



Newsletter of
the Municipality
of Swakopmund

March 2014

PMR. AFRICA AWARDS 2014

Council has done it again. Swakopmund Municipality scooped the following awards at the PMR Africa Award Breakfast held in Windhoek on 10 February 2014:



Diamond Arrow for the attraction of tourism and fighting crime.



Gold Arrow for social upliftment and a clean environment.



Silver Arrow for doing the most to attract foreign investment and a



Bronze Arrow for local investment and job creation.



His Worship the Mayor of Swakopmund, Councillor Juuso Kambueshe received a Diamond Arrow award for being one of the proactive Mayors over the past 12 Months.







Performance Management Review Africa is awarded annually after a country survey is completed. The purpose of the survey is:

- to profile Namibia as a growth point and potential investment area for foreign and local developers and investors,
- to measure companies, institutions, government entities and individuals on their contribution to the economic growth and development of the province, levels of management expertise, implementation of corporate governance and levels of innovation,
- to measure companies, institutions and government entities' competencies,
- to measure brand awareness.

The ratings are based on the perceptions of the respondents. Council hereby expresses its gratitude to the staff members of the Municipality and residents of Swakopmund for their hard work, commitment and cooperation towards the achievements of these awards.

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HOME EVACUATION AND FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST		TRAFFIC RULES
<p>PLAN YOUR ESCAPE FROM FIRE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Know how to get out fast if there is a fire. 2. Find two ways out of every room. Through the door and/or maybe the window. 3. You might need an escape ladder to get out of upstairs bedroom windows. 4. Children and older people will need help escaping a fire. Plan for this. 5. Know who needs help and pick someone to help them. <p>CAN EVERYONE WAKE UP?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Young children might sleep through the sound of the smoke alarm. 2. Be prepared for a family member to wake children for fire drills and in a real emergency. 3. Make sure windows and doors open easily. 4. Make sure everyone can reach and open locks on doors and windows. 5. Make sure stairs and doorways are never blocked. 6. If you have security bars on 	<p>doors and windows, have a "quick-release" latch. This makes it easy to get outside in an emergency.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7. Make sure everybody in your family knows how to use the latch. 8. Look for things that could slow down your escape. Move or fix them. 9. Push the test button on the smoke alarm so your family knows the sound. 10. Practice your plan two times a year with your family. 11. Practice a night drill while everyone is asleep, at least once. 12. Have a place to meet in front of your home. 13. Know the fire brigade emergency number. ☎ (064) 410 4646/ 0811285613 14. If there is a fire, get out first, and go to your meeting place. Then call the Fire Brigade. 15. Use a portable phone or a neighbor's phone. 16. Get out and stay out. Never go back inside a burning building. 	<p>EMERGENCY VEHICLES</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Road-users are sometimes ignorant and refuse to give way to emergency vehicles and motorcades.  2. The public is requested to give way to any emergency vehicles (Police, Fire Brigade, Traffic, Ambulance and Civil Defense) which is fitted with a blue, red or green rotating light when such light is switched on.  3. Listen to sirens which are an indication that such a vehicle is in your immediate vicinity.  4. Be on the look out for an officer who might control any junction or intersection. 

MONTHLY PLANT SALES AT THE MUNICIPALITY NURSERY



Every last week of each month sales of small to big garden plants will held outside the Municipal Nursery starting end of March 2014!

All are invited to come buy a plant and beautify not only your garden but our town Swakopmund. Buy two or more plants and stand a chance to win a bag of fertilizer.

Various plants are available for very cheap prices ranging from N\$15.50 and up. Do not miss out!

