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Water, a priority to the People

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Executive Mayor - Eunice Diko

Sharing unhygienic water with animals will be a thing of the past for the Sibanda family in Ntenetyane Village, Mt Frere, following the launch of a R103 million water project in the area by Alfred Nzo District Municipality.

On top of the clean water, more than 1100 people in the area will receive jobs.

Nokwanda Sibanda and her family have been sharing a small water pond with animals in their area for a number of years.

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"We are so happy that we going to receive clean water. I grew up drinking this water and was losing hope that I will ever get clean tap water. I even told my children that for them to get clean water and electricity they must go stay in townships," Sibanda said.

Sibanda's household is one of the more than 16670 household to receive water from the R103 million, KwaBhaca Regional Bulk Water Supply Scheme.

The scheme is located at Mt Frere in the Alfred Nzo District Municipality (Easter Cape). The new infrastructure will serve a population of about 100,000 people (16,667 Households) in over 40 villages.

Alfred Nzo District Municipality Executive Mayor Eunice Diko said the objective of the project is to increase the treatment capacity of the KwaBhaca Water Treatment Works and to ensure adequate supply and to stimulate economic development in the Mt Frere region.

Diko said the project will also unblock the building of houses that were put on hold due to scarcity of water in the area.

The project construction is anticipated to commence with the installation of the bulk pipeline from Ntenetyana Dam (currently being delivered to Mt. Frere) and construction is anticipated to commence by November 2011. More than 149 people will be employed in this project.

- Also during the week, ANDM also launched two water projects worth R70 Million in Qwidlana in Mt Frere and Caba Mdeni in Matatiele.

A waterborne sewerage in Matatiele worth over R40 million was also launched.

On Monday, ANDM Executive Mayor Eunice Diko launched the Qwidlana Water Supply Project which will supply of potable water to the 14 villages.

The project covers the following villages namely: - Pitshini, Mdeni, Qukanca, Bumbane, Dlabhaneni, Mlenze, Hlabakazi, Ndakeni, Ntabinja, Zikekini, Mkrobe, Matyamhlophe, Ncome Spring and Tshisane. The villages comprise of approximately 2094 households with an estimated population of 12564.

anticipated that about 67 people will be employed in this project.

- Another project launched during the week was the Maluti-Ramahloakana Water Borne Sewage project.



Executive Mayor - Eunice Diko, at a sod turning ceremony

Then overall project cost is estimated at R64.7million and it is estimated that a total of 420 people will benefit from employment when this project is implemented.

- The Caba Mdeni project will supply water to 589 households with a total population of 3587 people. The project is to cost R5.4 Million and it is

The project will supply water borne sewerage to 1220 households with a population of 7320 people in the Maluti Township area, Old Ward 1 of Matatiele Local Municipality. The overall project cost is R32.6m, and the current phase i.e. construction of bulk outflow sewer main and Ponds is estimated at R8.2m. The project is expected to employ about 60 people.

Executive Mayor's Message



It gives me great pleasure to make my first input into the newsletter of our District Municipality. Alfred Nzo District Municipality, has increased in size as a result of the incorporation of Ntabankulu Municipality and Mbizana Municipality. This change comes with new responsibilities and new objectives, but with a common purpose and mandate of improving the quality of lives of the people we serve. With an increase in population from 400 000 to 900 000, it follows that the needs of our communities have increased compared to those of the previous Council.

In order to be able to speed up the eradication of backlogs, and to provide improved services, it cannot be business as usual and as such we will have to do things differently. Certainly as a new municipality we had to hit the ground running in order to make inroads to the challenges inherited from the previous Municipality. My team of Mayoral Committee members whose responsibility is to assist me in taking executive decisions of this municipality, operates full time in the true sense and account to me on the performance of functions and duties allocated to them.

In the five months we have been in office, remarkable achievements have been made and all targets that we set ourselves have been achieved. Intergovernmental relations have been intensified and as a result, the Premier's Executive Outreach which was held on – October 2011 was a resounding success as well as the launching of many water and sanitation programs.

As we continue to pursue our mandate we will endeavour to accelerate our service delivery programs whilst ensuring that all our communities fairly benefit from the services that we provide.

