

**Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> Special Council Meeting of the Local Council for Beaufort West**  
held in the **Council Chambers, 15 Church Street, Beaufort West**  
on **Thursday, 06 July 2023 at 14:10**

**Present:**

**Councillors** A Sausl I [**Executive Mayor**] *[virtually]*, LV Piti [**Deputy Executive Mayor**], N Constable [**Speaker**], N Abrahams, EF Botha *[virtually]*, CL De Bruin, LBJ Mdudumani *[virtually]*, JDK Reynolds *[virtually]*, R Skuza *[virtually]*

**Absent:**

**Alderman** JJ Van Der Linde  
**Councillors** S Essop *[apology]*  
AM Slabbert  
SM Meyers

**In service:** **Acting Municipal Manager** [DE Welgemoed], **Acting Director: Financial Services** [RA Eland] and **Senior Clerk: Committees** [L.D. Draghoender]

**Absent:** **Director: Corporate Services** [AC Makendlana] *[apology]*  
**Senior Manager: Civil Services** [N Kotze]  
**Acting Senior Manager: Community Services** [MC Tshibo]  
**Senior Manager: Technical Services** [CB Wright]

**1. OPENING AND WELCOMING**

The Speaker welcomes all to the meeting and requests Councillor LV Piti to open the meeting with prayer.

**2. APOLOGIES**

The Speaker gives an indication that he did receive an apology from Councillor S Essop because she is on leave.

**3. FORMAL NOTICE: SITTING OF THE SALGA PROVINCIAL MEMBERS ASSEMBLY (PMA) 20-21 JULY 2023: HERMANUS**

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The Speaker reads into record the content of the item and the Acting Municipal Manager confirms that all costs is for the account of the Municipality.

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Councillor CL De Bruin seconded by Councillor N Abrahams proposes that the following executive will attend the SALGA Provincial Members Assembly over period 20 to 21 July 2023 at Hermanus:

- Councillor A Sausl I – Executive Mayor
- Mr DE Welgemoed – Acting Municipal Manager

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#### 4. SELECTION PANEL REPORT TO COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR: INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES

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See Separate Minute Book.

The Speaker allows the Acting Municipal Manager to table a progress report on service delivery to Council.

#### 5. PROGRESS REPORT: ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER

The Acting Municipal Manager reads into record the following:

- a. That all small creditors of the Beaufort West Municipality will be paid off this week, 03 July 2023 to 07 July 2023 which amounts to R15 million. Furthermore that the Beaufort West Municipality will only have 4 big creditors left.
- b. That the situation with lawyers has been stabilized. Furthermore the Acting Municipal Manager explains that the lawyers of two bidders from previous tenders contacted him. The Acting Municipal Manager is of the view that after deliberation with these lawyers Council should try to resolve the matters to the benefit of the Beaufort West Municipality.
- c. That the Municipality is currently busy with restoration of following vehicles, which indicates that the specific departments will start with service delivery soon:
  - i. A Masjien to repair flat tyres.
  - ii. The Hyundai Cherry Picker
  - iii. Trailer at Electrical Department
  - iv. Repair of radios
  - v. Repair of Grader
  - vi. Repair of Water Truck (brakes)
  - vii. Purchasing of a Roller
  - viii. Repair of the Jetting Machine
  - ix. Overhauling of 2x Loaders
  - x. Repair of Crane Truck
  - xi. Repair of 2 x Tata Tipper Truck
  - xii. Repair of the S8 Sewage Pumping Station
  - xiii. Repairs of the 4<sup>th</sup> Refuse Removal Truck
- d. The Beaufort West Municipality also started the process of impounding animals and currently the Municipality take the cattle to Lemoenfontein. Furthermore a parallel process has been started in putting the necessary by-laws in place in order for the Municipality to act within the legislative framework.
- e. That the discussion with Matla Security regarding social responsibility has been fruitful. Matla Security committed to provide 2 armed guards plus response vehicles, effective tonight Thursday 06 July 2023 to secure and patrol the industrial area.
- f. A requests from Mr Brian Jooste was received by the Office of the Municipal Manager to borrow the TLB for the purpose to loosen gravel to fix potholes, hence the Acting Municipal Manager tables it before Council.

The Speaker allows council the opportunity to deliberate. Furthermore the Speaker requests the Acting Municipal Manager to explain how the payment of creditors influence the current cashflow of the Municipality.

The Acting Municipal Manager informs Council that the Municipality also plans to make an investment.

Councillor CL De Bruin enquires about the purchasing of the fleet for the Beaufort West Municipality. The Acting Municipal Manager explains that the acquiring of the fleet and the fixing of roads are two different processes, however the Administration did engage Logal Government for assistance with regards to the fleet.

Councillor N Abrahams applauds the Administration with regards to the progress of work considering the timeframe.

Councillor LV Piti concurs with Councillor N Abrahams. Furthermore Councillor LV Piti expresses her view that the Beaufort West Municipality should not adhere to the request regarding the TLB as this will create a precedent of which the Municipality could later not control.

Councillor A Sauls I requests clarity as to what exactly the requests is regarding the TLB. The Acting Municipal Manager explains it is to borrow the TLB for the purpose to loosen gravel to fix potholes.

Councillor A Sauls I is of the opinion that the TLB is used to fix roads and that Council should consider that this initiative can be for the betterment of the community. Furthermore that the more community members that are playing an active role in fixing Beaufort West will lead to them taking responsibility for their respective areas and the town.

Councillor CL De Bruin concurs with the Deputy Executive Mayor and referring to the report of the Acting Municipal Manager expresses his view that the work should be done by the Beaufort West Municipality.

Councillor A Sauls I suggest that the Municipality facilitates the process to ensure it is done properly, accept the assistance from community members and set the condition that work should be done under supervision.

Councillor EF Botha informs Council that he is not comfortable with the request and expresses his view that there might be ulterior motives behind the request.

Councillor A Sauls I is of the view that the Ward Councillors should use a different approach and not allow the community's motive hamper service delivery.

After in-depth deliberation the Speaker made a the following ruling:

5.1 That Council allows the Acting Municipal Manager three weeks to design / work out a model and table to Council.

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5.2 That Council will deliberate on the proposed model and then agree.

5.3 That the approved model will then be used in all similar future requests / situations.

- 5.4 That the Acting Municipal Manager informs the requester, Mr B Jooste regarding Council's decision.

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Councillor JDK Reynolds gives feedback on the Lottoland application and informs Council that the project he submitted was for the completion and fencing around the Voëltjipark.

The Speaker thanked all for attending the meeting.

The meeting closes at 15:00.

Minutes approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2023.

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N Constable  
**[Speaker]**

# SEPARATE MINUTE BOOK

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#### **4. SELECTION PANEL REPORT TO COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR: INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES**

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Councillor CL De Bruin seconded by Councillor LV Piti proposes:

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- 4.1 That Council appoints the second applicant Mr Z Nongene in the position of Director: Infrastructure Services.
- 4.2 That the Administration communicate the appointment to Mr Z Nongene and should Mr Z Nongene not be available approval be granted for the position of Director: Infrastructure Services to be readvertised.
- 4.3 That the contract of employment and the all inclusive remuneration package be negotiated and finalised by the Acting Municipal Manager in accordance with upper limits of total remuneration packages payable to Municipal Managers and Managers directly accountable to Municipal Managers.

- 4.4 That it be noted that, within 14 days of Council Decision, a written report including all necessary documents be submitted to the MEC for local government regarding the appointment process and outcome.

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