

## **District council meeting of 17 March 2021**

### **Convened and announced on 11 March 2021**

**Present:** ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET Marion (CSV), Mayor, SCHILTZ Fernand (LSAP), Deputy Mayor, JUNGBLUT Tom (CSV), Deputy Mayor, EIFES Eric (DP), ZHU Dali (DP), SCHMITZ Jean-Pierre (CSV), DI GENOVA Jean-Pierre (CSV), LAKAFF Laurent (CSV), ARRENSDORFF Jean-Jacques (Déi Gréng), WOLTER Laurence (Déi Gréng), WEYMERSKIRCH Patrick (LSAP), Councillors, TAZIAUX Tim, Acting Municipal Secretary, REIFFERS Cindy, Secretary.

Before the meeting, the Mayor introduced Samantha Berna, who is a new addition to the district administration's communications department.

The Mayor proposed deleting Item 13 from the Agenda. All members were agreed.

#### **1. Determination of venue for the district council meeting**

The district council unanimously approved the Cultural Centre in Moutfort as the venue for this district council meeting.

#### **2. Notification regarding the resignation of a councillor**

The Mayor notified the resignation of Councillor Guy Lorent, who is now no longer a member of the district council for Contern district.

#### **3. Update to the Council's table of precedence**

The table of precedence was updated due to Dali Zhu joining the Council for the "DP" party.

The Council unanimously accepted the table of precedence.

#### **4. HR matters**

In closed session

#### **5. Special development plan (PAP) for "Bei der Hiel" in Moutfort – Approval of the implementation agreement ("convention d'exécution") and implementation design ("project d'exécution")**

By 7 votes in favour and 4 abstentions (Eric Eifes, Dali Zhu, Jean-Jacques Arremsdorff and Laurence Wolter), the District Council approved the implementation agreement and the implementation design for the PAP "Bei der Hiel" in Moutfort.

#### **6. Special development plan "Rue de Medingen" – Definitive vote**

The District Council unanimously and definitively approved the special development plan for "Rue de Medingen".

#### **7. Approval of a document concerning a thirty-year limitation in Contern**

By 7 votes in favour and 4 abstentions (Eric Eifes, Dali Zhu, Jean-Jacques Arremsdorff and Laurence Wolter), the District Council approved the document concerning the thirty-year limitation on a parcel of land in front of the old school in Contern. This parcel did not belong to Contern District Council, but the council has maintained it for the past 30 years. It has not been possible to identify the original owners, and accordingly this parcel is being transferred to Contern District Council.

#### **8. Approval of a document – Purchase of land in Oetrange**

The Council voted unanimously to approve the document concerning the purchase of land in Oetrange. It is a parcel owned by Ms Charlotte Marie-José Schmit, with a size of 14 are and 50 m<sup>2</sup>, located in “In der Delt”, which the Council is purchasing from her for a price of € 7,975. The Council already owns a neighbouring parcel, and is thereby extending its property.

#### **9. Approval of an agreement – RTL camera streaming in the “Um Ewent” sports hall**

By 9 votes in favour and 2 votes against (Jean-Jacques Arrensdorff and Laurence Wolter), the District Council approved the agreement concerning camera streaming by RTL in the “Um Ewent” sports hall.

#### **10. Approval of an agreement – Social welfare office “Iewäschte Syrdall 2021”**

The Council voted unanimously to approve the agreement with the social welfare office “Iewäschte Syrdall 2021” for 2021.

#### **11. Appointment of various new members to various committees/working groups**

The District Council voted unanimously to appoint Anja Otto to the Equal Opportunities Committee, Laurence Wolter to the Culture Committee and the Climate Team, Jean-Jacques Arrensdorff to the Environmental Committee and Fred Juste to the Committee for Urban Development. The candidates were proposed by the party “Déi Gréng”.

#### **12. Approval of several resignations by a member from various committees**

The District Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Guy Lorent from the Committee for Urban Development, the Consulting Committee and the Committee for the Environment, Energy and the Climate.

