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EXECUTIVE MANAGER FINANCE RESIGNS AFTER YEARS OF EXCELLENT SERVICE.

After rendering 27-years of excellent service to Steve Tshwete Local Municipality, the Executive Manager finance France Naude has resigned. On 27 January at an ordinary council seating, the Municipal Manager Willie Fouché announced to the council and the public Naude's resignation. Fouché related his working experience with Naude at the dawn of the new South Africa in 1994. Naude served the former Middelburg Local Council from 1 September 1983 and continued after 1994, responsible for the council's budget until 04 February 2011. Calling it an early retirement, Municipal Manager Willie Fouché said that Naude's resignation is a major loss to the municipality and that it would be extremely difficult to replace him. He said Naude's wealth of experience, knowledge and expertise is an overwhelming combination of which the municipality benefited enormously. His academic qualifications include a Diploma in Institute for Auditing and Finance and Diploma in Local Government amongst others. At a small farewell function, Cllr. Rinah Pilodia, Member of the Mayoral Committee responsible for Economic Development, Finance and Auditing, praised Naude for his enormous contribution for the many clean audits reports council received in the past years. Naude leaves a very well structured and organized

department which will continue to run smoothly by very competent individuals. Naude officially left the municipality on 4 February. Senior Manager at the Finance department, Elmarie Wasserman will take over Naude's position until a new Executive Manager is appointed.