whistle Blowing Tool which was initially created for reporting fraud and corruption had been used by the community to report day-to-day activities related to service delivery challenges.

The Committee requested that the shifted function of the Whistle Blowing Tool caused by the mal-functioning of the Msunduzi Municipality Call Centre be included in the Annual Report. The Committee further stated that the Municipal Public Accounts Committee must ensure that the issue of the Call Centre be addressed by tasking the Accounting Officer with providing an immediate intervention in order to ensure the effective functioning of the Call Centre as a matter of urgency.

It was

RESOLVED

- a) That the Internal Audit Unit amends its report to include the challenges faced by the Whistle Blowing Tool being used to report service delivery related challenges due to the ineffective Call Centre.
- b) That the Accounting Officer be requested to address the mal-functioning of the Msunduzi Municipality Call Centre as a matter of urgency.
- c) That the Accounting Officer be requested to ensure that recommendations made by the Internal Audit to user departments are implemented as their non-implementation results in non-compliance, consequently the municipality obtains a qualified audit.
- d) That the issue of the Call Centre be included as a matter of emphasis on the Oversight Report for the accounting officer to attend to it urgently.

4.2. CHAPTER 9: REPORT ON THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND RECOMMENDATIONS

(Page 370 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Committee requested that a report on the unresolved issues of the Audit Committee and Outstanding Matters be submitted at the next standing meeting of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee in order for the Committee to remain abreast in terms of pending audit issues.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Chief Audit Executive-Acting submits a report on the tracking tool used by the Internal Audit Unit to monitor all outstanding/ unresolved audit matters.

4.3. OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER

4.3.1. Chapter 2: Component A

(Page 30 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Manager: Office of the Speaker (Acting) led the Committee through matters relating to Component A and Component C. He further drew the Committee's attention to the unfavorable outcomes in terms of community meetings and ward committee meetings that were held in 2015/16. He reminded members that this was due to the fact that the 2015/2016 financial year was an election year and adding that such was caused by the fact that 2016 had local government elections.

The Committee queried as to why the names of the current Councillors were on the report and further requested that the pictures of both previous and current Councillors be included on the Annual Report 2015/2016 and a foot-note be inserted to inform the public on the old and new dispensation.

Responding to the query by Councillor Niemand on the status of Manager: Office of the Speaker (Acting) regarding his capacity, he confirmed that he was still the manager: office of the Speaker, further adding that the Acting Municipal Manager be consulted should there be further queries.

Following which Councillor Niemand requested that the response by the Manager: Office of the Speaker be recorded on a verbatim form.

At this point of the proceedings the African National Congress requested a 5 minute caucus at 10h43 and reconvened at 10h45.

AFTER MEETING NOTE: by the Senior Manager: Sound Governance and Auxiliary Services

Minutes are compiled as a summary of the proceedings, however a verbatim is only provided on request to that particular Councillor requesting it. It is to be noted that such will be forwarded to Councillor Niemand.

The Chairperson advised that the verbatim extract regarding the response from the Manager: Office of the Speaker regarding his appointment be placed under matters arising as it was not critical and also it was not part of items for discussion within the MPAC meeting.

It was

RESOLVED

That names of previous Councillors be included as well in the Annual Report 2015/16 and a foot note be inserted advising that the Councillors on the Annual Report are for the current term.

4.4. OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER: COMPONENT B

4.4.1. Component B

(Page 6 of the Annual Report 2015/2016)

The Performance Management Systems Practitioner went through advised that Page 23 to Page 25 on the Annual Report 2015/2016 had been included in this section by error as it belonged to the Financial Services Business Unit. He further requested the Committee to raise issues pertaining to this section with Financial Services Business Unit.

4.4.2. Chapter 10: Financial declarations of Councillors and Staff

(Page 408 of the Annual Report 2015/2016)

The Performance Management Systems Practitioner appealed to Councillors for ensuring that they had completed and submitted the Declaration of Interest Forms to the Office of the Speaker.

5. MSCOA TREASURY WORKSHOP FOR COUNCILLORS

(Raised verbally)

The Chairperson announced that there was an MSCOA Treasury Workshop for Councillors scheduled to take place on 13 March 2017 at City Hall at 08h00. She further emphasized that it was imperative for Councillors to attend.

NOTED.

6. MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE-OVERSIGHT MEETING: COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES BUSINESS UNITS

(Raised verbally)

The Chairperson advised members that the Oversight Committee meetings within the Community Services Business Unit and the Infrastructure Services Business Unit were scheduled to take place as follows:

Date : 15 March 2017

Venue : City Hall-Council Chamber

Time : 9h00

The Committee further requested that the agenda be circulated at least 72 hours before the meeting.

The meeting terminated at 11h07

Confirmed by

CHAIRPERSON

PIETERMARITZBURG

09 March 2017

MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE COMMUNITY SERVICES BUSINESS UNIT
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MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
 ON WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH 2017 AT 09h20

PRESENT: Councillors NB Ahmed (Interim Chairperson), M Ngubo, NC Gambu, XE Ngongoma, , SI Madonda, BE Zuma, SD Ngubane, R Jugmohan, R Niemand and MB Mkhize

OTHERS
 PRESENT: Councillor S Khumalo (Chairperson: Community Services Portfolio Committee)

ABSENT: Councillors M Schalkwyk (Chairperson), P Duma and LJ Winterbach

OFFICIALS
 PRESENT: Messrs and Mesdames: B Zulu (General Manager: Community Services), K Khumalo (Senior Manager: Public Safety Enforcement and Disaster Management), L Kunene (Senior Manager: Area Based Manager), E Khan (Manager: Disaster Management), N Ntombela (Manager: Library Services), J G Padayachee (Deputy Chief Fire Officer), C Naidoo (Manager: Landfill Site), R Rajah (Manager: Business Waste), WN Bhengu (Security Superintendent), S Ngubeni (DLTC Project Manager), WG Paton (Chief: Fire and Risk), TP Mahlaba (Traffic Senior Superintendent), M Peters (Principal Admin Officer: Parks Finance), F Tseleli (Manager: Support Services), L Dlamini (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), H Zondi (Manager: Municipal Public Accounts Committee Office), N Sikhakhane (Municipal Manager's Representative) and T Makhathini (Committee Officer).

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE

(Item 1 of the agenda)

The Interim Chairperson greeted all present and also thanked the Chairperson Community Services Portfolio Committee for his attendance. She further reported that Councillors Gambu, Zuma, Ngubo would be joining the meeting late.

Applications for leave were received from the Chairperson and Councillor LJ Winterbach.
 It was

RESOLVED

That Councillors LJ Winterbach and M Schalkwyk (Chairperson) be granted leave of absence from the current Municipal Public Accounts Committee- Community Services Business Unit meeting.

2. NOTING OF MINUTES: MEETING HELD 19 FEBRUARY 2016

Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Community Services Business Unit meeting held on 19 February 2016

(Page 1 of the agenda)

Minutes presented for reference purposes

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Community Services Business Unit meeting held on 19 February 2016 be **NOTED**.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

4.1. COMPONENT C: COMMUNITY SERVICES

(Page 126 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

In response to the inquiry on the vacancy rate within the unit, the General Manager: Community Services advised that there was a high vacancy rate within her unit and the staff absorption process had not assisted in closing the gap. She added that she was awaiting Corporate Services Business Unit to advertise posts internally. In response to the question regarding the limited refuse bins within the CBD, she stated that the refuse bins were destroyed by the striking Expended Public Works Programme (EPWP) employees who had their contracts terminated and had not been able to replace them due to limited budget.

In terms of the informal traders on the streets, the General Manager: Community Services advised that their removal was the function of the Sustainable Development and City Enterprises Business Unit, however Community Services Business Unit provides protections services on request. She also added that prior to the Environmental Health Sub-unit being moved to Sustainable Development and City Enterprise Business Unit, an intervention was made to clean the streets where the illegal mechanics conduct they informal trade however, the process proved to be futile as the informal traders continued with polluting the streets with motor oil. The General Manager: Community Services emphasised that transgressors must be removed and the process of removing them must be done by the relevant business unit in order to ensure that the problem is eliminated.

The General Manager: Community Services advised that there was a major challenge in terms of refuse removal due to the limited resources (refuse removal trucks) to perform the function. She further indicated that the funding to procure refuse removal trucks had been requested but was not allocated.

In response to the enquiry on the employment of EPWP staff, the General Manager: Community Services advised that the budget to resume the programme had been requested however, allocation had not been made as yet.

[At this point of the proceeding, (10h00) the African National Congress Councillors requested a cocass and returned at 10h17]

On return, the African National Congress reported that they were not satisfied with the General Manager: Community Service's response and believed that, as much as she was not responsible for dealing with informal or illegal trading, she should be liaising with the General Manager: Sustainable Development and City Enterprises.

