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1. Increase of sub-economic rentals:

Since the 30th June and 14th July of this year, the rents of the European and Coloured sub-economic housing schemes, respectively, have been increased.

In reply to inquiries which are made from time to time why the increase was necessary, the following is stated:-

The Municipality establishes the rentals according to a formula which must be approved by the National Housing and Planning Commission and by the Administrator. There are economic and sub-economic schemes - the difference in the rentals is entirely due to the difference in the respective rates of interest. In the case of sub-economic schemes, the rate is 40 and in the case of economic schemes as determined by the Treasury at the time of the raising of the loan. The difference between the sub-economic and economic rates of interest has to be paid over by the Council in its entirety to the Public Debt Commissioner.

For the reason that the sub-economic schemes for Europeans and for Coloured people showed deficits, the rentals had to be considered from time to time according to the formula adopted.

The most recent investigation showed that the present cost of the schemes per annum to the Council had risen from £2098 to £2794 in the case of Europeans and from £2732 to £3610 in the case of Coloured people. In order to avoid a continued increase in the deficit, the rentals had to be increased.

Naturally, if for any reason there should be a reduction of the costs and an accumulating surplus, the rents could be further investigated and possibly a reduction could be made.

2. Inocculation against Poliomyelitis.

The first consignment of vaccine has been received. It is, however, only enough for 250 injections which will have to be divided amongst children falling in the first priority group which embodies those under six years.

The Council has decided that the vaccine is to be divided equally among European and Non-European applicants. Each individual parent whose child will be inocculated will be notified and advised when and where the inocculation will take place.

It has been decided that the Bay on the Andringa Street side of the Town Hall will be used for the purpose.

The Council has been notified that a further consignment may be expected within a month.

It will be recalled that all-in-all 2,700 applicants for inocculation have been received.

3. Election of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and of Committees.

At the ordinary meeting of the Council held on the 4th September, 1956, Councillor Dr. Erika Theron and Councillor Dr. P.A. Theron were unanimously re-elected as Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the mayoral year 1956 - 1957, and the following Committees were appointed:-

(a) Lands, Parks and Forests Committee.

Councillors: A.B. de Villiers (Chairman),
S.W.J. Liebenberg (Vice-Chairman),
Mrs. A.M. Eksteen, Dr. J.C. de Wet,
Dr. P.A. Theron, Dr. F. Smuts, J. Winshaw,
L. van Coppenhagen,
Her Worship the Mayor, Dr. E. Theron (ex
officio).

Sub-Committees:

Beautification Committee.

Crs. Dr. F. Smuts (Chairman), L. van Coppenhagen,
A.B. de Villiers, S.W.J. Liebenberg,
J.B. Collins,
Her Worship the Mayor, Dr. E. Theron (ex officio),
Prof. J. Neethling, Dr. D. Krige, Prof. C.L. Wicht,
Mrs. C. van Eeden, Mr. Daneel du Preez,
Mrs. J.B. Collins, Mr. Eddie van Niekerk and
Mrs. O. Scholtz.

Cemeteries Committee.

Crs. S.W.J. Liebenberg (Chairman), Dr. F. Smuts, Dr. F.A. Theron, L. van Coppenhagen, Her Worship the Mayor, Dr. E. Theron (ex officio).

(b) Public Works and Traffic Committee.

Councillors Dr. P.A. Theron (Chairman)
J. Winshaw (Vice-Chairman)(Water)
S.W.J. Liebenberg (Traffic)
Mrs. A.M. Eksteen, L. van Coppenhagen,
A. Geffen, J.B. Collins,
Her Worship the Mayor, Dr. E. Theron (ex officio)

(•) Public Health, Housing and Native Administration Committee.

Councillors: Dr. F. Smuts (Chairman)
Mrs. A.M. Eksteen (Vice-Chairman)
W.C. Dempsey, S.W.J. Liebenberg,
A.B. de Villiers, J. Winshaw, Dr. P.A. Theron
Her Worship the Mayor, Dr. E. Theron (ex officio)

(d) Finance, Electricity and General Purposes-Committee.

Councillors: J.B. Collins (Chairman)

L. van Coppenhagen (Vice-Chairman)

Dr. J.C. de Wet (Electricity),

Dr. F. Smuts, Dr. P.A. Theron, Mrs. A.M. Eksteen,

J. Winshaw, W.C. Dempsey, A.B. de Villiers.

A. Geffen, S.W.J. Liebenberg,

Her Worship the Mayor, Dr. E. Theron (ex officio)

Sub-committees:

Municipal Transport.

Crs. S.W.J. Liebenberg (Chairman)
A. Geffen and L. van Coppenhagen

Town Hall Tariffs and Proposed Town Hall Improvements.

