

UGU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

MINUTES OF THE 45TH MEETING OF THE UGU DISTRICT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, RAY NKONYENI MUNICIPALITY, 10 CONNOR STREET, PORT SHEPSTONE, ON THURSDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2020, AT 11H15.

PRESENT:

Cllr NH Gumede - Speaker

SR Ngcobo (Exco Member), AD Ngubo (Exco Member), LMR Ngcobo (Exco Member), SP Mthethwa (Exco Member), SN Caluza, SR Cele, S Chetty, TA Disane, K Dladla, TW Dube, M Gcwabe, GD Henderson, MA Manyoni, NCP Mqwebu, NY Mweshe, Y Nair, PT Naude, D Nciki, S Mngomezulu, H Mbatha, ZZ Msani, HJ Ngubelanga and A Rajaram.

BY INVITATION:

Inkosi MP Ngcobo
Inkosi EZ Mkhize
Inkosi BS Nzimakwe
Inkosi ZGB Msomi
Inkosi ZR Qwabe
Inkosi EZ Jali
Inkosi B Cele
Ms B Jojo

- Chairperson: Audit Committee

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr S Sithole	-	Acting Municipal Manager
Mr S Mbewu	-	General Manager: Water Services
Ms N Grobler	-	Acting General Manager: Corporate Services
Ms L Sotshede	-	Acting General Manager: Budget and Treasury Office
Mr F Zama	-	Senior Manager: Mayoralty and Communications
Ms N Msomi	-	Manager: Policy and Research
Mr S Kati	-	Manager: Risk and Internal Audit
Ms N Surajbally	-	Administrative Officer: Secretariat Unit
Ms B Malishe	-	Committee Co-ordinator
Ms T Kikine	-	Committee Clerk: Secretariat Unit

OPENING

The Speaker welcomed all to the meeting. She then requested Cllr Henderson to open the meeting in prayer.

C 320/11/20 NOTICE OF MEETING

The notice of the meeting was taken as read.

C 321/11/20 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

It was noted that Cllrs AD Ngubo (*sick*), H Mbatha (*family responsibility*), BT Cele (*study leave*), SN Caluza (*study leave*), and NCP Mqwebu (*council business*) had requested leave of absence from the meeting.

It was also noted that both Cllrs NY Mweshe and SR Cele had requested to be excused from the meeting at 12h45 to attend to other council business at Umzumbe Municipality.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Cllrs AD Ngubo (*sick*), H Mbatha (*family responsibility*), BT Cele (*study leave*), SN Caluza (*study leave*), and NCP Mqwebu (*council business*) be and are hereby granted leave of absence from the meeting.
- (b) That, the request from both Cllrs NY Mweshe and SR Cele to be excused from the meeting at 12h45 to attend to other council business at Umzumbe Municipality be and is hereby **GRANTED**.

C 322/11/20 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were none.

C 323/11/20 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The Speaker took members through the confirmation of the agenda.

The Acting Municipal Manager requested that Items 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3 be included under Urgent Matters.

Cllr Rajaram sought clarity on the item regarding the Report on Vehicles Parked Off at the Workshop, whereby it was resolved at the last meeting that a report be submitted to this meeting.

Cllr Henderson reminded Council that the Section 106 Investigation Report was supposed to be a Standing Item on the Agenda and that feedback should be given monthly, but the said item was not part of the Agenda. He also pointed out that the item relating to the Year-End and Season Greetings should be added on the agenda since this was the last Council meeting for the year.

Responding, the Mayor reminded members that a special meeting of Council was held on 23 November 2020, whereby the Section 106 Investigation Report was discussed.

Cllr Henderson then requested that the progress report in terms of the disciplinary processes on the Section 106 Investigation should be submitted to the next meeting.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

(a) That the agenda convening the Ugu District Municipal Council meeting be and is hereby **CONFIRMED**, subject to the inclusion of the following items under Urgent Matters:

- Item 13.1 Recess Committee: 01 December 2020 to 08 January 2021;
- Item 13.2 Provincial Treasury's High-Level Assessment of the Budget Funding Plan for the Special Adjustments Budget for the 2020/21 Financial Year; and
- Item 13.3 Peak Season Preparedness Plan December 2020.

