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NEW FLEET TO FAST-TRACK SERVICE DELIVERY THROUGHOUT UMZINYATHI

Twenty-one new municipal vehicles worth R7,1 million were officially handed over to the uMzinyathi District Municipality. The vehicles were purchased by the district to assist in the fast-tracking of development in the area.

In the past, the district used to rent vehicles from car rental companies, spending a great deal of money. The Honourable Mayor Ald Petros Ngubane and the District Council decided to purchase twenty-one vehicles to reduce car leasing and speed up the delivery of public services. In his address, Honourable Mayor Ald Ngubane urged municipal employees to handle the vehicles with care and to ensure they are maintained timeously. "The district spent R7.1 Million to purchase these vehicles. It is not the first time we have purchased

new vehicles, last year the District handed over new vehicles and we will continue reducing spending on car rentals. We have been spending about R60 000 on vehicles in a single month and it is great to achieve such a goal as a District," said the Mayor.

Municipal Manager Mr LH Mthembu promised to come up with a plan to ensure that vehicles are properly managed and not used in a non-functional manner. Municipal Manager Mthembu emphasised that they are working hard to prevent renting vehicles in the district. "I will work humbly with District Councillors to bring about a change in the way money is spent so that we can focus on development and the needs of the people of uMzinyathi," said Mr Mthembu.



His Worship The Mayor Ald Petros Ngubane during the handover of brand new 21 District fleet vehicles.



Municipal Manager Mr LH Mthembu standing and Speaker Cllr FJ Sikhakhane at the handover of new municipal vehicles in uMzinyathi.



The brand-new fleet of vehicles that will greatly assist in fast-tracking public services throughout uMzinyathi.

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR: ON THE ROAD TO RECOVERY



His Worship, The Mayor
ALD PMS Ngubane

UMzinyathi District Municipality is forging ahead with its water and sanitation mandate to provide potable water to all residents within the District. To ensure that this goal is met, the district has started by enforcing stricter financial controls and good governance measures. The first step has been achieved by the district in the latest audit outcome, which has moved from a disclaimer to a qualified audit. This means that the Administration's control measures to limit wasteful expenditure and prioritise service delivery are becoming a reality for the residents of uMzinyathi. The next step is to move towards an unqualified audit report and then to a clean audit.

I commend the Council for providing valuable oversight to the Administration in ensuring that the uMzinyathi moves forward towards improving the lives of all who reside in the district. Cost-saving and stricter financial controls have allowed the municipality to build its water tanker fleet to 20 vehicles thereby reducing the cost of hiring tankers. Twenty municipal vehicles have also been recently purchased to service the needs of the district,

to reduce rental expenditures in the future. Furthermore, the uMzinyathi district is reducing its reliance on consultants and is building its internal capacity; this will save much-needed municipal funds that will be redirected towards service delivery. The people of uMzinyathi will start to see the fruit of our turnaround strategy by experiencing faster and more efficient service delivery, especially for essential services like water and sanitation.

As the strong Leadership and administration of the municipality continue to drive its service delivery objectives, residents will see a dramatic turnaround in the local economy, which is the lifeblood of the residents within the district.

We aim to deliver; restore integrity and good governance for the people of uMzinyathi, all we ask is for patience and trust from our residents as we go through this transformative phase.

Thuthuka Mzinyathi!

MUNICIPAL MANAGERS MESSAGE



Municipal Manger
Mr Lethu Mthembu

The uMzinyathi District Municipality recently held a three-day strategic planning session intending to find resolutions that are geared to improve service delivery, enhance revenue collection and reduce the wastage of municipal resources. Under the leadership of His Worship, The Mayor Ald PMS Ngubane, we recommitted ourselves to our Vision, Mission and Core Values which state the following:

- Vision: A dynamic, and viable district that promotes good governance, integrated and sustainable development.
- Mission: We are a united family of municipalities that champions service delivery through co-operative governance and public participation.
- Core Values: Commitment, Excellence, Customer Focus, Innovation, Trust, Transparency, Integrity.

In line with the above, we are continuing our plans of clean and transparent governance that prioritises the needs of the people of uMzinyathi. We have implemented controls that aim to ensure that supply chain management and financial principles are strictly adhered

to and to expose financial mismanagement and oppose corruption in our quest to have our books declared clean by the Office of the Auditor-General. To reduce rental expenditures, 20 municipal vehicles and 20 water tankers have been purchased to service our community. We are also reducing our reliance on consultants and building our internal capacity. The inhouse municipal fleet and reduction in the use of consultants will save funds that will be redirected towards service delivery.

