

## **District council meeting of 26 April 2023**

### **Convened and announced on 20 April 2023**

**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), LOOSE Yves (CSV), ARRENSDORFF Jean-Jacques (Déi Gréng), WOLTER Laurence (Déi Gréng), THIERIE Geoffrey (LSAP), Councillors; TAZIAUX Tim, Acting Municipal Secretary; SCHILTZ Nadine, Secretary.

### **Apologies:**

Mayor Marion ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET (CSV) welcomed those present, and particularly some members of the youth centre, who were filming today's meeting for educational purposes. However, the recording will not be published.

Further to this, before the start of the meeting a short film about the district commissioned by the Cabinet was shown. In future, this will present and illustrate the district on the council's website, particularly for new residents.

### **1. HR matters**

In closed session

### **2. Confirmation of a decision by the social welfare office – HR matters**

In closed session

### **3. Presentation and approval – Resource concept and climate change adaptation concept**

Mayor Marion ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET (CSV) invited Deputy Mayor for Climate Matters Fernand SCHLITZ (LSAP) to speak, followed by Sascha Saad from the consultants agl Hartz-Saad-Wendl, to present the resource concept and the climate change adaptation concept. Both concepts were developed as part of Nature Pact 2.0 and in collaboration with the SIAS association, on behalf of the four SIAS districts.

Deputy Mayor for Climate Matters Fernand SCHLITZ (LSAP) summarised the resource concept. A concept of this kind is needed as natural resources are gradually being exhausted. The overarching aim primarily concerns protection of the environment, of cultural assets and human health, by avoiding and reducing the harmful impacts of waste. The district council is taking on responsibility for successful implementation of this resource management concept at communal and regional level. This is partly to be pursued via an awareness-raising campaign with the various target groups. The awareness-raising is a fundamental step aimed at changing the habits and practices of actors in the district for the long term, in order to achieve the aims of the Zero Waste policy.

After this, Sascha Saad from the consultants agl Hartz-Saad-Wendl für Landschafts-, Stadt- und Raumplanung presented the climate change adaptation concept. This is a catalogue of measures which firstly recognises the individual phenomena and risks that climate change brings with it at regional and local level. Above all, these are determined by temperature and precipitation. After identifying the specific effects on the district, the corresponding strategy for minimising or even avoiding the associated risks is derived.

Mayor Marion ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET (CSV) thanked the speakers for their comprehensive presentation.

The district council unanimously approved the resources concept and climate change adaptation concept.

*Eric EIFES (DP) left the meeting.*

#### **4. Approval of an agreement – Sandweiler Promotions SA**

Mayor Marion ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET (CSV) explained that Contern district council wanted to make a part of cadaster parcel 864/4042 available to the company Sandweiler Promotions SA for a period of 25 years, for relocation of lizards. The parcel is located in the district of Sandweiler, Sandweiler Section A, in the location “Auf dem Schlaeckendrisch”. This is to occur as part of a compensatory measure for the PAP-NQ “Op dem Kapellebiert” to protect the biotopes and habitats. In a quid pro quo, Contern district council is to receive a one-off fixed payment of € 50,000.

The district council unanimously approved the agreement with Sandweiler Promotions SA.

#### **5. Approval of an agreement – Transfer of infrastructures**

Deputy Mayor Tom JUNGBLUT (CSV) notified the district council that the Faerschthaff farm was transferring the water pipe from the end of the public drinking water network at house no. 66 in Rue des Près to the water meter at Faerschthaff farm to the district council. On the basis of the invoices submitted, the district council is reimbursing them for the costs of laying this water pipe.

The district council unanimously approved the agreement concerning transfer of infrastructures.

#### **6. Approval of an agreement – Weiler-la-Tour district council**

Following a detailed presentation of the agreement by Deputy Mayor Tom JUNGBLUT (CSV), the district council unanimously approved the agreement with Weiler-la-Tour district council concerning the temporary drinking water supply.

#### **7. Approval of a preliminary agreement – Purchase of land in Contern**

The district council unanimously approved the preliminary purchase agreement for three parcels of land with cadaster numbers 863/2037, 1822/866 and 1822/867, located in Contern Section C, in the locations “Auf der Kroemt” and “Ratt”. The total area involved is 104 are 20 centiare, and the purchase price totals € 31,260. The purchase is of public benefit, and is being made in the context of protection zones for sources of drinking water.

#### **8. Approval of three documents:**

##### **a. Sale of a building in Contern**

The district council unanimously approved the certificate of sale between the State of Luxembourg and Contern District Council for the sale of a part, specifically 60%, of an industrial hall in Contern for a sales price of € 500,000. Consequently, the State of Luxembourg is now the sole owner of the land and of the metal hall, located in Rue Edmond Reuter in Contern, cadaster number 1068/4900.

##### **b. Purchase of land in Contern**

The district council unanimously approved the purchase of a farm track located in Contern Section C, with cadaster number 791/5777, in the location known as “Auf der Heide”, with a size of 9 centiare, for a purchase price of € 90.00. The purchase is in the public interest.