(b) That the progress report in terms of the disciplinary processes on the Section 106 Investigation be submitted to the next meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

C 324/11/20

Minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020

The Speaker took members through the confirmation of the minutes for the 44th meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020.

Cllr Chetty moved for the acceptance of the minutes and was seconded by Cllr Mthethwa.

Following which,

It was

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020, be and are hereby **CONFIRMED**.

RESOLUTION REGISTER

C 325/11/20 Resolution Register for the 44th Meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020

The Speaker took members through the Resolution Register for the 44th meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the Resolution Register for the 44th Meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020, be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 326/11/20 OUTSTANDING MATTERS

It was noted that there were none.

STANDING ITEMS

C 327/11/20 SALGA Monthly Report to Members as of 18 November 2020

The Acting Municipal Manager took members through the SALGA Monthly Report as at 18 November 2020.

He informed members that the report entailed the following:

- SALGA KZN Membership Levies: Early Settlement Discount; and
- Notice of Provincial Members Assembly 26-27 November 2020;
- Invitation to Attend a SALGA National Assembly; and
- Upcoming Events.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the SALGA Monthly Report as of 18 November 2020, be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 328/11/20 Monthly Birthday Greetings: Councillors, Amakhosi and Senior Managers

The Speaker conveyed birthday wishes on behalf of Council to the following Councillors who celebrated their birthdays during the month of November namely:

- Cllr JJ East - 07 November; and
- Cllr GD Henderson - 17 November.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the Monthly Birthday Greetings for Councillors, Amakhosi and Senior Managers be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 329/10/20 Water Supply Challenges

[It must be noted that this item was discussed together with Item 13.3 Peak Season Preparedness Plan December 2020.]

The Acting Municipal Manager informed Council that the first part of the report was based on the Water Supply Challenges that was being experienced throughout the Ugu District and that the second part of the report entailed the Peak Season Preparedness Plan for December 2020.

Thereafter, the General Manager: Water Services took members through the report.

He informed Council that from Monday, 23 November 2020, water supply challenges had been experienced in Gamalakhe; whereby it was discovered that valves had been closed. He emphasised that the said challenges were manmade given that there was tampering with the infrastructure.

In addition, he reported that the main valve was closed and that the scour valves had been opened when same was supposed to be closed.

Also, he reported that on Wednesday, 25 November 2020, in the early parts of the morning, a Plumber's vehicle, which was parked at his home had been torched.

He said that the water services teams worked in fear given that same were intimidated.

He pointed out that from Bhobhoyi, Marburg to the Northern Systems, Hibberdene resulted in no water and that the said challenges were manmade.

He said that currently, a security risk assessment was being carried out.

He then referred members from pages 10 to 11 of the report and highlighted the Water for the Umtamvuna System and reported on the following:

- Umtamvuna Raw Water Abstraction Pumpstation and Water Treatment Works (WTW);
- Izingolweni / KwaXolo System (Gcilima, Mvutshini, KwaXolo, Izingolweni, Nkulu, Mbecuka, Jerico, Manzimhlophe, Shobamdlanzi, Goqoza, Nzimakwe); and

- Coastal System: Port Edward, Palm Beach, Leisure Bay, Southbroom, Glenmore, Munster)

He then reported on the Bhobhoyi / Kwahlongwa System which entailed the following:

- St Helens Rock;
- Gamalakhe Township;
- Uvongo, Shelly Beach and Margate;
- Marburg;
- Ramsgate;
- KwaMadlala (Magog);
- KwaHlongwa (Mgubo area); and
- Nsimbini (Nyandezulu, Bomela, Bethania, Msikaba)

He then took members through the Sanitation for the following:

Sanitation: Umtamvuna System:

- Port Edward / Red Dessert Sewage Plant; and
- Palm Beach / Trafalgar Sewage System

With regards to the Port Edward / Red Desert Sewage Plant, he mentioned that the Port Edward No. 1 & 2 pump station pump broke down and that there was a procurement process of new pumps underway. He said that the status was that the Pumpstation was operational given that the pumps had been repaired.