Local Economic Development (LED) is one of our key priorities and this will be achieved through strategic partnerships with various economic drivers including government departments, public entities and local industries. We are also working with communities and Traditional Authorities to unlock all economic opportunities. We are creating an environment conducive to trade and work; and also meet our developmental priorities of water, sanitation, electricity, education and skills development as well as access roads.
Thuthuka Mzinyathi!

IGCIZELELE UKUPHUTHUMISA IZIDINGO ZOMPHAKATHI I-WORKSHOP YOMKHANDLU

UMkhandlu wesifunda saseMzinyathi ubone workshop yokuhlelwa kwamasu (Strategic Planning) eDrakensburg ngomhlaka 23-25 February 2022. Le workshop ibibanjwe ngamakhansela wonke esiFunda saseMzinyathi, INkosi, IziMenenja zonke zikaMasipala, nezimenywa ebezivela eMnyangweni wakwa-Cogta kanye nasePhalamende.

Lo mhlango ubungowa maqhinga okwenza kangcono ukusebenza kanjalo nokuletha izidingo zomphakathi emphakathini waseMzinyathi. Kubhekwa izingqinamba uMasipala obhekene nazo, kuphindwe kuphunywe nezisombuluko kulezonzinga



UMlonishwa iMeya u-Ald PMS Ngubane ethula inkulamo emhlanganweni yokuhlelwa kwamasu (Strategic Planning) oMkhandlu uMzinyathi.



UMenenja kaMasipala uMnuz Lethu Mthembu ethula inkulamo emhlanganweni yokuhlelwa kwamasu (Strategic Planning) oMkhandlu uMzinyathi.



UMlonishwa iMeya u-Ald PMS Ngubane, amaKhansela kanye neziphathimadla zoMkhandlu.

KUZWAKELE UKUKHALA KOMPHAKATHI ENONDWENI

UMkhandlu waseMzinyathi oholwa uKhansela ALD PMS Ngubane onguSodolobha woMkhandlu uzifikele mathupha uzolalela izikhalo zomphakathi mayelana namanzi endaweni yaseNondweni ngaphansi koMasipala waseNquthu ku-ward 6. Lomhlango ubuseholo lomphakathi wakuyo lendawo ohlanganise abase Zwelisha, Tin town kanye ne-Five ngaphansi kukaKhansela uSimelane.

Umpakathi ubikile ngezinqinamba abahlangabezana nazo zokungawatholi amanzi nosekuphele izinyanga eziyisishiyagalombili (8 months). Waphinde wazwakalisa ukukhala kwawo ukungatholi izimpindulo ngalesisigameko. Ngenxa yokuba uMkhandlu olalelayo lisukumelwe phezulu loludaba lwaseNondweni okukhombisa ukubambisana noSodolobha waseNquthu uKhansela IL Shabalala,



USEkela Meyu uKhansela TH Mchunu, uMenenja kaMasipala uMnuz Lethu Mthembu kanye nezinye iziphathimadla zoMkhandlu waseMzinyathi ngesikhathi zilalele umphakathi waseNondweni ngodaba lwamanzi.

baphuma nesisombululo esishiye kuthokoze lomphakathi okhombise ubuhlakani ngokuthi ungacini usungena emgwaqeni kodwa ucele kuxoxiswane kahle ngokuthula.

UMkhandlu waseMzinyathi awushiyi kukhalwa uma usufikile, ngakho uthembisile ukuba uzothumela izimoto ezimbili ezizoletha amanzi okuyimbangela ukungatholi amanzi. USEkela Meyu uKhansela TH Mchunu uthu uMkhandlu waseMzinyathi uhlezi uzimisele ukulalela izikhazazo zomphakathi. "Angiqale ngokuxolisela uMhlonishwa uMeya uKhansela ALD Ngubane obethanda ukuba khona, hhayi ngoba ebenibukela phansi kodwa kube nendlela ephuthumayo emdingayo kodwa ungicelile ukuba sizolalele ukukhala kwenu, sizwile ke futhi

kuyezwela nakithi.

