

ZIMBA TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANS, WORKS, DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC CENTRE ZIMBA ON THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY, 2024 AT 09:30 HOURS.

PRESENT:

Councillors:	Michael Majuba	Chairperson
	Siachibaka Mabby	
	Charles Sichaabi	
	Simweemba Michelo	Vice/Council Chairperson (Ex-Officio)
	Chigora Loveness	Council Chairperson (Ex-Officio)

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

Timothy Masaka	His Royal Highness (Chief Sipatunyana)
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IN ATTENDANCE:

Officers:	Christopher Siasinyanga	Council Secretary
	Luzendi S. Kawangu	Council Treasurer
	Mbaimbai Victor	Director of Works
	Mwaanga Vincent	Chief Administrative Officer
	Chibutu Nosiku	Chief Human Resource Officer
	Randy Nchimunya	District Social Welfare Officer
	Kumoyo Mukelabai	Assistant Community Development Officer
	Wamulume Mebelo	District Fisheries and Livestock Coordinator
	Stanley Sakala	Planner (Health)
	Makala Godfrey	Snr. Agricultural Officer
	Mtayachalo Simon	Social Economic Planner
	Kasamba Kayoba	District Aids Coordinating Adviser
	Mastone Moonze	Public Relations Officer
	Chimuka Siatembo	Internal Auditor
	Muchimba Winner	Committee Clerk (Recorder)

PRAYER

Prior to the commencement of the meeting Chimuka Siatembo, Internal Auditor led the house in a 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 09: 30 hours.

PROJECTS UNDER ONSTITUENCY DEVELOPMENT FUND

PWD/545/01/24 CONSTRUCTION OF A CROSS POINT AT NKOLONGOZYA.

The Director of Works reported for the information of the committee that the construction of the Nkolongozya Bridge was successfully tendered at a contract sum of K2, 694, 181.06 under 2022 Constituency Development Fund allocation and the contract had been awarded to the Zambia National Service (ZNS).

It was further reported that the contractor completed the works and had handed over the site to the client (Zimba Town Council) awaiting commissioning.

It was also heard that the scope of works included the following; Reinforced concrete foundation works, Reinforced portal framed culverts erection, Reinforced concrete deck construction and Steel railing fixing.

It was further indicated that the bridge dimensions would be 7.2m wide and 30m long.

Below is a pictorial view of the works:



The report was NOTED

PWD/546/01/24 CONSTRUCTION OF A RURAL HEALTH CENTRE AT SIKALAYE.

It was reported that the construction of the Rural Health Centre with Solar electrification at Sikalaye was successfully tendered at a contract sum of K947, 795.99 under 2022 Constituency Development Fund and the contract was awarded to the Jamashu Enterprises Limited who signed the contract in January 2023.

Members were informed that the scope of works included the following; Full substructure works, Full superstructure works, Ring beam casting, Roofing, Plastering, Ambulance Bay full construction, Review works and terrazzo casting (works in progress), Painting, glazing and Solar electrification

Below is a pictorial view of the project.



CONSTRUCTION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT INFRASTRUCTURE AT SIKALAYE

Additional works had been incorporated into the project such as waste management infrastructure (i.e., incinerator, ash, and placenta pit), basic health furniture as well as water reticulation system which would furnish the health facility smooth operations.

The contractor has thus progressed with the construction works and nearing completion not later than month end of January, 2024.



Above pictures depict the incinerator, ash pit and placenta pit respectively.

The report was NOTED

PWD/547/01/24 CONSTRUCTION OF A RURAL HEALTH CENTRE IN MULAMFU.

It was brought to the attention of the committee that the construction of the Rural Health Centre with Solar electrification under 2022 Constituency Development Fund, was successfully tendered at a contract sum of K947, 688.18 and the contract was awarded to the Glinmas Investments Limited who signed the contract in February 2023.

It was stated that the construction of the Health Post was completed.

Members were informed that the scope of works included the following works: Full substructure works, Full superstructure works, Roofing, Plastering and glazing, Painting, Ambulance Bay full construction and Solar electrification

Below is a pictorial view of the project.



ADDITIONAL WORKS:

Additional works to swiftly operate the facility had been incorporated into the project such as waste management infrastructure (i.e., incinerator, ash and placenta pit), basic health furniture as well as water reticulation system which would furnish the health facility smooth operations.

The contractor handed over the site and was commencing the waste management infrastructure construction by 5th January, 2024)

Members NOTED the report

PWD/548/01/24 CONSTRUCTION OF A MATERNITY WING AT MBWIKO.

It was reported that the construction of a maternity wing with solar electrification was successfully tendered at a contract sum of K980, 560.75 under 2022

Constituency Development Fund and the contract was awarded to Bakasa Construction and Mining Limited who signed the contract in February 2023.

It was further reported that an extension on the completion of the construction works was requested to take it up to mid-month of November 2023.

Members were informed that the scope of works included the following: Full substructure works, Full superstructure works, Roofing, Plastering and glazing, Ambulance Bay full construction, Painting (commencing works) and Solar electrification

Below is a pictorial view of the project.



The report was **NOTED**

CAPITAL PROJECTS

PWD/549/01/24 COMPLETION OF THE VIP LATRINES IN VARIOUS WARDS.

It was brought to the attention of the committee that under the Equalization fund, the VIP latrines materials had been procured and delivered to the respective sites and the construction works had commenced as shown in the picture bellow;



The report was **NOTED**

PWD/550/01/24 CONSTRUCTION OF 3 NOS. CHECKPOINTS.

Members of the committee were informed that under the Equalization fund, the construction of the three (3nos) check points had progressed satisfactorily.

It was further stated that the Sikalaye checkpoint along the Tala-Kapo Road was completed, Mbwiko-Bottom Road checkpoint (under construction) and Njabalombe turnoff along the Luyaba-Njabalombe road the bricks were been ferried to site.



(REPORTED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COMMITTEE)

PWD/551/01/24 DONOR FUNDED PROJECT.

It was reported that the construction of the Nkungwa Health Post in Kanyanga Ward under Zambezi Valley Development Fund had completed the plastering works, and the contractor was commencing the construction of the ambulance

bay. However, it was heard that the ambulance bay materials (cement) were yet to be delivered to site by the founder.

It was further reported that the scope of works included: Full substructure construction, Full super structure construction, Roofing, Plastering, Plumbing, Electrical wiring and Ambulance Bay construction, Painting, glazing and External works was in progress.

Below is a pictorial view of the works thus far:



The report was **NOTED**

PWD/552/01/24 PENDING 2023 CONSTITUENCY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS.

The Director of Works presented the pending 2023 Constituency Development Projects

NO.	NAME OF PROJECT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	SECTOR	WARD	ESTIMATED AMOUNT	REMARKS
IT8	Procurement of a Motor Grader	procurement of motor grader	Community	Zimba	5,000,000	Under procurement stage (tender evaluation)
IT9	Procurement of fuel for the motor grader	Procurement of fuel	Community	Various wards	8,450	
IT10	Drilling of an industrial borehole at Munenge school	Drilling of borehole - installation of solar powered water reticulation system	Education	Mbwiko	600,000	Under procurement stage.
IT12	Construction of Mothers Shelter at Luyaba Clinic	Construction of Mothers Shelter - construction of an ablution block	Health	Luyaba	1,000,000	Awaiting on Attorney Generals clearance on awarded tender.