#### **13. Exclusion of several members from a committee**

Taken off the agenda.

#### **14. Approval of several statements of account**

By 7 votes in favour and 4 votes against (Eric Eifes, Dali Zhu, Jean-Jacques Arrensdorff and Laurence Wolter), the Council voted to approve the accounts relating to the clubhouse. The other statements of account were all approved unanimously.

#### **15. Creation of a new item in the Council budget – Covid-19 vaccination transport**

The District Council voted unanimously to approve the creation of a new item in the council budget, for vaccination transport due to Covid-19. This service is aimed at the over-75s and at-risk persons who have no other option for transport to the vaccination centre. This budget item is put at € 20,000.

#### **16. Adjustment to the remuneration for the course leaders for Luxembourgish language courses**

The District Council voted unanimously to raise the remuneration for the course leaders for Luxembourgish language courses from € 60 to € 84 per unit. This language course, which can also be held without difficulty via video conference, provides a valuable contribution towards integrating new fellow citizens.

### **17. For noting – Articles of association for two clubs**

The District Council notes two sets of articles of association. One set relates to the “Amicale de la Séniorie Ste-Zithe Contern a.s.b.l.” and the other to the “Sita Ram Luxembourg a.s.b.l.”.

### **18. Approval of income**

Income totalling € 88,218,23 was approved for the financial year 2020 and € 10,072.43 for the financial year 2021.

### **19. Announcements and councillor questions**

The Mayor announced that the Bealtaine festival was being cancelled, for known reasons, and it is planned that the sum sponsored by the council will be reclaimed. Eric Eifes proposed waiving this repayment, in order to thereby maintain the informal education element as commissioned. The Mayor replied that this had been her intention, but that the festival organisers were not in agreement with this procedure. Tom Jungblut proposed contributing the sum to Bealtaine as an exceptional grant.

The Mayor announced the formal opening of the 4 “Bicherkabinnen” (book cabins) on Friday, 19 March at 11.00. Ms Christiane Krier will be responsible for the stock of books, and our cartoon character Bédéric is to grace the cabins as a decorative figure.

During the upcoming Easter holidays, the construction site in the “Rue de Luxembourg” in Contern was starting; it is working to implement the safety measures for the “séchère Schoulwee” safe route to school.

The past week saw the 4,000<sup>th</sup> resident registered in Contern district.

On 20 April, a working meeting of the district council concerning real estate is being held, and on 27 April a working meeting is being held on the new Council charter.

Fernand Schiltz, Deputy Mayor, made an announcement concerning the “Mercosur” document. A letter had been sent to the Foreign Ministry, and the issue is to be discussed further.

A letter concerning the “Op Kannerféiss duerch d’Welt” initiative had been forwarded to the school and to the day-care centre.

Free energy advice is available to residents thanks to “My energy at home”.

The “Verkéisersbond” no longer exists in its original form, and in its place the “Administration des transports publics” has been founded. The European Mobility Week is being continued.

In 2021, Contern district will take part in “Velosummer”. This is being held from 31 July to 22 August 2021.

Tom Jungblut made an announcement concerning a flyer on light pollution which had been distributed to residents.

The Mayor made an announcement regarding the problem of gravel “gardens”. The applicable provisions are being revised in near time, along with the building regulations.

Laurent Lakaff made an announcement regarding the medium-term budget plan for the SIDOR inter-district waste disposal services (Syndicat intercommunal pour la destruction des ordures).

Eric Eifes asked about the insurance for under-12s visiting the youth centre. The Mayor explained that this issue was being taken up at the next Youth Centre platform meeting, on 24 March 2021.

The Mayor announced that the school was regrettably not able to take part in the “Grouss Botz”, due to the current health situation. However, she noted that there was a lot of litter around the district, and for that reason an initiative was being pursued this year under the slogan “Grouss Botz emol anescht”. Residents wishing to take part in the initiative can obtain bags and gloves for litter-picking from the council.