

## JOINT MEETING MINUTES 2014-09-09

1. **Opening & Welcome** by: Chief Supt Nhlapho  
All the role players: EMPD, EMPD POPS, SAPS, SAPS CCU, CIG, DISASTER MANAGEMENT, EMERGENCY & CONVENERS
2. **ATTENDANCE REGISTER CIRCULATED**
3. **ISSUES: SEC 205 APPLICATION FOR MARCH GATHERING RECEIVED**

Chief Supt Nhlapho mentioned that an application was handed over on 2014-09-04 and he received it on 2014-09-05. On 2014-09-06 Saturday he then informed Col Tsotsotso about the application.

Chief Supt Nhlapho mentioned that he is not happy in terms of the gathering Act the application should have been done before 14 days prior the event.

Chief asked that whether the confirmation letter was received from the Mayor who will be receiving the memorandum.

He mentioned that the finishing point and the end point should be clear.

All of the mentioned above, is the legal requirements and the application for the march does not fulfil them.

**Convenor:** Jimmy Mentioned that he understood the requirements and apologize for the late application.

He further said that the march is for the whole Tembisa. The march will start at 10: 00 until at 14:00.

**Chief Nhlapho** said everything must be clear and there should be no assumptions.

There should be proper planning in terms of Manpower. There should be one point for meeting place and all the community will moved from one collective point. Because of the application is short notice, much should be done to make sure the march is peaceful and at the end people dispersed peacefully with no injuries.

Chief

**Chief Supt Nhlapho** mentioned that there will be no blocking of the street

The community will not allowed to close the main roads

**Convenor:** Suggested that they meet at Mkhathini.

**Chief Supt Nhlapho** instructed that the convenors should tell their people where to meet. They should ask the marshals during the march, it should be along the road. The police cannot control the whole people as it is the whole Tembisa that will be marching.

**Convenor:** Mentioned that he cannot control all the people.

**Chief Supt Nhlapho:** Mentioned that the convenor does not show any confident that he will manage his people and therefore they should make a sworn statement to commit themselves. The reason being the people won't damage the property, not interfere with business. It is not guaranteed that the march will be peaceful. It must be known how many people will participate on the march, age group of the people. Chief Supt Nhlapho mentioned that there past week there was violent protest and will not be lenient.

**Col Tsotsotso:** also said that he is concerned that the convenors as mentioned before, that he cannot control his people and could not put his head on the block. The convenors must ensure that if people are not controllable, they should put measures.

**Convenor:** Request that the police to help them to control the people

**Chief Supt Nhlapho:** mentioned that the time framing is short. Other police stations should be involved for manpower. If the application was 14 day prior it will have been a great help to the police. The provincial manpower should also be requested. Chief Supt Nhlapho further mentioned that if the march fails and it was approved. So the matter must be looked seriously.

**W/O Mashitisho : Event Organiser:** Also mentioned that the application is short notice and on the note that, the convenor mentioned that he cannot control his people it is difficult and he cannot be trusted.

**EMPD POPS:** Also said it is short notice and this put the police in a difficult position.

**SAPS COL MUNZHELE:** Mentioned that the convenors must know their people as they trust them. The marshal must be in control of the people.

**DISASTER MANGEMENT:** Mentioned that if they know their people that are not controllable how they will take control them. This will make are job not easy for us.

**SAPS VISPOL HEAD: COL TSOTSOTSO;** Questioned about the toilets and water as the temperature will be high. **Convenor Matlaila;** says that they are just going to walk and they will ask in the community or the government to provide them.

**The convenor Jimmy:** said that he did not say he cannot control his people that he was just asking if he cannot control them. What will happen? He said that the people will not damage properties. Further said that 1000 people cannot walk on the pavement. The convenor said that who damaged the property will not be part of the peaceful march.

**SGT LEBESE:** Asked that if the convenor said the toilets issued is cleared. Did he asked the community to assist the people who will be marching. The convenor said they did not concentrate on the toilets and just want to hand the memorandum.

**Chief Supt Nhlapo** said it is the convenors responsibilities and he does not want anyone to be victimised otherwise the police had to react.

**One convenor** said he must be excused as a convenor the reason he is going to funeral to Limpopo. And Chief Supt Nhlapo suggested that an addition convenor must be chosen. Mr Petrus Tuuba of No. 341 Sophia Difateng, cell no: 084 592 4499 was chosen

**Chief Supt Nhlapo;** mentioned that the convenors must commit themselves and it seems the convenors don't understand the reason for committing themselves.

**Convenor;** mentioned that he does not want to take responsibility of what will happen during the night prior to the march, it will be criminal activities and the police to call order on that.