IT13	Drilling of a Borehole at Tumango Community School.	Drilling of a Borehole -overhead tank -solar Power	Water and Sanitation	Mulamfu	150,000	Field appraisals have been carried out and tender floating is underway.
IT14	Construction of 1*3 classroom block at Mukamba Community School.	Construction of 1*3 Classroom block. -procurement of 90 desks - Installation of Solar Power	Education	Siamafumba	1,175,000	Field appraisals have been carried out and tender floating is underway.
IT15	Construction of 1*3 classroom block at Sianjina Primary School.	Construction of 1*3 Classroom block. -procurement of 90 desks - Installation of Solar Power	Education	Simwatachela	1,175,000	Field appraisals have been carried out and tender floating is underway.
IT16	Construction of a chief's palace	Construction of chiefs Palace -installation of water reticulation system -installation of solar power	Community	Simwatachela	1,000,000	Contractors were procured centrally, and works are scheduled to commence in January 2024.
IT18	Construction of rural health center maternity annex at Nakowa clinic	Construction of a Maternity Annex	Health	Zimba	K1,000,000	Awaiting on Attorney Generals' clearance on awarded tender.
IT19	Construction of a 1x3 Classroom Block at Munachoonga	Construction of the classroom block Solar electrification Desks.	Education	Chuundwe	K1,000,00.00	Awaiting on Attorney Generals clearance on awarded tender.
IT20	Construction of a maternity annex at Kamukeza	-Construction of a Maternity Annex -procurement of furniture -construction of an incinerator -placenta pit and ash pit	Health	Chalimon gela	K1,500,000	Currently at Procurement stage.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/553/01/24 APPLICATIONS FOR CHANGE OF RECORDS

The District Planning Officer reported that Council was in receipt of applications from individuals applying for change of records for their properties within Zimba Township. Below is the table showing their details;

S/N	PARTICULARS OF THE PREVIOUS OWNER	PARTICULARS OF THE NEW OWNER	PLOT NO.	PLOT PREMIUM PAID	PROCESSING FEES	REMARKS
01.	Ester Siabona	William Mapepo	ZIM/168-Zimba Site and Service	K1000.00	K3000.00	The plot is zoned as a residential medium cost and is still undeveloped Note: the premium was paid before currency was rebased
02.	Grace Mukubesa	Joesbel Kapena	ZIM/LN_2865/538-Malambo Compound	K5000.00	K3000.00	The plot is zoned as a residential and is still undeveloped
03.	Kelvin Samboko	Moono Vincent	ZIM/285- Zimba Main Market	K8,000.00	K6000.00	The plot is zoned as commercial and is being developed
04	David Mubiana	Catherine Silokomela	ZIM/115- Zimba Site and Service	K1000.00	K3000.00	The plot is zoned as a residential medium cost and is still undeveloped Note: the premium was paid before currency was rebased
05	David Mubiana	Dorothy Hambalo	Zim/114- Zimba Site and Service	K1000.00	K3000.00	The plot is zoned as a residential medium cost and is still undeveloped Note: the premium was paid before currency was rebased
06	Catherine Silokomela	Queen Simaundu	ZIM/205- Zimba Site and Service	K1000.00	K3000.00	The plot is zoned as a residential medium cost and is still undeveloped Note: the premium was paid before currency was rebased
08.	Oswald Kasusu	Majorie Munachuba	ZIM/TSS/27- Treasure and site and service	K1000.00	K2500.00	The plot is zoned as a residential medium cost and is still undeveloped Note: the premium was paid before currency was rebased

Members deliberated on the matter, and upon a proposal by Councillor Tobias Kenabanyama and duly seconded by Councillor Charles Sichaabi, it was;

RECOMMENDED That;

- i. The Proposed charge of records for the above listed applicants be approved
- ii. The applicants pay necessary fees to the Council
- iii. The new applicants be recommended to Commissioner of Lands for offer
- iv. The applicants be informed of the Council’s decision

PWD/554/01/24 TOWNSHIP BOUNDARY

It was reported that in 2012, Mapatizya Constituency was alienated from Kalomo District and was created as a new District. Kabanga and Zimba were selected as two (2) options, after deliberating it was then settled on Zimba Central Business area as the best option. However, it was realized that the town Centre was surrounded by customary land which hindered the expansion of the township.

It was further reported that in 2014, His Royal Highness Chief Sipatunyana and his subjects organized a meeting which was held on 27th May, 2014 other members present included village secretaries, representatives from the Local Authority and District Administration.

Members were informed that seven (7) village headmen namely Mantanyani, Namadula, Kalamba, Sikanchele and Dunka surrendered approximately 500 hectares of land in extent for purposes of expanding the township.

Furthermore, each time the Local Authority would move in the area to develop, there has been opposition from the community hence making development lag behind in the district.

It was heard that another consultative meeting was organized and conducted on 19th February, 2021. In attendance was a representative from His Royal Highness Chief Sipatunyana, the headmen, Council Representatives, Office of the president, Police, Business Community and representatives from devolved departments.

It was stated that a site visit was conducted by all stakeholders and the entourage was taken round to all markings to re-establish the township boundary. The Provincial Planning Authority and Provincial Lands Office was engaged to pick the points of the township boundary and produce narratives.

Re-defined township boundary and minutes of Township Boundaries were Attached as appendix A and B respectively.

After a lengthy deliberation and on a proposal by Councillor Tobias Kenabanyama and duly seconded by Councillor Mabby Siachibaka, it was,

RECOMMENDED That;

- i. The Proposed re-defined layout for Zimba Township Boundary be approved
- ii. The Council expedites the process of marking the boundary to avoid further encroachments
- iii. The proposed layout be submitted to Commissioner of Lands for numbering

PWD/555/01/24 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT IN ZIMBA TOWN

It was brought to the attention of the committee that the local authority had continued to manage waste within Zimba Town. The waste management situation was that the operations were being conducted in terms of collection and disposal of waste from the markets as well as the Central Business District and commercial. It was indicated that the wastes were stored at the refuse bay as well as bins provided by the Local Authority.

It was stated that the Local Authority had one tractor that was used in the collection of wastes though the generation rate was slightly higher than the collection rate due to breakdowns of the tractor involved in the collection.

Waste Management Operations

S/N	DESCRIPTION	STATUS/ COMMENTS
1	Total number of households covered for waste collection services/business premises	0 zero The exercise is currently not effective due to the fact that we only have a tractor for refuse collection and mostly breaks down
2	Number of waste bins	6
3	Number refuse bays for waste collection	1
4	Waste collection done by council or private company.	By Council
5	District solid waste collection coverage	Markets and Central Business District/ commercial

AREA OF OPERATIONAL	Month	ESTIMATED QUANTITIES OF WASTE COLLECTED
1. Market/ town (refuse bay)	September	14 loads
	October	12 loads
	November	8 loads
	December	8 loads
2. Residential houses registered	Sep- Dec	0 loads
3. Silver lands	September	4 loads
	October	4 loads
	November	2 loads
	December	2 loads

A concern was raised that garbage at kabanga market was not being collected, members discussed the matter and it was suggested that there was need to hire transport from their and engage casual workers just for that exercise

Thereafter, the report was NOTED

PWD/556/01/24 REVISED KEEP ZAMBIA, CLEAN GREEN AND HEALTHY CAMPAIGN

It was reported for the decision of the committee that the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development released a circular dated 2nd March, 2023 that the cleaning activity for Keep Zambia Clean should be carried out every Friday from 07:00 to 09:00 hours and the circular directed that:

The involvement of local community structures and Civic leaders in the cleaning programme by applying the following measures.

