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City of many faces

HIGHER LEVEL FINISH DELEGATION VISIT THE GREENWELL-MATONGO COMMUNITY LIBRARY



Mrs. Eeva Ahtisaari with her accompanying delegates greets the children of the cultural group that entertained her visit.

Mrs. Eeva Ahtisaari, paid a visit to the Greenwell Matongo Community Library, on Monday 23 March 2015. Mrs. Ahtisaari, had accompanied her husband, His Excellency Martti Ahtisaari, Former President of Finland, who came for the silver jubilee and inauguration of Namibia's third president, Dr Hage Geingob.

Namibia and Finland have diplomatic relationship that date back to the time of the missionaries, and Finland continues to play an important role in the development of Namibia. The two nations have a history that predates independent Namibia, as further justified to many Namibian names that are inherently of Finish origin such as Alma, Hilma, Fiina, Toivo, Niilo, Veiccoh and many more.

The diplomatic ties of Namibia and Finland remain strong and have deep cultural, religious and historical values. Mrs. Ahtisaari's husband, His Excellency Martti Ahtisaari, was the United Nation envoy who had played an important

historical role in overseeing the implementation of the UN Resolution 435 that paved the way for the transition to independent Namibia in 1990.

She expressed an interest to visit some of the projects under the Finish Embassy and was delighted to pay a visit to the Greenwell Matongo Community Library. During the visit she was accompanied by her personal assistant Mrs. Tuula Tanskanen, Mr. Kari Saloranta and Mrs. Marika Matengu, Programme Officer from the Finish Embassy.

Mrs. Ahtisaari, toured the facilities, met with the staff and learners and was briefed on the overview of the Windhoek-Vantaa co-operation agreement that has led to the development and the recently commissioned extension of the library that was funded under the Vantaa sister City partnership agreement with the amount of about N\$ 700,000.



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Welcome to the April edition of the Aloe! It is a new season, as we officially marked the start of winter when we just adjusted our watches an hour backward on the first Sunday of April.

At the City the ball is rolling, as the budgeting process at the City of Windhoek is already in motion, given the fact that we only have two months left to the end of our financial year that ends June yearly. As a tradition, we adopted a culture of engaging our stakeholders in our budgeting process in what is called participatory budget. Your inputs to our budget process are welcome through the existing structures which the City engages with regularly such as through the Khomas Regional Council, Namibia Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NCCI), National Union of Namibia Workers (NUNW), Windhoek Residents & Ratepayers Association amongst others.

As part of this newsletter's objective to educate and inform, in this edition we are explaining the street trading regulations and procedure thereof on how to apply for trading space. We are experiencing several illegal trading activities within the City, despite the establishment of informal markets to prevent traders from trading anywhere. Navigate through this information and acquaint yourself with this important information.

Let me also use this opportunity, to congratulate the 2015/2016 Junior

EXPANSION OF GREENWELL MATONGO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The City of Windhoek continues to demonstrate its commitment to enhance the quality of life of all its residents. The recent site handover to the contractor for the extension of the Greenwell Matongo Community Library that took place on 19 March 2015 bears testimony.

The Greenwell Matongo Community Library is located not far from Eveline Street, an emerging local trade route

abuzz with beverage entertainment bars. The library is amongst the rare development centres meant to be a knowledge centre necessary for empowering the surrounding community. The extension is funded via the sister city partnership, and is being funded at the tune of N\$ 700,000. The expansion of the library is testimony to the increasing demand and zest for knowledge in the area.



Council that was recently inaugurated. The City of Windhoek will continue to fully support our youth through their initiatives in addressing social evils affecting them, while we are trying to enhance youth development in our City.

Last but not least, we would like to call upon all our esteemed residents and

visitors's co-operations in keeping the City clean. This includes desisting from electing illegal posters in our beautiful city, and go through the right channels of advertising instead.

May you find this edition of the Aloe worth reading, until next month!

