

THE MINUTES

OF THE FIRST CONSTITUTIONAL MEETING OF TEŠANJ MUNICIPALITY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2014 AT 10 AM

Present: Manager of Employment Institute- Biro Tešanj (Muharem Berberović), Principal of Combined Secondary School Tešanj (Muharem Saračević), TRA Tešanj municipality Development Agency Manager (Ismar Alagić), Manager of Mann+Hummel BA Tešanj (Mahmut Galijašević), Manager of Alpina Bromy Ltd Tešanj (Suad Roša), Manager of AS (Rusmir Hrvic), Manager of Hifa Oil Ltd Tešanj (Venan Hadžiselimović), Manager of Nord Ent Ltd Tešanj (Nazif Hamzić), Manager of Ascom Ltd Tešanj (Ibrahim Krdžalić), Manager of JP RAD (Mirsad Šaranović), The chair of business asociacion “Biznis centar” Jelah-Tešanj (Mensur Krdžalić), Municipal prefect Fuad Šišić and Administrative assistant to municipal prefect Hamzaliya Hojkurić.

Absent: The chairwoman of “ Udruženje žena poljoprivrednica usorsko-tešanjskog kraja” (given notice of absence)

Guests: GIZ and GOLD representatives Mirjana Stanković and Jasmin Adilović, respectively.

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The Minutes taken by Sajda Klepić (audio and written)

The meeting is chaired by the Municipal Prefect Suad Huskić.

The chairman stated that 14 members of the Council are present, commenced the constitutional meeting of Local Development Council and addressed the present members.

As foreword, the chairman noted that the Municipal Council issued Decision on PPD which provides institutional support to PPD process, enables constitution of a working body composed of private, public and civil sector representatives, sets as goal active participation in PPD, community development and business environment improvement. He also stated that The Municipal council issued the Decision according to which Local Development Council is composed of 15 members chosen on the basis of functional relevance of the institution they represent. It also determines the Local Development Council's tasks- to decide on regulation of work conduct, to adopt annual plan of public private dialogue implementation, to maintain public private dialogue, to monitor the realization of the public private dialogue plan in terms of new projects, to consider issues important for development and improvement of the business climate and competitiveness in the Municipality, to suggest measures to develop and improve the business climate and competitiveness in the Municipality, to suggest initiatives related to the higher levels of authority etc.

Mr Ismar Alagić, Mr Mensur Krdžalić, Mr Fuad Šišić and Mrs Mirjana Stanković took part in the introductory discussion.

The chairman suggested moving the third item on the Agenda (regulation of work conduct) to the first place. Afterwards, **the Local Development Council unanimously adopted the following**

AGENDA

- 1. Regulation of Local Development Council work conduct**
- 2. Election of the Local Development Council vice president**
- 3. Adjusting and adopting Local Development Council Work Programme for the period until the end of 2014.**
- 4. Local Development Council members' initiatives: suggestions and discussion**

AD1

The chairman Mr Suad Huskić gave additional explanation for Work Conduct suggestions, emphasising that Local Development Council meetings are assembled by the chairman on his own initiative, that annually four meetings are to be held, that the reasons are given in the Article 5, that ten members are minimum for the meeting to be held, that a substitute may be sent to attend the meeting in case of need and that the

member term of office is two years.
Mr Ismar Alagić took part in the discussion on this item.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

Local Development Council Work Conduct Regulations adopted.

AD2

The chairman stated that According to the Decision it is his duty to assume the responsibility of a chairman, while the vice president should be elected from the private sector ranks on this meeting.
Mr Ismar Alagić, Mr Mensur Krdžalić, Mr Fuad Šišić participated in the discussion on this item.
Mr Fuad Šišić and Mr Ismar Alagić suggested Mr Mensur Krdžalić as the vice president.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

That Local Development Council vice president is the chairman of “Biznis-centar” Jelah-Tešanj businessmen association, Mr Mensur Krdžalić.

AD3

The chairman of the Local Development Council explained that the outline of the Work Programme was made and therefore suggested holding two more meetings until the end of the year, the next meeting in period before October 31, after adopting the minutes, announcing policy and procedures of the Local Development Council, announcing BEAR initiative for business excellence region Teslić, Tešanj, Žepče, the Local Development Council members' suggestions and initiatives. At the other meeting, Information on business infrastructure investment in 2014, GOLD project and the Local Development Council members' suggestions and initiatives are to be presented as well as adopting Work Programme for 2015.
Mr Ismar Alagić, Mr Mensur Krdžalić, Mr Fuad Šišić and Mrs Mirjana Stanković took part in the discussion on this item of the Agenda.
Mr Fuad Šišić suggested adding revision of Spatial Plan of Tešanj Municipality to the Programme and to abolish miscellaneous agenda items.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

Local Development Council Work programme for the period until the end of 2015 adopted, while Local Development Council technical secretary is assigned the task to supplement the Programme with the suggestions/initiatives made in the discussion.

AD4

Mr Muharem Berberović, Mr Mahmut Galijašević, Mr Venan Hadžiseimović, Mr Muharem Saračević, Mr Nazif Hamzić, Mr Rusmir Hrvić, Mr Ibrahim Krdžalić and Mr Ismar Alagić participated in the discussion on this item of the Agenda.