1. Local authority should ensure the engagement of the community members including residential areas to participate in the cleaning activity.
2. Urge the public (individuals and corporate bodies) to subscribe to solid waste management services and educate the public on the repercussions of indiscriminate disposal of garbage.
3. During the cleaning exercises all corridors, walkways and other spaces are expected to be free of any goods, tables and other articles.
4. The general public and communities should be encouraged to participate in identifying those who dispose of waste indiscriminately and report the culprits to the council/state police who are expected to enforce the provisions of solid waste regulation and management Act No 20 of 2018.

Members deliberated on the matter, and upon a proposal by Councillor Tobias Kenabanyama and duly seconded by Councillor Mabby Siachibaka, it was;

RECOMMENDED That;

- i. Civic leaders to organize Keep Zambia clean exercise within their wards and they should be working hand in hand with EHTs from their wards.
- ii. The EHTs should be submitting reports/pictures to the Health Inspector of Zimba Town Council.
- iii. To enforce Heads of departments and parastatal companies to participate in the cleaning exercise.

PWD/557/01/24 EPIDEMIC PREPAREDNESS, PREVENTION AND MANAGEMENT OF ANTHRAX

It was brought to the attention of the Committee that a meeting was held on 7th November, 2023 in the Council Chamber chaired by the District Commissioner. He called for team work/ One health approach in the fight against all public threats. It was stated that the first presentation was done by the senior clinical care and the senior environmental officer then lastly the veterinary officer, who indicated that there were no confirmed anthrax cases in the district. It was further

stated that a directive from the provincial fisheries and livestock guided on the restriction on slaughter and movement of animals and animal products in southern province for a period of 3 weeks with effect from 7th November, 2023. It was heard that the restriction meant that all butcheries in the district suspend their business and a grace period of 7 days was given to the butchery owners. The Health Inspector from Zimba Town Council conducted an inspection on 8th November, 2023 to ascertain the quantity of meat left in the fridge in each butchery of Zimba Town. Below were the findings:

S/N	Name of the Butchery	Owner's name	Location	Findings Quantity of meat/pork/offal
01	Penga Ujane butchery (1)	Mr Fredrick kasongo	Zimba Town along great north road	Beef 73.7kg Offal 23.6kg
02	Top Choice Butchery	Mr Mweetwa Given	Zimba Town along great north road	Beef 32kg
03	Petma Butchery	Mr Lilanda Mwembwe	Zimba town	Beef 85kg
04	Penga ujane butchery (2)	Fred kasongo	Zimba Town	Beef 82.5kg Offal 52kg Pork 9kg
05	Penga Ujane Butchery (3)	Fred kasongo	Zimba Town	Beef 416.6 kg
06	Bman Butchery	Ben Mandebele	Zimba Town	Beef 48kg Offal 36kg
07	Luck star Butchery	David Moya	Zimba Town	Beef 275kg Pork 25kg Offal (1 head)
08	Charles Butchery	Charles Muwina	Zimba Town	Beef 55.2kg
09	Chop stick Butchery	Justine Namadula	Zamba market	Beef 220 kg Offal 20kg Pork 6.46kg
10	Entry Butchery	Entry Habanji	Zimba market	No beef/offal/pork was found at the time of inspection except -packs of chicken liver, chicken, gizzards and polony
11	Elinamu Butchery	Elijah Namadula	Zimba market	It was closed at the time of inspection
12	Juliet	Juliet Namadula	Zimba market	Beef 280kg

	Namadula Butchery			Offal 64.5 kg
13	Southern power butchery	Edgar Mweemba	Zimba Town	Closed – the meat was not inspected by authorized officers/ no food handler’s certificate.

The report was NOTED

PWD/558/01/24 CONDOM PROGRAMMING

Members were informed that Condom programming was scheduled to be conducted every quarter. It was stated that with the help of stakeholders, a total number of 25,200 Condoms and 24 Condom dispensers were successfully distributed to the following ward;

- Zimba- 11,600 (14 Condom dispensers)
- Muzya- 800 (3 Condom dispensers)
- Luyaba- 2,000 (2 Condom dispensers)
- Kabanga- 2,000 (2 Condom dispensers)
- Mapatezia- 4,200 (3 Condom dispensers)
- Misika zone- 2,000

It was mentioned that the aim of this exercise was to promote safe sex in all the hotspots. Most of the guest houses and brothels were distributed with condoms and were sensitized on the use of lubricants. People appreciated the gesture and positive feedback was given.

The report was NOTED

PWD/559/01/24 HIV TESTING, COUNSELLING AND TREATMENT.

The committee was informed that HTCT day in Zimba District was conducted in Luyaba on the 15th of August 2023.

The theme invigorated the importance of HIV testing among the adolescents and young people in society. It was noted that the adolescents and young people account for 40% of the newly recorded infections for the year 2022.

It was estimated that 90,000 young people aged 10 to 19 years were living with HIV while half of this number were living on Anti- retroviral therapy.

The objectives of commemorating this important day were to;

1. Increase access to HIV testing, counselling and treatment services.
2. Raise awareness around HIV testing and treatment in the local communities.

3. Create demand and motivate the public to access HIV testing and treatment services.
4. Provide services to the people using an integrated approach.

The event was well attended by local people of Luyaba and the youths were engaged and were active.

The report was NOTED

PWD/560/01/24 CLUB REGISTRATION

It was brought to the attention of the Committee that Zimba Town Council through the Office of Community Development, had registered 58 Women and Youths Clubs from the period June to December, 2023.

Annexure below shows the progress made by the Council on Club registration.