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COW INAUGURATES 2015/2016 JUNIOR COUNCIL WITH NINE (9) MORE NEW SCHOOLS ON BOARD



2015/2016 inaugurated Junior Council

The City of Windhoek Junior Council 2015/2016 has been inaugurated under the leadership of Junior Mayor, Cllr. Gabriel Haugh from Delta Secondary School, and his Deputy, Cllr. Tunohole Mungoba from Jan Mohr Secondary School. The inauguration ceremony took place at a local Hotel on the 11 March 2015.

The 2015/16 Junior Council saw an increment in the number of participating schools from 26 to 35 schools respectively, which calculates into 69 Junior Councillors and their understudies.

Officiating at the occasion, Cllr. Mueseke Kazapua, Mayor of the City of Windhoek explains that half of the world population is constituted by the youth, and it is thus important to reach out to them, by designing and introducing youth friendly targeted interventions such as the Junior Council.

The City of Windhoek Junior Council is a platform created for young people to assemble and deliberate on issues affecting them. It is also an instrument where young people are exercising their civic duty, patriotism and volunteerism. "We have taken

a paradigm shift to work with young people, by valuing them as assets, colleagues and stakeholders in development, as we believe that the future belongs to them", said the Mayor.

Amongst others, the Junior Council has several core projects such as: the elderly persons' support project; cancer project; core project under the theme: "Save a life today"; as well as tourism and community outreach project.

PROCESSES FOLLOWED TO IDENTIFYING/ELECTING JUNIOR COUNCILLORS

- At the beginning of every year, the Junior Council Secretariat calls for nomination of new understudies and where possible, to also make the necessary replacement in the event of the preceding year's understudies not returning back to the same school due to relocation or transfer, or whatever the reason may be.
- The identification and nomination of such Junior Councillors is done by the respective schools themselves, as they know their learners better.
- Nomination and consent forms

are sent to schools and parents of such identified/nominated learners need to confirm the endorsement of such learners by completing both the nomination and consent forms.

- Amongst the criteria's the schools have to consider when nominating such learners, are:
 - o The nominated understudy and where applicable the Junior Councillor, should voluntarily be willing to serve as such
 - o Good academic performance and the learner's ability to uphold his/her academic performance, in addition to the responsibilities of being an understudy or a Junior Councillor. To this end, each nominated candidate should sign an undertaking that his/her involvement in the Junior Council will not negatively affect his/her academic performance.
 - o Passion, interest and willingness to help and reach out to others.
 - o Written consent from the parent(s) and or guardian(s) should be obtained and submitted as proof that they

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have no objection for their child to participate and serve on the City of Windhoek Junior Council.

- o A comprehensive and detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV) should be submitted together with all the required documents to the City of Windhoek

Once the nomination process is concluded and names of nominated learners are communicated to the Junior Council Secretariat, a Leadership orientation and Team Building Training is arranged to induct them on their mandate, roles and responsibilities as well as to discuss the various projects and identify the main/core project for the year. On the last day of the training, an election is conducted to elect the Junior Mayor, Deputy Junior Mayor, Secretary and Treasurer, who serve as members of the Management Committee/Executive Committee. Everyone participate in the election by nominating and electing the preferred candidates, but only the full Junior Councillors (grade 11's) stand for election. This process is done democratically, fairly and transparently and the outgoing Junior Mayor presides over the election.

Finally, the names of the full Junior Council including the elected leaders are sent to the City Council Management Committee for endorsement and approval. And once endorsed and approved, the Inauguration Ceremony then takes place and work begins in earnest thereafter.

