



**City of Saxman  
Oath of Office  
October 16, 2023  
5:30 PM**

## **MINUTES**

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### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:46 PM by Mayor Seludo.

### **Prayer**

Invocation by Councilor Watson.

### **Roll Call/Quorum**

#### **PRESENT**

Mayor Frank Seludo  
Council Member Rick Makua  
Council Member Billy Joe Thomas  
Council Member Denny Blair  
Council Member Norman Natkong Sr.  
Council Member Woody Watson

#### **ABSENT**

Council Member Gabriella Blair

### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

### **New Business**

#### **1. Swearing in of New Council Members**

Background: The City Clerk will assist the new Council Members in the "Council Members Oath" and present them with a certificate of Election.

The City Clerk read the Council Member Oath to Councilor Watson (Seat #2) and had him repeat the statement with his right hand up. Councilor Watson received his certificate of Election signed by the Mayor.

Councilor G. Blair who was re-elected for her Seat #4 was absent and will have her Oath of Office conducted at the next Regular Meeting on October 18, 2023 at 5:30 PM.

#### **2. Mayor Appointment**

Background: The Council will first voice announce nominations and then a secret vote will take place. The City Clerk will assist in the tabulation of votes. Yearly appointment of Mayor & Vice Mayor through secret ballot.

Action: "I make a motion to appoint \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor for the 2023-2024 Term."

*There was a motion made to appoint Frank Seludo as Mayor for the 2023-2024 term.*

The Chair called for any other nominations and further discussion. Seeing none he questioned whether the Council would like to have this vote as unanimous consent. The Council agreed with that.

Motion made by Council Member Makua, Seconded by Council Member Blair.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Makua, Council Member Thomas, Council Member Blair, Council Member Natkong Sr., Council Member Watson

*Motion Passes.*

*There was a motion made to nominate Billy Joe (William) Thomas as Vice Mayor for the 2023-2024 term.*

The Chair called for any further nominations and discussion. Seeing none he questioned whether the Council would like to have this vote as unanimous consent. The Council agreed with that.

Motion made by Council Member Makua, Seconded by Council Member Blair.  
Voting Yea: Council Member Makua, Council Member Thomas, Council Member Blair, Council Member Natkong Sr., Council Member Watson

*Motion Passes.*

### **Council/Mayor Comments**

*Councilor Watson:* Congratulations to Mayor Seludo and Vice Mayor Thomas. I hope we have another good year again. Thank you.

*Councilor D. Blair:* This was a good quick meeting. Congratulations to Councilor Watson, Mayor Seludo and Vice Mayor Thomas.

*Councilor Natkong SR:* Good Meeting. Congratulations to both of you and to Councilor Watson and G. Blair.

*Vice Mayor Thomas:* It has been a good few years. I think that we are on the right path. I don't know the last time that the City of Saxman Council has been unified like this. I think it is a good thing. Thank you. Congratulations Councilor Watson.

*Councilor Makua:* Congratulations to Mayor Seludo and Vice Mayor Thomas. You both did a good job last time and I appreciate everything you all are doing. I know it is not a easy job. I APPRECIATE it really.

*Mayor Seludo:* Congratulations to Councilor Watson, Councilor G. Blair and Vice Mayor Thomas. I appreciate everyone showing up when we need you. I think it is going to be a great year as we plug forward on trying to find a City Administrator. That is my ultimate goal so we can keep moving forward. I am confident that we will find the right person. It will just take time. That is all I have.

Also, I would like to get together with the Council to go over our Capital/Priority Project list that we have from 2019-2020 and mark off what has been done, what needs to be done and to add any other needed items. We can meet for a half of a day or so and go around the City. He also mentioned that he had a meeting with Northrim Bank on October 9th, 2023, with our accountant Mike B. He mentioned that Northrim talked about possibly switching all our of accounts into one

account to build interest. Mike B. is going to put together a presentation for the Council for further consideration.

### **Adjournment**

*There was a motion made to adjourn the meeting.*

Motion made by Council Member Watson, Seconded by Council Member Blair.

Voting Yea: Council Member Makua, Council Member Thomas, Council Member Blair, Council Member Natkong Sr., Council Member Watson

*Motion Passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:01 PM.*

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Frank H. Seludo, Mayor

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Brianna Berg, City Clerk