Enquiry: Ms De Man and Ms U Raath @ 410 4445
Swakopmund Municipal Nursery



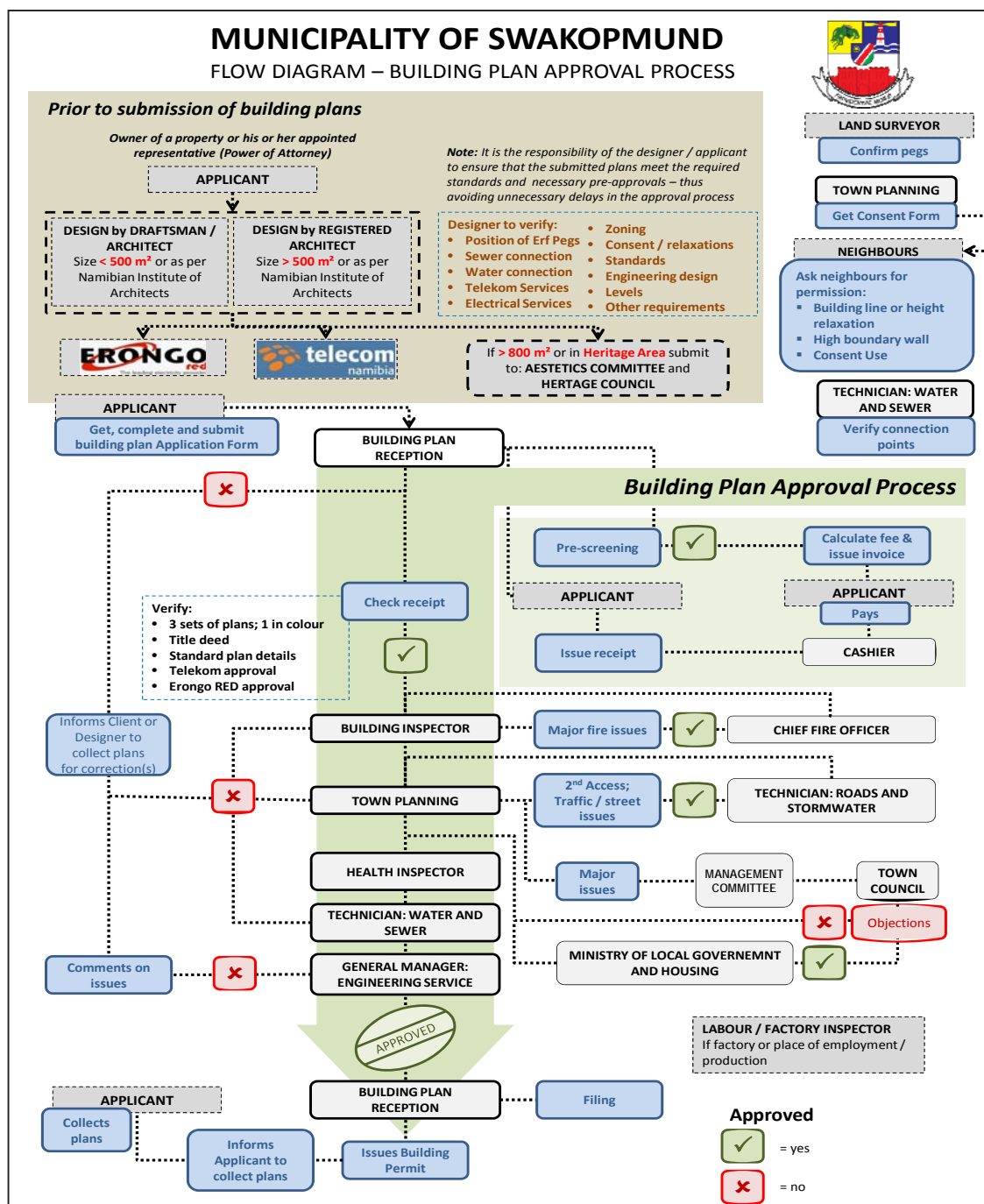
MUNICIPAL NURSERY

Operating hours:
Monday to Friday

09H00 – 12H00
14H00 – 16H00

Saturdays
09H00 – 12H00

Situated at the Corner of Daniel Kamho and Smith Street (opposite Erongo RED offices).



Swakopmund Municipality—Engineering Services

Standby numbers for the building inspectors:

Larry Mwikanda	-	0811 224683
Joseph Simeon	-	0811 224681
Malakia Ndara	-	0811 438779
Office Number	-	(064) 410 4419

Please note that the office hours for the front Office desk : Builders Inspectorate

Monday to Friday	Monday to Thursday (afternoon)	Friday (afternoon)
07:30 - 13H00	14H00—15H30	14H00—14H30

Editor's Desk



Dear Reader

Thank you for reading our first edition published in 2014. This year is declared as the year of Victory but it is shocking that the year started with extensive Gender Based Violence which touched the hearts of all Namibians. I plea to the Nation of Namibia continue praying against this unacceptable behavior. We have experienced a number of shack fires at the coast and residents must take caution and inspect any hazardous substances before leaving their homes/ dwellings.

Scholars should adhere to the traffic rules before crossing the street before and after school. Motorists are requested to be alert and cautious during peak hours to avoid road accidents.

