



**RAYMOND
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INAUGURAL COUNCIL MEETING AND SWEARING-IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL

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Raymond Mhlaba Municipality has conducted its Inaugural Council Meeting following the elections held on the 1st November 2021. The Municipal Manager, Ms Unathi Malinzi convened the session of swearing-in of Councillors, with respect and order where newly elected Speaker, Cllr Thozama Ngaye, took the charring role, and the Executive Committee members were also elected. Subsequently, from the executive committee, council elected Cllr Zingisa Rasmeni, as a new Mayor of Raymond Mhlaba Municipality. In the same council meeting, Cllr Nonkazimlo Mlamla was elected as the Chief Whip of Council; Cllr Nonkoliseko Qawu was elected as the Chairperson of the Woman's Caucus, and Cllr Zikhona Tyali as the Municipal Public Account Committee (MPACC) Chairperson.

The newly elected Mayor, Councillor Rasmeni thanked her predecessor, Cllr Bandile Ketelo and the previous leadership for their role and leadership qualities which they presented over the term, which took the municipality to the level where it is now.

In addition, in her speech of acceptance, the Mayor committed to take the municipality forward by improving service delivery to the communities of Raymond Mhlaba Municipality and create an environment for improved local economic development and creation of jobs.

Raymond Mhlaba Municipality has committed to put people first.

The swearing-in was held as follows:

DATE: 23 November, Tuesday 2021

TIME: 10h00

VENUE: Council Chambers

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