

Minutes of the 13th Special Council Meeting of the Local Council for Beaufort West
held in the **Council Chambers, 15 Church Street, Beaufort West**

on **Wednesday, 20 November 2024 at 12:06**

Present:

Alderman JJ Van Der Linde [**Speaker**]

Councillors JDK Reynold [**Executive Mayor**], GJ Duimpies [**Executive Deputy Mayor**], SM Meyers, E Links, O Haarvoor, S Jooste, G Pietersen), LV Piti, S Essop, CL De Bruin and AM Slabbert

Absent:

Councillors: LBJ Mdudumani [*apology*]

In services:

Municipal Manager [DE Welgemoed], **Director: Corporate Services** [AC Makendlana], **Deputy CFO** [CJ Kymdell], **Director: Infrastructure Services** [L Nqotola], **Senior Manager: Community Services** [MC Tshibo], **Senior Administrative Officer** [J Visagie]

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

The Speaker opens with a prayer after which he welcomes all the Councillors and Officials present in the meeting. The Speaker asks if there are any apologies made by the Administration.

2. APOLOGIES

The Speaker informs Council that he received an apology from Councillor LBJ Mdudumani whom is attending to funeral arrangements.

The Speaker renders an apology to Council for the short notice for the 13th Special Council Meeting.

3. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

COUNCILLOR	REASON	PERIOD OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE
G Pietersen	Leave	27 November 2024 – 1 December 2024
E Links	Leave	29 November 2024 & 30 November 2024
SM Meyers	Leave	29 November 2024 & 30 November 2024
GJ Duimpies	Leave	29 November 2024 & 2,12 December 2024



4. APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER: BEAUFORT WEST MUNICIPALITY

4/3/1

After a long deliberation regarding the appointment of the Acting Chief Financial Officer for Beaufort West Municipality it was

The Speaker request the Executive Mayor JDK Reynolds and the Municipality Manager DE Welgemoed to leave the Council Chambers and asks the Manager Financial Administration, Mr. R Eland to act in the CFO position until the letter that was escalated to the National Treasury is dealt with.

The Speaker suggests a recess of 10 minutes at 12:41 for the Mayor and Municipal Manager to recuse themselves in order to meet with Mr R Eland.

At the resumption of the meeting at 12:49, the following are:

Present:

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The Speaker affords the Mayor the opportunity to give feedback after the recess.

The Mayor informs Council that Mr. R Eland agreed to their request to temporarily stand in as Acting CFO, and that the position of CFO be filled and finalised as soon as possible.

RESOLVED

That approval be granted that Mr. R Eland be appointed as Acting CFO until response has been received from the MEC in relation to the review application that was submitted on the appointment of Mr. B Jacobs.

5. REMUNERATION OF PUBLIC OFFICE BEARER ACT, 1998: DETERMINATION OF UPPER LIMITS OF SALARIES, ALLOWANCES AND BENEFITS OF DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF MUNICIPAL COUNCILS:2023/2024 FINANCIAL YEAR

5/16/1

After a long deliberation regarding the Remuneration of Public Office Bearer Act, 1998, the determination of upper limits of salaries, allowances and benefits of different members of Municipal Council for the financial year 2023/2024 it was

RESOLVED

- 5.1 That Council takes note of the inputs made by the Deputy CFO in relation to the correspondence between National Treasury and the Municipality that addresses the matter of unfunded budget and the fact that Beaufort West Municipality is under the FRP.
- 5.2 That based on paragraph 1 above a letter be written to the MEC to review his decision and grant Beaufort West Municipality concurrence on the upper limits for 2023/2024.

6. REMUNERATION OF PUBLIC OFFICE BEARER ACT, 1998: DETERMINATION OF UPPER LIMITS OF SALARIES, ALLOWANCES AND BENEFITS OF DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF MUNICIPAL COUNCILS: 2024/2025 FINANCIAL YEAR
5/16/1

That Council takes note that it cannot take a decision due to the fact that not all information is present.

That the Deputy CFO informs Council that calculation for the upper limits 2024/2025 can only be tabled before Council when AFS has been signed off as the upper limits of 2024/2025 depends on grading of the Municipality.

THUS RESOLVED

7. CASH TENDER DOCUMENTS: NOTICE NO 107/2019: SCM 11/2020: REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL IMPLEMENTING AGENT TO SOURCE FUNDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF _ INFRASTRUCTUREAL PROJECTS.
6/1/2/1

The Speaker requests that item 7 be removed from the agenda and referred to the next Special Council Meeting due to insufficient information.

Councillor G Pietersen recuses himself at 13:06.

8 MEMORANDUM TO THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER
3/4/7

- 8.1 That Council establish a Special Committee in accordance of Section 16 of the code of conduct for Councillors to investigate whether Councillor Pietersen has breached the code of conduct for Councillors.
- 8.2 Councillor CL De Bruin seconded by Councillor GJ Duimpies propose that the Special Committee be composed as follows:

- S Essop (Chairperson)
- SM Meyers
- S Jooste
- AM Slabbert
- CL De Bruin
- LV Piti
- O Haarvoor

- 8.3 That Councillor Essop be appointed as Chairperson of the Special Council.
- 8.4 That a legal presentative be appointed as evidence Leader (Initiator) for the legal panel as awarded by the Municipality.


**UNANIMOUSLY ACCEPTED
THUS RESOLVED**

The Speaker thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 13:14

Minutes approved this 25 day of November 2024


Alderman JJ van der Linde
[SPEAKER]