Here is the list of schools represented on the 2015/2016 City of Windhoek Junior Council, with new schools marked with **:

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| 1. Acacia HS ** | 18. Jacob Marengo SS |
| 2. Academia HS | 19. Jan Jonker Afrikaner SS |
| 3. Amazing Kids Private Academy ** | 20. Jan Mohr SS |
| 4. A. Shipena SS | 21. Khomas HS |
| 5. Augustineum HS | 22. Khomastura HS ** |
| 6. Centaurus HS | 23. Pionier Boys |
| 7. Combretum | 24. Rocky Crest HS ** |
| 8. Concordia HS | 25. St Georges Diocesan |
| 9. Cosmos HS | 26. St Paul's |
| 10. Dawid Bezuidenhout HS | 27. St Josephs (Dobra) ** |
| 11. Delta SS | 28. Waldorf School ** |
| 12. DHPS | 29. Welwitschia School ** |
| 13. Eldorado SS | 30. Windhoek Afrikaanse Privaatskool (WAP) |
| 14. Ella du Plessis HS | 31. Windhoek Christian Academy ** |
| 15. Hage Geingob HS | 32. Windhoek Gymnasium Private School |
| 16. Hochland HS | 33. Windhoek HS |
| 17. Immanuel Shifidi SS | 34. Windhoek International School ** |
| | 35. Windhoek Technical High School |

More schools are expected to join next year and so is the number of Junior Councillors expected to expand.



Outgoing Mayor, Cllr. Wilmar Horn receiving her certificate of service from Cllr. Muesee Kazapua, Mayor of City of Windhoek assisted by Cllr. Hangapo Veicoh, Deputy Mayor.

NEW HOUSEHOLD CLEAR BAG IMPLEMENTATION FOR LUXURY HILL IN KATUTURA:

On Wednesday the 25th of March 2015 Rent-A-Drum and the City of Windhoek implemented and rolled out the Clear Bag System for "Recyclable Waste Only" to all households in the Luxury Hill area in Katutura, Windhoek. It took about four hours to distribute the Starter Pack to the entire households in Luxury Hill which is about 350. Those residents that were home received the starter packs in person, and starters parks were placed at the gates of those who were not at home.

Luxury Hill households in Katutura each received a Recycling Starter Pack Envelope containing 2 Clear Bags and 1 pamphlet explaining how the clear bag recycling implementation works.

The household clear bag implementation works with 3 easy steps:

1. Place all your recyclable waste into your clear bag provided free of charge. Your general waste that is not recyclable like food waste you still throw into your green municipal wheelie bin. It is important to ONLY use the Clear Bag for recyclable waste like glass, cans, plastic and paper.
2. Place your full Clear Bag with recyclable waste next to your municipal wheelie bin and NOT inside the wheelie bin on the same day as your normal waste collection day.
3. Rent-A-Drum will come collect all the clear bags next to your wheelie bins on the same day as the normal waste collection days. Rent-A-Drum will provide another free clear bag that will be tied to your wheelie bin handle or gate for every full clear bag placed for collection.

The City of Windhoek and Rent-A-Drum encouraged Luxury Hill households to fully take part in this amazing green initiative, to do their part for a cleaner City and to save our Landfill Space.



CITY OF WINDHOEK FACILITATED THE CLIMATE CHANGE PROJECT IN WINDHOEK

...as part of Cities cooperation for sustainable development

The Charters Project branded as Cities Cooperation for sustainable development, was established in 1997 as a joint project for International Union of Local Authorities (IULA), International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) and Towns and Development.

The idea was to form ten pairs of cities worldwide each consisting of a partner from the North (North America and Europe) as well as South (Africa and Latin America) which would commit themselves to carrying out projects for the realization of the Agenda 21.

In the end result the aforesaid initiative gave birth to the cooperation between the City of Bremen (CoB) and the City of Windhoek culminating in the signature of the charter during 2000. Most importantly the two cities considered culture besides ecology, social justice, economic development and public participation, as one of the pillars of Agenda 21.

During February 2015, the City of Windhoek through Early Childhood Development (ECD) facilitated the Climate Change project in Windhoek. Two (2) schools and one day care centre participated in the project.