Regards
Eunice Diko
Executive Mayor

Speaker's Message



As the office is known to be the coordination point for legislative function of the council, we have established all section 79 committees required by law including the Municipal Public Accounts Committee (MPAC) and provided for the executive mayor to establish her section 80 committees. All council committees are fully functional.

We requested our administration as the first point of call to prepare a status quo report which was tabled to the entire council in August 2011. As council we wanted to have a feel of the programmes that were driven by the past council especially what would be reported to be challenges in place.

The office of the speaker coordinated the SALGA led training of councillors, which had a purpose of orientating all councillors to the environment of local government. This programme was also in the same month of August 2011.

We have convened the first district speakers' forum with an intention to share our work within the first three months and as part of our IGR program. We came up with resolutions that are being implemented by officials in our offices. These include working on the rules and orders of our councils for harmonisation. This also includes public participation policies for us to work towards a common district approach. Our next meeting in November 2011 will receive and discuss the technical inputs and map a way forward. The council has adopted its calendar for the financial year as well as the IDP process plan in time.

It worth to mention that ward committees have been established in all wards of local municipalities in the district. Matatiele local municipality was the first municipality in the province to inaugurate its ward committees. SALGA in collaboration with the DLGTA has conducted training for all ward committee. This an attempt to deepen our democracy through community participation. Ward committees are the statutory structures for community participation in the affairs of local government at ward level.

Regards
M. Twabu
Speaker

Kusiwa inkonzo eluntwini eMbizana



USodolophu wase Mbizana uZoleka Busuku ethetha noluntu eNkantolo



Ntombifuthi Nongindzi ongomnye wabahlali othe waxhamla kulenkqubo

Luphume kwiziphaluka zonke zakwa ward 27 nengingqi eziyingqongileyo uluntu ukuya kwinkqubo karhulumente ebibanjelwe kwiholo yoluntu yase Nkantolo eMbizana. Lenkqubo iyinxalenye yephulo likarhulumente lokuthatha inkonzo nolwazi lusiwe eluntwini. Iphulo eli lizakuthi lijikeleze nakwezinye iziphaluka zalo masipala. USodolophu wase Mbizana uZoleka Busuku uthetha uziva enemincili ukubona amasebe karhulumente eze ngobuninzi bawo kulo mmandla ngenjongo yokuzisa inkonzo eluntwini. Uphinde wabalula ukuba kungentsuku zatywala kuzakuthiwa bhazalala kuzo zonke iwadi kuxoxwa ngez-

into eziqulathwe ngumqolo wophuhliso walo masipala. UBusuku uthetha kulo nyaka mali bazakugxila ekwakheni indlela, nokuqinisa unxibelelwano noluntu bekwakhuthaza intatho-nxaxheba yoluntu kwizigqibo zophuhliso lwendawo zabo, Ngaxeshanye bazakuba liliso lokhozi kwinkampani ezizakuthi zinikwe imisebenzi yophuhliso kulomasipala. Amasebe karhulumente nomasipala ebebekho kule nkqubo aquka uJustice and Constitutional Development, Home Affairs, South African Social Security Agency, Rural Development and Agrarian Reform, Government Communications and Information System, Office of The Premier. Mbizana Local Municipality, Social Development, Correctional Services, Health kwakunye no



Abahlali bemamele kwiholo yoluntu yase Nkantolo

South African Police Services. Abahlali bathe baxelelwa ngenkonzo ezinikelwa ngamasebe karhulumente kwakunye nendlela ekufanele bazilandele ukuze baxhamle kwezinkqubo. UNTombifuthi Nongindzi ongomnye wabahlali kule wadi othe waxhamla kwinkonzo ebezinikelwa uthetha

uziva onwabe kakhulu ngokubhalisa inkam-mnkam yonyana wakhe onenyanga ezine ezelwe. Ubalule ukuba lityeli lesithathu eli ezama ukubhalisa uvuya kakhulu kwesisihlandlo kuba ukwazile ukubhalisa. Iloli ezingomahamba-nendlwana zakwa SASSA, Home Affairs, Agriculture bezinikela ngenkonzo kuluntu.