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EDITOR'S NOTEPAD



Dear Readers and the people of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality Welcome to the special edition of the quarterly newsletter for 2018/19 financial year.

In its special council sitting on the 04 March 2019 council nominated Councilor Phala Naume Tlakale to form part of executive committee and subsequently elected as Chairperson and the Mayor respectively. Pursuant to the powers and functions the Mayor confirmed and ratified the current executive committee to continue doing their work in various portfolios.

The Mayor's first 100 days in office will be remembered as a period that ushered an era of stabilizing the municipality and accelerate pace of service delivery to our communities. Watch the space.

As part of reorganizing her office Mr Rachidi Ngoato was seconded as head of communications while Mr Mokwena Thabiso was confirmed as Chief of Staff which will be commensurate to the term of the current mayor.

This special edition will be used to update the public, stakeholders and social partners about the progress made by her new administration in delivering better services to communities and fixing municipal finances.

Driven by our zeal to deliver we have embarked on robust and frank consultations with our communities, staff, traditional leadership, media fraternity and business sector to advise and self-correct the mistakes.

At the time of printing this newsletter we were fresh from 2019 National and Provincial elections held on the 08th May .Details of the results are summarized in this bulletin. On behalf of the municipality we would like to thank all registered voters

who participated in ushering the six administration for 2019-2024.

This bulletin is printed during the Youth Month. The 2019 youth month is highly significant as South Africa marks 25 years of freedom since the first democratic elections were held in 27 April 1994. The Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality 2019 youth month programme will facilitate conversations with the youth on the achievements and progress made in youth development over the past 25 years as well as the challenges that still exist.

While the youth of 1976 fought for freedom and the creation of a democratic state, today's youth activism is directed towards successfully tackling the challenges of combating poverty, unemployment, HIV and AIDS, personal development; economic freedom and the development of the country.

Council in its sitting has resolved to revive the Municipal Youth Council and the deadline has been passed. However, the new Mayor Cllr Phala TN has directed that the first sitting of the youth council should be convene on or before the 30 June 2019. When giving marching orders the Mayor Phala said a new agenda is needed to fight youth challenges by the 6th democratic administration.

Allow me to take this opportunity to thank our residents, social partners and stakeholders for their supportive relationship and for their patience

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Good Luck

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MUNICIPAL MANAGERS PERSPECTIVE

The Fetakfomo Tubatse Local Municipality (FTLM) is currently in a process of renewal. This comes after a decision was taken late 2018 by the Limpopo Provincial Executive Council led by the Limpopo Premier Stanley Chupu Mathabatha to place the Municipality under Section 139(b) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa. It gives me pleasure to make the following submission which seeks to take the public on board in respect of the service delivery agenda we seek to achieve as a municipality.

Therefore our obligation as Administration amongst others will be to implement strategic objectives in support of the mission put forth to us in ensuring that the Municipal Vision is achieved.

Our priority is to take service delivery challenges raised by our communities in the recent 2019/20 Public Participation and IDP processes. Also taking into consideration with humility in ensuring correct, fair and proper implementation of those challenges.

During the upcoming 2019/20 Financial year the Municipality will undergo various changes to better assist the institution to

be more effective and efficient in servicing and producing results for our communities

The Municipality has already started to embark on a very important process towards Rehabilitation for our communities by ensuring service delivery outcries are attended to, whilst ensuring cost containment measures are in place internally and are adhered to by all FTLM Municipal Officials. As a Municipality we are faced with numerous services delivery challenges ranging from Community Unrest, Financial Constraints as well as Internal Labour challenges.

We are confident that with the support of the FTLM Community Members, Council as well as Municipal Officials, a new dawn for all and sundry is upon us.

At the best of times change brings uncertainty but it would be important to bear in mind that in order to improve things we have to be brave enough to challenge the way we have done things before and do them better. Our appeal to the FTLM Officials is to commit wholeheartedly in servicing our communities and also the communities to render their support to the current Administration, whilst

honestly and fairly engaging in good faith on issues affecting FTLM. Judging from the many positive developments that this municipality has achieved which far outweigh the negative perceptions that we had in the past, it can be safely said that the municipality has indeed turned the corner.

It is our responsibility to ensure that our community is well informed of recent accomplishments at their respective areas.

The Fetakfomo Tubatse Local Municipality believes in providing people with information which is accessible to them; and which they can use to improve their lives, based on their needs, encouraging people to participate actively in the democratic processes. Keeping people continuously informed of policies and programmes that affect them and progress in implementing them. This development is part of responding to the government's priorities, outcome 6 that of access to housing and basic services.

**Acting Municipal Manager
Mrs Ntshudisane MJ**

MAYOR HITTING THE GROUND RUNNING

I indeed on the 12th June 2019 I have completed my 100 days in office as the Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality and it is my pleasure to present to you our own assessment since assuming office. As we know that the local government sphere has been given responsibilities of enhancing the quality of our democracy by rooting government amongst the communities and spearheading the process of universalizing access to basic services. It is therefore important to indicate that these first days in office marked the long held quest by the African National Congress to provide basic service to all residents within the jurisdiction of Fetakgomo Tubatse.

We know that there is still much more work to be done. I must say work started in earnest on the very first day of office. My first priority was to ensure that the administration and political work continues to function optimally. To this end council has appointed Acting Municipal Manager Ms Ntsudisane Maruuen Judith (Matladi a Phogole) and Acting Chief Financial Officer Mr Sasa Mulenga (Bauba a Ngoato) respectively following the suspension of the then Municipal Manager.

The Council which sat on the 04th March 2019 gave us the mandate to lead the Municipality into a new direction. We inherited a system which was on a verge of total collapse due to reasons known to everybody. Our loss of investment made with VBS mutual bank destabilized the normal functioning of the Municipality which resulted in the declaration of Section 139(b) of the constitution and the Provincial government dispatched officials to assist us with financial recovery and good governance. We are confident that in no time, we shall have recovered from this situation.

The dire situation did not deter us from continuing with our mandate of providing services to our communities.



We have embarked on a programme of meeting various stakeholders with an objective of giving a report and to strengthen our relations. In the 100 days, we have embarked and achieved the following activities;

- Meeting with His Majesty King Thulare 111
- Meeting with Acting Kgoshikgolo Sekhukhne KK
- Meeting with Magoshi
- IDP and Budget consultation with Magoshi
- IDP and Budget consultation with general public
- Signing of recognition agreements for the Tjibeng/Mooilek community and the Ngwaabe/Steelpoort engagement forums
- Engagements with the Mining houses to solicit funds for infrastructural projects
- Energization of Koppie village
- Handing over of wheelchairs
- Facilitation of the fully functioning of Ga-Nchabeleng health centre
- Facilitation of the reopening of the Nthame voting station during ward 5 by-elections
- Adoption of the draft 2019/20 IDP and budget
- Hosted Take a Child to work Programme
- Meeting with Bokoni Planitum Mine Executive Management

Our immediate task is to improve the financial situation so that we can implement the projects that are the priority of our communities. At the moment the Municipality is battling to complete Operation Project and plans are underway to address the challenge. We shall continue to knock on each and every door of the decision makers to plead with them to avail more resources to be channeled towards basic services like electricity, roads, access bridges and waste management.

The road is still long and bumpy but working together we can grow Fetakgomo Tubatse Municipality.

I wish to conclude by borrowing some insightful words from the late President JFK Kennedy who had this to say: "...those to whom much is given, much is required ...when at some future date the high court of history sits in judgement on each one of us recording whether in brief span of service we fulfilled our responsibilities to the state...in whatever office we may hold will be measured by the answers to whether we were truly men/women of courage, whether were we truly men/women of judgement, whether we were men/women of integrity and whether were we truly men/women of dedication"

I thank you

PERSONAL RESUME OF THE MAYOR- Tlakale Naume Phala

Early Life

I was born on the 10th October 1976 at Mohlaletse (Mapasetolong Section) under Fetakgomo municipality in Sekhukhune District Municipality of Limpopo Province. I am the fifth born girl of the late Magomarele Thomas Sekwati (may her soul rest in peace) and Getrude Mankopodi Sekwati. I am baptized by the Holy Church-ZCC St Engenas in 1989. Most people in the village were attending black (African) church and it has influenced them politically, just like the founding leaders of the ANC who had mostly been influenced by churches. I grew up like any rural African girl in the village played indigenous games like moroba, taeta, sekotšo diketo and fetch water in the river. In a nutshell I am a typical rural girl

Educational Profile

Though it was hard for an African child during the apartheid era to receive education, like everyone my parents had to make sure that I received the foundation at school.

Primary school

I started sub-A at Leganabatho Lower Primary School in 1985 proceeding to Mampuru Thulare Higher Primary School in 1989 and passed std. 3

Secondary school

I attended secondary school at Fetakgomo High in 1991 where I passed std. 6 (currently grade 8) and continued up to std. 8 (Grade 10). I had to relocate to Hans-komane Secondary in 1997 because at Fetakgomo Secondary COSAS (Congress of South African Student) was not allowed to operate. At Hans-Komane Secondary school I passed my std. 10 (Grade 12).

Political Activist

My political involvement started during the year of freedom in 1994. After difficult negotiation process and vigorous campaign the ANC won the first free, fair and democratic elections in 1994. I joined COSAS and became full member at Fetakgomo High School branch, this resulted in friction with the administration which led to most of comrades relocating to Hans-Komane Secondary School.

My role in COSAS

I was the Secretary of Apel Branch of the Congress of South African Student in 1997 until 1998. As a secretary I was responsible for mobilization and organizing of students to join COSAS. I had to make sure with the collective leadership

that more students become conscious about students activities and the issues which affect the learning field. We had to propagate and intensify COSAS slogan of "each one teach one".

My role in the ANC Youth League

I joined the ANC Youth League in 1999 at Phasha-Matji Branch. I was heading the youth desk which was involved with the challenges facing the young people. My role was to mobilize and rally the youth to be aware and become politically conscious. I had to make sure that the youth join the ANC Youth League in large numbers.

In the year 2000, when Eastern Region of the ANCYL were disbanded, I was appointed as a member of the Sekhukhune Regional Task Team. My role just like RTT member was to reconstitute the Youth League Structure in the Region. In April 2001, I was elected the Regional Treasurer of the ANCYL.

My role in the African National Congress

I was elected in the Mahlabe branch as secretary guided by the constitution of the ANC. I followed the constitution of the ANC and the branches were united.

I was nominated as an ANC Councilor in 2006 ward 4 in the then Fetakgomo Local Municipality. My role as a public representative of note was very good. I was complying with the ANC councilor guideline and the community was impressed. The ANC branch and the community nominated me for a second term in 2011.

During my period as an ANC Ward Councilor, I was appointed as a Sekhukhune Regional Task Team member in May 2013 after the disbandment of the Regional Leadership.

I was elected as an additional member of the ANC Sekhukhune Region at the Regional Conference held at Zithabiseni Resort in 2013 December. I am presently serving as the REC and RWC member of the African National Congress in the Sekhukhune Region. I am heading the Organizational Renewal Sub-Committee.

My role in the ANCWL

I was a branch secretary of the ANCWL from 2012 till 2014. The Branch grew in membership and many women became more conscious with regard to issues and challenges affecting the women. I was organizing women during women's day celebrations and making sure that Sub-Regions, Regions, Province and National are updated about developments in our women's League Branch.

I was elected as an additional member of the Limpopo Provincial ANC Women's



League during the provincial conference in 2015. I am presently a convenor of Peter Mokaba Region of the ANCWL.

My role as a Councilor at Fetakgomo Local Municipality

My two terms (10 years) as a councilor from 2006-2016 has been a learning curve and also a milestone. I would like to appreciate the trust the ANC and the community has shown in me. As this was an ANC deployment, my role was to execute the ANC/Community mandate.

In 2011, I was seconded to become the District Representative of which I played a pivotal role and served the ANC led municipality with dedication. This resulted in more trust by the ANC and I was seconded to the position of Chief Whip in 2014. I executed my role as per ANC mandate with success and made sure that all I was doing is in line with the ANC Manifesto. When the two Municipalities were amalgamated, I was elected as the Speaker of the Fetakgomo Tubatse after the 03rd August 2016 local government elections. I was elected the Mayor of the Municipality on the 12th March 2019 after the former Mayor resigned in December 2018.

Empowerment

During my period as a councilor, I benefited from various empowerment programmes in terms of capacity building (Fetakgomo Local Municipality) in particular.

I was enrolled at the University of Limpopo in 2007 where I complete a Certificate in Management Development Planning. In 2015, I enrolled with Wits Business School, where I completed the Certificate in Municipal Finance and Supply Chain (The University regards this an NQF Level 6). The empowerment Programmes are aimed at empowering the Municipal Councillors and employees and to equip them with necessary skills

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100 DAYS IN OFFICE GALLERY





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OPPORTUNITY TO ADD VOICE ON OUR REVISED INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND BUDGET 2019/2020

It is a common cause that every five years the Municipality adopts a development plan guided by vision 2030 National Development Plan and Limpopo Development Plan respectively. The IDP is based on community needs and priorities aimed to coordinate the work of local and other sphere of government in a coherent plan to improve the quality of life for all the people living in an area. It takes into account the existing conditions and problems and resources available for development.

The IDP roadshows are considered to be one of the biggest public participation platforms where communities are afforded an opportunity to input on the development of their areas and advice council of urgent matters requiring its attention. In pursuance of our commitment to a responsive, accountable, effective and efficient Fetakgomo Tubatse Municipality and ensuring that we regularly meet with our communities to listen to their views on how best we can improve their lives, report back and explain plans, successes



and challenges, the FTLM Municipality have hosted public consultation from the 08 April 2019 to 11 April 2019

The focus of the current plan developed in 2016 was addressing failing infrastructure; financial stability; improving audit opinion and work towards special economic zone projects. From the 08 April to 11 April 2019 communities and interested groups were given opportunity to make their inputs and comments into the draft IDP and Budget. Comments and inputs shall be incorporated into the final IDP/Budget for approval on or before 31 May 2019.

Concluding one of the public participation session the Mayor Cllr Phala TN said "We have heard you and we are coming

back to you not in distance future. We are determine to work side by side with our communities and consider their inputs and comments.

"We are government of listening to people". I am very proud of the accomplishments that the administration has made so far but there is still more work to be done"

Transparency is one of the key factors that affects the enhancement of accountability and as a result improves the public administration performance. Therefore the public consultation serves to increase transparency and accountability in public administration. In addition, it directly impacts the quality of the policies and decisions of institutions and as a result increases the level of their implementation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FINDS CONCRETE EXPRESSION

As you know one of the object of local government is to encourage the involvement of communities and community organization in the matters of local government therefore the public consultation on the draft annual report was made from 25 March 2019 to 27 March 2019. Section 127(5)(a) of the Municipal Finance Management Act (Act 56 of 2003) requires that immediately after an annual report is tabled in council, the accounting officer of the municipality must in accordance with section 21(a) of the Municipal System Act make public the annual report and invite the local community to submit representation in connection with the annual report. To this end council has adopted the annual report with reservations on the 28 March 2019 and mandated the MPAC to do thorough investigations. The investigation report is expected not in the distance future.

It is a common knowledge that our Municipality experienced many financial ups and downs over the couple of years 2016/2017 and 2017/18 financial years.

The result was a successive qualification of our financials by the Office of the Auditor General South Africa (AGSA). Put it differently the municipality received a qualified audit opinion.

The contents of the report were made public. An auditor's opinion does not judge the financial position of the reporting entity and it is an outcome of the review of a municipality's financial statements. From the broader scheme of things, it however addresses two basic questions notably:

1. Do the statements conform GAAP which stand for Generally Accepted Accounting Principles?
2. Do they fairly represent the Municipality's financial accounts?

The literature of a qualified audit opinion is expressed when the auditor could not find sufficient evidence to support certain material balances or rather having obtained sufficient audit evidence concludes that there is a material misstatement on the financial statements

We have 105 audit findings and at the time of printing the municipality was able

to resolved 67 findings which translates into 64% of the issues raised

In response and mitigation of the findings we have instituted the Audit Action Implementation Plan with the salient purpose of restoring the sound financial management. Be it known that we will continue to raise awareness regarding the need for a collective consciousness of good governance, an understanding of the importance of clean administration in ensuring response to service delivery and also understanding of importance of ethical leadership

The Acting Municipal Manager has in addition developed weekly schedule of audit steering committee to track implementation of audit finding. With the pace at which we are moving definitely the municipality would improve.

Some of the issues will be adjusted during the preparation of interim Annual Financial Statements (AFS). We have also suggested that Interim Financial statements must be prepared by internal staff in order to rectify any errors arising.



Acted within the bounds of the Law the Honourable Mayor Phala TN has convened the two days strategy and planning session as part of the IDP Review Process on the 19-20 March 2019 at Lapeng Lodge in order to review the organisational vision, mission, short and long term objectives and strategic direction. For the first time the planning session was attended by all level 1 managers; directors and members of the executive committee.

The Mayor opened the meeting and addressed the participants on numbers of issues. Quoted verbatim she said”

We are gathered here today in this fashion with a single intention that of unblocking the bottlenecks and to unravel the complexities faced by our institution in its quest to deliver the much needed services to our people. We cannot be counted in the numbers of dysfunctional municipalities and yet we have councillors and officials who are on daily basis hard at work”.

The Integrated Development Plan (IDP) process is a legislative requirement through which municipalities prepare strategic development plans for a five-year period. The objectives of the strategic planning session are to provide a

STRATEGY AND PLANNING SESSION ON THE RIGHT TRACK

broad reflection of the municipality’s conceptualization of the back to basics as an integral instrument of a developmental local government, to appraise the department of Cooperative Governance; Human Settlement and Traditional Affairs (aptly referred to as ;Coghsta) on the organizational performance of the municipality in discharging its local governance mandate.

It is further aimed at highlighting strategic and prudent areas of required support to enhance the organizational performance records and finally to allow a platform of a theatre of engagements to solicit collective understanding and approach in implementing and accounting on the back to basics in order to strengthen social contract between the Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality and its local communities.

The following municipal key performance areas were discussed extensively in the session:

- Municipal Transformation and Organisational Development
- Spatial Rational
- Basic Service Delivery and Infrastructure Development
- Good Governance and Public Participation
- Local Economic Development
- Financial Viability and Management

The discussions resulted in the formulation of a report that will be adopted by council and drive the organization’s strategic plan. It will therefore require change, hard work, leadership and unity and time management especially to increase effectiveness; efficiency and productivity.



MAYOR RECONNECT WITH COMMUNITIES THROUGH THUMA MINA CAMPAIGN PATCHING POTHOLES.

Through the Thumamina campaign the Mayor Cllr Phala TN led the entourage of councilors; employees; department of public work; roads and infrastructure officials and community of ward 36 to facilitate the immediate resolutions of challenges confronting citizens. The ongoing Thuma Mina campaign is a clarion call by the President of South Africa Matamela Ramaphosa to reconnect with communities and work with them to address their day-to-day challenges and improve people's live.

The President Ramaphosa's campaign encourages people to volunteer to fix the problems that affect their communities. Nareadi a Ngoato a Ngoato as she is affectionately known has embarked on a successful Thuma Mina Campaign on the 01 April 2019 at Ga Nchabeleng village-Debeila Section on the D4234 road to Mabopo Drivers's License and Testing Centre (DLTC). At the moment Mabopo DLTC is responsible for renewal of driver's license ,conducting learners license application and renewal of Public Drivers Permits and conducting eye test .

The main objective was to improve the road conditions to be user-friendly for motorists. Road infrastructure continues to play a significant role in the economy of our municipality and its people. The Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality Cllr Naume Tlakale Phala made a commitment to the people of this Municipality for delivering services in time. It was a joyful

day to the residents of Ga- Nkoana and Ga- Nchabeleng to be with the Mayor repairing the potholes to improve the municipal status road. Mabopo testing and Praktiseer both declared by the municipality during the strategic sessions that the municipality can generate incomes.

History has placed upon us an immense responsibility to better and improve the quality of lives of the people in Fetakgomo Tubatse and we should commit ourselves never to occupy the wrong side of history said the Mayor and she invoke this quote by Winston Churchill:

‘Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice, it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.’





MAYOR PERFORMS DUE DILLIGENCE ON LEBOENG ACCESS ROAD D4154



A R12million road construction project was visited by the Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Cllr Phala Tlakale Naume and accompanied by Executive Committee members and Director Technical Services Mr LT Gabaganenwe on Monday 15 April 2019 in/at ward 01 Leboeng village.

The D4154 road construction started on the 12 March 2018 by the appointed contractor Mercy Civils and Khabani Logistics Joint Venture at the tune of R12 289 473.56.

The visit was prompted by the slow progress and the service provider was requested to develop accelerated plan aimed to ensure that the project is completed. The road work will cover

3.3 kilometers and it is estimated to be finished within a year. The project includes but not limited to segmented pavement, Culvert Bridge, Kerbs and Edge beams.

Speaking during the visit the Mayor said the construction of the road would have positive impact on the municipality as it would reduce travel time, improve the transportation of people; enhance road safety and also reduce the dust pollution along the route.

Furthermore monitoring the project while still under construction helps to minimize sub-standard or poor workmanship which compromise quality of service provided by the municipality. To improve directors

and heads of portfolio committees were directed to visit projects monthly to take stock. Assess progress and monitor to avoid surprises.

The road infrastructure investment is in support of the municipality's development initiatives that seek to create jobs and reduce poverty.

The municipal budget continues to be under severe pressure as a result of reserves invested in the VBS bank and therefore any cent spend should be appropriately accounted for concluded the Mayor.

MAYOR DONATES NEW 2 WHEELCHAIRS TO THE DISABLED.



Through monthly reports of Community Development Workers as they conduct liaison work activities they have compiled audit of all disabled people in dire need of wheelchair. The Fetakgomo Tubatse Mayor Cllr Phala TN have decided to donate two wheelchairs to disabled people on Wednesday 26 April 2019.

Ms Margret Malepe from ward 16 Maakubu village next to tribal hall and Mr Phahlamohlake Thibane Mourice from ward 38 Ga Phaahla are the beneficiaries of the new wheelchairs. Life will never be the same for the physically challenged individuals who were given a gift of mobility.

Mayor Phala said she donated the wheelchairs after receiving numerous request from ward councilors and CDWs on behalf of the needy residents. As the Mayor I have many important tasks but there is one task that I take to heart the most, I want everyone

who lives in Fetakgomo Tubatse to feel at home. They need to feel that they belong here. People need to feel that they have freedom to access all areas of the municipality. They need to feel that access is granted fairly. And we need to work towards everyone having equal access to opportunities.

With special reference to the South African Constitution Chapter 2(Bill of Rights) the office of the Mayor has a statutory obligation to ensure that the rights of persons with disabilities are protected, supported and promoted at all times. We know that people with disabilities face serious challenges to participate meaningfully in community activities with regard to access to public institutions and facilities as well as employment. This is something that we want to address the Mayor concluded.



ARRIVE ALIVE CAMPAIGN TO ENSURE SAFER EASTER HOLIDAYS 2019



Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality Cllr Naume Tlakale Phala kick started arrive alive campaign a day before Christians day "Goodfriday" at Ga Kgoete village along R37 road. The Municipality together with Twickenham mine management officially launched the municipal Easter Holidays' Arrive Alive Campaign at Twickenham Junction along the R37 road. Most of Christians from Mpumalanga will cross over this Municipality. This is a time for family members to reunite and reconnect with each other, time for many community and family activities

Arrive Alive is a national campaign run by all police and traffic officials. Roadblocks will be set up across the country, where officials will check on roadworthy vehicles, drunken driving and reckless driving. One of the main focuses of the campaign would be on increasing enforcement regarding overloading of passengers in private cars, bakkies and taxis. All public transport operators must ensure that their vehicles are roadworthy and that they do not put other people's innocent lives at risk.

In addition, patrols, roadside checkpoints, speed monitoring and road safety awareness campaigns will also take place. "Law enforcement officers will be on the roads to check about a million vehicles and motorists until 05 May 2019," Mayor Phala said.

There would be no tolerance for drinking and driving, she warned. Mayor Phala urged everyone to take responsibility. "We all need to be responsible on the roads this festive season," she said. "We are losing too many lives over road accidents. The campaign calls on the reduction in road deaths as urgent and non-negotiable. "To drivers, cyclist, motor bikers, pedestrians, passengers we are saying let us work together to make sure we have safer roads for all who use them. Motorist were advised to obey traffic rules, exercises maximum patience on the road and do not to drink and drive' concluded the mayor

It had been found that human error caused 90 percent of all the accidents in South Africa. We cannot continue treating road deaths as normal when we are

facing death by design, death by human error, death through carelessness, death through drunkenness, all of which can be stopped

South Africa is a signatory to the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety 2011-2020 which committed itself at an international level of reducing fatalities by 50% by the year 2020.

Just to update the public the road death statistics for 2019 Easter weekend showed decline of 41% compared to 2018. This means police and traffic officers had managed to reduce crashes and fatalities on the roads. This is commendable although we aimed zero death.

#ARRIVE ALIVE



AT LONG LAST KOPPIE VILLAGE GOT ELECTRIFIED

There was joy and happiness for residence of Rietfontein outside Burgersfort along the road that connects Steelpoort and Lydenburg when finally they got electricity in their homes since the inception of democracy. The happiness comes after the Mayor Cllr Phala TN accompanied by her Executive Committee members and Eskom personnel switch on electricity for the first time to the people of Rietfontein(Koppie) on the 23rd of April 2019. Koppie is one of the villages under Operation Mabone project. The electrification projects commences on the 30th October 2018 and eskom requested the municipality to pay the budget quote before any work resumes.

However due to budgetary constraints the municipality negotiated to pay for Koppie village, It was agreed that other villages will be paid as soon as the municipality gets sufficient funds for the project.

In her remarks when addressing community members the Mayor indicated that it is the responsibility of the municipality and Eskom to provide residence with electricity as it is their mandate. Even though Eskom is still working outside but all the remaining households will be electrified: said the Mayor.

The event was attended by community members, village stakeholders and municipal officials





After looming shout down by communities around Fetakgomo Tubatse regarding the conversion of Nchabeleng Community Health Centre into a fully fledged hospital, Limpopo MEC for health Dr Phophi Ramathuba visited the facility on the 30th April 2019 to engaged relevant stakeholders to seek amicable solution. The stakeholder meeting was attended by Fetakgomo Crisis Committee; Apel SAPS; Fetakgomo Taxi Association; Traditional leaders from Tau Nchabeleng; Tau Mankotsane; Masha Makopole; Marota Mohlaletse, members of hospital board; officials from the department of health led by Ms Linah Maepa and the Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Cllr Phala NT.

Nchabeleng health Centre started operating in 2000 without permanent doctor and not offering services like Dental services, Operations and Radiography services. During the engagements the MEC undertook commitment on the following areas:

In the short time the MEC directed that a dental chair be sought at Meckenburg hospital and be relocated within the next seven working days. Operation services theatre was assessed and the findings suggested that new equipments needs to

LIMPOPO MEC FOR HEALTH DR PHOPHI RAMATHUBA VISITED NCHABELENG CHC

be purchased. With regard to Radiography services; Mr Tjebane Kgaditsi Bauba was requested from St Ritas hospital to assist at Nchabeleng health centre .Now the department has appointed Dr Ramaila Ml and Dr Ddlovu NM to assist on the day to day work. The MEC has also committed to recruit two additional professional Doctors to come and work at Nchabeleng CHC on or before the end of 2019.

In the long time the MEC has resuscitated the interim board to work on drafting Memorandum of Understanding(MOU) for all outstanding functions including but not limited to status of the facility, budget and gazetting the hospital for approval from National Minister of Health and develop acceleration plan for implementation. Worth reporting since the visit by the then MEC Kgetjepe Ishmael on the 19 May 2014 accompanied by Head

of Department Dr Kgaphola Peter the following has improved.

- Appointment of two data captures; 04 PHC trained; 06 enrolled Nursing assistance and 09 midwife
- Dental section is operating
- Two Dieticians are also onsite daily
- The facility was given water purification machine which supply drinking water and autoclave of medical equipment's

The interim board is comprises of the following members:

Mr Maredi Nape; Mr Nchabeleng Modibe; Dr Kupa MA; Mr Marei Solly, Mr Matji Adolph, Mr Debeila Stephen, Mr Raphiri Marwale; Ms Nkhone Madiiti; CDW Mr Phadime Maoto; Ward Councillor Moifo Khulong and Head of Community Services Cllr Mashego RM. A whatsapp group for these members was created so that communication with both the MEC and Minister of Health could be easy.



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- Render Accessible, Sustainable And Affordable Service
- Municipal Transformation And Institutional Development; And
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Cllr Phala Tlakale

Her Worksip the Mayor of Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality Cllr Phala Tlakale Naume invites members of the public ,community structures ;social partners and stakeholders to the State of Municipality Address for 2019/20 to be held as follows:

Date:20 June 2019

Venue:Moses Mabotha Civic Hall

Time:10h00

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