

Lephalale Municipality

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MEC opens community hall, old age home facility, access road and spend time with children!!



Limpopo Sports, Arts and Culture MEC, Onicca Moloi, and Shongoane Chief Bogadi Shongoane cutting the ribbon to open Shongoane community hall and old age facility.



Eskom-Medupi Project Director, Phillip Dukashe, Limpopo MEC, Onicca Moloi, and Shongoane Chief Bogadi and LLM Mayor, Moloko Jack Maeko



MEC spends time with Children....

The Children from Shongoane 3 Ga-Monyeki Village had the opportunity to sing, dance and play with recently elected Limpopo MEC for Sports, Arts and Culture, Onicca Moloi at the Mapungubwe Children's day. The Children's day event was a build up to the Annual Mapungubwe Jazz Festival which was hosted at the Polokwane Cricket Club on Saturday (17 December 2016).

Speaking at the event MEC Onicca Moloi thanked the leadership of Lephalale Municipality for the welcome she received, she also gave a brief history about Mapungubwe saying that it is not just a festival that is held in Polokwane or for the people of Polokwane but for the whole of Limpopo, adding that it talks about the heritage of African people who stayed at the Kingdom of Mapungubwe, whom at the time possessed precious gold and expensive animal skins.

Moloi also emphasised that the Department of Sports will work with the Municipality to ensure that rural sports development takes priority, adding that she is happy with the opening of the Hall in Shongoane 1, because a number of arts activities like poetry nights, singing and dancing competitions needs to be held at the Hall to promote local talent. She also said that she wants to see talent from Lephalale being featured at the next Mapungubwe festival.

Giving the message of support, Lephalale Local Municipality Mayor, Jack Maeko saluted the MEC for organising the Children's day during the Month in which Nelson Mandela died. "Indeed it shows that you are women, you think about the children and you understand very well that children are the future of every nation and we should invest in them."



Lephalale Mayor, Moloko Jack Maeko and MEC Moloi dancing with children at the Mapungubwe Arts Festival Children's day, in Ga-Monyeki.



MEC officially opens the Ga-Monyeki access road and energises Steve Biko



MEC cutting the ribbon as she officially opens the Ga-Monyeki access road. LLM Infrastructure Manager, KL Tihako giving a small brief about the project.

Limpopo MEC, for Sports, Arts and Culture, Onicca Moloji officially opened the 2.5KM access road that goes into Ga-Monyeki village in Shongoane 3. The construction of the road took 8 months to complete, with Komicotrade being the contractor. Moloji then proceeded to switch lights on for 400 households in Steve Biko phase 3. LLM Electricity Technician Bongi Ditsela said, even though there was a backlog of 20 houses from phase 2, they have managed to cover all the houses, adding that they had challenges in locating the owners of the house that needs to be electrified but she said they will do all they can to locate everyone to make sure they have electricity.



LLM Electricity Technician Bongi Ditsela explained that they have developed a new method in which it will help the community not to bridge/link electricity and that the connecting box will not be on the wall no more but will only be plugged in when they want to recharge the electricity.



Department of Women hosts dialogue sessions with community



The Department of Women in partnership with Lephalale Local Municipality held its first of three dialogue session at Seleka Community Hall on the 02 December 2016; the dialogues sessions formed part of the 16 days of activism of no violence against women and children.

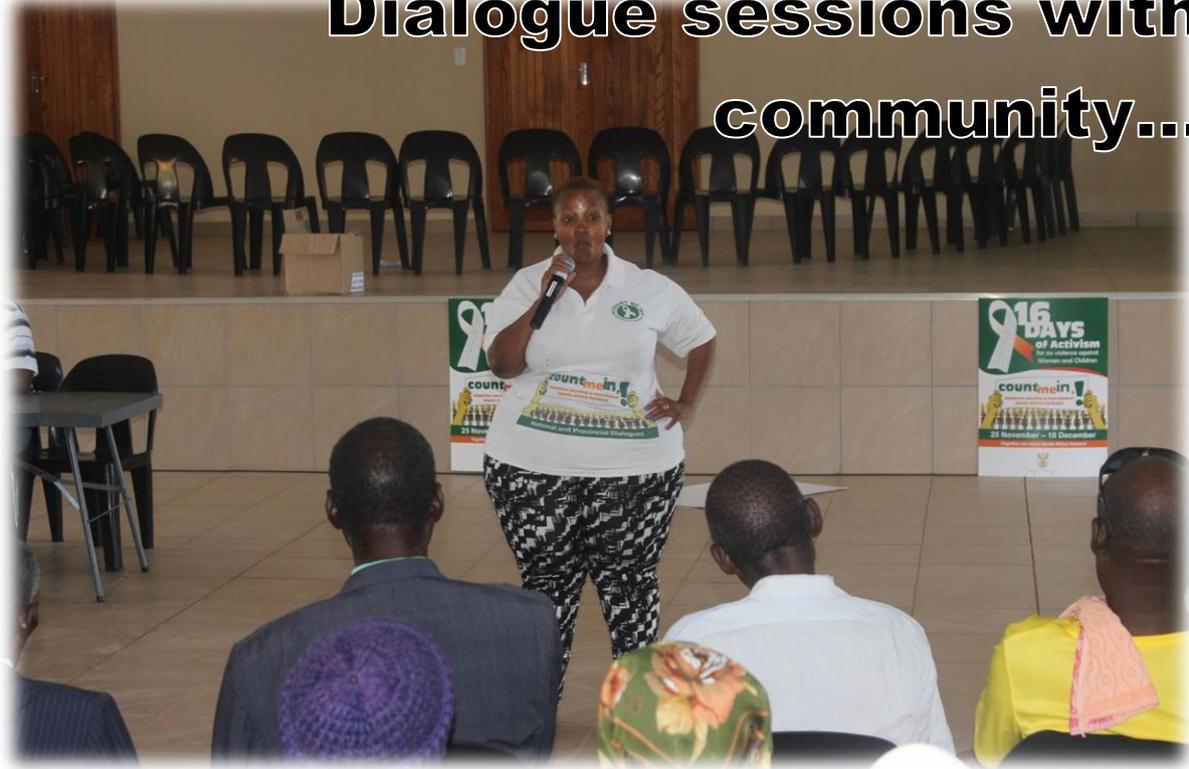
The purpose of the dialogues session was to validly engage members of the communities who experience violence on a daily as victims or members of the family of the victims, or even as perpetrators, just so to understand the cause, spread and to find the solution thereof.