S/NO	NAME OF ORGANISATION	DATE	RECIPT NO.	CERTIFICATE NO.	CONTACT NO.	WARD	AMOUNT PAID (K)
1.	Luyaba Social & Economic Empowerment	21/06/2023	3862907	202301	0779032190	Luyaba Ward	350.00
2.	Tatujoki Mungsi Women Club	23/06/2023	3862920	202302	0974637499	Zimba Ward	350.00
3.	Gender & Development Organization	05/07/2023	3863158	202303	0977157967	Luyaba Ward	350.00
4.	Chilobe Women Club	20/09/2023	4060249	202304	095629848	Simwatachela	350.00
5.	Tubone Aswebo Women Club	20/09/2023	4060248	202306	0957870340	Simwatachela	350.00
6.	Kabanga Area Women Association	20/09/2023	4060453	202307	0972069078	Simwatachela	350.00
7.	Silverlands Womens Club	20/09/2023	4060454	202308	0974677990	Zimba	350.00
9.	Buuka Tweende Womens Club	25/09/2023	4060475	202309	0777050187	Zimba	350.00
10.	Twasika Womens Club	''''''''	4060476	2023010	0970249918	Luyaba	350.00
11.	Mercy Women's Club	26/09/2023	4060485	2023011	0978481940	Zimba	350.00
12.	Twaabane Zyoonse Club	29/09/2023	4060525	2023012			350.00
13.	Koombaze Kubalema (Disabled) Association	02/10/2023	4060534	2023013	0979644288	Simwatachela	350.00
14.	Mapatizya Goal of Success Youths Club	09/10/2023		2023014	0977526170	Mbwiko	350.00
15.	Kiamazila Youth Club	09/10/2023		2023015			350.00
16.	Kambizi Women's Club	09/10/2023	4060647	2023030	0772046742	Luyaba	350.00
17.	Nalwata Women's Club	09/10/2023	4060640	2023017	0777118968	Mangonda	350.00
18.	Buumba Women's Club	11/10/2023	4060720	2023018			350.00
19.	Kakuyu.B. Women's Club		4060719	2023019		Chidi	350.00
20.	Mass Opportunity Club	12/10/2023	4060730	2023021	0971022181	Zimba	350.00
21.	Kasuku Women's Club	23/10/2023			077635180	Chalimongela	350.00
21.	Luyando Women's Club				0957776758	Chalimongela	350.00
22.	Siluwe Women's Club	20/10/2023	4060804	2023022	0770449322	Zimba	350.00
23.	Kasiika Women's Club	23/10/2023	4060810	2023023	0952117807	Chalimongela	350.00
24.	Mabbanana Women's Club	27/10/2023	4060829	2023024	0974362788	Mbwiko	350.00
25.	Zuka Women's Club	27/10/2023		2023025	0777672082	Mbwiko	350.00
26.	Buka Umweke Women's Club	27/10/2023	406042	2023026	0950863731	Chalimongela	350.00
27.	Renaissance Youth Club	31/10/2023	4060848	2023027	0972472843	Zimba	350.00
28.	Twatatika Women's Club	30/10/2023		2023028	0950329780	Chalimongela	350.00
30.	Chilevwe Youth Club	31/10/2023		2023029	0970258152	Chuundwe	350.00
31.	Aunt C. Youth Group		406111	2023030	0777175397	Luyaba	350.00
32.	Mama Belita Youth Club			2023031	0979075431	Luyaba	350.00
33.	Kaiman Kaimo Local Artist Club	2/11/2023	4061124	2023032	0950640969	Mulamfu	350.00
34.	Tulombe Youth Club	6/11/2023		2023033	0956060202	Simwatachela	350.00
35.	Tunyamuke Women's Club	8/11/2023	4061153	2023034		Chalimongela	350.00
36.	Twakomana Kweenda Women's Club	8/11/2023	4061155	2023035		Chalimongela	350.00
37.	Pukuma Women's Club	8/11/2023	4061157	2023036		Chalimongela	350.00
38.	Twabuka Women's Club	8/11/2023	4061156	2023037	0951246911	Chalimongela	350.00
39.	Sola Women's Club	8/11/2023	4061154	2023038	0957395552	Chalimongela	350.00
40.	Kankuli Women's Club	13/11/2023	4061182	2023040	0957404700	Chalimongela	350.00
41.	Chenje Lisiya Women's Club	13/11/2023	4061183	2023041	0950315442	Chalimongela	350.00
42.	Chise Women's Club	16/11/2023	4061196	2023042	0953604722	Chalimongela	350.00
43.	Bbinga Women's Club	16/11/2023	4061195	2023043	0955687588	Chalimongela	350.00
44.	Ndayabuluba Women's Club	14/11/2023	4061186	2023044	0950491526	Chalimongela	350.00
45.	Butoolo Women's Club	14/11/2023	4061187	2023045	0972007739	Chalimongela	350.00
46.	Kuligwa Mango Women's Club	20/12/2023	4061293	2023050		Siamafumba	350.00
47.	No Shower Women's Club	19/12/2023	4061293	2023051	0953754759	Siamafumba	350.00
48.	Mutugahe Women's Club	20/12/2023		2023052		Siamafumba	350.00
49.	Kalundu Women's Club	20/12/2023	4061296	2023053	0955587244	Siamafumba	350.00
50.	Nchiludi Women's Club	20/12/2023	4061299	2023054	0971012148	Zimba	350.00
51.	Piyo Women's Club	20/12/2023	4061651	2023055	0956390855	Mbwiko	350.00

52	Tubeleshe Mno Women's Club	19/12/2023	4061294	2023056	0967933043	Siamafumba	350.00
53	Kazimoto Women's Club	21/12/2023	4061655	2023057	0974852170	Kanyanga	350.00
54	Cheeieela Women's Club	21/12/2023	4061656	2023058	0967932195	Kanyanga	350.00

The report was NOTED

PWD/561/01/24 KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The District Health Director reported for the information of the Committee that the district recorded the following under key performance areas.

Maternal deaths-0

Deliveries

Deliveries Target Quarterly-**487**

Normal Deliveries-398 (**93.6%**)

Assisted Deliveries-5 (**1.1%**)

Caesarian Section-22 (**5%**)

Total Facility Deliveries-425

Immunizations

BCG Coverage under ones-**94%** against the target of **95%**

Fully immunized coverage under ones **86%** against the target of **95%**

OPV 0 coverage live births -**70.3%** against the target of **95%**

Measles under one coverage **102.3%**

HIV

- Tested-**1736**

- Positives-**29**

- Initiated -**29** (100% initiated)

Note: This data is only for October 2023

TB Notifications

- Target to be tested-**862**

- Tested-**750**

- Bacteriologically confirmed-**9**

- Clinically diagnosed-**11**

- Initiated- **20**

The report was NOTED

PWD/562/01/24 COVID-19 DISTRICT STATISTICS

It was reported for the information of the Committee that Zimba District like any other District in Zambia had been hit by the Covid-19 pandemic and the district recorded the following as of 2020.

- Cumulative tests done - **20109**
- Cumulative Confirmed cases- **2054**
- Cumulative discharges-**2040**
- Cumulative death- **14**

Note- This was cumulative since 2020

The report was NOTED

PWD/563/01/24 COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

It was reported that Zimba District had been Carrying out covid-19 vaccinations in all health facilities and had received the following vaccines

VACCINE BRAND	TOTAL RECEIVED	TOTAL WASTAGE	BALANCE
Johnson & Johnson	43000	428	5490
AstraZeneca	8,424	240	0
Sinopharm	8,500	62	0
Pfizer	31,854	821	0
Totals	91,778	1,551	5,490

It was also stated that the district fully vaccinated 65,946 against a target of 62,202 of the eligible population giving us a coverage of 106%

DRUG AVAILABILITY

Members were informed that the district was at 94% drug availability and all the 11 health centers received the kits.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/564/01/24 INFRASTRUCTURE

It was reported for the information of the Committee that the District Health Office with support from On Call Africa was installing solar mechanized water supply system at Kanyanga Health Post. The works were expected to be completed by 1st quarter of 2024.

The District Health Office with support from Zambezi River Authority (ZRA) was constructing a health post at Nkungwa. It was said the structure had been roofed and works were at 60% completion.