Mr Muharem Berberović stated the following employment issues:

1. High economy taxes as well as high social security contributions, which prevents investments in

- development and employment of new workers.
2. Insufficient budget for activities and measures of unemployment prevention in Bosnia and Herzegovina on all authority levels.
 3. Educational system incongruent with economy needs, resulting with deficit in wanted professions and surplus of unwanted professions.
 4. Unqualified staff for the work they are educated for, caused by formal education which lacks practical education and therefore causes serious issues and extra expense for potential investors.
 5. Complicated bureaucratic procedures for starting new business, as well as administrative obstacles.

The chairman of Local Development Council stated that concrete suggestion should be made.

Mr Mahmut Galijašević suggested providing support to contractors and subcontractors in Tešanj so that they get ISO 9001 quality standard in order to improve competitiveness in the economy field.

1. **Suggestion to improve competitiveness of local contractors by introducing international quality management system.**

The chairman of Local Development Council suggested that in the oncoming period the analysis should be made in order to realise local companies' interest in quality management system introduction so that the initiative could be forwarded accordingly.

Mr Ismar Alagić noted that there is QMS Project financed by EU Delegation whose aim is to support and finance ISO 9001 standard introduction to companies in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

TRA Tešanj municipality Development Agency assigned to review means of support available as well as local companies' interest in quality management system introduction.

2. **Initiative to interconnect economy and education- to match education with wanted professions. (suggestion by Mr Muharem Saračević)**

Mr Nazif Hamzić suggested education reform- more practical education and training so that pupils after finishing high school can understand production techniques more easily.

Mr Ibrahim Krdžalić suggested teaching German language in schools and stated that his company works with German company and that German job market is very popular. He also agreed with Mr Muharem Saračević to train 10 people since qualified workers mean more profit for the company.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

To analyse and provide information based on the analysis regarding secondary vocational education/ training and economy sector in terms of wanted professions and adequate education: pupil admission plan, quality of training, job market needs, Employment Institute registrar according to profession. Results should be submitted to Local Development Council so that suggestions and initiatives can be made by March, 2015.

3. **To expand Local Development Council activities to sector cooperation, to form groups according to sectors which would work on suggesting and realising initiatives within the sector (suggestion by Mr Venan Hadžiselimović).**

The chairman of Local Development Council suggested that sector groups should be made in case of need; however, sector cooperation should be encouraged. By the end of the year one of the sectors should be analysed, informed about Local Development Council work and ways of taking initiative.

Mr Venan Hadžiselimović suggested two sectors at random.

Mr Alagić added that Competitiveness analysis of two priority local economy sectors is in its final phase, which will provide directions for raising competitiveness in the sectors mentioned. Results can be presented at one of the next meetings, although he reminded that domestic companies' response was below expected.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

TRA Tešanj municipality Development Agency will present the results of Competitiveness analysis in metalworking and food industry sector. After concluding the results, Local Development Council will decide which sectors that will be next subject to similar analysis.

- 4. Providing support to agriculture, especially growing high- profitable crops (suggestion by Mr Rusmir Hrvić)**

The chairman of Local Development Council suggested that food industry representatives should have a meeting to analyse needs and stimulus efficiency, therefore address the Municipality- TRA to contact the food industry sector.

- 5. To improve tourism by constructing a slanting elevator to Gradina Fortress. Additionally, to improve road communication and introduce a bus line Tešanj-Teslić-Kardijal.**

The chairman of Local Development Council suggested that these should be internally addressed within the Municipality in order to provide solutions.

- 6. To advertise tourist locations, business zones, business entities and other significant locations in Tešanj Municipality on Google Maps (suggestion made by Mr Ibrahim Krdžalić).**

The chairman of Local Development Council suggested that it should be coordinated within authorised municipal service.

Mr Ibrahim Krdžalić expressed his opinion that this type of advantage is not taken and that Tešanj is insufficiently present in the search and that Google maps should be created to advertise economic sectors and tourist destinations. He suggested that a trainee could take care of that.

- 7. Suggestion to change name of Zenica- Doboje Canton into Tešanj- Visoko Canton by Mr Ibrahim Krdžalić** was not supported and was therefore not considered.
- 8. Suggestion to organise seminar for the businessmen about IPA and other available funds.** (suggested by Mr Muharem berberović and Mr Mahmut Galijašević)

The chairman of Local Development Council suggested that TRA Tešanj municipality Development Agency should present all economy funds.

Mrs Mirjana Stanković suggested that two experts should be invited for GIZ.

Local Development Council unanimously adopted

CONCLUSION

That TRA Tešanj municipality Development Agency and GIZ should organise a seminar for businessmen about IPA and other available funds.

Mr Mensur Krdžalić suggested that Local Development Council should be informed about investment and investors.

The chairman of Local Development Council promised to provide the information on it at the next meeting. The chairman of Local Development Council Mr Suad Huskić thanked the present members for their time and concluded the first Constitutional meeting of the Local Development Council at 12 AM.