##### **c. Approval of a document – Emphyteutic lease in Contern**

The district council voted unanimously to approve the notarised document for an emphyteutic lease contract, number 451/2023, relating to the sale of a plot of land located in Contern, Contern Section C, in the district “Op Briicherpad”, cadaster number 343/5747, with a total area of 2.34 are.

## **9. Appointment of two members to a committee**

The district council unanimously appointed Mr Mirko Mack and Mr Sharif Brandenburger as new members of the Comic Festival Committee.

## **10. Approval of modalities for chargeable parking**

The district council unanimously approved the schedule of charges setting out the modalities for the chargeable parking in the commercial district “Rosswénkel – Rue Daniel Grün”. The parking fee is being collected by meter, and is € 1 per hour. It applies daily from 8:00 to 18:00, for a maximum period of 10 hours.

## **11. Approval of subsidy rules – Systems for efficient energy use and for use of renewable energies**

The district council unanimously guarantees the rules for payment of a local authority grant for systems for efficient energy use and for use of renewable energies.

To obtain this grant, the applicant must already be in receipt of the corresponding state subsidy. The grant is for a maximum of 30% of the sum paid by the state. However, it cannot exceed € 7,200. Households can request this grant once per system and per location. Commercial enterprises are excluded.

## **12. Creation of two new items in the district council budget**

Two items that were not foreseeable needed to be introduced retrospectively in the district council budget.

### **a. Creation of a new item in the regular budget**

The district council unanimously approved the creation of a new budget item for regular expenditures in the 2023 budget with a credit of € 150. This item enables the cash float for the till located in the civic centre for payment of district council expenditures to be managed in the bill of exchange journal.

### **b. Creation of a new item in the extraordinary budget**

The district council unanimously approved the creation of a new budget item for extraordinary expenditures in the 2023 budget with a credit of € 75,000. This is for payment of the grant approved in this meeting for efficient energy use and for use of renewable energies.

## **13. Extraordinary grants**

### **a. AB Contern**

The district council voted unanimously to make an advance of € 30,000 to the sports club AB Contern. This sum will be retained from the final, regular grant to be paid to the club for 2023.

### **b. Amicale Contern Pompjeeën asbl**

The district council grants the association “Amicale Conter Pompjeeën asbl” an extraordinary grant of € 259 for the purchase of a new fridge.

*Dali ZHU (DP) left the meeting.*

## **14. Approval of changes to the traffic regulations for Contern district – Temporary changes**

- a. Changes to the traffic regulations for Contern district – temporary changes in Contern on the CR226 [rue de Luxembourg], [rue des Prés] and CR234 [rue de Moutfort] from 14–17 July 2023 – Comic Festival 2023

The district council unanimously approved a temporary change to the traffic regulations, from 14–17 July, concerning organisation of the international Comic Festival in the roads Rue de Luxembourg, Rue de Moutfort and Rue des Près in Contern.

- b. Changes to the traffic regulations for Contern district – temporary changes in Contern on the CR226 [rue des Près – rue de Syren] from 31 May to 2 June 2023 – renewal of the road surface

The district council voted unanimously to approve the temporary change to the traffic regulations in Contern, from 31 May to 2 June, in view of the surface renewal works in the roads Rue des Près and Rue de Syren.

#### **15. Confirmation of changes to the traffic regulations for Contern district – Temporary changes**

The district council unanimously confirmed the urgent and temporary change to the traffic regulations of 22 March 2023, approved by Cabinet, concerning the Rue du Chemin de fer in Moutfort.

#### **16. Approval of income**

The district council unanimously approved income of € 3,036,998.38 for the financial year 2022 and € 1,941,887.84 for the financial year 2023.

#### **17. Announcements and councillor questions**

Mayor Marion ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET (CSV) invited Councillor Geoffrey THIERIE (LSAP) to speak to present the articles of association for the charitable association “Conter hëlleft asbl”.

He announced that the organisation was being established to provide financial assistance to those generally in need. To ensure a degree of independence, the association was to comprise all district council members. With this in mind, the district’s collector was also to monitor the cash flows.

Mayor Marion ZOVILÉ-BRAQUET (CSV) announced the dates of various events to those present. The founding meeting of the association “Conter hëlleft asbl” was being held on 2 May. The formal opening of the new social welfare office, “Office social leweschte Syrdall”, in Oetrange was taking place on 27 April. A working session was being held on 10 May at 15:00 in the council building to plan the new council building. On the same day, at 19:00 in the Cultural Centre in Moutfort, a public meeting was being held to present the two social housing building projects in Rue de l’Église in Oetrange and in Rue de Luxembourg in Contern. On 22 May, a public meeting was being held in the “Henkeshaus” to present various proposals for construction of the new council building. The annual Mayor’s Day was being celebrated on 25 May in Mondorf-les-Bains.

Deputy Mayor Fernand SCHILTZ (LSAP) gave a reminder about Climate Day, organised for 7 May at the recycling centre in Munsbach. On 12 May, No Waste Day, school pupils were organising an exhibition on the subject of waste reduction.