Members were informed that the District Health Office with support from provincial Health Office installed solar lighting at the mothers' shelter and maternity annex at Simwatachela.

It was also heard that the District Health Office with support from Rural Electrician Authority installed solar lighting at Mapatizya Rural Health center, the mothers' shelter and maternity annex at Simwatachela Zonal Health center.

It was further stated that Construction of the maternity annex with support from Peace Health was ongoing at Luyaba Rural Health Center. Roofing was completed and the projected was at 60% completion.

The Construction of the maternity annex with support from CDF was ongoing at Mapatizya Rural Health Center. Roofing was completed and the projected was at 60% completion

However, Major gaps included; transport challenges with high cost of maintenance due to the bad state of the road, only one Ambulance servicing all the facilities, hence there was need to have a new Ambulance under CDF.

It was also stated that two facilities, Chidi and Muzya had no lighting and also Mulamfu and Sikalaye health posts had no complementary infrastructure. Houses and waste management facilities were yet to be constructed

The report was NOTED

PWD/565/01/24 HUMAN RESOURCE

It was reported for the information of the Committee that the district received Two (3) new officers two on transfer from another district and the one on first appointment.

Staff Attrition (Trans in)

Position	Facility
• Doctor (Transfer)	• Zimba Mission Hospital
• Tutor (Transfer)	• Zimba Mission Nursing School
• Registered Nurse (First Appointment)	• Zimba Mission Hospital

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/566/01/24 MALARIA ELIMINATION

Members were informed that the District Health Office conducted a number of integrated interventions aimed at malaria elimination. The District Malaria incidence rate was at 0.3/1000.

The health facilities malaria incidence rates for the quarter under review was as follows;

1. Muzya-0.5/1000
2. Zimba HAHC- 0.5/1000
3. Nakowa-0.4/1000
4. Luyaba-0.3/1000
5. Simwatachela –0.3/1000
6. Siamafumba-0.3/1000
7. Kanyanga –0.2/1000
8. Mapatizya-0.2/1000
9. Chidi –0.2/1000
10. Chalimongela-0/1000
11. Simalundu -0/1000

The following were some of the interventions.

- Conducting cross border malaria activities with support from Global Funds at bimbi border
- Conducting active malaria surveillance of all malaria confirmed cases in all the 11 health facilities
- Conducting indoor residual spraying in 8 health facilities that had high malaria incidence in quarter 1 and 2 for 2023 that was Chidi, Simwatachela, Kanyanga, Mapatizya, Luyaba, Nakowa, Zimba HAHC and Muzya malaria hot spot areas

It was also stated that household net registration was conducted in all health facilities as follows;

S/N	Name of health facility	Targeted households	Households registered	Performance coverage	Nets required
1.	Chalimongela	1651	1236	74.9%	3326
2.	Chidi	2538	2281	89.9%	6326
3.	Kanyanga	2808	2236	79.6%	6192
4.	Luyaba	2868	2702	94.2%	8030
5.	Mapatizya	2096	1732	82.6%	4715
6.	Muzya	911	996	109.3%	3104
7.	Nakowa	3573	2093	58.6%	5662
8.	Siamafumba	1801	1971	109.4%	5797
9.	Simalundu	1359	1206	88.7%	3356
10.	Simwatachela	4605	3587	77.9%	9834
11	Zimba HAHC	2382	2267	95.2%	5908
12.	Zimba	26592	22307	83.8%	62250

It was noted that the district was not at 100% percent in terms of household nets registration despite reaching all the households. This was due to the fact that there was an over estimation on the number of households in the district by facilities.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/567/01/24: SOCIAL CASH TRANSFER (SCT)

The Social Cash Transfer programme sits under the Social Assistance Pillar of the Revised National Development Plan. The SCT programme is aimed at reducing extreme poverty and eradicating the intergenerational transfer of poverty in households covered by the programme.

Below is a table showing the summary of payments for September-October 2023 bimonthly:

S/N	BIMONTHLY	FUNDS RECEIVED (K)	AMOUNT PAID (K)	BEN. PAID	BEN. NOT PAID	REDEPOSIT (K)	REASON FOR THE VARIANCE
1	SEP-OCT 2023	3,854,400.00	3,852,400.00	8635	5	2,000.00	Death, relocation, never came for collection

Benefits of the SCT programme

- Some households managed to purchase some cement, bricks, iron sheets for their houses.
- Some households managed to purchase kitchen utensils such as pots, buckets, containers for fetching water, etc.
- The health of the beneficiaries who are chronically ill and on palliative care has improved due to availability of funds to purchase drugs, and transport to travel to hospital for treatment.
- Some households managed to purchase some livestock such as cattle, goats, pigs, sheep, chickens, ducks, etc.
- Some households have improved nutrition by having 3 meals in a day due to the transfer funds.
- Some households used the funds to purchase seeds, fertilizer for farming and also paid for labour in their farms.
- Some households had an increase in school attendance as the funds are used to purchase school shoes, uniforms, books, pen, pencils, etc.
- Some households managed to purchase blankets, clothes, etc.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/568/01/24 ENUMERATION OF SCT BENEFICIARIES

It was reported that the main purpose of this exercise was simply to enumerate the potentially eligible households for the Social Cash Transfer programme. The enumeration was carried on successfully and a total of 1,649 potential beneficiaries were enumerated successfully.

The following were the enumeration results:

S/N	WARD	CWAC	ENUMERATED HOUSEHOLDS
1	ZIMBA	ZIMBA	92
2	ZIMBA	SIMWAMI	29
3	ZIMBA	SICHIMWA	15
4	ZIMBA	SIAMULUNGA	27
5	ZIMBA	MAKUMBA	28
6	ZIMBA	MAKOLI	35
7	ZIMBA	KALAMBA SIANENE	1
8	ZIMBA	SIAMUSIA	17
9	ZIMBA	SIACHOTO	42
10	ZIMBA	MULUNDU	20
11	SIMWATACHELA	SIANJINA	43
12	SIMWATACHELA	MISIKA	59
13	SIMWATACHELA	KABANGA 2	47
14	SIMWATACHELA	KABANGA 1	55
15	SIAMAFUMBA	SIMALUNDU	42
16	SIAMAFUMBA	SIAMAFUMBA 2	27
17	SIAMAFUMBA	SIAMAFUMBA 1	41
18	SIAMAFUMBA	MOOKA	64
19	MULAMFU	MULAMFU 2	26
20	MULAMFU	MULAMFU 1	48
21	MULAMFU	MAFUTA	49
22	MBWIKO	MAPATIZYA 2	29
23	MBWIKO	MAPATIZYA 1	38
24	MANGONDA	MUZYA	46
25	MANGONDA	MAKWALALA	13
26	MAFUMBA	MAFUMBA	31
27	MAFUMBA	CHALINGA	64
28	LUYABA	NJABALOMBE	52
29	LUYABA	LUYABA 2	13
30	LUYABA	LUYABA 1	43
31	KANYANGA	SYEJUMBA	47
32	KANYANGA	NKUNGWA	49
33	KANYANGA	KANYANGA 2	21
34	KANYANGA	KANYANGA 1	36
35	CHUUNDWE	CHUUNDWE	30
36	CHIDI	SIMUKANDA	66
37	CHIDI	SIKALAYE	36