In terms of the Palm Beach / Trafalgar Sewage System, he reported that the Trafalgar pump station broke down due to the flooding and that there was high flow during peak season into the treatment works.

He said that the damaged pumps were repaired and that the duty and standby pump had been repaired. In addition, he said that there was increased monitoring for peak season to avoid spillages and treatment performance monitoring.

Sanitation: Bhobhoyi System:

- Umbango; and
- Melville

Regarding Umbango, he indicated that there was a supply in interruption whereby the pump station broke down and there were high flows to the Umbango Plant during the peak period. In terms of the intervention, he emphasised that there was increased monitoring and that regarding the status, the pump stations were operational and there was sump cleaning for critical pump stations to avoid blockages.

He then took members through the Resource Schedule and Management and mentioned that during the peak season, the following were the most important actions to ensure a smooth peak season:

- Response time of any complaint – avoid water loss and longer water disruptions;
- Repair time – the repair times should be as quick to avoid anxiety from customers;
- Staff compliment – during the period, all staff were always expected to be available;
- Resources – all necessary resources would be available all the time.

He then highlighted the Water Supply Systems Status Overview for Area North and the Sewer Treatment Systems Status Overview for Area North.

He also took members through the Water Services Risk Assessment as reflected on pages 48 and 49 of the report.

He mentioned that the following were reflected from pages 50 to 83 of the report:

- District Disaster Management & Fire Services Centre Peak Season Plan;
- Fleet Section: Peak Season Preparedness Plan;
- ICT Peak Season Preparedness Plan;
- Economic Development & Environmental Services Plan: Peak Season Preparedness Plan; and
- Communications & Customer Relations: Peak Season Preparedness Plan

Commenting, the Deputy Mayor emphasised that most of the water supply challenges were manmade and that there was sabotage. She pointed out that the said challenges would result in expenditure, which was not budgeted for. She stressed that it was important to advise the communities on what was going on.

Cllr Rajaram pointed out with concern that some communities did not have water for four (4) to five (5) days and that the said communities were not provided with water tankers. He stressed that people were desperate for water. He said that the Councillors needed to know what was happening so that they could keep the community informed. He stressed with concern that Councillors were always informed that the reservoirs were filling up or there was no power. He emphasised that the said reasons were one and the same all the time and that the community had questioned the Councillors on how long a reservoir takes to fill up.

Cllr Henderson emphasised that the Municipality had a terrible year especially with the supply of water and that currently most of the people did not have water and there were no updates at all. He pointed out that the Water Services Department was a problem given that the said Department should be providing updates to the Communications Department, but the Communications Department were not receiving any updates. He stressed that it was really shocking at what was happening in the Municipality.

Echoing the same sentiments, Cllr East reiterated that the major problem was the lack of credible and reliable communication to the communities.

He suggested that the areas should be separated to make it easier and that Councillors should get an update via the Councillor What's App Group.

He pointed out that during the three months of Lockdown, there were not much challenges, just the usual breaks but in the last three months, there were continuous problems and that the Pennington, Umdoni and Scottburgh areas had experienced the most challenges.

He pointed out that a few weeks ago, Umgeni Water had done a big upgrade; he sought clarity on what had changed from the Lockdown to now.

Moreover, he pointed out that in the Umtwalume, Umzinto and Vulamehlo areas there were standby people to manually operate the system.

Furthermore, he pointed out that there was a SCADA system in place. He sought clarity as to why the system was being manually balanced.

Cllr LMR Ngcobo referred to the communication to the rural areas and stressed that same was very poor. He emphasised that the rural areas needed updates even if there was water shedding.

He suggested that the Traditional Centres should be used to communicate to the rural areas.

He then referred members to page 17 and pointed out with concern that there was only one (1) Welder for the entire Ugu District. He requested Management to look at the said concern.

He then referred members to page 25, Phungashe and requested the General Manager: Water Services to include Ward 4, Engwagani given that the said area did not have water for a very long time and that there were no water tankers dispatched to the said area.

He referred members to page 57 and pointed out with concern that the Margate Town Hall was demolished; yet same appeared on the report.

Cllr Khawula appealed to Management to keep on reporting the issue of sabotage even to the SAPS.

