

# MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SWARTLAND MUNICIPAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE MALMESBURY CITY HALL ON THURSDAY, 22 AUGUST 2024 AT 10:00

### PRESENT:

Speaker: ald M A Rangasamy

Executive Mayor, ald J H Cleophas Executive Deputy Mayor, cllr J M de Beer

### **COUNCILLORS:**

Bess, D G (DA)
Booysen, A M (FF+)
Fortuin, C (ANC)
Gaika, M F (EFF)
Jooste, R J (DA)
Nel, M (DA)
Ngozi, M (ANC)
O'Kennedy, E C (DA)
Papier, J R (GOOD)

Pieters, C (ANC) Pypers, D C (DA) Soldaka, P E (ANC) Van Essen, T (DA) Vermeulen, G (FF+) Warnick, A K (DA) Williams, A M (DA) White, G E (PA)

## Officials:

Municipal Manager, mr J J Scholtz

Director: Civil Engineering Services, mr L D Zikmann Director: Protection Services, mr P A C Humphreys Director: Electrical Engineering Services, mr T Möller Director: Financial Services, mr M A C Bolton Director: Corporate Services, ms M S Terblanche Director: Development Services, ms J S Krieger Manager: Secretariat and Records, ms N Brand

## 1. OPENING

The Speaker welcomed the Executive Mayor, alderdames, aldermen, councillors, officials, as well as members of the public.

At the invitation of the Speaker, Pastor B van Wyk of the Christian Centre, Malmesbury opened the meeting with scripture reading and prayer.

Cllr. M F Gaika was congratulated by the Speaker on her birthday on 18 August.

## 2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence was granted to Alders N Smit, I S le Minnie and B J Penxa.

## 3. DEPUTATIONS/DECLARATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

## 3.1 FEEDBACK REGARDING THE DISASTER ON RIVERLANDS

The Executive Mayor confirmed that a second flood occurred on Saturday, 17 August, during which the embankment of the fourth dam broke. All the water pipes that were unstable after the flood on Saturday, 8 August, were washed away with the second flood, resulting in the water connections taking longer to be installed.

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There is pressure on the Municipality to complete the work as soon as possible, as Transnet also has to start repairing the railway line.

The administrative process of obtaining tenders for the installation of water pipes is underway.

The Municipal Manager confirmed that the cause of the second flood can be attributed to the work done at the fourth dam by the Department of Water Affairs, that is, after it was specifically informed that the outflow created by Swartland Municipality was sufficient to protect the dam wall.

The Municipal Manager mentioned that the Council can be very proud of the manner in which the Executive Mayor conveyed the events on Riverlands to the Premier's Coordinating Committee. The Executive Mayor acted in the interest of Swartland Municipality and the affected community of Riverlands.

### **NOTED**

## 4. MINUTES FOR RATIFICATION

### 4.1 MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 25 JULY 2024

### **RESOLUTION**

(proposed by cllr M Nel, seconded by cllr E C O'Kennedy)

That the minutes of an Ordinary Council meeting held on 25 July 2024 be approved and signed by the Speaker.

## 5. REPORTING ON DELEGATED DECISION-MAKING BY THE EXECUTIVE MAYOR

### **RESOLUTION**

That note be taken of the Executive Mayor's decisions in terms of delegated power, as contained in the minutes below:

# 5.1 MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE MAYORAL COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 JULY 2024

## 6. REPORTING ON DELEGATED DECISION-MAKING BY THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER

### **RESOLUTION**

That note be taken of the Municipal Manager's decisions in terms of delegated competence, as contained in the minutes below:

- 6.1 MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BID REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 JULY 2024
- 6.2 MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BID REVIEW COMMITTEE HELD ON 25 JULY 2024

### 7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None.

## 8. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

## 8.1 APPROVAL OF THE IDP/SDF/BUDGET TIME SCHEDULE (2/1/4/4/1)

In terms of Section 21(1)(b) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003 (MFMA) the Executive Mayor must submit a time schedule to the Council at least ten months before the commencement of the budget year with key deadlines regarding the review of the Integrated Development Plan (IDP), Spatial Development Framework (ROR) and budgetary process.

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The dates in the time schedule are to a large extent determined by the deadlines set in terms of the MFMA and the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000.

The time schedule was circulated with the agenda.

### RESOLUTION

(proposed by cllr A K Warnick, seconded by cllr A M Williams)

That the time schedule for the revision of the IDP, SDF and the compilation of the annual budget be approved in terms of section 21(1) of the Municipal Finance Management Act, Act 56 of 2003.

## 8.2 2025 MEETING SCHEDULE (3/4/2/1)

The draft 2025 Meeting Schedule has been circulated with the agenda.

## **RESOLUTION**

(proposed by ald T van Essen, seconded by cllr D C Pypers)

- (a) That the proposed meeting schedule for 2025 be accepted;
- (b) That the dates be published bi-annually in the local media for public cognisance, as well as on the municipal website;
- (c) That each councillor be furnished with a copy of the final schedule;
- (d) That the meeting schedule be forwarded to the West Coast District Municipality, SALGA and the Provincial Department of Local Government to use for planning purposes.

## 8.3 AMENDMENTS TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY (8/1/B/1)

During May 2024, the Council approved the amendments to the Preferential Procurement Policy following regulations that came into effect from 16 January 2023.

One of the amendments concern giving priority to local contractors. However, with the implementation of the policy it was found that a more comprehensive definition of "local" needs to be framed in order to prevent the misuse thereof by contractors.

## **RESOLUTION**

(proposed by cllr A K Warnick, seconded by cllr M Nel)

That the proposed amendments to the municipality's Preferential Procurement Policy, as presented in Appendix B, be approved by Council with immediate effect.

SIGNED: SPEAKER