

**Minutes of the 14<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, 28 September 2023 at 15:07**

**Present:**

**Alderman** JJ Van Der Linde  
**Councillors** EF Botha [**Executive Mayor**] *[virtually]*, LV Piti [**Deputy Executive Mayor**], N Constable [**Speaker**], N Abrahams, CL De Bruin, AM Slabbert, SM Meyers, TCJ Prince, R Skuza, S Essop

**Absent:** JDK Reynolds *[apology]*  
LBJ Mdudumani *[apology]*

**In service:** **Acting Municipal Manager** [DE Welgemoed], **Deputy Director: Financial Services** [CJ Kymdell], **Senior Manager: Technical Services** [CB Wright] *[virtually]*, **Senior Clerk: Committees** [LD Draghoender] and **HR Intern** [P Mpofu]

**Absent:** AC Makendlana [**Director: Corporate Services**]  
M Nhlengethwa [**Acting Director: Financial Services**]  
MC Tshibo [**Acting Senior Manager: Community Services**]

**1. OPENING AND WELCOMING**

The Speaker welcomes all councillors and officials present in the meeting and requests Councillor CL De Bruin to open the meeting with prayer.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Councillor CL De Bruin tables Councillor LBJ Mdudumani's apology and apologise for not sending the apology to the Speaker. The Speaker reads into record that it is the first time Councillor LBJ Mdudumani is not attending a meeting without apology.

The Acting Municipal Manager tabled the following Senior Managers apologies:

- Mr AC Makendlana
- Mr M Nhlengethwa
- Mr MC Tshibo

The Speaker states on record Section 30(1)(a) and (b) of the Rules of Order which reads as follows:

***“Participation by Speaker in debate***

- 24. (1)** *If the Speaker wishes to take part in a debate, the Speaker may do so from the floor and must-*
- (a) request the meeting to elect an Acting Speaker in the manner contemplated in rule 17(3) for the duration of the debate in which the Speaker wishes to take part; and*
  - (b) in the event of a physical meeting, or a hybrid meeting where the Speaker is physically attending the meeting, vacate the chair and take up a seat amongst the other councillors.”*

Furthermore the Speaker requests Council that in accordance with the Section 30 (1) (a) and (b) that Council elect an Acting Speaker for the discussion of Item 3 of the Agenda.

Councillor CL De Bruin seconded by Councillor LV Piti proposes that Councillor N Abrahams act as Speaker for discussion of Item 3.

Councillor S Essop proposes that Councillor CL De Bruin act as Speaker for discussion of Item 3 of which Councillor CL De Bruin decline.

In the absence of a counter proposal the Speaker vacated his seat and Councillor N Abrahams occupy the seat of Speaker for the discussion of Item 3.

**3. CIRCULAR 3/2023: OUTCOMES OF SECTION 26 PROCESS AFTER CONSIDERATION OF VIEWS AND REPRESENTATION FOR BATCH 1 AND BATCH 2 MATTERS OUTSTANDING FROM CIRCULAR 2 AND BATCH 2 MUNICIPAL BOUNDARY REDETERMINATION PROPOSAL**

12/1/2

The Acting Speaker opens the floor for discussion of the above matter.

Councillor N Constable gives a brief overview on the decision taken by Beaufort West Council to include the town of Leeu-Gamka which is approximately 75km's from Beaufort West Municipality as part of Municipal Boundary redetermination process.

An in-depth discussion is held on the economic development that will be to the benefit of Beaufort West Municipality due to the location of Leeu-Gamka. Furthermore the following aspects formed part of the discussion:

- the fact that the community of Leeu-Gamka is currently injecting positively into the economy of Beaufort West, as Beaufort West is situated closer to the community and due to the variety of shops available in Beaufort West;
- the social responsibility towards the town of Leeu-Gamka based on the latter;
- whether it will be financially feasible for Beaufort West Municipality and whether it will be out of the Financial Recovery Plan by the implementation date which is 2026; and

- the positive and beneficial contribution to the Beaufort West Municipality should Leeu-Gamka be included as part of Municipal Boundary redetermination process for Beaufort West Municipality.

Councillor N Constable seconded by Councillor TCJ Prince proposes:

- 3.1 That approval be granted to include the town of Leeu-Gamka which is approximately 75km's from Beaufort West Municipality as part of Municipal Boundary redetermination process.
- 3.2 That the Administration establish a committee to investigate and strategize on how to best integrate and utilise the landmarks/town to positively benefit and generate revenue for the Beaufort West Municipality.
- 3.3 That the Demarcation Board's decision will not be contested by Council.

Councillor SM Meyers seconded by Alderman JJ Van Der Linde proposes that Council do not condone to continue to include the town of Leeu-Gamka which is approximately 75km's from Beaufort West Municipality as part of Municipal Boundary redetermination process.

Councillor CL De Bruin reads into record that the ANC component abstains from voting taking into consideration all the information tabled before Council.

The Acting Speaker brings both proposals to a vote.

4 Votes in favour of the proposal of Councillor N Constable seconded by Councillor TCJ Prince.

4 Votes in favour of the proposal of Councillor SM Meyers seconded by Alderman JJ Van Der Linde.

Councillor S Essop abstains from voting.

The Acting Speaker exercise his casting vote in favour of the proposal of Councillor N Constable seconded by Councillor TCJ Prince.

**THUS RESOLVED**

After discussion of item 3 the Speaker, Councillor N Constable takes up his seat as Speaker of Council.

The Speaker allows the Acting Municipal Manager to make an announcement.

## **2. REMUNERATION OF PUBLIC OFFICE BEARER ACT, 1998: DETERMINATION OF UPPER LIMITS OF SALARIES, ALLOWANCES AND BENEFITS OF DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF MUNICIPAL COUNCILS**

5/16/1

The Acting Municipal Manager circulates a breakdown of the backpay calculation of the

councillors remuneration as published in the Government Gazette No.49142 dated 18 August 2023 which is effective from 01 July 2022.

**NOTED**

The Speaker thank all for attending the meeting.

The meeting closes at 16:00.

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

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N Constable  
**[Speaker]**