He also pointed out that the issue of illegal connections was a contributing factor to the water supply challenges. He said that Amakhosi should hold community meetings and assist the Municipality to deal with the issue of illegal connections.

Cllr Dlamini referred to the issue of vehicles being torched and pointed out that there was an issue with the Municipality's security.

She then referred to the issue of communication and stressed that it was important for all Councillors, Amakhosi and so forth to receive the same information, which should be consistent.

She further stressed that even with the manmade challenges, the community needed to be informed. She pointed out that the law enforcement needed to assist.

Sharing the same sentiments, Cllr SH Cele stressed concern with regard to the issue of communication. Furthermore, he stressed concern on the issue of generators at the plants. He said that relating to communication, Management had to communicate information effectively and efficiently to the Councillors so that the Councillors could respond to the communities.

Moreover, he referred to the Water Tankers and requested Management to also communicate the dispatch of Water Tankers.

Cllr Mzimela pointed out that one could hear the frustrations of the Councillors and that it was evident that communication was a serious issue. He then stressed that the Municipality's infrastructure and buildings were not protected. He emphasised that if the infrastructure were protected then there would be no problems with the supply of water. He said that a security plan should be developed on how to protect the infrastructure.

He proposed that the Executive Committee should be mandated to engage the Community Policing Forum (CPF) and the private security companies to have a working relationship in place to protect the Municipality's infrastructure.

The Speaker agreed that the most serious issue was the illegal connections. She shared a scenario with Council of the private water tankers filling up the Jojo tanks for R400.00 for the communities. She said that the said private water tankers were taking Ugu water and selling for an amount of R400.00.

Following much discussion and deliberations,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report on the Water Supply Challenges be and is hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That the Peak Season Preparedness Plan for December 2020 be and is hereby **APPROVED**.

C 330/11/20

SECTION 79 REPORTS

It was noted that there were none.

C 331/11/20

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

It was noted that there were none.

EXTRACTS FROM COMMITTEES

Extracts from the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 04 November 2020

C332/11/20

Review of Policies: P.A.I.A Policy and Procedure Manual; Records Management Policy; Registry Procedure

The Speaker took members through the item.

Following which,

It was unanimously,

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report on the Review of Policies: P.A.I.A Policy and Procedure Manual; Records Management Policy; Registry Procedure be and is hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That the Review of Policies: P.A.I.A Policy and Procedure Manual; Records Management Policy; Registry Procedure be and is hereby **APPROVED**.

EXTRACTS FROM COMMITTEES

Extracts from the meeting of the Executive Committee held on 18 November 2020

C 333/11/20

SCM Monthly Performance Report – October 2020

The Speaker took members through the item.

Cllr Naude referred members to pages 136 and 137 of the report and pointed out that the said pages reflected the exact same figures from the first top three (3) suppliers. He then enquired if same was an error. In addition, he pointed out with concern that the dates were also incorrect given that page 137 of the report read as *Top 10 Suppliers for the period from 01 September to 30 September 2020*”.

Cllr Nair referred members to the Top 10 Suppliers for the period from 01 September to 30 October 2020 on page 136 and sought clarity what the South African Local Government Association - SAL003 was supplying for the amount of R4,154,330.00.

Responding, the Acting General Manager: Budget and Treasury Office advised members that she would verify the figures and the dates and that same would be corrected accordingly.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the SCM Monthly Performance Report – October 2020 be and is hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That it be noted the Acting General Manager: Budget and Treasury Office be and is hereby tasked to verify the figures and the dates reflected on pages 136 and 137 of the report and that same be corrected accordingly.

C 334/11/20 Unauthorised Expenditure 2020/21

The Acting Municipal Manager took members through the item.

He mentioned that the purpose of the report was to apprise the Committee on the Unauthorised Expenditure amounting to R12,164,894.44 that was incurred by the Municipality during the first quarter of the financial year 2020/21.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report on the Unauthorised Expenditure 2020/21 be and is hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That the Unauthorised Expenditure amounting to R12,164,894.44 that was incurred by the Municipality during the first quarter of the financial year 2020/21 be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 335/11/20 Operation Khawuleza Yellow Plant

The Mayor took members through the item. He apprised Council that the said item was also presented at the last meeting of the Executive Committee held on 18 November 2020.