Swakopmund is rated the cleanest town in Namibia and I urge the community to maintain this achievement by not dumping rubbish illegally or waste water and natural resources within and around the town.

The community and members of the media are kindly invited to attend the Council meetings in Council chambers, Municipal Office building, Rakotoka Street (dates and time are indicated below).

Regards

The Editor

Swakopmund Lightbeams

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DATES OF 2014 COUNCIL MEETINGS (19H00)

Tuesday 28 January	Thursday 31 July
Thursday 27 February	Thursday 28 August
Thursday 27 March	Thursday 25 September
Thursday 24 April	Thursday 30 October
Tuesday 27 May	Thursday 27 November
Thursday 26 June	December: RECESS

SWAKOPMUND MUNICIPALITY'S EXCHANGE LEARNING WITH KWADUKUZA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SMILE



Council has over the years approved the twinning of Swakopmund with other towns and cities such as Okakarara and Bethani Village Councils, Namibia, Chobe District Municipality, Botswana, Benguela Municipality, Angola, City of Malmö, Sweden, and others. Twinning agreements are of fundamental importance in terms of institutional capacity building, mutual understanding and sharing of critical information and emulating from best practices in service, economic development.

The Kwadukuza District Municipality wants to twin with the Municipality of Swakopmund. Kwadukuza is located along the east of KwaZulu Natal province (South Africa) with a population of over 320 thousand inhabitants and this coastal town is surrounded by forestry and plantation whereas Swakopmund only has a population of 56 thousand and is surrounded by the Namib Desert.

The delegation of Kwadukuza District Municipality consisting of eight (8) members, two (2) members from MILE (Municipal Institute for Learning and Exchange), and one representative each from ALAN, NALAO and UCLG who all attended a 2-day peer learning and exchange meeting from 25-26 February 2014 in Swakopmund.

The two representatives, Mr S Moodley, Senior Manager and Ms G Hartley, Programme Manager from MILE (Municipal Institute for Learning and Exchange), eThek-wini, Durban, South Africa, explained the aim of the learning and exchange programme and gave a presentation. The two Municipalities were requested to discuss and wrote three areas of strength and weakness that can be taught in the exchange programme that is to be established between Swakopmund Municipality and Kwadukuza District Municipality. SMILE (Swakopmund Municipal Institute of Learning and Exchange) was also established.



Picture: Municipal Officials, delegation of Kwadukuza District Municipality, MILE, NALAO, ALAN and UCLG.



The Swakopmund Mayoral Multi Sport fun weekend took place from 21-22 March 2014 at the Mondesa Sports field while Namibia celebrated 24 years of Independence on 21 March 2014. In the previous years, the tournament was known as the Mayoral Soccer Cup but this year other sports codes were added and this created an opportunity to more members of the community to participate. The codes and the total teams that participated are as follows:

Soccer	40
Netball	8
Volleyball	12
Basketball	4
Ring board	12
Stone game	16
Chess	8

The Mayor, congratulated the teams and their effort and encouraged more groups to participate in sports and similar positive activities. The Swakopmund Municipality would like to thank all the sponsors, umpires, referees and staff members who worked very hard to make this event a success.



Soccer: Derpotivo



Chess: Mercellus Hoakhaob



Stone game: Maandjakuani Tjurua



Ring board: Mbiu Karunguru



Basketball: Blue Cross



Netball: I believe (A-team)



Volleyball: Cockroaches (B-team)

SAVE THE DATE

Swakopmund a between the Dunes

MAYORAL BALL A SHIMMER OF HOPE TOWARDS THE COMMUNITY OF SWAKOPMUND

**SATURDAY,
4 OCTOBER 2014 @ 19:00**
**SWAKOPMUND HOTEL &
ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE**

**A EVENT FILLED WITH PROMISE,
LAUGHTER AND BUILDING ON
TRANSPARENT RELATIONSHIPS
BETTERING THE COMMUNITY OF
SWAKOPMUND**

PLEASE BOOK YOUR TABLE WITH OUR
EVENTS CO-ORDINATOR

Annalize Swart
aswart@swkmon.com.na
 TEL: +264 64 4104100



NAMIBIAN ANNUAL MUSIC AWARDS TO BE HOSTED IN SWAKOPMUND DURING MAY 2014

The Namibia Annual Music Awards (NAMAs) is an annual award ceremony under the auspices of Mobile Telecommunications Ltd (MTC) and the [Namibian Broadcasting Corporation](#) (NBC). The awards exist to recognize the accomplishment of [Namibian](#) artists in the music industry by celebrating those groups and individuals who have excelled in the past year.