38	CHIDI	KANCHELE 2	26
39	CHIDI	KANCHELE 1	33
40	CHIDI	CHIDI	55
41	CHALIMONGELA	SIAMPONDO	20
42	CHALIMONGELA	CHALIMONGELA 2	17
43	CHALIMONGELA	CHALIMONGELA 1	77
		TOTAL	1,649

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/569/01/24 ADMINISTRATION STAFF LEVELS

The Community Development Officer reported for the information of the Committee that, the staffing levels was still the same as reported in the last quarter. It was reported that the department was still facing challenges of understaffing especially at sub center level.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/570/01/24 STAFF TRAINING

It was brought to the attention of the committee that during the quarter under review, two assistant Community Development Officers and Community Development Officer under the department of Community Development attended the financial Management training which was held in Livingstone from 14th to 18th November 2023.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/571/01/24 FOOD SECURITY PACK PROGRAM

It was reported that during the quarter under review, the department of community development undertook the distribution of food security pack (FSP) farming inputs to 1896 household beneficiaries that were targeted for 2023/2024 rain fed farming season.

Below were the areas that were targeted during 2023/24 season

Kabanga 1&2

Mufumba

Muzya

Chalimongela 1

Chuundwe

Njabalombe

Mulamfu 1&2

Kanyanga
 Misika
 Kanchele (Simundivwi)
 Chalinga
 Zimba (Makumba, Makoli, Siamulunga)

COMPOSITION OF THE FOOD SECURITY PACK

S/N.		CASE LOAD	TOTAL RECEIVED (KGS)	NOT RECEIVED (KGS)	QUANTITY PER BENEFICIARY	REMARKS
01	Compound D	1896	3792 x 50kgs	Nil	2 x 50kgs	All beneficiaries received
02	Urea	1896	1896 x 50kgs	Nil	1 x 50kgs	All beneficiaries received
03	Maize (10kgs)	1096	1096 x 10kgs	Nil	1 x 10kgs	All beneficiaries received
04	Maize (5kgs)	800	800 x 5kgs	Nil	1 x 5kgs	All beneficiaries received
05	Sorghum(5kgs)	800	800 x 5kgs	Nil	1 x 5kgs	All beneficiaries received
06	Cowpeas (10kgs)	1000	1000 x10kgs	Nil	1 x10kgs	All beneficiaries received
07	G/ Nuts	896	896 x 10kgs	Nil	1 x10kgs	All beneficiaries received

Members were informed that all the targeted beneficiaries had received their inputs and most of them had since planted.

The report was NOTED

PWD/572/01/24 DESK APPRAISAL FOR FSP RECOVERY FUNDS

The District Food Security Pack Committee (DFSP) had a meeting to evaluate and appraise different projects from 12 FSP Area Food Security Pack Committees that had applied.

Below were the projects per CWAC

S/N	CWAC NAME	PROJECT APPLIED FOR	APPROVAL STAGE	
			APPROVED	NOT APPROVED
01	Misika	Harmer mill and Sunflower Machine	✓	
02	Mulamfu	Shed Construction	✓	
03	Chidi	Shed Construction	✓	
04	Kanyanga	Goats	✓	
05	Luyaba	Harmer Mill and oil Expeller	✓	
06	Muzya	Goats	✓	
07	Simundivwi	Oil Expeller	✓	
08	Siamafumba	Cattle	✓	
09	Chuundwe	Harmer Mill	✓	

10	Mafumba	Goats	✓	
11	Njabalombe	Goats	✓	
12	Zimba	Shed Construction	✓	
13	Kabanga	Shed Construction	✓	

It was further reported that all the thirteen project applications were approved by the committee and the department had since handed over the applications to procurement department under Zimba Town Council and the procurement processes was underway.

Members were informed that within the period of two weeks the exercise would be done.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/573/01/24 TRAININGS

During the period under review, our Ministry had undertaken the following trainings in the District.

- (i) A total of 76 farmers were trained in feed formulation at the Practical Dairy Learning Farm (PDLF)
- (ii) 52 farmers were taken to Golden Valley Agriculture Research Trust in Choma for a Livestock field day
- (iii) Trained a total of 100 farmers of Siamafumba and Zimba Central camps in Dairy animal Management.
- (iv) 65 farmers of Muziya were trained in Village chickens rearing and management
- (v) 40 farmers from Kolima Co-operative were trained disease management feed formulation
- (vi) 50 farmers of Zimba Central camp were trained in best practices / milk hygiene and selection of best breeds for milk production and rearing.
- (vii) 80 farmers from Siamafumba area were trained in pasture and forage growing.
- (viii) 44 farmers from Zimba Central Camp, Muziya and Siamafumba were also trained in pasture and forage growing in relation to Climate Change.

The report was NOTED

PWD/574/01/24 EAST COAST FEVER VACCINATIONS

Zimba District targeted to vaccinate a total of 3000 calves. Out of the targeted number, only 1, 160 calves were vaccinated in the areas of Siamafumba, Chidi and parts of Zimba Central Camps.

Constraints: -

- ✓ Transport challenge
- ✓ Insufficient liquid nitrogen levels
- ✓ Lack of proper liquid nitrogen flask for use during the exercise
- ✓ Insufficient man power (under-staffed)
- ✓ Insufficient funding, the job required more days
- ✓ The new increased price from K40 to K50 / calf negatively affected the farmers

The report was NOTED

PWD/575/01/24 ANTHRAX DISEASE SCENARIO

It was brought to the attention of the committee that following the reported cases of Anthrax in Sinazongwe, Kalomo and parts of Kazungula Districts, Zimba was also put on high alert. The following measures were taken: -

- ✓ Sensitization campaigns had been under-taken in areas bordering affected areas and the district as a whole
- ✓ Complete ban was placed on the movements of Livestock and Livestock products (No animals coming into or leaving the district).
- ✓ Farmers to be cautious and treat all animals that die of unknown cause not to be consumed and be disposed off by burying the carcass.
- ✓ Farmers had been encouraged to vaccinate their animals (Cattle, Sheep and goats).

It was heard that over 30 random samples had been collected to test for anthrax in random areas all over Zimba. Upon analysis in the regional lab, all results came out negative for anthrax.

Therefore, it can be concluded that the cause of mortality in these animals could be as a result of tick-borne diseases and nutritional dis-orders, including heat stress.

It was also noted that the death toll had gone to above 50 within Zimba district.

It was further reported that the Anthrax vaccine was yet to be sent to the district. And once received, the farmers would be informed accordingly, and mass vaccinations would commence.

The report was NOTED

PWD/576/01/24 ZIMBA DISTRICT PROFILE

The District Agricultural Coordinator reported for the information of the committee that the aims at giving an overview of the numerous activities which the Department of Agriculture in Zimba District undertook in the fourth quarter of 2023 – October, November and December. It was heard that Zimba District lies

between the latitudes 17° and 18° South and longitudes 26° and 27° East. It shares boundaries with Kalomo on the eastern border, Kazungula on the southwest, Choma and Sinazongwe to the northeast as well as Zimbabwe on the southern border. The district covers a total area of 5,245.01 km² (524,501 ha) of which an estimated 419,600 ha (about 80 %) is suitable for arable agriculture.

