

PARLIAMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF THE WESTERN CAPE

QUESTION PAPER FOR WRITTEN REPLY

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FRIDAY, 23 JUNE 2017

4. Mr P Uys to ask Dr I H Meyer, Minister of Finance:

- Mossel Bay*
- (1) What is the situation regarding the Chief Financial Officer of the Mossel Bay Municipality, whose name has been furnished to his Department for the purpose of this reply, after he had recently been found guilty of fraud, corruption and transgression of the Public Finance Management Act;
 - (2) whether the person is still employed by the Mossel Bay Municipality; if so, (a) why and (b) what will he be doing to address the situation?

ANSWER

- (1) The Municipal Manager of the Mossel Bay Municipality has confirmed that the incumbent Chief Financial Officer (CFO) has been found guilty on criminal offences relating to his previous employment. The Municipality provided the CFO with an opportunity to make representations by 30 May 2017 regarding reasons why he should not be suspended. The CFO has made representations by this date.

After considering the representations received, the Mossel Bay Municipal Council resolved to place the CFO on precautionary suspension pending the outcome of the full disciplinary process. Specialists have been appointed to facilitate this process, which is scheduled to commence middle of July 2017. The CFO was served with a charge sheet on 3 July 2017.

- (2) (a) The CFO is currently still in the employment of the Municipality, but remains on precautionary suspension pending the outcome of the disciplinary process.

(b) The Municipality has been advised to follow due process before taking any final decision on the matter. The Provincial Treasury and the Department of Local Government will continue to monitor the process until it is concluded.

PARLEMENT VAN DIE PROVINSIE WES-KAAP

VRAAG VIR SKRIFTELIKE BEANTWOORDING

VRYDAG, 23 JUNIE 2017

4. Mnr P Uys vra Dr I H Meyer, Minister van Finansies:

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- (1) Wat is die stand van sake met betrekking tot die Hoof Finansiële Beampte van die Mosselbaaise Munisipaliteit, wie se naam aan sy Departement verskaf is vir doeleindes van hierdie antwoord, nadat hy onlangs skuldig bevind is aan bedrog, korrupsie en oortreding van die Wet op Openbare Finansiële Bestuur;
 - (2) Of die persoon nog steeds in diens is van die Mosselbaaise Munisipaliteit, indien ja, (a) hoekom en (b) wat gaan hy doen om die aangeleentheid aan te spreek?

ANTWOORD

- (1) Die Munisipale Bestuurder van die Mosselbaaise Munisipaliteit het bevestig dat die huidige Hoof Finansiële Beampte (HFB) skuldig bevind is aan kriminele oortredings in verband met sy vorige werk. Die Munisipaliteit het die HFB die geleentheid gegee om voorleggings te maak teen 30 Mei 2017 waarin hy redes gee waarom hy nie geskors moet word nie. Die HFB het die voorlegging gedoen teen die datum.

Na oorweging van die verhoë soos ontvang, het die Mosselbaaise Munisipale Raad besluit om die HFB as 'n voorsorgmaatreël te skors hangende die uitkoms van 'n disiplinêre proses. Spesialiste is aangestel om die proses te fasiliteer, wat geskeduleer is om teen die middel van Julie 2017 te begin. Die HFB is gedagvaar op 3 Julie 2017.

- (2) (a) Die HFB is tans steeds in diens van die Munisipaliteit, maar bly as voorsorgmaatreël geskors hangende die finale uitkoms van die disiplinêre proses. (b) Die Munisipaliteit is geadviseer om regsvoorskrifte te volg alvorens enige finale besluite rakende die aangeleentheid geneem word. Die Provinsiale Tesourie en Departement van Plaaslike Regering sal voortgaan om die proses te monitor todat dit voltooi is.