



OSHAKATI TODAY

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EDITOR'S NOTE



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EDITOR

I am delighted to bring you this year's first quarter of the Oshakati Today newsletter.

Though Oshakati Town has been immersed in dealing with the containment of the coronavirus pandemic, this year the Council aims at keeping the residents up to date with all relevant information pertaining the development of our town.

Council also relies on the reader's feedback on any possible improvements that could be affected into the newsletter to make it even much better.

Message from the Mayor as we kick start the new year 2021



His Worship Leonard Hango
Mayor of Oshakati

As the New Year begins, we reflect on the tremendous development that have taken place in the past years while looking ahead on how to achieve our goals. Oshakati town will revise its strategic plan for the years starting 2021-2025, this strategic plan will serve as a focus tool on the planning, implementation, management, and attainment of all our strategic goals. This year 2021 should be the year where we seek opportunities for infrastructure and land development for our town. Though we might be faced with various challenges in this process, our focus remains to forge ahead in seeking the availability of grants/funds and opportunities to grow our town.

Oshakati Town Council newly elected Councilors



Cllr. Leonard Hango – Mayor
Cllr. Puyeipawa Elifas – Deputy Mayor
Cllr. Hofeni Mutota – Chairperson of Management Committee
Cllr. Maria Mutumbulwa – Member of Management Committee
Cllr. Ruusa Magano Frans – Member of Management Committee
Cllr. Jerobeam Shaamwapeni Ndaamohamba – Ordinary Council Member
Cllr. Martha Tulonga Imene – Ordinary Council Member

Upgrading of Ehenye -Oneshila road

The much anticipated road works of the Ehenye - Oneshila road is finally in session, the 500 meter road works is projected to take 4 months commencing on the 18th January – 30th April 2021. The consultant appointed for the road works drawings is Tulipamwe Consulting Engineers while the contractor appointed to carry out the construction work is Sash Trading and Earthworks cc. The overall work is budgeted at 6.2 Million Namibian Dollars. Residents are urged to use alternative routes to avoid damaging of the road.



Onawa residents received their Land Hold Titles

Oshakati Town Council held an official handover of Land Hold Titles to the residents of Onawa during December 2020, this event was officiated by Hon. Calle Schlettwein the Minister of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform. These Land Hold Titles are documents that indicate the ownership of land, Under the Flexible Land Tenure System providing security of tenure to the residents. All residents of Eemwandi location who were relocated to Onawa received their Land Hold Titles.



Relocation of Sky location to Onawa

Part of Council's development plan is to create conducive living environment for the residents of Oshakati. In doing so, Council plans to relocate a total of 482 households from Sky Location to Onawa. These residents will be relocated to a much conducive living area where they will receive surveyed and properly demarcated plots with water, roads and electricity services. The relocation process will be carried out this year 2021. The residents of Sky location have squatted in an area that is overcrowded and have no municipal services hence the living conditions in Sky location have deteriorated.



How to purchase your refuse bin

It is compulsory for every house in all parts of Oshakati to have a refuse bin. Refuse bins can be purchased from Oshakati Town Council at an amount of N\$850.00 which can also be purchased on Installments basis.



New and convenient billing systems

Oshakati Town Council have introduced a new billing system, whereby residents are now able to receive their water bills via SMS and email every month. In the past years, residents have been receiving printed water bills distributed via post mail, however, the old billing system proved to be costly and not efficient. The new billing system have so far received good feedback from the residents however, all residents with un-updated information are urged to contact the Finance department at Oshakati Town Council head office to update their contact details.



How to pay your water account / payment of erven via EFT

For water account payments kindly use the following details:

BANK: STANDARD BANK NAMIBIA
ACCOUNT NAME: OSHAKATI TOWN COUNCIL
BRANCH NAME: OSHAKATI
BRANCH CODE: 084873
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 042 451 078

NB: Make sure you indicate your reference number clearly. You can use one of the following for reference: 1) - your Account Name
2) - your Account Number
3) - your Erf Number

Health and safety tips - COVID tips

- Wear a face mask covering your mouth and nose when around others and when you go out in public.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after you have been in a public place.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Clean and disinfect touched surfaces frequently.
- Always maintain social distance.



Emergency contact numbers

- Fire and emergency services – 0811448222
- Water and sewer emergency services – 0812947118
- Waste and environmental health emergency services - 0812947113

Oshakati Town Council social media pages

Keep yourself updated with the latest happening of your town by following the Oshakati Town Council pages



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