Crs. W.C. Dempsey (Chairman)

J.B. Collins, A. Geffen, Mrs. A.M. Eksteen,

A.B. de Villiers.

Insurances.

Crs. A. Geffen (Chairman)

L. van Coppenhagen and W.C. Dempsey

Electricity Tariffs.

Crs. Dr. J.C. de Wet (Chairman)

J.B. Collins, L. van Coppenhagen, Dr. P.A. Theron,

J. Winshaw, A. Geffen, A.B. de Villiers

(e) Joint Stellenbosch Sanatorium Committee.

Councillors Mrs. A.M. Eksteen and L. van Coppenhagen

(f) Phillimore Ives Committee.

Councillors Dr. F. Smuts (Chairman), J.B. Collins and J. Winshaw

(g) Plans Committee.

Councillors Dr. P.A. Theron, J. Winshaw and L. van Coppenhagen.

(h) Brochure Committee.

Councillors S.W.J. Liebenberg (Chairman),
A.B. de Villiers and Dr. P.A. Theron.

(i) Representatives of Council on other bodies:

University Council - Cr. L.F. van Coppenhagen School Board - Cr. Mrs. A.M. Eksteen Library Committee - Cr. Dr. J.C. de Wet Technical College - Cr. Dr. F. Smuts

Combating of Tuberculosis - Cr. A.B. de Villiers

Fighting of Veld and Bush Fires
and Soil Erosion Committee - Mr. F. Wheeler

Stellenbosch Hospital Board - Cr. Mrs. A.M. Eksteen

Liquor Licence Board - Cr. Dr. F. Smuts

Joint Town Planning Committee - Cr. S.W.J. Liebenberg

Native Advisory Committee - Cr. Dr. P.A. Theron and Mr. P.J. Oosthuysen

Cape Western Committee for
Local Native Administration - Cr. Dr. P.A. Theron
Cape Joint Municipal Pension Fund - Cr. J. Winshaw
Proposed new Board for the control
of Sportsfields for Coloured people - Cr. W.C. Dempsey.

4. Public Health Services at Stellenbosch.

A while ago it was reported that the attendance at certain clinics, particularly the one arranged for anti-diphtheria injections by the Municipality, was disappointingly

low. The press also took the matter up and as a result it was pointed out to the Council that personal health services inclusive of the preventive measures against diphtheria, were also provided by the four Government Health Centres which are operating at Stellenbosch where very large numbers present themselves for the same treatment as that offered by the Municipality.

The question arose whether there was an unnecessary duplication, but it was found that under the existing public health laws it is unavoidable that there should be some degree of duplication. It was felt that Stellenbosch was particularly fortunate in being better cared for than most other towns and that the gratitude of the community was due to the Medical Officer in charge of the Health Centres and his staff, and that the Council should avail itself of the opportunity to make known what was being done at the Health Centres and to give expression to its appreciation and thanks.

5. Approved Loans.

Of the loans which were approved at the most recent meeting of ratepayers, the following have been sanctioned by the Administrator:-

- (i) Layout of the Braak.
- (ii) New Municipal Stores.
- (iii) Bus shelters in Ida's Valley and Banhoekweg.
- (iv) Temporary market building at Bergzicht.
- (v) Bus shelters and sanitary convenience at Bergzicht.
- (vi) The provision of water, sewerage and stormwater drainage to 12 erven at Dalsig.
- (vii) Tractor and general purposes vehicle for the Forestry Department.

In regard to the remaining items a few inquiries

have been received from the Provincial Secretary and these have been dealt with so that approval of the remaining items is expected soon.

In the meantime, preparations are being made to carry out the works and procure the equipment approved as soon aspossible.

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HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF A MEETING WHICH TOOK PLACE ON TUESDAY, 19TH AUGUST, 1896.

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11	1.	The Market Master produced his book from which it appeared that the dues collected by him from the 2nd till the 16th inst. amounted to £2.10. $6\frac{1}{2}$
		and pound dues during same period 1. 6.
		Resolved to credit the Municipal Account with the same.
	2.	With reference to the Resolution No.8 of the meeting held on the 22 July last, the Secretary stated that he had received the taxes from all the defaulters therein mentioned amounting to £18. 3. $6\frac{1}{2}$
		Resolved to credit the Municipal Account with the same.
	3.	The Secretary stated that he had received the following fines, viz
		from Damon for allowing a pig to road in the street
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HUNDRED YEARS AGO (contd.)

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7. Received a requisition signed by a number exceeding 25 Resident Householders, requesting to convene a meeting for the purpose of amending, altering or rendering more complete the Municipal Regulations.

Resolved to accede to the same and to fix Wednesday the 27 instant for that purpose.

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