Tobias Hainyeko Primary and Augustinium Secondary Schools benefitted from the project which involved 20 children from each institution. Two persons from the Nature Friends namely, Frank Brüning and Stephan Heiß were involved in presenting the workshop to 20 students from the two schools.

Established in 1896, the Nature Friends with its focus on social and ecological issues, has 500 000 membership worldwide and in Africa the relationship links extended to Togo, Senegal and now Namibia.



Mr. Laban Shidute, the school Principal of Tobias Hainyeko Primary School in Katutura and a group of learners that participated in the Climate Change Workshop during February 2015.

Besides the two workshops held, a tree planting ceremony took place at those two schools and at the Jonas Haiduwa ECD Centre. The object of the seminar and the tree planting ceremony was to sensitize children of the principles about climate change, and on how to protect the environment.

The planting of trees was a symbol of reforestation which in the end will preserve the nature so that future generations are not threatened by issues resulting from the climate change.

Another object was to build the network as well as to convert education from knowledge to action, and from theories to practical solutions for sustainable development.

CITY OF WINDHOEK DONATES TO CHARITY

The City of Windhoek continues to play a major role in the social upliftment of the livelihoods of its communities. To demonstrate its commitment towards its residents, the City of Windhoek, donated goods with a total value of about N\$80 000, to four (4) charity organisations and orphanage, at an event held on 25 March 2015. The donation forms part of the City of Windhoek's corporate social responsibility and mayoral outreach programme. The beneficiaries are namely; the Children-headed household from Havana represented by a community leader, Ms. Karen Hishindimbwa. The donated goods to this household includes beds, mattresses, school uniforms and food items with the value of N\$14000.00. Zanele Mbeki Primary and Day-care Centre received a donation of a photocopy machine with the value of N\$34 000.00.

Katutura Central Kindergarten received playground equipments, blankets, pillows and mattresses with the value of N\$15 500.00. Mamakhai Hangara OVC support organisation received goods including assorted paints, beds and plastic chairs with a value of N\$13 300.00.

The donation is a result of a contractual obligation with Syntell Proprietary Ltd, a company that won the City tender for pre-paid electricity vending. The tender awarded to Syntell makes provision for a contribution to social projects as identified by the City of Windhoek. The funds contributed are managed by the City, which also procures materials and goods; as per quotations of needs submitted by the identified beneficiaries. During the handover, the Mayor

urged the beneficiaries to put the donation to good use, while calling on other corporate companies and individuals to emulate the good example of Syntell and assist those in need. Ms. Karen Hishindimbwa, who spoke on behalf of the beneficiaries, expressed her appreciation and gratitude towards the City of Windhoek generosity of looking after its people.



UNDERSTANDING THE STREET TRADING REGULATIONS

The City of Windhoek has placed high priority on the promotion and development of the SME Sector by accommodating informal trading on various pre-selected economically viable selling points within the municipal area in order to allow for free trade under controlled conditions. Although concerted efforts have been made to ensure that traders operate in a conducive environment, the number of illegal trading activities is still on the increase.

There is a number of illegal trading activities conducted on pavements and at intersections which cause a nuisance to pedestrians and motorists, at school premises, in front of formal shopping centres, barbecue and hawking activities taking place at sites which are not safe to the operators themselves and to members of the public.

The City of Windhoek is committed to ensure that informal businesses are conducted from permitted, suitable business sites. To this end the City of Windhoek has established a total of 16 informal markets to provide suitable and affordable premises where traders can be accommodated. The occupancy rate at some of the markets is low, while illegal trading activities are being conducted in close proximity to the informal markets which also creates unfair competition towards the traders operating at the markets, as they have to compete for customers with the illegal operators outside the markets.