He mentioned that the following Municipalities had previously benefited which were as follows:

- Umdoni Municipality;
- Umuziwabantu Municipality; and
- Ray Nkonyeni Municipality.

He advised members that the following Municipalities would now benefit, namely:

- Umzumbe Municipality - TLB; and

- Umuziwabantu Municipality - TLB

He shared with members that it was agreed at the last meeting of the Executive Committee that Ugu District Municipality should enter into a Service Level Agreement with the concerned Local Municipalities.

He also pointed out that when transferring the said equipment to the Local Municipalities, it should be clearly communicated that the said Municipalities should make available the said equipment if the District needed to utilize the equipment within their wards. He shared with members that the Executive Committee had also requested that the said Municipalities should ensure that the Yellow Plant were included in their Asset Registers.

Cllr Henderson pointed out that the Municipality was struggling with burst pipes and that sometimes the communities had to survive for two (2) to three (3) days without running water. He then enquired on the number of TLB's within the Municipality given that the District would be giving away the two TLB's.

Cllr East enquire if the TLB's had already been transferred to the Local Municipalities.

Responding, Cllr Nair reiterated the Mayor's explanation that the said equipment would be transferred to the Local Municipalities and that same would be made available if the District needed to utilize the equipment within their wards. He further pointed out that Ugu District Municipality would also enter into a Service Level Agreement with the concerned Local Municipalities.

The Speaker explained to members that the said equipment had not yet been transferred to the Local Municipalities given that Council had to take a resolution on same.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report on Operation Khawuleza Yellow Plant be and is hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That the Yellow Plant be allocated as follows:
 - Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality: Refuse Compactor
 - Umuziwabantu Local Municipality: TLB;
 - Umzumbe Local Municipality: TLB; and
 - Umdoni Local Municipality: Grader
- (c) That the above equipment be transferred to the Local Municipalities.

- (d) That Ugu District Municipality enter into a Service Level Agreement with all the Local Municipalities.
- (e) That regarding the two (2) TLB's, 1 TLB be allocated to Umuziwabantu Municipality and 1 TLB to Umzumbe Municipality, on condition that if the District needed to utilise the said equipment, then same be made available.
- (f) That all the Local Municipalities ensure that the Yellow Plant Equipment were included in their Asset Registers.

C 336/11/20 Appointment of Disciplinary Board Member

The Municipal Manager took members through the item.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report on the Appointment of Disciplinary Board Member be and is hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That Mr Thando Lovejoy Mbili be and is hereby appointed to serve as a member to the Disciplinary Board.

C 337/11/20 2020/21 PMS Quarter 1 Report

The Acting Municipal Manager took members through the item.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the 2020/21 PMS Quarter 1 Report be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 338/11/20 2021 Roster of Meetings

The Acting Municipal Manager took members through the item.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

- (a) That the report on the 2021 Roster of Meetings be and is hereby **NOTED**.

(b) That the 2021 Roster of Meetings be and is hereby **APPROVED**.

MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES

C 339/11/20 Minutes of the 55th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 21 October 2020

The Speaker took members through the minutes of the 55th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 21 October 2020.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

That the Confirmed Minutes of the 55th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 21 October 2020 be and are hereby **NOTED**.

C 340/11/20 Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 28 October 2020

The Speaker took members through the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 28 October 2020.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

That the Confirmed Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 28 October 2020 be and are hereby **NOTED**.

C 341/11/20 Minutes of the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 04 November 2020

The Speaker took members through the minutes of the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 04 November 2020.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

That the Confirmed Minutes of the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 04 November 2020 be and are hereby **NOTED**.

URGENT MATTERS

C 342/11/20 Election of Members to Serve on the Recess Committee

The Acting Municipal Manager took members through the item.

He informed members that while Council was on recess, the Recess Committee would meet and discuss urgent matters and take decisions. He stated that the recess dates were indicated from 01 December 2020 to 08 January 2021.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

(a) That the report regarding the Election of Members to Serve on the Recess Committee be and is hereby **NOTED**.