The Municipality of Swakopmund proposed to host the NAMAs 2014 in Swakopmund and also sponsored to accommodate the nominees and the crew for the NAMAs.

The NAMAs is one of the biggest social events on the Namibian music calendar and for the first time it will be hosted in the Mighty Erongo Region, in our beautiful coastal town, Swakopmund on **3 May 2014** at the Swakopmund Indoor Sports Centre.

All well-known and popular Namibian artists will be in attendance. Nominees will only be revealed on the 31 March 2014 during the live televised edition of the Whatagwan Show on NBC. This show will be broadcast between 16h00– 17H00 on 31 March 2014.

Tickets for the awards are sold at Computickets outlets country wide at all Shoprite and Checkers Supermarkets at the Money market section. Currently a special is running until 31 March 2014, a VIP ticket is N\$450.00 and standard ticket is N\$200.00. The normal price for a VIP ticket is N\$500.00 and a standard ticket is N\$250.00. Buy your ticket now and visitors are urged to reserve their accommodation early in order to avoid disappointments. This a event not to be missed because it will be broadcast live on NBC television.



Swakopmund



When: **1 May 2014**

Where: **Vineta Central Sports field**

Entry Fee: **N\$500.00 per team**

Closing date: **17 April 2014**

Enquiry: **A Jacobs, 410 4650**

A Gebhardt, 410 4218

Please contact the above for entry forms.

MIXED TEAMS ONLY WITH A MINIMUM OF TWO LADIES PER TEAM (6 players)

Drinks, food and fun games for the kiddies will be available.

Municipal Volley Ball Fun Day

Great prizes to be won!





Swakopmund does have a heart ♥

The Have-a-Heart Project provides the opportunity for dog and cat owners in low- and no income communities to have their pets spayed and neutered for free. In that way the overpopulation and number of stray animals in the streets can be controlled without having to put them down. For more information about the Have-a-Heart project, please visit our website at:

www.have-a-heartspayandneuterproject.com

Around 60 appointed dog and cat owners will be able to make use of this wonderful opportunity on the 2nd and 3rd of May 2014 during The Have-a-Heart Project's nationwide "Spayathon". The funds raised by the wonderful attendance of the Swakopmund community at the Walk for the love of dogs will be put to use during this spayathon.

Recently Ms Lynn Haasbroek has been involved in other projects to help our disadvantaged communities, to create a better living space for everyone to live a better life and to support the people who need it.

Every Saturday, beginning Saturday 8 March 2014, she will dip all the dogs in DRC for a fee of N\$3.00 per dog. This is for a good cause to prevent the dogs from suffering from sickening diseases and the spread of parasites. Everyone is welcome to join in and dip their canine companion.



DRC Planning Committee member, Ms Katrina Garises and the youth of DRC said they will help Ms Lynn Haasbroek on the Doggy Dip Days. Ms Lynn Haasbroek can be contacted at 081 270 1201 for any enquiries.

This is an opportunity to teach our youth how to look after and care for their canine friends. The community of Swakopmund is therefore urged to participate in this project.



REGISTRATION FEES FOR DOGS:

BY-LAWS RELATING TO THE KEEPING AND CONTROL OF DOGS

(Section 94(1)(z)(af) of the Local Authorities Act, (Act No 23 of 1992) as amended.

Dog licences are renewable annually on or before 28 February.

Any person convicted of an offence in terms of the above-mentioned by-laws, shall be liable to a fine of N\$300-00.

Failure to do so will result in the levying of a penalty at a rate of 10% per month as from 01 March 2014
(a maximum of 4 dogs per Erf is allowed)

1st Dog (sterilised with proof of sterilisation) : N\$16-00
(This option will lapse if late registration is done)

1st Dog (government pensioner with proof) : N\$16-00

1st Dog (not sterilised or without proof of sterilisation) : N\$50-00

2nd Sterilised dog on the same premises : N\$50-00

3rd Dog on same premises : N\$150-00

4th Dog on same premises : N\$250-00

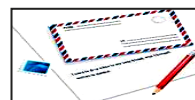
Or as prescribed by Council from time to time

For further enquiries, please contact the Health Department at telephone number 410 4500.

CONTACT NUMBERS FOR AFTER HOURS MUNICIPAL SERVICES

SWITCHBOARD C/o Rakotoka St & Daniel Kamho Ave. P O Box 53 Swakopmund	4104111
Web.....www.swkmun.com.na	
E-mail..... swkmun@swkmun.com.na E-Mail.....archives@swkmun.com.na	
Office of the Mayor: Fax2email	410 4103 088 651 9126
Chief Executive Officer: Chief Executive Officer Cell Fax2email	410 4100 081 122 4690 088 651 9124
Corporate Services & HR: GM: Corporate Services & HR Cell Swakopmund Airport Fax 2email....Archives Human Resources Section: Fax2email... HR Officer	410 4200 081 142 1400 064-406926 088 614 514 410 4225 088 6519 136
Finance: Fax2email... Proof of Payments GM: Finance Cell Fax2email... PA to GM Customer Care: Stores Fax2email	410 4300 088 651 9141 081 142 1397 0886519140 410 4308/9 4104335/6 088 651 9140
Engineering Services: Fax2email GM: Engineering Services Cell	410 4400 088 6519 137 081 142 1391

Works Section Fax2email Standby Water Works Artisan Cell: Water Works Superintendent Cell Chief Superintendent of Works Cell Sewerage Works Superintendent Cell Sewerage Standby Cell Fax2email Nursery	410 4437 088 6519 138 081 128 4998 081 247 4787 081 128 9116 081 122 4653 081 128 4993 088 65191 398 410 4445
Health Services: Fax2email GM: Health Services Cell Health Inspector: Waste & Environment Cell Section Head: Solid Waste Cell	410 4500 088 6519 142 081 122 4668 081 142 1395 081 124 8585
Community Development: Fax2email GM: Community Development Services Cell Bookings (Public Hall & Sports fields) Sport and Recreation Officer Cell Cemeteries	410 4600 088 6519 135 081 142 1394 410 4606 081 142 1392 4104634/5
Tourism Fax2email Chief Rest camp Officer Cell Reservation Bungalows Fire Brigade Fax2email Chief Fire Brigade	410 4618 088 6519 128 081 122 4682 410 4619/21 4104639/40 088 651 9129 081 127 9872
Traffic Section: Fax2email	410 4650 088 6519 131
NaTis Fax2email Vehicle Registration Office	4104662 088 6519 097 4104663/4



Remember that all correspondence must be addressed to:

The Chief Executive Officer
Municipality of Swakopmund
P O Box 53
SWAKOPMUND

Email address: swkmun@swkmun.com.na

Hand deliveries can be made directly to the Office of the Chief Executive Officer on the first floor at the main Municipal Office Building in Rakotoka Street.

Note: Letters must be duly signed and should reflect the correct Returning Postal Address, Telephone Number and Erf Number (if applicable).

Suggestion: Suggestions, questions, compliments or ideas must be written on the suggestion form (which can be obtained at the Access Controller at the Municipal Office) and be placed in the Suggestion box in the Foyer of the Municipal Office

SWAKOPMUND MUNICIPALITY 'S FIRST NATIONAL BANK DETAILS

The Municipality of Swakopmund together with First National Bank is making banking and payment easy for the community of Swakopmund. The bank details are as follows;

Beneficiary:	Swakopmund Municipality
Bank:	First National Bank
Account no.:	622 4960 3300
Branch:	Swakopmund
Branch code:	280472
Account type:	Cheque
Swift Code:	FIRNNANX

Kindly fax deposit slips to fax no. 088 651 9140 for the attention of Ms M Bester or email to mbester@swkmun.com.na

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Swakopmund, avoid queues and pay your bills in **comfort.**

With FNB's innovative payment options, your Swakopmund Municipality account can be paid in 5 easy ways:

Online Banking – Pay from the comfort of your home or office. Register at www.fnbnamibia.com.na

Cellphone Banking – Register online or at any FNB branch and load the Swakopmund Municipality's account details onto your banking profile. Then dial *140*321# to start enjoying the convenience of Cellphone Banking!

FNB ATMs – Simply load the Swakopmund Municipality's account details onto your banking profile or at any branch nationwide.

FNB.mobi – Pay by visiting fnbna.mobi from your cellphone after you've registered for Cellphone Banking either online or at your nearest branch.

FNB Banking App – Download the FNB Banking App from your Smartphone App store once you've registered for Online Banking.



For more information contact our FNB Swakopmund Branch at
Tel: (064) 410 2111.



how can we help you?