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SUBJECT: REPORT ON RECYCLING FACILITY OPERATION AT 44 KLEINSTE ROAD, IFAFI, EXT 1, HARTEBESPOORT.

Dear Sir/Madam

BACKGROUND

On the 28th February 2022 a complaint was received by the office of Environmental Management Unit through an email regarding the recycling activity taking place in Ext 1 Ifafi, Hartebeespoort dam. The resident suspected that the recycling activity is taking place illegally and would like to have the municipal intervention. Some of the issues mentioned by the complainants were that the facility has attracted thieves around the area and that there has been numerous attempted house breakings as well as that this facility may be a potential breeding habitat for pests and rodents which may be detrimental to the people's health.

Mr M.J Knoetze used to do recycling at the Hartebeespoort Regional Landfill site. After the municipality found out that he was selling alcohol and establishing a temporary tuck shop at the site, he was removed with immediate effect. He moved to the current location on the 4th December 2021 after he had an agreement with the land owner. The company collects ferrous, non-ferrous, glasses, boxes, PC scrap and more (**See Annexure A**).

FINDINGS

An inspection was conducted on the 2nd of March 2022 at MJ Knoetze Recycling company facility. And during the site visit the following were the findings:

- The site is lease to Mr Knoetze by the owner of the site.
- The company is doing recycling facility and temporary store waste on site.
- The facility is operated under no legal permits in terms of National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No.59 of 2008) as the storage is less than the capacity as stipulated by the waste act.
- There were no proper operational procedures in place.
- Waste is removed from site as an when it due for sales.
- Litter picking and housekeeping was of a concern during the site visit and could get clarity from the manager.
- Mr Knoetze could provide us with the contacts of the site owner as we requested them.
- The site is within the residential area and need to be well managed.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- The South African Constitution (Act 108 of 1996), Section 24.
- National Environmental Management: waste Act ,2008 (Act No.59 of 2008)

RECOMMENDATIONS

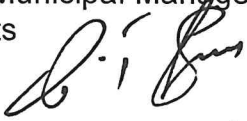
1. The matter is hereby referred to the Provisional Department of Waste Management (NWDEDECT) as the current municipal By-Laws are not yet gazette.
2. The matter is further referred to the Madibeng Local Municipality Town Planning division to assist in handling this matter in terms of the rationality of the utilization of this particular land.
3. Appropriate rights should be obtained from all relevant department within the municipality and proof should be provided to the official on the next inspection.
4. The division of waste management could not enforce any by-laws as the current by-laws are updated and they are still yet to be gazette.
5. Mr Knoetze was advice to notify the Madibeng Local Municipality Fire and disaster so that they can know and have the place in their database in case of emergency.
6. Mr Knoetze was advised that when one operate the waste storage facilities, the public health and environmental protection must be considered and taken into consideration and the location of waste storage facilities must also take into consideration the requirements in respect of existing servitudes.
7. That the storage areas must be located in such a manner that it can provide optimum handling and transportation of waste material.
8. That the Location of storage areas must also take into consideration the hazards associated with flammability and toxicity of the waste stored and applicable codes and standards.

9. That all storage facilities must be located in areas accessible by emergency response personnel and equipment's.

Hoping that you will find the above in order.

Yours faithfully

for Municipal Manager
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Annexure A



Annexure B