(b) That the Recess Committee comprise the following members:

- The Mayor;
- The Deputy Mayor;
- The Speaker;
- Cllr NT Dlamini;
- Cllr LM Mzimela;
- Cllr AD Ngubo;
- Cllr SP Mthethwa; and
- Cllr LMR Ngcobo.

(c) That, it be noted that during the Recess Periods, the same members reflected in resolution (b) are elected to serve as members of the Recess Committee.

C 343/11/20 Provincial Treasury's High-Level Assessment of the Budget Funding Plan for the Special Adjustments Budget for the 2020 /21 Financial Year

The Acting Municipal Manager took members through the item.

He informed members on the Provincial Treasury's High-Level Assessment of the Budget Funding Plan for the Special Adjustments Budget for the 2020 /21 Financial Year. He then requested the Acting General Manager: Budget and Treasury Office to elaborate on the subject.

The Acting General Manager: Budget and Treasury Office took members through the response from the Provincial Treasury (PT) after the revised budget was submitted. She stated that the budget was found misaligned. She pointed out that the letter included the comments from PT. She further mentioned that the response from the National Treasury was not yet received.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED

That the report on the Provincial Treasury's High-Level Assessment of the Budget Funding Plan for the Special Adjustments Budget for the 2020 /21 Financial Year be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 344/11/20 IN-COMMITTEE MATTERS

[At that stage of the proceedings, Cllr Henderson moved for the meeting to move in-committee and was seconded by Cllr Dlamini].

C 345/11/20 In-Committee Minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Ugu District Municipality Council held on 30 October 2020

The Speaker took members through the In-Committee Minutes of the 44th meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the In-Committee Minutes of the 44th meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council held on 30 October 2020 be and are hereby **APPROVED**.

C 346/11/20 Quarterly Report from the Audit Committee

The Chairperson: Audit Committee took members through the Quarterly Report from the Audit Committee.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

That the Quarterly Report from the Audit Committee be and is hereby **NOTED**.

C 347/11/20 Request for Extension of Technical Support KZN CoGTA

The Speaker took members through the Request for Extension of Technical Support KZN CoGTA.

Following which,

It was unanimously

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report on the Request for Extension of Technical Support KZN CoGTA. be and are hereby **NOTED**.
- (b) That the KwaZulu- Natal CoGTA be requested to extend the Technical Support for further six (6) months.

[At that stage of the proceedings, Cllr Mthethwa moved for the meeting to move out of committee and was seconded by Cllr Dlamini.]

C 348/11/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the date of the next meeting was going to be communicated to all members.

C 349/10/20 CLOSURE

At that stage of the proceedings, the Speaker reminded members that this was the last meeting of the Ugu District Municipal Council for 2020. She then requested all the Caucus Chairpersons and a representative from the Traditional Leaders to convey their Year-End and Seasonal Greetings Remarks:

- **African Independent Congress (AIC)**

Cllr Gcwabe conveyed the Year-End and Seasonal Greetings on behalf of the African Independent Congress (AIC).

- **Democratic Alliance (DA)**

Cllr Naude conveyed the Year-End and Seasonal Greetings on behalf of the Democratic Alliance (DA).

- **Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP)**

Cllr Machi conveyed the Year-End and Seasonal Greetings on behalf of the Inkatha Freedom Party (IFP).

- **African National Congress (ANC)**

Cllr Mthiyane conveyed the Year-End and Seasonal Greetings on behalf of the African National Congress (ANC).

- **Amakhosi**

Inkosi EZ Jali conveyed the Year-End and Seasonal Greetings on behalf of the Amakhozi.

- **Mayor**

The Mayor thanked the Speaker, all Councillors, Amakhosi and Officials for providing leadership to the Municipality during such difficult times. He then thanked the Ugu District Municipal Council for working as a collective and for providing their support. He wished everyone a prosperous New Year.

- **The Speaker**

The Speaker also appreciated the Councillors, Amakhosi and the Official for providing leadership during a difficult and challenging year. She advised everyone to protect themselves and to take all the necessary precautions from the deadly disease.

There being no further items for discussion, the Speaker declared the meeting closed at 13h30.

CHAIRPERSON: -----

DATE: -----