"Imbangela yokungatholokali kwamanzi nesibange isomiso ukufa kwalezinjini eziphelela amanzi kodwa siyathembisa luzosukunyelwa loludaba, kuzoqinisekiswa ukuba izinsimbi ezidingakalayo zizoba zine ukuze uma kufa enye kube khona efakwayo abantu bengalindi iskhathi eside njengalokhu zitholokali eJamani (Germany). UMshengu besihlala naye eMzinyathi ubelokhu eyisho lendaba kodwa asizange sithule sayikhuluma kakhulu ukuthi abantu baseNondweni kumele bawathole amanzi. Siyathokoza ukuba nisibekezelele ningenzi njengabanye abagcina besemgwaqeni kodwa nisibekezelele ukuze sithole okuzosizisa siphume kulenkinga," kwelula uSekela Meyu Mchunu.



Umpakathi waseNondweni ngaphansi koMasipala waseNquthu ku wadi 6 lapho obukade ulalele uzifikele mathupha uzolalela iziphathimadla zoMkhandlu uMzinyathi zizochaza ngodaba lwamanzi endaweni.

UBEYIMPUMELELO UMGUBHO WEMINYAKA ENGU-143 YEMPI YASESANDLWANA

Kwenziwe isikhumbuzo seMpi yaseSandlwana ngenhloso yokugubha iminyaka engu-143, selokhu kwaba khona lempi eNquthu ngaphansi kukaMasipala wesiFunda uMzinyathi.

ISizwe sakwaZulu empini yaseSandlwana sasiholwa yiSilo iNkosi uCetshwayo kaMpande mhlaka 22 kuMasingana ka-1879, kanti lena kwaba yimpi yamaZulu namaNgisi eyathatha isikhathi esizinyanga ezingu-6, nokuyimpi lapho amaZulu ehlula khona amaNgisi okokuqala.

Sethula inkulumo iSilo samaZulu uMisuzulu kaZwelithini uthe kubalulekile esizweni samaZulu ukuhlonipha ukuzinikela nokunqoba kwamabutho njengoba isizwe sihlale senza. "Phakathi kwezinto ezibalulekile esizigubhayo akukho okunye ngaphandle ngokugquzela abantu bakithi ngokugubha impi yaseSandlwana. Lapha kulenkundla yempi isizwe sakwaZulu savivinywa. Amabutho ethu ahlangebazana nezikhali ezinamandla ezaziphethwe yizitha bazi kahle ukuthi uma behlulwa kuzobe

kungekhona ukwehlulwa kwamadoda aqotho kodwa kuyobe kusho ukwehlulwa nokuphela kwamandla kaZulu. Lokhu kwakumayelana nokusindisa iSizwe sethu. Ngesikhathi kukhala amazwi okugcina iningi lokhokho bethu babemi kulomhlabathi baphinde babona ukunqoba kweSizwe sakwaZulu. ISilo siphinde sathi amadoda nabesifazane beSizwe sakwaZulu baqinile futhi bathola amandla ebuzweni futhi iSizwe sizozwa ubumrandi futhi. "UBhubhane lweCovid-19, ngeke lusehlule iSizwe sakwaZulu.

Singashayeka ngenxa yobunzima kokwanda kobuphofu, kodwa ngeke sihlale sizithele ngabandayo singenzi lutho. Sizovuka sizithathe njengoba sihlale senza. Ngakho-ke ngiyangquzela ukuba ukuba nihlale niqinile uma amandla ephela ningahleli. Lelifu elimnyama lizodlula bese kuqala usuku olusha. ISilo sihlabe ikhwelo lokuxolelana saphinde sabonga iSizwe sakwaZulu ngokuseseka sase siqinisekisa ukuthi sizozhubeka nokuholo iSizwe sibheke phambili.

OwayenguNdunankulu wakwaZulu iNkosi uMangosuthu Buthelezi uthe umhlaka 22 kuMasingana ka-1879, uthathwa njengento eyenza umhlaba wasiqonda kangcono iSizwe sakwaZulu. "Asithathwa njengezitha kodwa sithathwa njengombutho wezempi oqinile.

Uqhube wathi uyaziqhanya ngokubona iSilo uMisuzulu kaZwelithini eqhubeka nesiko elaqhakanjiswa ubaba waso iNkosi uZwelithini kaBhekuzulu ngokugubha izinto ezibalulekile emlandweni weSizwe sakithi. Kubalulekile ukuthi sikhumbule siphinde sigubhe lezi zinto ngoba ziyingxenywe yobuthina. Zisikhumbuzo ukuthi singobani nokuthi sedlule kuphi. Zisikhumbuzo ngamandla ethu kanye namagugu anothile. UMhlonishwa iMeya yesiFunda uMzinyathi uKhanesela ALD Petros Ngubane uthe umphakathi uzizwa uhloniphekile ngokuba khona kweSilo uMisuzulu kaZwelithini.