UNDEVELOPED SITES

Trading activities are only permissible from approved and demarcated areas and all illegal traders will be fined. The City of Windhoek is aware of the high unemployment rate within the City, especially within certain communities/ areas and will subsequently consider providing permission for micro-entrepreneurs to operate from un-developed sites on a temporary basis. The following aspects will however determine the approval of such a site for trading purposes:

- o The demarcation of an undeveloped site may only be considered in areas /suburbs where no provision for informal markets has been made, or where markets are fully occupied.
- o Such sites must be identified in consultation with responsible officials from the Division of Economic Development.
- o Approval should be obtained from the Departments of City Police (Traffic Services and Emergency Services), Transportation,

Town Planning and Health Services Divisions.

- o Utilization of these trading sites may be subject to the payment of a minimal fee.

What other income generating opportunities are there for unemployed individuals?

If you are a micro-entrepreneur and would like to explore opportunities to generate income, the City of Windhoek has made provision for several options:

1. FOOD CART STANDS

Food cart applications are considered at suitable strategically locally sites in consideration to other factors such as; safety, adequate parking and in compliance with traffic rules.

GENERAL GUIDELINES/RULES AND REGULATIONS

- o No food cart stand will be allowed in the vicinity of government institutions, schools and institutions of higher learning, e.g. Unam, Polytechnic of Namibia and International University of Management (IUM), as provisions for cafeterias have been made at these institutions.
- o Food carts are not endorsed in front or next to formal shopping centres where similar products are provided for by existing formal businesses.
- o Food cart stands are not sanctioned within 15 meters of any intersection which might lead to hindrance of traffic flow
- o No food cart stand will be endorsed along major roads, unless safe parking is available.
- o A distance of 100m needs to be kept between food cart stands for the purposes of sustainability of food cart outlets (with the exception of the CBD where there is sufficient movement of potential customers).

Potential entrepreneurs are therefore, advised to identify suitable sites in permitted areas and submit applications to the Division of Economic Development. The approval of such a site is subjected to the above-mentioned guidelines, rules and regulations and the consent from the Departments of City Police, Urban Planning and Property Management and Health Services Division. The approval process takes at least a month. The below listed documents should be submitted prior to approval.

- o Certified copy of applicants ID or passport
- o Certified copy of food cart license disk
- o Certificate of registration of the food cart

from NATIS

- o Police clearance certificate
- o A letter from a medical doctor indicating applicant's health status with respect to handling of food
- o A letter of inspection from the department of city police: emergency service division

2. BARBEQUE SITES

GENERAL GUIDELINES/RULES AND REGULATIONS

- o Traders are allocated on a limited basis to a number of selected and pre-approved sites for such purposes.
- o Bookings must only be made from Monday to Wednesday at the Economic Development Division, 1st floor Town house Room 103.
- o Permits are issued on Friday's, and can be picked up at Customer Care Centre.
- o A minimal fee is payable for the usage of the open space per day.
- o Permits are issued on a first come – first served basis depending on the availability and, subject to payment of N\$38.36 per day.
- o Barbeque sites are temporary sites and hence no permanent infrastructure can be erected on these sites.
- o Barbequing activities can only take place between 06H00 am – 10H00 pm, while further restrictions are also placed on operating hours for certain sites.
- o Barbeque sites are only approved for barbequing activities and no alcohol sales or alternative usage would be allowed at such sites.

The list of the approved braai sites in the City can be obtained from the Division of Economic Development.

SATURDAY STREET MARKET

The Saturday Street Market is a very popular event and provides micro-entrepreneurs with an opportunity to get access to a wider market:

- o The Saturday Street Market is held once a month, on the last or first Saturday of the month.
- o Traders can exhibit their goods and products in demarcated areas along Independence Avenue.
- o Bookings can be made on a first come first served basis, at Customer Care Center, on the last Monday of the month.





WHEN		WHAT	WHERE
APRIL			
until 18 April	Mo-Sat	Art Inside 2015	National Art Gallery
07 - 19	Mo-Sun	True Reflections Photographic Exhibition by Richard Fryer	Omba Gallery
15 - 16		Innovation Festival - Innovation in Manufacturing	Habitat Research & Development Centre
15		Start of 6th Biggest Loser Challenge 2015	Dikaios Multiwell & Slimming Salon
15	18:30	AfricAvenir presents Namibian Premiere: A pair of boots and a bicycle	Franco Namibian Cultural Centre
15	21:00	Ongoma Live	Boiler Room
16	19:15	Lesung - Book Reading "Meer des Schweigens"	Goethe Centre
17		Windhoek Karneval: Büttenabend	SKW
17	20:00	Acoustic Friday - Freedom Songs	Franco Namibian Cultural Centre
18	10:00	Storytelling Hour - Easter tales	Franco Namibian Cultural Centre
18		Windhoek Karneval for the Youth (JuKa)	SKW
18.		FNB Welwitschias - Vodacom Cup	Hage Geingob Rugby Stadium
20 April - 09 May		Young Architects in Africa - An Architecture Exhibition	Franco Namibian Cultural Centre
22 & 24		Windhoek Karneval: International Night	SKW
22		Savannah Afros Live	Boiler Room
25		Windhoek Karneval: Kehraus	SKW
25	19:00	The Two Of Us - Namibian Premiere! Filmmaker in attendance	Goethe Centre
29	21:00	Grappi Live	Boiler Room
MAY			
01	19:00	FNB Welwitschias - Vodacom Cup	Hage Geingob Rugby Stadium
02	8:00-13:00	Boeremark / Farmers Market	Show Grounds
06	9:00-17:00	Grooming & Finishing (Etiquette) Workshop	tbc
08	19:00	FNB Welwitschias - Vodacom Cup	Hage Geingob Rugby Stadium
09	8:00-11:00	Car Boot Sale	Joe's Beerhouse

Find more events and the latest updates on www.whatsonnamibia.com. Submit your events free of charge directly on the website. WhatsON is proudly endorsed by the City of Windhoek

CLEAN CITY FOR ALL - FREE OF ILLEGAL POSTERS

The City has taken note of the increasing incidences of illegal outdoor advertising activities in the City and the negative impact it has on the aesthetic character of our beautiful city. It is imperative that, in our quest to facilitate the growth and development of a vibrant and dynamic outdoor advertising sector, cognizance must also be given to managing environmental concerns and the creation of a beautiful visual environment for our residents. The City of Windhoek therefore calls for co-

operations of all residents and visitors in desisting from electing illegal posters in our beautiful city. Please take note that, under section 94 (1) (ae) of the Local Authorities Act, 1992 (Act 23 of 1992) promulgated Outdoor Advertising Regulations by Government Notice No. 254 of 7 August 2008, no person shall erect or display an advertisement on Council property, a street or a public place situated in the municipal area, unless he or she has been given written authority to do so by Council. Any person wishing to

display posters in and around the Capital must contact the Outdoor Advertising Unit, Ms. Fortune Kauautuku, Coordinator: Outdoor Advertising or Mr. Alfred Haipare, Officer: Outdoor Advertising on 290-2576 or 290-3002, respectively.



Post Street Mall before Clean-up



Post Street Mall after Clean-up





REPAIR WATER LEAKS

Read water meter regularly, Calculate monthly consumption:

- To evaluate your water consumption,
- to reduce water consumption (save water)
- and to identify water leaks.

To Consumer: Maintenance of
pipes after meter is
Customer's Responsibility



Water supply from
City of Windhoek

How to Test for water leaks:

- Read water meter.
- Do not use water during test.
- Take reading after ± 6 hours.
- No change in reading = no leaks.

Note:

WHITE NUMBERS

Kilolitre Counter

RED NUMBERS

Decimal Counter

Share the responsibility to save water
and avoid the burden of water restrictions.

More info: www.cityofwindhoek.org.na