



LUSANGAZI TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting title: MINUTES OF THE STAKEHOLDER'S ENGAGEMENT MEETING HELD WITH MEMBERS OF THE WDC's

Date: 18th November, 2025

Time: 11:00 hrs – 13:00 hrs

Venue: Lusangazi Town Council, Council Chamber

Facilitators: Timothy Banda, Anthony Makaliki, Lester Chilumba, Olipa Tembo

Attendance List

S/N	NAME	GENDER	POSITION	ORGANISATION
1	Phiri Watson S	Male	WDC Secretary	Chingolo
2	Richard Mwanza	Male	WDC Secretary	Nyakawise
3	Edson Phiri	Male	WDC Chairperson	Chingolo
4	Banda Stainely	Male	WDC Chairperson	Nyakawise
5	Mathews Tembo	Male	WDC Chairperson	Chikowa
6	Ngoza Zulu	Female	Community Member	Chikowa
7	Julius Mwale	Male	WDC Secretary	Chikowa
8	Shadreck Phiri	Male	WDC Chairperson	Lutwazi
9	Thedson Phiri	Male	WDC Chairperson	Chisangu
10	Chembe Justone	Male	WDC Secretary	Lutwazi
11	Esther Nkhoma	Female	WDC Secretary	Mawanda
12	Nelson Mtonga	Male	WDC Secretary	Chisangu
13	Emmanuel Banda	Male	WDC Chairperson	Ukwimi
14	James Phiri	Male	WDC Secretary	Singozi
15	Kezala Banda	Male	WDC Chairperson	Singozi
16	John Phiri	Male	WDC Chairperson	Mdonsa
17	Rudolf Banda	Male	WDC Secretary	Mdonsa
18	Andrew Phiri	Male	WDC Secretary	Ukwimi
19	Agness Mwale	Female	Community Member	Lusangazi
20	Smart Zulu	Male	WDC Chairperson	Mateyo Mzeka
21	Phiri Isaac	Male	WDC Secretary	Mateyo Mzeka
22	Banda Christopher	Male	WDC Secretary	Lusangazi
23	Banda John	Male	WDC Chairperson	Lusangazi
24	Patrick Mumba	Male	Person living with a disability	Singozi
25	Mervis Daka	Female	Person living with a disability	Mawanda

26	Ristone Njobvu	Male	District Social Welfare Officer	Lusangazi T. C. (devolved)
27	Bridget Mulenga	Male	District Livestock and Fisheries Coordinator	Lusangazi T. C. (devolved)
28	Friday Sikombe	Male	District Agriculture Coordinator	Lusangazi T. C. (devolved)
29	Chilele Chitambo	Female	Planner	Education
30	Moses Mwale	Male	Ag. Director Planning	Lusangazi T. C.
31	Olipa Tembo	Male	Socio-economic Planner	Lusangazi T. C.
32	Sekani Tembo	Male	Council Secretary	Lusangazi T. C.
33	Anthony Makaliki	Male	Comm. Develop. Off.	Lusangazi T. C.
34	Timothy Banda	Male	Health Inspector	Lusangazi T. C.
35	Lester Chilumbu	Male	Ag. Socio-economic Planner	Lusangazi T. C.

AGENDA

1. Opening prayer
2. Introduction of participants
3. Opening remarks
4. Updates on the ZDSP 2023 and 2024 funding
5. Questions and Clarifications
6. Closing remarks and prayer

1. Opening Prayer

The opening prayer was given by Mr. Anthony Makaliki.

2. Introduction of participants

All participants were asked to introduce themselves and where they were from.

3. Opening remarks

The Council Secretary opened the meeting emphasizing the importance of the meeting and how projects in the district would face lift the district as well as bring the much needed employment and skills to the district. He further emphasized that all participants pay attention and ask questions where they were not clear. He shared briefly on the Zambia Devolution Support Programme and the processes required for a local authority to benefit from the funding. He clarified that the funding was to be disbursed to qualifying local authorities who would implement capital projects.

4. Updates on the ZDSP 2023 and 2024 funding Items under discussion

1. Update on the construction of the Nyamanjiwa Modern Community Hall

Following the continued progress of capital grants issued to local authorities by the government of the republic of Zambia through the Zambia Devolution Support Program (ZDSP), a stakeholder's meeting was held with Ward Development Committees (WDC's) from all wards in the district. The purpose of the engagement was to share on the updates of the Nyamanjiwa Modern Community Hall which was being built at a cost of **K2, 600, 000.00** in Ukwimi ward around the institutional plots. The stakeholders were informed of the progress thus far and reminded on the challenge that was faced as the project took too long to be completed. The documentation was currently seating with the Attorney General's office as the

threshold of funding required clearance from the AG's office. It was also mentioned as a reminder that the funding was the 2023 funding of the Zambia Devolution Support Program. Emphasis was made on the funding being a grant like the Constituency Development Fund resource and how it had a set of rules to govern its use just like CDF came with its own guidelines.

The members noted.

2. Qualification for the 2024 capital grants under ZDSP

The stakeholders were further reminded on the 2024 round of funding that the local authority was eligible to receive. It was shared that relevant documentation was submitted on our website for scrutiny and the projects the WDC's shared would be part of the projects considered for implementation. The stakeholders were excited to see that the projects would be a reality in a short time to come. The figure for this round of funding was shared as **\$642, 175.83** and at the rate of K25 per \$1 came to **K16, 054, 395.75**. These resources were meant to elevate the local authorities through substantial, necessary and community driven capital projects that would change the face of many districts and alleviate poverty among the masses.

The members noted.

5. Concerns and queries raised

The members wanted to know why the council did not construct a lodge as had been proposed in an earlier engagement over a year ago in a stakeholder engagement meeting.

In response, it was stated that the funding had projects that could be built and some projects that could not be built. It was further indicated that some projects fell in a negative list which implied they could not be built under the ZDSP funding. The kind of projects to be built were shared and the kind of projects on the negative list were also shared.

Another member wanted to know why this funding had so many restrictions.

In response, it was stated that all funding came with regulations and guidelines. It was also stated that CDF had its own guidelines and thus, ZDSP funding came with its own guidelines and these were guidelines we needed to follow and respect.

The invited stakeholders asked if all the projects they had applied for would be approved and constructed.

In response, it was stated that it would not be possible to have all the projects done as the funding would not be adequate. It was also stated that the projects would be prioritized and the community would be engaged to re prioritize them and then some engagements will have to be done with the Ministry and World Bank before projects are finally approved and constructed.

6. Closing remarks and prayer


In closing, the Council Secretary thanked everyone for their patience and the dedication throughout the meeting. He further asked that the cooperation and coordinated efforts continue. He stated that more engagements would be called for to ensure all citizens were aware of the progress that was taking place in their district.


A closing prayer was given by Esther Nkhoma. The meeting was closed at 12:36.

The next meeting will be on: Date:
March, 2026

Time: 10:30 hrs to 13:00 hrs
Location: TBA

Prepared by:


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Kaonga R. M.


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Makaliki A.



Tembo Sekani
COUNCIL SECRETARY

25.11.25

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Appendix 1



Stakeholders seated in the council chamber listening to the opening remarks.