

GTM LAUNCHES TWO ELECTRIFICATION PROJECTS

Today, Wednesday, 4 September 2019, The Greater Tzaneen Municipality launched two electrification projects in Motseteng Village and Lenyenye Township.

The handover of the Motseteng electrification project took place at Moime Day Care, where the project contractor, consultants and the Project Steering Committee (PSC) were introduced formally to the community.

The municipality has budgeted R1.6 million to fund the project which is due to connect 93 households in the village.

Ward councillor of Ward 33 Sophy Raganya said the community is looking forward to the development. Speaking at the Handover, The head of the Ethics Committee in the Greater Tzaneen Municipality, Councillor Justice Ramodipa said that the beneficiaries of the project will now have electricity legally. The beneficiaries currently have electricity connected illegally which poses risk to their lives and property. Ramodipa urged the beneficiaries to cooperate with the contractor when the time to remove the illegal connection arrives.

On the issue of jobs, Sam Lelope, the Director for Electrical Engineering in the Greater Tzaneen Municipality said that the contractor will bring qualified personnel to the village but will also employ some locals to dig holes for the electrical poles.

Ward 31 Councillor, Justice Ramodipa again led the Lenyenye electrification project handover that was held at Lenyenye Community Hall just after noon. The Lenyenye project is set to cost R2. 7 Million And will cover the electrification of 160 households. The two projects are expected to be completed in the next three months.

The Greater Tzaneen Municipality has connected electricity to all its 125 villages and five towns, however new extensions are being developed leading to electricity demand.

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