In response to the question on the vacancies and availability of budget to fill vacancies, the General Manager: Community Services advised that there was an allocation of R7, 5 million allocated for priority posts; however that she was not in a position to provide exact numbers of posts to be filled. Responding to the request on the EPWP employments per ward, she repeated that funding had been requested, adding that it would be budgeted for 2016/2017 financial year should the requested funding be allocated.

The Committee noted with concern the high vacancy rate within the Community Services Business Unit and it was contributing greatly on the uncleanliness of the City it was further noted that the multi-sector team comprising of different departments which was established to deal with the decay of the City must

be invited to provide a progress update. The General Manager: Community Services advised that there was a proposal of the establishment of a single Law Enforcement Unit comprising of different disciplines/ sectors to ensure that enforcement within the City was strengthened and implemented.

4.1.1. Theatres and Halls

(Page 129 of the Annual Report)

The Committee raised concerns regarding the maintenance of halls as some have caretakers and others do not. The Committee requested that the system of booking halls be linked to the that of providing supervising and informing the ward councillors where bookings are made in order to establish a mechanisms of monitoring and ensuring that users do not steal or vandalise the property after it had been utilised.

It was reported that 157 chairs had been stolen from a hall in ward 22, Councillor Ngongoma's ward and the culprit refuses to return the chairs. The Manager: Area Based Manager undertook to make a follow up on the matter as he had not been aware of it.

4.1.2. Cemeteries and Crematorium

(Page 130 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Committee raised a concern with regards to cemeteries that were not being maintained, and further requested that resources be distributed evenly as there are cemeteries that are maintained on a continuous basis. The Manager: ABM undertook to attend to the request and further responded to the query on the limited space on Hollywood Cemetery stating that there was a portion of land that had been made available and would be fenced in order to be utilised for burial.

Responding to the enquiry made on whether there was a proper record keeping and identification of graves process, the Manager: Support Services advised that there was a good record keeping procedure useful for identifying graves for some cemeteries and not for others. She added that the reasons for this was that there was not yet a proper capturing system for some cemeteries and further stated that registers were being used and that other cemeteries were previously privately owned hence were privately administered. The Committee members requested that cemeteries that did not have fencing be fenced.

4.1.3. Traffic and Public Safety

(Page 135 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Committee raised serious concerns with regards to motorists not adhering to road regulations and absence of law enforcement. It was further requested that traffic officers be posted on areas designated as traffic hot spots especially during peak hours. The Committee also raised a concern regarding the decreasing numbers of employees within the Community Services Business Unit in particular in the Traffic Sub-unit.

The Senior Manager: Public Safety Enforcement and Disaster Management acknowledged that the staff complement was indeed decreasing. He added that the reasons were that all those traffic officers who had criminal records had to be deregistered in terms of legislation as the vetting process was not conducted previously on the appointment, resignations and deaths. He stated that there were no existing means of replenishing staff and that contributes to the unit failing to perform its function of enforcement due to the limited human resources. He emphasized that the services rendered by the Traffic Sub-unit and the Fire Sub-unit were essential and emergency services and could not be outsourced, emphasizing that it was critical that personnel be appointed to capacitate the department.

4.1.4. Disaster Management

(Page 138 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

It was noted that the Disaster Management Sub-unit was highly incapacitated hence the department was unable to attend to disaster management queries timeously due to limited staff and vehicles. The Committee requested that the budget for resources that are provided to the affected family be increased or be need based, as some of the items issued to families were not necessarily what they need or would be useful at the time of the disaster, referring to foam mattresses and tents.

4.1.5. Sports and Recreation

(Page 139 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Committee requested that the price that was charged at the Protea Grounds Sport field be investigated as it appeared to be above the normal price that was charged at other Sportsfields. The Committee further recommended that a Sports Facilitator be appointed in the municipality who would be responsible for organising games and facilitating them internally and externally amongst all wards to assist youth to occupy them so as to lower the risk of being involved in social ills. The Committee further recommended that funding be sought from the Department of Sports and Recreation in order to intensify sports development.

4.1.6. Libraries

(Page 140 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

In response to the enquiry made on the proposed Ward 22 library, the Manager: Library Services updated the Committee that the process of building the proposed library was going ahead, the process was at the Bid Adjudication Committee level and was to commence after approval had been obtained from Bid Adjudication Committee. He further appraised the Committee on the challenge that lead to the delay which was the delay on advertising and finalising the tender by the Department of Arts and Culture as they were the custodians of the project and would hand over the library after project completion.

