

SIKONGO TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE NINETH (9TH) ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, COUNCIL LODGE, SIKONGO ON FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 AT 10:00 HOURS.

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Cllr. Simushi Nasilele	Lubuta	Chairperson
Cllr. Kaoyi Sitali	Ng'umbele	Ward
Cllr. Maswabi Steady	Natalui	Ward
Cllr. Noanga Kabeto	Liumena	Ward
Cllr. Nyambe Kachana	Lwambi	Ward
Cllr. Mutti Mutti	Mwenyi	Ward
Cllr. Likezo Kanunga	Tuuwa	Ward
Cllr. Linowe Kakundu	Nengu	Ward
Cllr. Namasiku Kahilu	Mutala	Ward
Cllr. Namakando Linyunga	Maala	Ward
Cllr. Kahonge Mbanga	Lumbamba	Ward
Cllr. Sitali Simangolwa	Lueti	Ward
Cllr. Kakula Muunga	Licha	Ward
Cllr. Shwana Likomwiso	Malamo	Ward
Cllr. Namakando Simasiku	Chief Lwambo	
Cllr. Patrick Susiku Like	Chief Chumbula	

APOLOGY

Cllr. Kennedy Simbotwe	Chairperson
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OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr. Stephen Siamatimba	Deputy Council Secretary
Mr. Kayombo Kiggan	OOP (SD)

Mr. Lilato Mwitha	Deputy Council Treasurer
Mr. Kalenga Iputu	Chief Human Resource Officer
Mr. Mwangala Kabanda	Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Mutinta Steward	Internal Auditor
Mr. Chilyata Jimmy	Planner (Health)
Eng. Katuta Mbewe	Director of Works
Mr. Mulonda Dexter	Procurement Officer
Mr. Muletwa Pumulo	Deputy Director of Works
Mr. Ndawa Hills	Assistant Civil Engineer
Mr. Hangoma Obby	Water and Sanitation Coordinator
Ms. Samulela Susan	Public Relations Officer
Mr. Siisi Likonga	Immigration Officer
Ms. Sibambi Esther	District Community Development Officer
Mr. Munakayumba Noole	Community Development Officer
Mr. Sayimangu Ronald	Deputy Officer In charge
Mr. Monde Roy	District Agriculture Coordinating Officer
Dr. Liwakala Muyoba	District Education Board Secretary
Mr. Mpolomoka Cleo	District Works Supervisor
Mr. Siamusantu Phosten	District Marketing and Development Officer
Mr. Makayi Juliano	District Social Welfare Officer
Mr. Cholwe Masilani	District Planning Officer
Ms. Nyambe Sandra	Intern (Agriculture)
Mr. Mwape Chola	General Worker
Mr. Maximillian Siyuni	Committee Clerk

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the national anthem was sung, and those present were led into prayer by Mr. Mutinta Steward, the Internal Auditor.

STC/085/09/23

NOTICE OF MEETING

The notice convening the meeting was read out in accordance with section **15** third schedule section 2 (1) of the Local Government Act, No. 2 of 2019, Cap **281** of the Laws of Zambia as read with standing order no. **6** by the Deputy Council Secretary, Mr. Siamatimba Stephen and the meeting was called to order at **10:45** hours.

STC/086/09/23

THE CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The office of the Chairperson made announcements and communication as follows:

- I. On 6 to 8th September, 2023 in the company of the District Commissioner, Mr. Mwalye Henry, the Council Secretary Mr. Katuka Julius and the Procurement Officer Mr. Mulonda Dexter attended a leadership training workshop in Chongwe.
- II. On 12 to 16th September, 2023 in the company of Councillor Kakula Gift, Councillor Patrick Susiku Like and other officers attended the 67th LGAZ annual conference and 20th AMICAAL general assembly held in Livingstone at Avan Lodge.
- III. On 18th September in the company of Mr. Lwandamo Nyambe the CDF chairperson held a meeting at Sikongo Boarding School.
- IV. On 30th September, 2023 in the company of CDF chairperson, Mr. Lwandamo Nyambe held a meeting at Shamalumba Community School.

STC/087/09/23

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH (8TH) ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, COUNCIL LODGE, SIKONGO ON FRIDAY 16TH JUNE, 2023 AT 10:00 HOURS

On a proposal by Councillor Namasiku Kahilu and duly seconded by Councillor Kaoyi Sitali. It was;

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Eighth Ordinary meeting of the Council held in the Conference hall, Council Lodge, Sikongo on Friday, 16th June, 2023 at 10:00 hours be received as true and correct record of the proceedings of the Eighth Ordinary meeting of Council.

After lengthy deliberations, on a proposal by Councillor Noanga Kabeto and duly seconded by Councillor Like Patrick Susiku. It was;

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the Eighth Ordinary meeting of the Council held in the Conference Hall, Council Lodge, Sikongo on Friday, 16th June, 2023 at 10:00 hours be confirmed as true and correct record of the proceedings of the Council subject to the following amendments;

On page 438 under officers in attendance, the name **“Henry Mwanamwalye”** to read as **“Henry Mwalye”**

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MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising recorded from the proceedings.

