Quote: “many small people in many small places, do many small things, that can alter the face of the world”
(author: Unknown)

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PLAZA ROSE HILL

The Plaza theatre forms part of the Municipal complex that the local authorities decided to erect in 1927, following a petition from the inhabitants requesting the construction of a ‘theatre worthy of the growing importance’ of the locality.

In those days, only one place could accommodate the companies that each year to Mauritius to perform operas or operattas, namely the Port Louis theatre. Consequently, when performing outside of the capital, the companies were obliged to accept the rather narrow stages of unsuitable cinema halls. At the same time, given the ongoing development of the town, the local authorities were eager to have a permanent headquarters and space for officers.

Built in the Italian style and thus enjoying excellent acoustics, it can host up to 1500 spectators with its 54 boxes, 450 first seats, 422 second class seats, 426 third class seats and the standing gallery for 100 more spectators.

The theatre was inaugurated on 27th May 1933, at a ceremony held under the chairmanship of Alfred Gellé, Board Chairman from 1923 to 1945 and in the presence of Governor Sir Wilford Jackson. And before theatre groups began to use the stage regularly, the running of the theatre was entrusted to a film company who used it as a cinema under the name of ‘Plaza’.

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Orbituary- Mr Jaya Krishna Cuttaree

Municipal Council of Beau Bassin Rose Hill paid tribute to Mr Cuttaree on 31 January 2019. In 1982, he was elected as first member in constituency No. 19, Stanley and Rose Hill under the banner of MMM-PSM Alliance. He was again elected in 1983 during the General Elections. In 1985, Mr Cuttaree was elected in ward one of Beau Bassin Rose Hill during Municipal Council elections. Mr Cuttaree stood as a candidate for last time in 2005 under the of the MSM/MMM alliance in Stanley and was elected second member. In 2013, bestowed the title ‘Honorary Freeman of the Town’.

E-LICENSING

The Municipal Council of Beau Bassin Rose Hill has adopted the National Electronic Licensing System (NELS) as from Tuesday 5th March 2019 which implies that all applications for Building and Land Use Permits or Outline Planning Permission of any proposed development works within the Municipal Council Area will have to be submitted online using the electronic platform of the Economic Development Board which is accessible on the link http://business.edbmauritius.org. With this new system, the public can submit and view the status of their applications anytime and from anywhere. The decisions (refusal letter or permits) of the Permits and Business Monitoring Committee (PMBC) are also communicated via electronic means in accordance with the provisions of the law.

A help desk has been set up at the Land Use and Planning department to advise, assist and guide members of the public how to submit their applications online and facilities such as desktop computers and scanners have been provided at the reception area of this department to enable the applicants to submit their applications.

EVENTS

Easter will be celebrated on 22nd April 2019. The Municipal Council will be providing facilities such as cleaning in the vicinity of 14 churches, financial assistance, lighting of garlands, maintenance of street lighting and sweeping of roads.

The Council organised a flag raising ceremony in context of Independence day in presence of the Mayor, Councillors, Chief Executive for the Municipal employees. The National flag was raised by an employee, Mr Dowlull (driver).

Statistics on Complaints
Dengue fever cases were reported in the country, more particularly in the region of Valley des Prêtes. This has created an uproar and concern in the whole country. Several meetings were held at the level of Ministry of Local Government to ensure that necessary actions are taken to counter this problem. The Municipal Council has around 1545 barelands in the township of Beau Bassin Rose Hill. Out of which, there are known-bareland and unknown-barelands. The following measures have been taken by Municipal Council to help combat against this disease:

* Request notices have been served to known owners giving them a delay to clean their land
* The council has been deploying its workforce for the cleaning of unknown barelands. Hiring of backhoe loaders has been done to further help in the process of cleaning.
Known Bareland

The Health Department is divided into the followings WARDS:

WARD A: Stanley/Trefles/Camp Levieux/Plaisance
WARD B: Rose Hill centre/Labourdonnais Street/Pere Laval region /Derosnay/Meldrum till Rue Colonel Maingard.
WARD C: Balfour Region/Beau Bassin centre/Sivananda Street/ Trotter/Mare Gravier/ Belle Etoile/Morc. Hermitage area
WARD D: Roches Brunes/ Mont Roche/ Morc. Nouvelle/ Morc. St Daniel/Morc Sunset View/ Mount Pleasant/ Chebel/ Morc la confiance/Chapman View/Dwarka Lane.

A survey was effected in the township regarding the barelands and is an ongoing process. As at date, the following data is available:

1. Known barelands in the township(wardwise): 1390
Out of the 1390 barelands in the township, several actions have been undertaken by the Municipal Council to ensure that the bareland are in a clean state, and which includes the following:

479 Request notices have been served upon the owners of the barelands, requesting them to clean their land within a delay of fourteen days failing which legal actions will be taken.

235 Eyesore abatement notices have been served
3 contravention notices issued
10 Fixed penalty issued

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Additionally, there are a pool of unknown barelands, which amounts to 318 in the township. The Council has been deploying its workforce and also had recourse to the hiring of backhoe loaders to clean the unknown ones.

140 unknown barelands have already been cleaned by the inhouse labour since 26 March 2019 and the remaining 178 ones are being programmed by the Health department for cleaning.

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