ISilo iNkosi yeSizwe samaZulu uMisuzulu kaZwelithini ngesikhathi ethula inkulumo emgubhweni weminyaka engu-143, yeMpi yaseSandlwana.



ISilosamaZulu iNkosi uMisuzulu kanye noMeja Nathan Chronik noMeja Terry Williams boM-butho wezeMpi wasebuKhosini basezweni lase-Wales.



UMtwana wakwaPhindangene iNkosi Mangosuthu Buthelezi ngesikhathi kugujwa iminyaka engu-143, yeMpi yaseSandlwana.



ISilo samaZulu iNkosi uMisuzulu kaZwelithini namaButho ngesikhathi befika eMgubhweni eSandlwana eNquthu.



INkosi yeSizwe samaZulu iSilo uMisuzulu kaZwelithini noNdlunkulu uNtokozo Mayisela.

DISTRICT OBSERVES WORLD WATER DAY WITH UMVOTI COMMUNITY

UMzinyathi District held an awareness programme on the global water crisis on Tuesday, 22 March 2022, at Umvoti Community Hall.

World Water Day takes place annually on 22 March, to raise awareness of the importance of freshwater. This year, World Water Day was observed under the theme Groundwater, making the invisible visible. Groundwater is an invisible resource with an impact visible everywhere. Groundwater supplies a large proportion of the water we use for drinking, sanitation, food production and industrial processes. It is also critically important to the healthy functioning of ecosystems, such as wetlands and rivers.

World Vision Organisation said they aimed to identify areas that need water in uMzinyathi and supply them with fresh water where possible. The organisation has provided the area around Umvoti with 20 Jojo tanks and handwashing stations in four

clinics in Umvoti so people can wash their hands. The organisation also provided families with medical waste supplies and identified families that need hygiene kits. The organisation said they are open and willing to work together with the District in providing water to the community.

Ms Noncebo from the District's Water Department thanked the world division for assisting the uMzinyathi District in improving the lives of the community. She pleaded with the community not to vandalise the equipment that seeks to bring solutions to the current water crisis. Ms Noncebo said the 20 Jojo tanks are here to assist and improve the lives of the residents.

In the District's Department of Disaster, Mr Ngubane advised people to be careful when passing through the rivers. Mr Ngubane also advised the community to collect rainwater in their homes because that is

another way of having clean water. "People need to save water and that will be achieved if we work together as a community," he said.

The Department of Health, Sister Shabalala, educated the community about the water-based infections that are a danger to the community such as Cholera, isichenene and diarrhoea. The Sister also educated the community on how to clean and purify water and educated the community on home remedies to assist children with these ailments.

UMzinyathi District's Councillor Ngubane thanked World Vision for the help they have provided to the Umvoti area. Cllr Ngubane advised the community to protect their equipment so it will bring development to the community.



The District's Cllr Ngobese advised the community on how to protect their water equipment during his remarks at the World Water Day observation event.



Sister Shabalala from the Department of Health's Infection Control Unit advises the community on water safety measures.



Community members who attended the World Water Day event.

AMAKHANSELA ESIFUNDA UMZINYATHI AQEQESHELWE NGOLWAZI



AmaKhansela oMkhandlu waseMzinyathi ngesikhathi egeqeshwa ngabakwa-Salga ngokusebenza koMasipala.

UMnyango wakwa SALGA uqeqeshe AmaKhansela aseMzinyathi ngokuphathwa kanye nokulawulwa kukamasipala. Lokhu kuqeqeshwa kwawo kuthathe izinsuku ezinhlanu kusukela ngomhlaka 7-11 kuNdasa ka-2022. Kulezi nsuku ezinhlanu bafunde ngendlela okumele beziphathe ngayo njengabaholi, ngokulethwa kwentuthuko iye kubantu, kanjalo nendlela okumele beqaphele ngayo ngezinqumo ezithinta ezezimali zikaMasipala. Lolu hlelo luka-SALGA amaKhansela akhombise ukulithakasela kakhulu ngokuveza kanye nokuqonda ukubaluleka kolwazi ekuphatheni njenga Makhansela.

Thuthuka Mzinyathi!

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