

## **OSHAKATI TODAY**

**NEWSLETTER** 

January 2022

# MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



2021 has been my first year in office as a Mayor, and during the year I have dedicated my time to acquaint myself with the task accorded to me as a servant of this town. I have taken time to conduct public meetings along with my fellow Councilors, where we have indeed learned a lot from the residents of our town in terms of challenges and developments within our town. This year, 2022, is a year of strategic implementation of projects, ensuring that we tackle challenges and embark on a developmental journey within our town. My open-door policy remains the same and I welcome residents to visit my office to address developmental goals of our beautiful town.

## Construction of Onawa and Kandjengedi South gravel road

Oshakati Town Council has commenced with the construction and upgrading of gravel roads in informal settlements of Oshakati. The current running project is the construction of Okandjengedi South gravel roads along the project of Development Workshop Namibia of which the area is serviced with 120 erven, this



project totals up to N\$2 million. Another contractor is appointed to service the roads at Onawa Extension 5 & 6, the area where the residents of Sky location are relocated to, and the total cost of this project is N\$1 million. The aim of the construction of these gravel roads is to enable residents to have easy road access to other parts of the town.

### New Open Market in Oshakati west near Tafel House



The new open market in Oshakati has been the center of attention recently, following its opening on the 15th of December 2021. The new open market is situated in Oshakati West near Tafel House and consist of 28 stalls where kapana and beverages are sold. The construction of this new open market was co-funded by GIZ, Ministry of Urban and Rural Development as well as Oshakati Town Council. Council has future plans of extending the open market to cater for more local traders who sell various items such as fruits and vegetables, wood, secondhand clothing, tailoring etc.

#### Servicing of Oshakati North (Ehenye) Extension 11 & 12



As part of addressing the land and housing backlog, Oshakati Town Council will be servicing Oshakati North, well known as Ehenye, Extension 11 and part of extension 12. The total number of plots to be serviced are 278 erven of which 245 are residential, 10 general residential, 7 are business plots and 1 institutional erven. This project will be carried out in phases, and the first phase includes water and sewer reticulation while the second phase will consist of servicing of roads infrastructure. The total project cost is N\$40 million and it's expected to begin in March 2022 and will be fully completed by January 2023.

#### Provision of water reticulation at **Pohamba**



As part of formalizing and upgrading informal settlements in Oshakati, Council have embarked on ensuring that residents residing in informal settlements of Oshakati receive all municipal services. In doing so, Council will begin in February 2022 with water reticulation services at Pohamba location extension 13 and 14, enabling each residential erven to have water connection. This project is estimated to be complete by April 2022, and the cost totals up to N\$1.3 million. Council aims to eliminate the use of public taps in informal settlements

#### Monday and Friday market day



Oshakati Town Council continues to give opportunities to local vendors through trading during the Monday and Friday Oshakati market day, which is held at Oshakati Open Market. Opportunity is given to anyone who is selling their products, and this has attracted people from surrounding villages of Oshakati. The feedback received from both the sellers and buyers has by far been positive.

### Familiarization visit by Lüderitz Town Council

On the 25th January 2022, Oshakati was graced with a familiarization visit of Local Authority Councilors Officials from Lüderitz Town Council. The aim of this special visit was to exchange knowledge on matters pertaining to the development of both towns especially on low-cost land housing development. In



the picture below (from left); Public Relations Officer Lüderitz T.C - Mr. Elwin !Gaoseb; Councilor Responsible for Housing - Cllr. Josephine K.K. Heita Luderitz T.C; Mr. Timoteus Namwandi –CEO – Oshakati T.C; Her Worship Mayor – Cllr. Anna- Marie Hartzenberg Lüderitz T.C; His Worship Mayor Leonard Hango - Oshakati T.C; Mr. Renhardt S. Ochs- CEO - Lüderitz T.C; Sam Mengela - Development Workshop Namibia; Chairperson of the Management Committee, Lüderitz T.C - Cllr. Albertina Ndeshikeya; Control officer Properties - Mr. Jonas Mahalelo Lüderitz T.C and Mr. Tomas Negongo Town Engineer Oshakati T.C.

#### Oshakati Town Council New recruits



Efraim Tshoopala Indongo

Position: Technical Assistant – Planning and Properties department

Date of appointment: 1st December 2021



Teopolina Shiweda

Position: General Assistant - Technical, Water section

Date of appointment: 1st December 2021



Asino Timoteus

Position: General Assistant – Water Section

Date of appointment: 1st November 2021



Mweutota Shonghela

Position: Assistant Procurement Officer- Procurement

Date of appointment: 4th January 2022

- Emergency contact numbers Fire and emergency services 0811448222
  - Water and sewer emergency services 0812947118
  - Waste and environmental health emergency services 0812947113

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