

ZIMBA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE, ZIMBA ON THURSDAY 17TH OCTOBER, 2024 AT 09:30 HOURS.

PRESENT:

Councillors:	Loveness Chigora	Council Chairperson
	Tobias Kenabanyama	Deputy Council Chairperson
	Agent Munenge	
	Anne Mutunda	
	Ivan Seemani	
	Michael Majuba	
	Stanford Bbeule	
	Charles Sichaabi	
	Edgar Meleki	
	Michelo Simweemba	
	Siachibaka Mabby	
	Siabasimbi Lweendo	
	Maunga Douglas	
	Timothy Masaka	His Royal Highness (<i>Chief Sipatunyana</i>)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Officers:	Collins Simoonga	Council Secretary
	Luzendi S. Kawangu	Director Finance
	Annety Hamachili	Director Planning
	Wachama Swana	Director Engineering
	Maimbolwa Sianga	Director Human Resource and Administration
	Milimo Kayawa	District Health Director
	Vincent Mwaanga	Chief Administrative and Committee Officer
	Nosiku Chibutu	Chief Human Resource Officer
	Jackson Mbewe	Community Development Officer
	Arabel Mwanza	Senior Procurement Officer
	Emmanuel Mweemba	Social Economic Planner
	Mainza Maambo	Social Economic Planner
	Sarah Hanyama	Social Economic Planner
	Obert Chihwanda	Building Inspector
	Kasamba Kayoba	District Adis Coordinating Adviser
	Randy Nchimuyana	District Social woolfell Officer
	Raphael K Muleya	Assistant Community Development Officer
	Masamu Innocent	District Cultural Affairs Officer
	Livia Sikaale	Assistant Committee Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE BY INVITATION: -

Choongo Bristol	Officer in Charge (Police)
Charles Siambebele	Community
Benny Nalubbwa	Community
Patrick Michelo	Community
Lubinda Kenneth	Community
Tamara Nyirenda	Executive Officer
John Malyangu	ZANIS

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

The National Anthem was sung, thereafter, Chief Administrative and Committee Officer opened the meeting in the word of prayer.

NOTICE OF MEETING

The notice convening the meeting was read by the Council Secretary and the meeting was called to order at 12:00 hours.

WELCOMING REMARKS

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Council Chairperson welcomed the members for the meeting and requested them to participate freely during the proceedings.

Councillors were further urged to serve the community and to be fully involved in the Council decision-making processes.

The Council Chairperson announced to the house that the Council received a new principal officer Mr. Collins Simoonga taking over from the former Council Secretary Mr. Christopher Siasinyanga who was transferred to Chikankata Town Council.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT

The Council Chairperson made the following communications and announcements, that;

On the **13th of August, 2024** the Council Chairperson was among the entourage of the Minister of water development and sanitation Hon. Collins Nzovu who was on a familiarization tour of the district and appreciating the water supply in various water points.

They exchanged notes with him regarding the water challenges in the district, the honorable minister took note of our submissions and assured of a positive response.

On the **15th of August, 2024** the office of the Council Chairperson engaged the township residents on animal loitering, she informed the members that the

meeting was fruitful where it was agreed that by 22nd of October, 2024 all the animals kept in the township be removed and taken somewhere else.

She stated that the local authority will be working with the state police in enforcing the law.

Members were informed that **on 29th of August, 2024**, the Council Chairperson was among the local leaders that attended the district winter maize field day at Mr Kalanje's farm in Simukanda village.

The Council Chairperson was impressed to see how the irrigation scheme was helping Mr. Kalanje's farm produce winter crops such as maize. She encouraged the farmers to emulate that farmer because he had demonstrated that it is possible to produce crops in winter.

On 3rd of September, 2024, the Council Chairperson, the district commissioner Mr. Robinson Mulamfu and Zimba Ward Councilor Ann Mutunda accompanied the minister of health hon Elijah Muchima when he toured the health facilities in the district. The minister was impressed with the hard-working team at Zimba Mission Hospital and also the way our district was responding to Presidential directive under the constituency development fund.

On the 13th of September, 2024, the Council Chairperson officiated at the 2024 CDF loan disbursement where a total of 31 citizens benefitted from the empowerment. The loan beneficiaries were also given an intensive training in financial management by the bank and the department of finance at the council.

She emphasized the need for the beneficiaries to use the money prudently so that they are able to pay back their loans.

On the 22nd of September, 2024, the office of the Council Chairperson joined the republican president Mr. Hakainde Hichilema at 2024 Lwanza traditional ceremony of Monze district.

It was reported that the president commended our traditional leaders for taking a lead in promoting national unity.

He also said the drought experienced in the country was also a wake-up call to help government put up measures aimed at promoting climate change resilience.

On the 23rd of September, 2024 she attended the launch of measles-rubella vaccination campaign conducted by the department of health from 23rd to 28th September, 2024 in Simwatachela Ward.