**RECEIPT AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF
STANDING COMMITTEES**

STC/089/09/23

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF PLANS,
WORKS, DEVELOPMENT, REAL ESTATES AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD
IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, COUNCIL LODGE,
SIKONGO ON MONDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER, 2023**

On a proposal by Councillor Namasiku Kahilu and duly seconded by Councillor Like Patrick Susiku. It was;

RECOMMENDED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Plans, Works, Development, Real Estate and Social Services Committee held in the Conference Hall, Council Lodge, Sikongo on Monday 18th September, 2023 at 10:00 hours be received as true and correct record of the proceedings of the committee subject to the following amendments;

On page 475 under minute number **PWDRESS/244/23** the quantities for rice and Sorghum seed to read as 1x12.5kgs and 1x10kgs respectively.

After lengthy deliberations on a proposal by Councillor Kahilu Namasiku and duly seconded by Councillor Nyambe Kachana. It was;

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Plans, Works, Development, Real Estate and Social Services Committee held in the Conference Hall, Council Lodge, Sikongo on

Monday 18th September, 2023 at 10:00 hours be adopted as part of the proceedings of the Council.

STC/090/09/23

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE, HUMAN RESOURCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE SIPOPA CONFERENCE HALL, KING LEWANIKA LODGE, SIKONGO ON TUESDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 AT 10:00 HOURS

On a proposal by Councillor Kakula Gift and duly seconded by Councillor Noanga Kabeto. It was;

RECOMMENDED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Finance, Human Resource and General Purposes Committee held in the Sipopa Conference Hall, King Lewanika Lodge, Sikongo on Tuesday 19th September, 2023 at 10:00 hours be received as true and correct record of the proceedings of the committee.

After lengthy deliberations, on a proposal by Councillor Kakula Muunga and duly seconded by Councillor Noanga Kabeto. It was;

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Finance, Human Resource and General Purposes Committee held in the Sipopa Conference Hall, King Lewanika Lodge, Sikongo on Tuesday 19th September, 2023 at 10:00 hours be adopted as part of the proceedings of the Council.

STC/091/09/23

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE SIPOPA CONFERENCE HALL, KING LEWANIKA LODGE, SIKONGO ON WEDNESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 AT 10:00 HOURS.

On a proposal by Councillor Linowe Kakundu and duly seconded by Councillor Maswabi Steady. It was;

RECOMMENDED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee held in the Sipopa Conference Hall, King Lewanika Lodge, Sikongo on Wednesday 20th September, 2023 at 10:00 hours be received as true and correct record of the proceedings of the committee as presented.

After lengthy deliberations, on a proposal by Councillor Linowe Kakundu and duly seconded by Councillor Kanunga Likezo. It was;

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Audit Committee meeting held in the Sipopa Conference Hall, King Lewanika Lodge, Sikongo, on Wednesday 20th September, 2023 at 10:00 hours be adopted as part of the proceedings of the Council.

**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL SECRETARY TO THE
NINETH ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD
IN THE SIPOPA CONFERENCE HALL, KING
LEWANIKA LODGE, SIKONGO ON FRIDAY 29TH
SEPTEMBER, 2023.**

STC/092/09/23

**MWENYA KALUNGA & OTHERS VS SIKONGO
TOWN COUNCIL**

The Council Secretary reported that Sikongo Town Council was in receipt of a writ of summons from VN MICHELO & PARTNERS ADVOCATES where Mwenya Kalunga and Chilufya Kalunga sued the Council in the high court of Zambia at its Kitwe Civil jurisdiction for failure to pay emoluments for Mr. Kalunga Edgar (deceased) who was until his demise the Council Secretary for Sikongo Town Council.

It was further reported that the deceased passed away at the age of 53 but was in local government service for 32 years. It was also reported that the Council sought guidance from the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development on how the matter could best be handled since he did not reach the retirement age. It was reported that in response, the Ministry of Local Government referred the matter to the Local Government Service Commission for consideration and determination of entitlements. It was reported that in the process of engagements with the employer, management received the writ of summon and was currently consulting legal experts before appearing in the high court.

The matter was **NOTED**

STC/093/09/23

UPDATE ON UPGRADING OF KALABO/SIKONGO ROAD

The Council Secretary reported that government managed to source a possible financier for the upgrading of Kalabo/Sikongo road to bituminous standard under the PPP model. It was reported that the financier visited the District to appreciate the terrain and assess the distance. It was during the meeting where it was revealed that the road would cover a total distance of 57KM from Kalabo airstrip to the crossing point at Lueti river. It was further reported that project would include construction of a bridge across the river, the project would commence soon.

The Matter was **NOTED**

STC/094/09/23

DESK DISTRIBUTION LIST – 2023

The Council Secretary reported that a total of Two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty (2550) school desks were being fabricated by various contractors and the Council had started receiving the consignment, the process was expected to conclude by October month end.

It was also reported that another 2550 desks were advertised and the process of contract awarding was being finalized. Therefore, the District Education Board Secretary (DEBS) was engaged for distribution of the same. The DEBS office prepared the distribution list as attached to the report as appendix 1 for ease of reference. After lengthy deliberation on a proposal by Councillor Kakula Gift and duly seconded by Councillor Namasiku Kahilu. It was;

RESOLVED

That the distribution list prepared by the office of the DEBS for 2023 be approved.

There not being any other business to transact, the meeting was declared closed at 13:08 hour with the National Anthem and a prayer led by Eng. Mbewe Katuta, the Director of Works.

Council Chairperson.....

Date.....

Councillor Simbotwe Kennedy (Sikongo District)