The dialogues sessions in Lephalale were held at Seleka community hall on 02 December 2016, Lesedi Tshukudu Thusong Centre on 08 December and ended at Martinique Community Hall on 09 December 2016.

The dialogues were also aimed at raising awareness and remind members of the communities that Violence against Women and Children continues because they turn a blind eye to it, and that it is their problem as much as it is their neighbours, also to generate public knowledge that can be used by communities to respond to and eradicate violence against women and children in their communities.



Dialogue sessions with community...



The communities were divided into groups of young men, young women, elderly men and women, and discussed issues around women abuse, challenges they faced and how to overcome these challenges. Failure to pay maintenance, alcohol, rape, unemployment, lack of information and recreational activities were mentioned as a contributing factor to emotional and physical abuse. South Africa adopted the 16 Days of Activism Campaign for no violence against Women and Children in 1998 as one of the intervention strategies towards creating a society free of violence. This is also in line with the National Development Plan, vision 2030(NDP), which aspires to create a society where women can walk freely in the streets and children can play safely outside. The department of women has been established to champion women’s socio-economic empowerment, development and human rights across all sectors of society. The Minister in the Presidency responsible for Women, Suzan Shabangu, said that violence against women, which has reached endemic proportion in society, is one, major challenge.



RDP HOUSES FOR THABO MBEKI RESIDENTS



Lephalale Local Municipality Mayor, Moloko Jack Maeko handed over 28 houses to community members of Thabo Mbeki on 22 December 2016.

Speaking at the ceremony Lephalale Local Municipality Mayor Moloko Jack Maeko said that the occupants of the new houses need to start staying in them immediately to avoid being damaged. He also added that a water tank truck will deliver water on a daily basis to the residents.

“I am appealing to the new owners of the houses to please stay in these houses, and take care of them because if you leave them unoccupied, you are leaving room for them to be vandalised and we can’t allow that to happen” said LLM Mayor Moloko Jack Maeko.

Those that have benefited from the RDP houses are people who were living in a flood zone area for the past 10 years with affects of heavy rains resulting in floods damaging their houses.



SERVICES

MAYOR MEETING WITH COMMUNITY OF MOONG VILLAGE



LLM Mayor Jack Maeko visited the community of Moong Village on the 13 of December 2016, this after the community asked to see the Mayor to discuss issues of Water, Cleanliness of the village, High mast lights, RDP houses and inadequate stands.



MAYOR SWITCHES LIGHTS IN MARTINIQUE

LLM Mayor Jack Maeko energised several households in Martinique on the 8th of December 2016.



SERVICES

MAYOR INTRODUCES CRU CONTRACTOR TO COMMUNITY OF MARAPONG



On the 8th of December LLM Mayor, Jack Maeko introduced the contractors whom will be working on the Community Residential Unit, to the community of Marapong.



LLM Mayor Moloko Jack Maeko addressing the community of Marapong, as he introduces the contractor that will work on the Community Residential unit in Marapong

WORLD AIDS DAY OBSERVED

LLM workers observed world aids day on the 1st of December 2016, to remember those affected and infected with HIV/AIDS.



Chairperson of Health & Social Development, and Traditional and Home Affairs. Councillor Astrid Basson getting tested.



Christmas babies get presents from LLM

Cllr Alpheus Thulare acting in the capacity of Lephalale Mayor spent his Christmas day, giving mothers of babies whom were born on the 5th of December presents. He went to Ellisras and Witpoort hospital respectively to bless the mothers of the new born babies with, clothes, bags, washing bath, lotions just to name a few.

Giving his address, Ward 9 Councillor thanked the various hospitals for the great work that they do in serving the community tirelessly, especially during the holiday season, while most people would prefer to be spending time with their families.

“A lot of people are out there celebrating with their families but here you are serving the community, your work does not go unnoticed. Keep up the good work and never get tired in this great work that you do” he said.



Councillor A. Thulare and Dr Mathobela of Witpoort Hospital giving the mother of a baby born in Christmas day brand new baby essentials.



CHARITY TOURNAMENT FUN AND GAMES

At least 32 teams participated in the LLM Mayoral Charity soccer tournament held at Thabo Mbeki Stadium last week. The week long tournament was won by Callies FC from Ga-Seleka village beating Peace Brothers from Ga-Mocheke 5-3 via penalties.



Winners of the 4th Edition of the LLM Mayoral Soccer tournament, Callies FC from Ga-Seleka.



Match officials.

LLM Mayoral Charity soccer tournament



Peace Brothers from Ga-Mocheko were the runner up of the tournament taking home R30 000.



Taking home R50 000 in First place Callies FC from Ga-Seleka.



In fourth place was Lerupurung Aces



Taking home R20 000 in third place was Egypt from Mokuruanyane.