

48/5 COSIDERATION OF THE ANNUAL REPORT 2013/2014 AND THE ADOPTION OF THE OVERSIGHT REPORT 2013/2014

DATE : 20/05/2015

AGENDA : COUNCIL MEETING: 28/05/2015

REPORT : CHAIRPERSON- MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

1. PURPOSE

For consideration of the Annual Report 2013/2014 and the adoption of the Oversight Report 2013/2014.

2. BACKGROUND

The purpose of the item is for Council to consider the Oversight Report 2013/2014 of the Annual Report 2013/2014 for the year ended 30 June 2014. The Municipal Public accounts Committee is tasked with the review and detailed analysis of the Annual Report 2013/2014 and all inputs in response to advertising process and community engagements and preparation of an Oversight Report for consideration of the Annual Report 2013/2014 and adoption of the Oversight Report 2013/2014 at its next Council meeting.

The Municipal Public Accounts Committee must prepare a report to Council after the review and detailed analysis with the recommendations that Council either|:

- Approves the annual report; nor
- Reject the annual report; nor
- Refers the annual report back for revision of those components that can be revised and also recommend to council to:
- Adopt the Oversight Report 203/2014
This is in terms of section 129 of the Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003.

Attached hereto is the Oversight Report 2013/2014 for Council to consider for adoption.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATION

Remuneration of the Chairperson as a fulltime Councillor as well as the advertisement costs.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATION

Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003, section 129 states that Council must adopt the Oversight Report 60 days after the tabling.

This Oversight Report is late for submission and is subject to and audit query. Council should put mechanisms in place to curb the recurrence of such in future.

5. STAFF IMPLICATION

Council resolved that the staff in the Office of the Speaker should support the Office of the MPAC, currently this function was sub-delegated to the IDP/PMS Division.

Provision should be made in the Budget to employ support staff for the office of the Chairperson to reinforce it to do its work properly.

6. RISK IMPLICATION

Non-compliance to legislative requirements of section 129(2) of the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 56 of 2003.

Attached please find the following documents:

- Oversight Report 2013/2014
- Annexure A- Public Notices
- Annexure B-Minutes of the Public Engagements
- Annexure C-Minutes of the Public Accounts Committee
- Annexure D- Attendance Registers

7. RECOMMENDATIONS

Council resolves that:

1. The Oversight Report 2013/2014 is adopted
2. The Annual Report 2013/2014 is approved with the reservations, comments and recommendations included in the Oversight Report
3. The recommendations of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee reflected in Section 3.4 are adopted and that the implementation progress be reported on;
4. The Annual Report 2013/2014 be amended, as reflected in section 3.3 of the Oversight Report 2013/2014

(FOR RESOLUTION)

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Cllr Tsolo, as the Chairperson of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee presented the 2013/2014 Oversight Report to Council.

He highlighted the following as serious concerns which required attention:

- Revenue Collection must take place
- Prevention of Water and Electricity Loses and reading of meters to prevent.
- Filling of Critical Vacant Posts
- Management to ensure effective Internal Controls
- Elimination of Unauthorised, Irregular and/or Fruitless and Wasteful Expenditure.
- Effective Implementation and Management of Supply Chain Management Division and Processes.

He also indicated to Council that serious challenges are faced with service delivery and very soon Councillors will be held accountable for these challenges. He outlined the role of Councillors specifically relating to Oversight and urged all Councillors to be active in implementation of this role.

After the presentation Cllr Du Toit congratulated Cllr Tsolo for a very comprehensive and truthful report and proposed that the recommendations be resolved as recommended and was seconded by Cllr Koalane.

RESOLVED:

1. That the Oversight Report 2013/2014 is adopted.
 2. That the Annual Report 2013/2014 is approved with the reservations, comments and recommendations included in the Oversight Report.
 3. That the recommendations of the Municipal Public Accounts Committee reflected in Section 3.4 are adopted and that the implementation progress be reported on.
 4. That the Annual Report 2013/2014 be amended, as reflected in section 3.3 of the Oversight Report 2013/2014.
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