



KUNENE REGIONAL COUNCIL



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Audit Committee Members: SEATED: (From Left to Right) Nicky Mutenda (Vice-Chairperson); Hiskia Ndjavera (Chairperson); Hon. Hendrik Gaobaeb (member); STANDING: (From Left to Right) Teopolina Ihuhua (member) and Berold Skrywer (member)

The Kunene Regional Council has successfully established its Independent Audit Committee since its existence. The Audit Committee today, 08 February 2021 has assembled for an introductory meeting with Management Cadres to get an overview of the Regional Council's operations in the past years.

The first committee meeting focused on the recommendations made from the Office of the Auditors General in the past years, a report of the 2019/20 financial statement and recommendations on the current 2020/21 financial statement that is yet to be submitted to the Office of the Auditor General.

The committee gave a brief introduction on its purpose, the value it will add to the institution and measures to ensuring reliable reporting and timely submission of financial statements.

The committee members approved by Council consists of Five (5) members namely: Hiskia Ndjavera (Chairperson); Nicky Mutenda (Vice- Chairperson); Berold Skrywer (Ordinary Member); Teopolina Ihuhua (Ordinary Member) and Hon. Hendrik Gaobaeb (Ordinary Member).

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The fundamental role of internal auditing is to assist management to attain organizational goals by providing independent assurance regarding the organization's risk management, governance and giving a reasonable assurance that the internal control processes are operating effectively.

Auditing thus provides assurance that management has implemented a satisfactory internal control system for risk prevention. It is there to facilitate, advice, train and counsel management in all its operations.

It is important to note that internal auditing is an independent body which is vital in bridging the gap between management and the board, assesses the ethical climate and effectiveness & efficiency of operations and serves as an institutional safety net for compliance with rules & regulations for the best business practices.

The Kunene Regional Council management cadres and staff members have welcomed the Independent Audit Committee with no resistance and are in compliance in giving all the needed information from all directorates/ divisions/ sections for the internal auditors in executing their roles so as to ensure transparent and accurate reporting to the Office of the Auditor General.

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Audit Committee Members Portfolios



Hiskia Ndjavera – Chairperson

Ndjavera is a Chief Internal Auditor at Namibre with 25 years' experience in internal auditing, risk & forensic auditing. He is a certified General Internal Auditor (CGIA) and also serves as a Chairperson of the Audit and Risk Committee of Labour Investment Holdings.



Nicky Mutenda - Vice Chairperson

Mutenda is a Manager for Treasury at Development Bank of Namibia and a Chartered Accountant who has vast experience working with companies such as First National Bank and ABSA Bank in his field.



Berold Skrywer - Ordinary Member

Skrywer is a superintended Mine Accountant at B2Gold with experience in managerial positions in companies such as Nampost, Rosh Pinah Zinc Cooperation and Roads Contractor Company Limited.



Teopolina Ihuhua- Ordinary Member

Ihuhua is an Accountant at the Ministry of Home Affairs and has a Master Degree in Financial Management amongst other Accounting related qualifications.



Hon. Hendrik Gaobaeb – Ordinary Member

Hon Gaobaeb is the Chairperson of the Kunene Regional Council and the Regional Councillor for Sesfontein Constituency.