It was proposed that the funding for the library be transferred to the municipality for the purpose of commencing with the process of advertising the tender as soon as possible.

It was

RESOLVED

- a) That the issue of the high vacancy rate be included in the Oversight Report requesting that steps be taken as a matter of urgency to ensure that posts are advertised internally and externally before the end of the current financial year.
- b) That the multi-sector team established to address the challenges faced within the CBD be invited to the next standing meeting of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to provide the Committee with a progress update on the current status quo.
- c) That a check list be developed and an official be assigned after a booking of a hall had been done to assess and monitor the condition of the hall before and after it has been used, in instances where damages are noted, the municipality deducts repairs from deposit made towards the hall by the user.
- d) That the challenge relating to non-maintenance of cemeteries and the absence of an appropriate record keeping and identification system for graves be included onto the Oversight Report.

- e) That a single Law Enforcement Unit and its recommendation be included in the Oversight Report.
- f) That a Disaster Management Centre be established and further ensure that after the effects of the catastrophe have been assessed, the Disaster Management Team provides to the victims relevant resources that would assist them in contrast to the standard resources that are provided currently to all victims regardless of their irrelevance.
- g) That a comprehensive report be submitted to the next standing meeting of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee comprising of the challenges faced leading to the unit failing to perform its duties, the number of personnel required as well as the budget implications attached hereto.
- h) That the Manager: Finance Support Services furnishes the Performance Management Unit with the minor adjustments on Page 127 of the Annual Report 2015/2016 under Financial Performance 2015/2016: Solid Waste Management

The meeting terminated at 13h39

Confirmed by

CHAIRPERSON

PIETERMARITZBURG

23 March 2017

**MINUTES OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES BUSINESS UNIT**

MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL
ON, 27 MARCH 2017 AT 14h26

PRESENT: Councillors M Schalkwyk (Chairperson), NB Ahmed, M Ngubo, NC Gambu, XE Ngongoma, SI Madonda, SD Ngubane, R Jugmohan and MB Mkhize

OTHERS PRESENT: Councillor S Khumalo (Chairperson: Community Services Portfolio Committee)

ABSENT: Councillors, P Duma, R Niemand, BE Zuma, SI Madonda, and LJ Winterbach

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Messrs and Mesdames: E. Nomnganga (General Manager: Infrastructure Services), B Sosibo (Senior Manager: Roads and Transportation Management-Acting), B Sivparsad (Senior Manager: Water and Sanitation), S Kunene (Senior Manager: Project Management Office), D Reddy (Manager: Workshop), ZA Pillay L Dlamini (Performance Management Systems Practitioner), H Zondi (Manager: Municipal Public Accounts Committee Office), N Sikhakhane (Municipal Manager's Representative) and T Makhathini (Committee Officer).

1. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE

(Item 1 of the agenda)

The Chairperson greeted all present. Applications for leave were received from Councillors LJ Winterbach and SI Madonda who were both on sick leave as well as R Niemand who had another commitment.

It was

RESOLVED

That Councillors LJ Winterbach, SI Madonda and R Niemand be granted leave of absence from the current Municipal Public Accounts Committee- Infrastructure Services Business Unit meeting.

2. NOTING OF MINUTES: MEETING HELD 10 FEBRUARY 2016

Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Infrastructure Services Business Unit meeting held on 10 February 2016

(Page 1 of the agenda)

Minutes presented for reference purposes

It was

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee: Infrastructure Services Business Unit meeting held on 10 February 2016 be **NOTED**.

4. ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016

(Raised verbally)

The General Manager: Infrastructure Services tendered his sincere apologies with regards to him not attending oversight meetings scheduled before the current one and he further advised that an urgent meeting provincial level came up where he had to revert to the municipality with a response.

4.1. CHAPTER 3-COMPONENT A: INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

4.1.1. Water Services

(Page 88 of the Annual Report)

The General Manager: Infrastructure Services further reported that his unit was experiencing a challenge in terms of high water consumption at the Greater Edendale (Vulindlela) that was not accounted for in terms of payments. He added that this contributed to the escalated debt incurred by the municipality and payable to uMngeni Water due to unaccounted water losses that the municipality had to pay for.