Members were informed that the district health office had a target of about 17,732 children to be vaccinated under this program. Our prayer was that they achieve this number and protect our children.

On the 26th of September, 2024, she had an opportunity to feature on a radio program at voice of Kalomo radio station to talk about the successes of CDF in our district.

The team explained the processes involved in the implementation of CDF. The community/listeners really appreciated the roles that each office plays in the disbursement of CDF in our community.

The Council Chairperson commended the management at Zimba Town Council for organizing that radio program and she hoped it continues because the head of state had always talked about it every time, they meet him.

On the 7th of October, 2024 the Council Chairperson officiated at the stakeholder's community engagement on the grading of our roads where a number of Councillors also attended.

The Council Chairperson was very grateful to announce that the grading of roads had commenced and the equipment's were on site to ensure that the roads submitted were in good shape.

She informed the house that the works were flagged off **on Monday 14th October, 2024** on the road which was submitted by the Zimba Ward Councillor and his team during the stakeholder's engagement meeting.

It was brought to the attention of the house that from **9th to 11th of October, 2024** the Council Chairperson was in Choma together with Siamafumba Ward Councillor Micheal Majuba, where they had the 2024 Zambia Local Authorities' Sports Association (Zalasa) games.

Members were informed that Zimba Town Council participated in volleyball, netball, pool and football games, she stated that volleyball and netball teams were knocked out in the first round, football team went up to the quarterfinals while pool team emerged the third best and won a bronze medal.

She congratulated the teams for the spirited fight that they had during these games; she further wished the participants to perform better in the next zalasa games.

She further urged everyone to pay attention and follow the deliberations.

OC/757/10/24 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15TH AUGUST, 2024

Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 15th August, 2024 were presented to the house for confirmation of which members scrutinised and deliberated upon, after which and on a proposal by Councillor Charles Sichaabi duly and seconded by Councillor Maunga Douglas, it was;

RESOLVED That;

Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 15th August, 2024 (Minute No. OC/689/08/24 – OC/698/08/24), be confirmed as a true record of the proceedings of the Council.

OC/758/10/24 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE HELD ON 5TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

Minutes of the meeting of Finance and General Purposes Committee were presented to the house for adoption after which members deliberated and on a proposal by Councillor Anne Mutunda and duly seconded by Councillor Meleki Edgar, it was;

RESOLVED That;

Minutes of the meeting of Finance and General Purposes Committee held on 5th September, 2024 (Minute Nos. FGP/699/09/24 – FGP/707/09/24), be adopted as part of the proceedings of the Council.

OC/759/10/24 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF PLANS, WORKS, DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 12TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

Minutes of the Plans Works and Social Services Committee were presented to the house for adoption after which members deliberated upon and on a proposal by Councillor Micheal Majuba and duly seconded by Councillor Charles Sichaabi, it was;

RESOLVED That;

The minutes of the Meeting of Plans, Works, Development and Social Services Committee held on 12th September, 2024 (Minute Nos. PWD/708/09/24– PWD/752/09/24), be adopted as part of the proceedings of the Council with amendments

OC/760/10/24 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON 3RD OCTOBER, 2024

Minutes of the meeting of Audit Committee were presented to the house for adoption after which members deliberated and on a proposal by Councillor Agent Munenge and duly seconded by Councillor Stanford Bbeule, it was;

RESOLVED That;

Minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 3rd October, 2024 (Minute Nos. AUD/753/10/24– AUD/756/10/24), be adopted as part of the proceedings of the Council.

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STAFF TRANSFERS

The Council Secretary reported for the information of the Council that the Local Government Service Commission had made the following transfers:

i. CHRISTOPHER SIASINYANGA

It was reported that the Local Government Service Commission transferred Mr. Christopher Siasinyanga from Zimba Town Council to Chikankata Town Council and had since been replaced by Mr. Collins Simoonga as incoming Council Secretary

ii. SUNDAY NALUMINO

It was further reported that Sunday Nalumino had been transferred from Luano Town Council to Zimba Town Council in the same capacity as Assistant -Director Engineering

iii. JOSEPHINE CHIILA

Members were informed that Ms. Josephine Chiila had been transferred from Zimba Town Council to Choma Municipal Council in the same capacity as Director Planning.

iv CHAMBA ARON

Members were also informed that Mr. Chamba Aaron Assistant Internal Auditor was transferred to Kaoma Town Council on promotion as Internal Auditor

The report was **NOTED**

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STAFF PROMOTION

It was brought to the attention of the Council that the Local Government Service Commission had promoted the following officer as indicated below.

SN	NAME	POSITION	NEW POSITION
1	Annety Hamachili	Town Planner	Director Planning

The report was **NOTED**

There being no other business to transact, the meeting was declared closed at 18:30 hours with a closing prayer from the Director Finance Mr. Luzendi Sandona

SIGNED THIS.....DAY OF 2024

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CHIGORA LOVENESS
COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON