

16/09/2017

Minutes of Public Safety Information Forum (PSIF) Meeting

Venue: Necsa Visitor Centre, Gate 1

Pelindaba, North West Province

Date: 11 November 2017, Time: 09:00 to 13:00

1. REGISTRATION (■=PRESENT, □=Apology/ABSENT)

Name	Organisation	Status of the meeting				
		04/03	16/09	11/11		
E Mohale	Chairperson	□	□	■		
J Taylor	Deputy chairperson	■	■	■		
P Mthombeni	Secretary	■	■	■		
P Tshelane	Necsa, Executive	■	■	■		
M Rasweswe	Necsa	■	■	■		
C Akortia	Necsa	■	□	■		
H Khumalo	Necsa	■	□	□		
N Tengimfene	Necsa	■	□	□		
M Mondli	Necsa	■	□	□		
S Chetty	Necsa	□	■	□		
A Rennie-Kroon	Necsa	■	■	■		
A Mashele		■	□	■		
E van Heerden	Necsa	□	■	□		
E Chauke	Necsa	■	■	■		
K Ratabane	Necsa	■	■	■		
T Motsumi	Necsa	□	□	□		
R Mogafe	Necsa	■	■	□		
T Sibiya	Necsa	□	□	■		
O Rakereng	Necsa	□	□	■		
R Ramatsui	Necsa	□	□	□		
D Ramjee	Necsa	■	■	■		
G Santswere	Necsa	□	■	■		
F Mtsila	Necsa	■	□	□		
T Ndomondo	DoE	■	□	□		
T Mahlasela	DoE	■	□	□		
S Mosoeunyane	NNR	□	■	□		
R Makgae	NNR	□	□	□		
T Mgorosi	NNR	■	■	■		
G Moonsamy	NNR	□	□	■		
M Ramerafe	NNR	■	□	□		
T Pather	NNR	■	□	□		
D Nicholls	Eskom	■	□	□		
D Moodley	SABC	□	□	□		
B Rathebe	Madibeng	■	□	□		
M Ramdunnie	NTP	□	□	□		
S Brent	Resident	■	■	■		
H Vreugdenburg	Resident	□	□	□		
J van Vuuren	Resident	□	□	□		
R Ellis	Resident	□	□	□		
F Haveling	Resident	□	□	□		
P Mathole	Resident	□	□	□		

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J Heinrich	Resident	■	■	■		
P Carvalho	Resident	□	□	□		
D Gilbert	Resident	□	□	□		
C Esteryhuyse	Resident	□	□	□		
F Taylor	Resident	■	■	■		
L Papo	Resident	□	□	□		
C Steynberg	Resident	□	□	■		
C van der Merwe	Resident	□	□	□		
J Mehlaphe	Resident	□	□	□		
V Rambau	Atteridgeville	□	□	□		
B Ringane	Atteridgeville	□	□	□		
Charlie	Atteridgeville	□	□	□		
KP Hlabyago	Atteridgeville	□	■	■		
J Ngobeni	Atteridgeville	□	□	□		
D Motlauthi	Necsa	□	□	□		
K Mc Ferrier	Resident	□	□	□		
M Rikhotso	NW PDMC	■	□	■		
K Msebenzi	NIASA	□	■	■		
C Mathibe	Necsa	□	■	□		
M Smith		□	■	□		
J Dabezies		□	■	□		
P Guenov	NIASA	□	■	□		
C Katherine	EDF	□	■	□		
Puseletso	Atteridgeville	□	■	■		
Z Mathabatha		□	■	□		
T Baloyi		□	■	□		
B Raphotlhe	Necsa	□	■	□		
P Ndlovu		□	□	■		
A Hirachund	NRWDI	□	□	■		
M Smith				■		
J Ngwenya				■		
P Joseph	Tshwane EMS			■		
J Mthombeni	Tshwane EMS			■		
Jacques	Fidelity			■		
B Posma				■		
R Raubenmeimer	SASS			■		
E Makofane				■		
M Rakumakwe	COT			■		
J Winkler	Tshwane EMS			■		
C Thwaites				■		
Zweli				■		
L Rambau				■		
J Irwin				■		
C Ntsole				■		
M Maleka				■		

2. WELCOME AND OPENING

Number	Minute	Responsible
	Mr Steve Brent welcomed all present and mentioned that once the new chairperson is elected, she/he will take over.	

3. SAFETY BRIEFING

Number	Minute	Responsible
	Ms A Rennie-Kroon conducted the safety evacuation briefing, informing members about the safety protocol of the venue.	

1. CHAIRPERSON AND DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON UPDATE

Number	Minute	Responsible
1.1	<p>Nomination updates:</p> <p>Mr Moonsamy explained the purpose of the PSIF and emphasized that “it’s a must have” based on the regulation. He further thanked the outgoing Chair/Deputy and commended them for stirring the forum during their term in the office. Mr Moonsamy stated; everyone in the forum has common interest and that is to ensure the nuclear safety.</p> <p>Mr Moonsamy presented the two nominees, Ms Judith Taylor and Mr Ephraim Mohale who were both nominated for the chairperson role.</p> <p>The two nominated candidates introduced themselves:</p> <p>Ms Taylor, an outgoing Deputy Chairperson is an old member of the forum</p> <p>Mr Mohale is from Atteridgeville and his experience involves steering youth programmes and has worked as an Adviser to the Mayor of Tshwane.</p> <p>Elections: The two candidates went outside in order for the forum members to cast their votes. Voting process was done openly by showing hands if you in support of the candidate.</p> <p>Both candidates received 8 votes each which became a tie.</p>	
1.2	<p><u>Discussions:</u></p> <p><u>Question 1:</u> What does the Act says about when there is a deadlock?</p> <p><u>Answer 1:</u> The Act does not address the deadlock issue.</p> <p><u>Question 2:</u> Is there an age limit for chairperson/deputy nomination?</p>	

<p><u>Response 2:</u> Mr Moonsamy responded saying there is no age limit.</p> <p><u>Comments:</u> A member highlighted that somehow the issue of transformation has to be considered in the election process.</p> <p>Mr Aaron Mashele supported the view of transformation and further stated that, the lack of participation is not caused by lack of interest from the people but rather a lack of knowledge and awareness. He further advised Necsa and NNR to go out and mobilize people.</p> <p>Another member commented saying it looks like people are missing the point in terms of the role of the chairperson and believes that it should be someone with a background. He further stated that people who never attended the meeting are here to vote on behalf of those who have been part of the forum since the beginning.</p> <p>Another member commented saying Necsa is far from Atteridgeville which makes it difficult for the community there to attend the meetings due to lack of transportation. He then suggested that other meetings be held at Atteridgeville.</p> <p>Gino responded saying; getting people to come forward and drive the process has always been difficult hence there's only 2 nominations. He further mentioned that Necsa has always tried and continue to come up with ways to enhance the forum participation.</p> <p>Mr Phumzile Tshelane commented saying; discussions are appreciated however Mr Moonsamy should be facilitating the voting process.</p> <p>Mr Brent commented saying; the role of the chairperson is not only about seating and wait for the next meeting. There's a lot involved.</p> <p><u>Two proposals were put on the table:</u> Voting process be in secret ballot or members should do a run-off. The run-off option was adopted.</p> <p>The run-off saw Mr Ephraim Mohale receiving 9 votes while Ms Taylor received 8 votes.</p> <p>Mr Mohale was introduced as the new charperson of the forum and Ms Taylor as the Deputy Chairperson.</p> <p>Mr Mohale requested Ms Taylor to chair the meeting while he observes since it's his first time attending.</p>	
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2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Number	Minute	Responsible
	<p>There following alterations were made on the agenda:</p> <p>The Minutes were accepted by Ms J Taylor and seconded by John Heinrich.</p>	

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Number	Minute	Responsible
	<p>Roads fixing:</p> <p>Ms Taylor asked about the update on Necsa organising the Municipality to fix the roads.</p> <p>Ms Amelia Rennie-Kroon responded saying they did attend to that and closed the potholes but due to the heavy rains recently, they are opened again. Ms Rennie-Kroon further said; she will contact them again.</p>	Ms Rennie-Kroon

4. NECSA PRESENTATIONS

Number	Minute	Responsible
4.1	<p>Necsa Update by Mr Phumzile Tshelane, CEO of Necsa.</p> <p>Mr Tshelane gave feedback on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Engagements • Strategic Engagements • Exhibitions • Awards • Media Engagements • Annual Report as tabled at the Parliament 	
4.2	<p><u>Community Service Feedback Update:</u></p> <p>Ms Mosa Rasweswe gave a presentation which outlined the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training • NNR Emergency Exercise • Internal SHEQ Audits • Community Services • Public Dose • Other 	
4.3	<p><u>Discussions:</u></p> <p><i>Question 1: Ms J Taylor</i></p> <p>The issue of lack of communication as part of the emergency exercise findings is still a concern. And also the issue of security.</p>	

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	<p><u>Response 1:</u> Ms Rasweswe responded saying Necsa is working on resolving those issues.</p> <p><u>Question 2:</u> Is there an MoU between Necsa and Tswhane for Necsa to assist with accidents in R511?</p> <p><u>Response 1:</u> Ms Rasweswe responded saying she cannot respond on that.</p>	Ms Rasweswe

5. “EXTERNALIZED COST OF NUCLER POWER ” PRESENTATION

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5.1	Ms Taylor gave a presentation on the “Externalized Cost of Nuclear Power” which covered the following:	
5.2	<p>Discussions: In the interest of time, Mr Moonsamy requested members not to make this a dialogue.</p> <p><u>Comment 1: Mr Msebenzi</u> Suggested the title of the presentation to be changed as it has no relationship with nuclear power. Mr Msebenzi continued saying; he hopes Ms Taylor is not suggesting that country should not mine at all as all the issues she raise are not really directed at uranium mining only.</p> <p><u>Comment 2: Mr Santswere</u> If a dialogue is not allowed people might leave with misinformation as some of the points in the presentation are not factual and they actually very concerning. E.g. People working in the mine without Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). He further highlighted the current situation in the DRC which concern renewable energy.</p> <p>Ms Taylor responded saying; is aware of what is happening at the DRC and currently doing a lot of work there.</p> <p><u>Comment 3: Ms Akortia</u> It would be interesting to look at the basis of information that is presented and make a follow- up.</p> <p><u>Comment 4: Mr Mashele</u> It would be interesting to do the costing of various energy sources and do a comparison so that people will have a clear understanding.</p> <p><u>Comment 5: Mr Moonsamy</u> Mr Mashele is talking about a broader energy topic which might not be relevant to this forum. NIASA conduct platforms for such debates but perhaps what Ms Taylor can do in the next meeting is to share her sources</p>	

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	<p>information.</p> <p>Ms Taylor responded saying she will send the information about sources to Ms Princes Mthombeni to distribute.</p> <p><i>Question 1: Mr Mogorosi</i> What role is Ms Taylor and Earthlife doing to educate people about environmental issues?</p> <p><i>Response 1: Ms Taylor</i> Earthlife has always had awareness projects in the past and there is one currently.</p>	<p>Ms J Taylor</p>

6. MUNICIPALITIES UPDATE

Number	Minute	Responsible
6.1	<p>Mr James Winkler, an Acting Head of Tshwane Disaster Management Services (DMS) gave a presentation which outlined their responsibilities. Before his presentation, Mr Winkler raised his dissatisfaction regarding a number of e-mails Ms Taylor has been sending which ended up in the Mayor's office. He further stated that as Tshwane DMS, they have always been working with Necsa and they are part of other forums which are initiated by Necsa.</p> <p>Ms Taylor apologised as the information communicated to the PSIF was that Tshwane DMS is not cooperating.</p> <p>Mr Winkler continued by apologising on behalf of the Chief of Staff who couldn't attend the meeting due to other engagements.</p> <p>Mr Winkler highlighted that Necsa is in the Madibeng vicinity therefore it is the primary responsibility of Necsa lies with them and as Tshwane they can only be guided by the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Necsa and them.</p> <p>Mr Winkler requested a slide of findings from Ms Rasweswe's presentation to be forwarded to him via e-mail.</p> <p>As part of Necsa Emergency Exercise findings; Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) are very expensive as they cannot be reused so, it it's not ideal to use it for an exercise.</p> <p>With regards to the busses, Mr Winkler said even though busses are used for Tshwane communities but they will avail at least one when there is an emergency exercise.</p> <p>Mr Winkler gave out the correct emergency call centre number which is 10177 and not 911 which belongs to cellphone companies.</p>	<p>Ms Mthombeni</p>

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6.2	<p>Another point raised by Mr Winkler on the issue of communication which is part of the Necsa emergency exercise findings; was a language barrier from the informal settlement near Necsa. He pointed out that there might be a number of illegal immigrants residing there who may not understand even a single SA language. Mr Winkler advised Necsa to do a language research in order to have an idea on which language and channels and communication tools to use.</p> <p>Mr Winker highlighted that there is a new emergency station at R511 which is available 24/7 and can be contacted via 012 310 6300/6400 or 10177. He further announced that the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) is now part of DMS legislation so they should be incorporated when drafting the MoU.</p> <p>Mr Winkler closed by letting members know that at the Tshwane DMS deals, they deal with lots of events considering that they are in the Capital City vicinity where basically most of events take place. He further said; they might miss some of the meeting requests because they are at that time deployed somewhere else. He continued saying; the MoU between Tshwane DMS and Necsa expired in 2014 and they are currently in the process of finalising the new one.</p> <p><u>Discussions:</u></p> <p><u>Question 1: Mr Santswere</u> Is it possible for the Tshwane DMS to improve the response time with regards to their 24/7 emergency call centre service?</p> <p><u>Response 1:</u> Mr Winkler responded saying they are currently looking into that and it's part of the new Chief of Staff performance areas.</p> <p><u>Question 1: Mr Steynberg</u> He thanked Mr Winkler for his informative presentation, especially the issue of R511 as they are always told it's outside the boarder of Tshwane/Necsa.</p> <p><u>Response 1:</u> Mr Winkler advised the forum to invite Madibeng Police Services so they can come and do a presentation which address issues that are raised in the PSIF meetings.</p> <p><u>Question 1: Mr Mogorosi</u> Shouldn't Tshwane form a forum where both municipalities find synergy in their operations?</p> <p><u>Response 1:</u> There are committees such as; EPSOC, Energy which involves everyone mentioned. Musa also added by saying there is another forum but the problem might be the communication.</p>	

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7. CLOSURE & DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Number	Minute	Responsible
	<p>Ms Taylor thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting.</p> <p>The meeting was adjourned.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned: 11:40</p> <p>Next meeting: 17 March 2018 at 09:00</p> <p>Venue: TBC</p>	

Chairman _____

Seconder: _____

Signature _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____