The Committee raised concerns in terms of the water leaks noted in the Greater Edendale area that were reported in numerous occasions but had not been attended to to date. It was then requested that the non-billing of water usage within the area be addressed as a matter of urgency in order to manage the challenge of unaccounted water.

The Committee requested that the General Manager: Infrastructure Services at the next standing meeting of MPAC provides a comprehensive report clearly outlining the leaks audited or detected within the Vulindlela Area, number of rectified and those that were still outstanding.

In response to the question regarding the unit being seen to be non-responsive, the General Manager: Infrastructure Services stated that there was a challenge in terms of reporting service delivery challenges due to the malfunctioning state of the Call Centre.

The Committee undertook to include the issue of the non-functioning Call Centre onto the Oversight Report and instruct the Accounting Officer to find an immediate solution to the problem as it continues to hamper service delivery across the municipality. The Committee raised serious concerns with Line Managers stating that, they sometimes ignore Councilors requests when reporting service delivery related faults.

It was reported that the Vulindlela Communities were without water more frequently as compared to other wards which was an infringement of the community's right to access to basic services in this instance which is water. The Committee felt that when it comes to water distribution, Vulindlela and Greater Edendale wards were the most disadvantaged when compared to other wards.

The General Manager: Infrastructure Services advised members that adding to the challenge of poor performance was the high vacancy rate within the Infrastructure Services Business Unit as well as new developments that were not taken into account with approved municipal building plans hence an increased water demand.

NOTED.

4.1.2. Sanitation Services

(Page 95 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

Councillor Jugmohan reported that she had inherited a challenge of having a burst sewer pipe within her ward which had not been addressed despite numerous attempts of reporting it to the relevant unit and further stated that she was not sure of the next step to take in order to resolve the problem as the residents that were in close proximity to the burst pipe were getting sick because of the contaminated air around the area.

The General Manager: Infrastructure Services noted the request and undertook to attend to it.

NOTED

4.1.3. Electricity

(Page 95 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Committee raised a concern with regards to the High Mast Lights ward 7 (Councillor Ngubane's ward) that had never functioned since its installation which then defeats the purpose of it being installed. The Committee further raised numerous issues in terms of broken/non-working streetlights and further requested that the General Manager: Infrastructure Services to attend to the challenges as soon as possible.

NOTED.

4.1.4. Waste Management: Landfill Site

(Page 109 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The Committee proposed that the option of converting waste to energy be explored.

NOTED.

4.1.5. Report on the Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG)

(Page 347 of the Annual Report 2015/16)

The General Manager: Infrastructure Services explained the issue of the returned money to the National Treasury, stating that Infrastructure Services Business Unit was only responsible for almost R500 000 which was for VAT further adding that the other big amounts were from the Integrated Rapid Public Transport Network project.

The Committee further requested that the report with highlighting the projects and amounts that the General Manager: Infrastructure Services was directly and indirectly accountable for be submitted to the next standing meeting of the MPAC

It was

RESOLVED

- a) That the issue of the high vacancy rate be included in the Oversight Report requesting that steps be taken as a matter of urgency to ensure that posts are advertised internally and externally before the end of the current financial year.

- b) That a comprehensive report be submitted to the next standing meeting of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee clearly outlining the leaks audited/detected within the Vulindlela Area, number of rectified or repaired and those that still remained unresolved.
- c) The Senior Manager: Water and Sanitation provides a report at the next Municipal Public Accounts Committee comprising of all queries received and the master plan of how they had been addressed
- d) That the Chief Financial Officer be tasked with finding an immediate solution that would ensure that the community of Vulindlela is billed accordingly with a view to rescuing the escalating money paid for water to uMngeni.
- e) That the Manager: Municipal Public Accounts Office facilitates a site inspection in consultation with General Manager: Infrastructure Services comprising of Infrastructure Services Management and MPAC Councillors be conducted in order to have full insight on discrepancies that were recorded on the Annual Report vis-à-vis what was actually happening on the ground.
- f) That water tankers be delegated to reach all communities without water in order to avoid residents walking long distances for the purpose of collecting water from the water tanker and it being noted that the Committee does not support hired water tankers rather recommend the purchasing of such.
- g) That the General Manager: Infrastructure Services submits a report to next standing meeting of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee clearly indicating the Municipal Infrastructure Grant (MIG) projects and their financial implications that he was directly accountable for and further highlight those projects and their financial implications that he was not accountable for.

The meeting terminated at 16h35

Confirmed by

CHAIRPERSON

PIETERMARITZBURG

29 March 2017

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