# **GREATER TZANEEN MUNICIPALITY**

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### MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNT COMMITTEE REPORT

## ON

### (2012 / 2013 ANNUAL REPORT)

#### A 20 MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE (MPAC) REPORT (E/C 2014 03 27; 2014 03 27) (12/2/3/1/1)

#### <u>REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES (MR EL</u> <u>MUGARI)</u>

#### **Purpose of the Report**

To submit to Council the Municipal Public Accounts Committee report based on the 2012/2013 Annual Report.

#### Background

Council on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2014 referred the 2012/13 Annual report to the Municipal Public Accounts Committee to commence with the oversight process. The committee held a strategic session on the 13-14 February 2014 to deal with among other issues, the content of the 2012/13 Annual report. On the 11 March 2014, the Committee went for projects visits based on the 2012/13 projects that the Municipality is implementing. The Project Manager, Mr Anton Killian provided the committee with the necessary information on the projects, and also clarified and responded to questions where the members of the committee needed clarity.

On the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2014, the Municipal Public Accounts Committee held a Public hearing at Relela Community Hall. The following were invited to the hearing: The Municipal Manager, Directors and other officials from the Municipality, all Councillors, Audit Committee, Limpopo Provincial Treasury, Coghsta, SALGA, Chairpersons of Mopani District MPAC's and Support staff and all Stakeholders. The Municipal Manager, Mr ME Mankabidi apologized for not attending the meeting and the Electrical Engineering Director, Mr P Van Den Heever, was acting on behalf of the Municipal Manager as the Accounting officer to respond to MPAC's questions, throughout the public hearing.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Having fully considered the incomplete 2012/13 Annual Report, the Municipal Public Accounts Committee recommend thus:

### That the Greater Tzaneen Municipality's 2012/13 Annual report be approved with reservations as follows:

- a) That a report be submitted to Council on the Implementation of the Electronic PMS and on how the system will ensure that the IDP/PMS/SDBIP are aligned.
- b) That Council requests the allocation of a budget by the Relevant National Department to implement the people's housing projects.
- c) That the CFO must monitor and report to Council quarterly on the SCM processes, since MPAC has noted that for the past three Annual Reports, the Supply Chain Management Division is unable to execute its duties.
- d) That Council acquires own machinery to avoid the high costs of hiring from service providers.
- e) That Council be presented with a Report on the processes of awarding the Thapane/Morudji road in the next scheduled Council meeting.
- f) That a report be presented to Council on the financial implications and extensions of time on the Sasekani to Nkowankowa Road in the next scheduled Council.
- g) That Council be furnished with a detailed report regarding the blasting of a rock, on the Senakwe to Morapalala road and the financial implications thereof with recommendations.
- h) That Council be provided with a list of all the stakeholders registered with the Municipality

- i) That stakeholders be invited by not only using sms method, but also with official letters to meetings like IDP/Budget consultative meetings.
- j) That loud hailing be decentralized through the four clusters.
- k) That cluster heads must submit items from clusters to the relevant portfolio committees for further processing to Council on a monthly basis.
- That transportation of stakeholders to IDP Rep forums be budgeted for.
- m)That Council speed-up the processes of By-laws.
- n) That a combined training session of MPAC and the Finance Cluster on the legislative interpretation and implications be arranged.
- o) That Council reconsiders the previously adopted resolution on the MFMA section 32 provision with a view to rescind the resolution for proper processes and also for legislative compliance.
- p) That Council reviews the organizational structure to cater for units that are currently struggling i.e (Asset Management /MPAC).
- q) That Council approves the ten point plan/ strategy towards the clean audit.
- r) That Council consider adopting the New Governance Model and a research be done before the full introduction of the model with the Municipalities that have already implemented the model.
- s) That a workshop be held to afford Council the full understanding of the New Governance Model.
- t) That an item on the financial position of the Municipality be presented to Council on the next scheduled Council.
- u) That Management must take a lead in advising Council and managing section 32 processes to avoid issues of non-compliance in the future.

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