For agricultural administrative purposes, Zimba District is divided into four (4) blocks - Zimba Chinkoyo, Luyaba and Misika, with twenty (20) operational camps, namely, Chalimongela, Chidi, Simundivwi, Chinkoyo, Kabanga, Chuundwe, Kanyanga, Sejumba, Luyaba, Mafumba, Misika, Mapatizya, Simalundu, Kamukeza, Mulamfu, Njabalombe, Siamafumba, Simalundu, Muzya and Zimba. Agricultural production, both crop and livestock farming, constitutes the main economic activity in the district.

Table 1.0 gives the profile of the Zimba District.

S/N	NAME OF CAMP	NUMBER OF FARMERS	BLOCK
1.	Chidi	732	Chinkoyo
2.	Simundivwi	1,135	Chinkoyo
3.	Chinkoyo	1,462	Chinkoyo
4.	Kabanga	1,399	Chinkoyo
5.	Chuundwe	1,246	Zimba
6.	Kanyanga	2,554	Chinkoyo
7.	Syejumba	548	Chinkoyo
8.	Luyaba	2,321	Luyaba
9.	Mafumba	642	Zimba
10.	Kamukeza	1	Misika
11.	Misika	2,260	Misika
12.	Chalimongela	345	Misika
13.	Mapatizya	1,259	Misika
14.	Mulamfu	2,130	Chinkoyo
15.	Njabalombe	1,444	Luyaba
16.	Siamafumba	2,528	Luyaba
17.	Simalundu	1,220	Chinkoyo
18.	Muzya	1,935	Zimba
19.	Simukanda	885	Luyaba
20.	Zimba	2,153	Zimba
	District Total	28,199	

Updated number of farmers registered in ZIAMIS as at the time of reporting

It was further reported that the Department of Agriculture comprises three (3) branches, namely, Agricultural Advisory Services Branch (AASB), Crop Production Branch (CPB) and the Technical Services Branch (TSB). The branches are further subdivided into various sections; Extension, Farm Management and Food and Nutrition (under the AASB); Field Crops and Horticulture under CPB; and the TSB is divided into three sections namely Farm Power and Mechanisation, Irrigation and the Land Husbandry Section.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/577/01/24 WEATHER CONDITIONS

It was reported that the quarter under review was characterised by hot temperature and prolonged dry spells with traces of rainfall in October and November whilst rainfall started in the first week of December

The table below outlines temperatures and rainfall for the quarter as at reporting time with the minimum temperature ranged from 21°C to 24 °C while the maximum temperature ranged from 29°C to 36°C.

Weather Parameters

Month	Rainfall Days	Amount (mm)	Temperature (°C)	
			Min	Max
October	1	Trace	24	34
November	2	5.6	24	36
December	6	11.6	21	35
TOTAL	0	trace	-	-

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/578/01/24 CROP CONDITION

The committee was informed that during the period under review, the planting rains commenced in the first week of December 2023 hence few farmers had so far recorded germination of maize crop in 2023/23 farming season. The planting of field crop was ongoing starting with the cereal maize followed by other crops such as sunflower, groundnuts, cowpeas and others.

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/579/01/24 DEPARTMENT OF AGRI-BUSINESS AND MARKETING

1. Marketing

Members were informed that the main mandate for Department of Agri-business and Marketing was to collect prices for selected agricultural products and dissemination to market players for making informed decisions in agricultural enterprises and ventures. It was stated that the department monitored market prices at Zimba Main Market.

Table 2: Average Retail Price

AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES						
Product	Commodity	Unit Measure	Average Monthly Prices			Average
			October	November	December	
Meal	Breakfast Meal	25 Kg	285	295	285	288.33
	Roller Meal	25 Kg	200	200	200	200.00
	Bread Flour	25 Kg	490	490	490	490.00

Cereals	Maize Grain	Kg	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5
	Sorghum	5Kg / Meda	No stock	No stock	No stock	
	Millet	5Kg / Meda	No stock	No stock	No stock	
	Rice	5Kg / Meda	150	150	150	150.00
Oils	Soybean Grain	Kg	No stock	No stock	No stock	
	Sunflower	Kg	No stock	No stock	No stock	
	Groundnut	5Kg / Meda	100	100	100	100.00
Pulses	Kabulanketi beans	5Kg / Meda	160	160	160	160.00
	White & Yellow beans	5Kg / Meda	160	160	160	160.00
	Mixed beans	5Kg / Meda	160	160	160	160.00
	Cowpeas	5Kg / Meda	No stock	No stock	No stock	
Tubers	Cassava Chips	5Kg / Meda	10	10	10	10.00
	Irish Potatoes	10Kg	130	150	150	143.33
Inputs	Maize Seed - Early	10Kg	420	420	420	420.00
	Maize Seed - Medium	10Kg	510	510	510	510.00
	Maize Seed - Late	10Kg	No stock	No stock	No stock	
	Sorghum Seed	5Kg	140	140	140	140.00
	Sunflower Seed	5Kg	250	250	250	250.00
	Soya Beans Seed	25Kg	950	950	950	950.00
	Groundnuts Seed	20Kg	850	850	850	850.00
	Cowpeas Seed	5Kg	235	235	235	235.00
	Fertilizer - Compound D	50Kg	800	800	800	800.00
Fertilizer - Urea	50Kg	900	900	900	900.00	
Vegitables	Rape	Bunddles	2	2	2	2.00
	Cabbage	Head	10	10	10	10.00
	Tomatoes	Kg	15	15	15	15.00
	Onion	10Kg	140	130	130	133.33

Table 3: Input Suppliers that operate all the year round.

SUPPLIER (Business Name)	INPUT SUPPLIED	LOCATION
Farm Serve	Field Crops and Horticultural Seeds, Fertilizers, Herbicides, Sprayers & Livestock Drugs	Along Kalomo - Livingstone Road
Man South Agro-dealers	Seed, Fertilisers, Herbicides & Sprayers and Livestock Drugs	Zimba Main Market.

Demos Agro-dealer	Seed, Fertilisers & Ox-drawn Implements	Zimba Main Market along Muzya Road.
Daniel Tembo.	Fertilizers, Maize, Soyabeans and Sunflower Seed & ADP accessories	Next to Vin-bin Hardware. Mubiana Complex, Zimba Main Market

The report was **NOTED**

PWD/580/01/24 FARMER INPUT SUPPORT PROGRAMME (FISP) - 2023/24 FARMING SEASON

It was reported that the fourth quarter was characterised by continued Farmer Input Support Programme activities where farmers continued collection inputs from designated suppliers. It was heard that Zimba district was allocated with 7,900 packs to distribute to farmers in the district. Below is a schedule for input supplier and distribution.

