



BEAUFORT WEST MUNICIPALITY OVERSIGHT REPORT

MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT OF THE 2018/2019 ANNUAL REPORT: MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 23 MARCH 2020.

The Municipal Accounts Committee of Council was elected on the 29th March 2019 and comprises of the following members:

Councillor ZJD Lambert (Chairperson)
Councillor E Lawrence
Councillor DE Welgemoed

Oversight Report: Municipal Public Accounts Committee: meeting held on 23 March 2020

Present : Councillor ZJD Lambert (Chairperson)
Councillor E Lawrence
Councillor DE Welgemoed

In Service : Chairperson: Audit Committee - Mr. S Ngewu
Internal Auditor - Ms. RA Naidoo
Acting Director: Financial Services - Mr. Kymdell
Acting Municipal Manager - Mr. AC Makendlana

The Chairperson explain that Councillor DE Welgemoed who is a member of the Committee has been recused by Council on the 18th March 2020 due to privileges information in his possession and is considered a potential witness to the investigation to be conducted under item 2. Alderman JJ van der Linde has been seconded to replace Councillor DE Welgemoed for this meeting.

RESOLUTION OF MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

1. OPENING AND WELCOMING

The Chairperson, Councillor ZJD Lambert welcome everyone present in the meeting.

2. OVERSIGHT REPORT ON ANNUAL REPORT: 2018/2019

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2.1 That having fully considered the 2018/2019 Oversight Report on Annual Reports of the Municipality, Council adopts the Oversight Report on Annual Reports for 2018/2019 without any reservations.

2.2 That all the relevant reports with regarding the following issues as highlighted by the Auditor General's report attached to the Annual Report be tabled to the next MPAC meeting:-

2.2.1 A report regarding the investigation that was performed in respect of fruitless and wasteful expenditure to determine if any person is liable for the expenditure, as required by section 32(2)(b) of the MFMA as stipulated on

Annexure 291, point 71 including the information regarding **point 51 on Annexure 290.**

2.2.2 A report regarding the request of the Municipal Manager, performed by the internal auditor into the contracts for employees with a cell phone provider as stipulated on **Annexure 294, point 92.**

2.2.3 A report of the forensic audit that was performed by an audit firm on behalf of the Western Cape Government regarding alleged irregularities pertaining to the Beaufort West Municipality as stipulated on **Annexure 294, point 95.**

2.2.4 A report regarding the investigation that was performed into the allegation that cash collected was lost between the collection point and depositing it at the bank in respect of traffic fines as stipulated on **Annexure 295, point 96**

2.3 That the recommendations made by the Auditor General be complied with.

COUNCIL'S OVERSIGHT OF THE 2018/2019 ANNUAL REPORT COUNCIL MEETING 31ST MARCH 2020

Present: Alderman SM Motsoane, Speaker, Councillors N Constable, L Deyce, Alderman T Prince, Councillors ZJD Lambert, MA Kilani, AM Slabbert, E Lawrence, L Basson, DE Welgemoed and O Haarvoor

In Service: Municipal Manager, Director: Corporate Services, Director: Financial Service, Director: Electrical Services, Acting Director: Community Services, Manager, Technical Services

1. REVIEW PROCESS

1.1 The Draft Annual Report for 2018/2019 financial year was tabled before Council on the 28 January 2020 in accordance with Section 127 (a) of the MFMA and Council resolved:-

1.1.1 That the Draft Annual Report for the 2018/2019 financial year as tabled before Council be accepted.

1.1.2 That the Draft Annual Report be made public and invite local communities to submit comments and presentations in accordance with Section 21 (A) of the Municipal Systems Act.

2 The Annual Report was submitted to the Auditor General and Provincial Treasury and Department of Local Government in accordance with Section 127 (5)(b)

3 The Report was also advertised in the Local newspaper placed on Municipal website and Libraries in accordance with Section 21 (A) of the Municipal Systems Act.

4. No comments were received from the public on the Annual Report. However comments were received from the Provincial Local Government with a letter dated 8 March 2019 and response was provided on the comments that were tabled before Council on 31ST March 2020.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION: 31st MARCH 2020

Councillor N Constable seconded by Councillor ZJD Lambert proposed:-

- 1.1 That Council take note that no comments were received from the public or Sector Departments.
- 1.2 That having fully considered the 2018/2019 Oversight Report on the Annual Report as presented by Municipal Public Accounts Committee on **Annexure 003 to 004** of the agenda, Council adopts the Oversight Report on the Annual Report for the 2018/2019 financial year without reservations.
- 1.3 That the Annual Report for 2018/2019 financial year attached as **Annexure 005 to 283** of the agenda be accepted and approved.

**UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED
THUS RESOLVED**

The meeting adjourned at ... to ...

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