**Chief Supt Nhlapo** said that he is talking about what will be happening from the time of marching as this march is not approved and they should commit themselves. The police are not sure what will happen tomorrow. What if the shops are busted they should answer to the PC

**SAPS Col Tsotsotso** mentioned that he is afraid and have problem allowing the march to continue while is not approved. Col Tsotsotso said that they should stand the ground that the application was not forwarded in time. Col mentioned that there will be skeleton policing and if there are threats it will create problems. Col suggested that they postpone the march.

**Convenor** said if the community are involved in vandalising the properties during march he will definitely intervene and assist.

**SAPS CCU: W/O Ncokwane** said that they don't want spontaneous march and CCU is under resources. Five 5 events have been already approved. There is legislation for march they should be notified about the march seven days before. They should check the law enforcement how they can assist the march to be peaceful and that the right of the people are protected. The convenors must know their marshals and submit their details. According W/O Ncokwane said that the CCU is not ready for the march as the application was not submitted on time.

**W/O Nyathela** asked that the convenors received confirmation letter from the Mayor's office. The convenor said that yes, but it was over the telephone they will E-mail them later during the day. Lt Col Munzhelele of SAPS called the Mayor's office to confirm that the Mayor will be receiving the memorandum. He talked to Mr Senzile and said that the Mayor won't be available on the day of the march and no one will come.

**Convenor** said that they did not know that there should be confirmation letter. W/O Ncokwane asked that are they prepared to hand the memorandum to anyone from the mayor's office. The convenor Jimmy said that if someone is send there is no problem as long they will arrive on time so that they can hand him the memorandum. if they don't arrive they will take decision on the spot

**Chief Supt Nhapo** said we all want to see a peaceful march and we must address issues. If the march will be peaceful in future they won't hesitate to approve. The march must be within requests of Sec 205 and

confirmation is important and one of the convenors must make a follow up on the confirmation letter. During the day they should inform him.

**Convenor:** Asked to go out to have a short meeting with his partners. On their arrival back they mentioned that as from now they will go to the Province as it seems everything is done there. He further asked that there is no emergency for short period of application

**Chief Supt Nhlapo** mentioned the convenor does not know the procedure, what goes up must come down. Every event is done at the station level and they are lenient with them but at the end, procedures must be followed. **Chief Supt Nhlapo;** requested Col Tsotsotso to give out two policemen to take the sworn statement of the two convenors.

**Convenor:** Asked Col Tsotsotso what kinds of weapons the police will be carrying and said operational weapons.

**Chief Supt Nhlapo** mentioned that he will go to Civic centre and asked that one person be nominated who will be receiving the memorandum on behalf of the Mayor and hand to Mayor's office at Germiston.

**Convenor;** mentioned that they are unhappy as Mr Sensile was given the letter and put the stamp on it that he received it and now he said he had no knowledge of the march. The convenors were advised that next time they should ask the person receiving the letter to attach the signature.

**Convenor Jimmy;** mentioned that he had meeting with the public protector and asked to be excused

**Chief Supt Nhlapo** asked that before he leaves he must empower two people who will make decision on his behalf.

**Convenor:** responded that he gave all the convenors permission and he will agree with anything they agree on the meeting. He said that the march proceed whether the meeting is approved or confirmation letter given. He said that they are been undermine by the same people they elected. He further said that this is not the police and EMPD problems if someone is not there to receive the memorandum they will take decision on the spot. **SAPS COL Tsotsotso** mentioned that the convenors do not appreciate what they have done for them because they took means to call the Mayor's office to find out about the confirmation letter.

#### **AGREEMENT**

The convenors agree that they will all meet at Multipurpose from 06:00. Chief Supt Nhlapo said that there should be not any gathering prior the time mentioned. There won't be any roadblock, people assembling in the early hours, any public disturbances and intimidating people. The two convenors must submit the sworn statements. Chief Supt Nhlapo mentioned that even the march is not approved they will police it. The people will march from first point where they hand in the memorandum and after, dispersed peaceful with no injuries. Where march should not be long so that the people cannot get exhausted as these will have effect on them and become unruly. There people should be told to bring food, medication and water. No firearms, traditional weapons, Helmet or mask, hindering traffic and entering premises or building allowed. After the march all the relevant role players will sit down and check the mistakes where we they have gone wrong at rectified.

**Chief SUPT Nhlapo** adjourned the meeting by concluding that the assemble point will be one at Multipurpose. The people will march from there towards Andrew Mapheto drive to Crescent Road where they will hand the memorandum and after disperse peacefully.

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED BY Chief Supt Nhlapo**

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