Farmer Input Support Program

Programme	Program/Activity	Target	Actual/Received	Comments
2021 FISP Distribution				
Demographics	Number of farmers in the district?		28,199	Actual on ZIAMIS
	Number of 2023 FISP Beneficiaries	7,900	7,900	
Farmer Deposits				
	Number of farmers on ATDs	7,900	7,900	All on ATD
	Number of Farmers confirmed to have deposited.	7,900	7,900	All deposited
	Number of ATCs issued	7,900	7,900	All ATCs issued
Stock Position				
Fertilizer				
	Name of fertilizer suppliers (Also name them on actual)	United Capital Fertilizers & ALPHA Commodities	United Capital Fertilizers & ALPHA Commodities	
	Urea Fertilizer (MT)	1,185.00	1,185.00	All Fertilizers delivered
	Compound D Fertilizer (MT)	1,185.00	1,185.00	All Fertilizer delivered
	Number of fertilizer warehouse managers (Name them on actual)	Two (2): United Capital Fertilizers & ALPHA Commodities	Two (2): United Capital Fertilizers & ALPHA Commodities	
Seed Maize				
	Name of seed warehouse managers.	Daniel Tembo Agro	Daniel Tembo Agro	

	Seed Quantities (MT)/Variety			
	V1; 5.93 (ZMS 301)	5.93	5.93	
	V2; 11.75 (30G19)	11.75	11.75	
	V3; 5.93 (SC 419)	5.93	5.93	
	Name of seed warehouse managers.	Simweemba Agro	Simweemba Agro	
	V4; 16.45 (AMAC 614)	16.45	16.45	Distribution still going on
	V5; 4.15 (Kamano seed)	5.93	5.93	
	V6; 5.93 (Falcon M401)	5.93	5.93	
	V7; 5.93 (WH 101)	5.93	5.93	
	Name of seed warehouse managers.	Zambian Crop Genetics	Zambian Crop Genetics	
	V8; 18.8 (Lake 601)	18.80	18.80	
	Name of seed warehouse managers.	Mamila Agro	Mamila Agro	
	V9; 5.93 (ZM 521)	5.93	5.93	8 x 10 bags not distributed
	Total Seed (MT)	79.02	79.02	
Legume Seed Groundnuts	Kariba Seed Company	Simweemba Agro	Simweemba Agro	
	V1; 27.70 (Natal Common)	27.70	27.70	
	V2; 31.60 (MGV 5)	31.60	31.60	
	V3; 19.75 (MGV 4)	19.75	19.75	
	Total Groundnut Seed (MT)	79.05	79.05	
Legume Seed Soyabeans	Farmers Barn Limited	Simweemba Agro	Simweemba Agro	
	V1;24.70 (Kafue)	24.70	24.70	
		Agrochamp	Agrochamp	
	V2; 34.56 (Kafue)	34.56	34.56	
	Zambezi Seed Company	Mamila Agro	Mamila Agro	
	V3; 39.5 (Kafue)	39.50	39.50	Distribution still going on
	Total Soya bean Seed (MT)	98.75	98.75	

Contracted Fertiliser Suppliers

Members were informed that United Capital Fertilizer was contracted to supply basal fertiliser for 2023 /24 farming season in Zimba District and all the 1.185 Mt (23, 700 x 50Kg bags) of D Compound contracted was delivered in the district. It was also stated that Alpha Commodities Limited was contracted to supply Urea fertilizers for the 2023/2024 farming season and all the 1,185 Mt (23, 700 x 50Kg bags) contracted was delivered.

Contracted Seed Suppliers

The following were the contracted seed suppliers in the district;

- Zambian Crop genetics
- ETG Inputs Zambia Limited
- AMAC Seed Zambia Limited
- Top Seed Zambia Limited
- Kariba Seed Company
- Zamseed
- Seedco Zambia (SCZ) International Limited
- Zambezi Seed
- Western Seed Company
- Kamano Seed Company
- Farmers Barn Limited

FISP ACTIVITIES

Farmer Deposits

Farmer deposits commenced on the 7th September, 2023 and all the 7,900 farmer beneficiaries deposited

Physical Verification of Beneficiaries

Prior to the onset of farmer deposits, a team of officers from the DACO's office conducted physical verification of beneficiaries submitted by Camp Agricultural Committees (CACs) in all the manned 19 agricultural Camps

Successes

- 7,891 farmers out of the targeted 7,900 have redeemed their input (7,573 Fully redeemed and 318 partially redeemed) translating into 99.87% inputs redeemed
- The district successfully hosted the Southern province FISP input redeeming launch supported by all input suppliers

Challenges

- Delays in replacement of storage damages by fertilizer suppliers especially Basal dressing could be attributed to unredeemed inputs

FISP –Recommendations.

- National input Suppliers and / or Seed companies should be tasked to warehouse inputs to farmer's respective camps where storage facilities are available to reduce congestion at collection points.
- Early distribution of inputs should be maintained to enable farmers prepare and plant in time where rainfall pattern is optimal.
- Should the Government maintain the Hybrid E-Voucher/ (DIS) modality, fertilizer suppliers should involve Agro dealer to minimize backlogs at input distribution point in the district.

Members **NOTED** the report

PWD/581/01/24 AGRICULTURE CREDIT WINDOW (SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE FINANCING FACILITY – SAFF)

It was reported that the district was involved in the Sustainable Agriculture Financing Facility where prospective and emergent farmers apply for agricultural input loans and in this regard Zimba district was allocated with a total of 130 applications broken down as follows:

S/n	1 Ha (K10,000)	2 Ha (K20,000)	3 Ha (K 30,000)	4 Ha (K 40,000)	5 Ha (K50,000)
Number of Farmers	70	30	16	9	5

It was further reported that the district was overwhelmed by applications from farmers from different camps out of which 130 were shortlisted. It was stated that an initial total of 28 applications had been recommended for processing and approval to the bank. The processes were still ongoing as the district only received one booklet of approved application forms and farmers that were shortlisted require to come and fill in the approved application forms.

Members **NOTED** the report

PWD/582/01/24 NATIONAL FOOD RESERVES MANAGEMENT (FRA)

It was brought to the attention of the committee that the Food Reserve Agency (FRA) had been buying maize in the district at Zmw 5.6 /Kg translating to Zmw 280 per 50Kg bag of maize. It was heard that in Zimba district 8 Satellite depots were engaged for maize purchases and as at close of season, 31st October, 2023 the Agency has bought a total of 111, 849 x 50Kg bags in the 8 satellites under Zimba District as outlined in the schedule below

Table 8: FRA Maize Purchases

S/n	Satellite Depot	Maize Purchases (50Kg bag)	Maize Purchases (MT)	Crop Value (ZMW)
1	Zimba	5,595	280	1,566,600.00
2	Chilevwe	10,650	533	2,982,000.00
3	Luyaba	14,665	733	4,106,200.00
4	Siamafumba	19,973	999	5,592,440.00
5	Misika	19,350	968	5,418,000.00
6	Chinkoyo	23,700	1,185	6,636,000.00

7	Chidi	9,106	455	2,549,680.00
8	Muzya	8,810	441	2,466,800.00
	Total	111,849	5,592.45	31,317,720.00

The report was **NOTED**

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT EDUCATION BOARD SECRETARY

The report was not presented as there was no officer from the District Education Board Office that attended the meeting.

REPORT OF THE DISTRICT FORESTRY OFFICER

The report was not presented as there was no officer from the District Forestry Office that attended the meeting.

There being no other business to transact upon, the meeting was declared closed at 13:40 hours, followed by a prayer from Chief Administrative Officer Mr. Mwaanga Vincent.

CONFIRMED THIS..... DAY2024.

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MAJUBA MICHAEL
COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON