

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 6th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF GUBAT, SORSOGON, HELD ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

PRESENT:

Hon. Sixto F. Estareja	- Municipal Vice Mayor, P.O.
Hon. John Paul E. Erlano	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Cesar D. Esperida, Jr.	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Danilo E. Enaje	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Kenneth D. Escandor	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Anthony C. Callos	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Valentin A. Pura IV	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Aiza E. Encinares	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Ramon E. Entico	- Member, Sanggunian Bayan
Hon. Arnel E. Billones	- Acting Liga President

ABSENT: N O N E

RESOLUTION NO. 29 S - 2018

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LOCAL WATER UTILITIES ADMINISTRATION (LWUA) TO CONDUCT FIELD INVESTIGATIONS AND REVIEW OF ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION TO DETERMINE ALLEGED VIOLATION OF THE GUBAT WATER DISTRICT, GUBAT, SORSOGON, ON THE STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED UNDER TITLE III, CHAPTER VI, SECTION 62 OF P.D. 198, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PROVINCIAL UTILITIES ACT OF 1973", AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, Title III, Chapter VI, Section 62 of Presidential Decree No. 198, as amended, provides that the "*administration (LWUA) shall have the power and duty to establish standards for local water utilities and adopt rules and regulations for the enforcement thereof. The Administration shall vigorously consult and coordinate its actions with all government agencies active in the areas of public works and all other concerned agencies in the promulgation of these standards; Said standards and regulations shall include the following: ((a) Water Quality. - Minimum drinking water standards including a uniform testing and reporting system. Said standards shall include bacteriological, chemical and physical parameters; (b) Design*

and Construction. - Minimum criteria for the design and construction of new or additional facilities for water supply, treatment, transmission and distribution, and for wastewater collection, treatment and disposal; (c) Equipment, Materials and Supplies. - Standards for the optimum selection and effective utilization of equipment, materials and supplies by local water and sewer utilities; (d) Operations and Maintenance. - Standardized procedures for operating and maintaining equipment and facilities”;

WHEREAS, the domestic water system of the Municipality of Gubat, Sorsogon is generally catered by the Gubat Water District (GWD), a local water utility formed pursuant to the same decree (P.D. 198) and having direct supervision from the Local Water Utility Administration (LWUA), independent of this local government unit;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Unit of Gubat, for the past several months, received numerous reports on poor and unsafe drinking water services of the Gubat Water District (GWD) which this local government unit in ensuring the general welfare of its constituents, responsibly conducted water sampling test from different water sources of the Gubat Water District purposely to evaluate the veracity of the reports and to inform the management of the status of their water services, copy of the test reports are hereto attached as Annex “A”-“M”;

WHEREAS, confirmed reports were also received by this LGU on the noted muddy content and appearance of the water supplied by the district to the household faucets especially during rainy days, photos are hereto attached for references;

WHEREAS, despite consultation made by this Local Government Unit to the management of Gubat Water District (GWD) to make good of their services and ensure delivery of standard water quality to every household, reports of similar poor and unsafe drinking water services from the public were continuously received by this local government unit;

WHEREAS, for the general welfare of the inhabitants of the Municipality of Gubat who are dependent to the water services catered by the Gubat Water District, it is a matter of right that the problem raised by this local government unit be afforded immediate attention as it is the health and safety of these constituents that are at stake;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Cesar D. Esperida, Jr. and Hon. Valentin A. Pura IV and unanimously seconded, it was;

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, requesting the Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA) to conduct field investigations and review all available information to determine alleged violation of Gubat Water District (GWD), on the standards and procedures established under Title III, Chapter VI, Section 62 of P.D. 198, as amended;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copy of this resolution be furnished Hon. Jeci A. Lapuz, Acting Administrator, Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA), LWUA Building, MWUA-MWSS Complex, Katipunan Avenue, Balara, Quezon City, for favourable and appropriate action; Mr. Salvador F. Villaroya, General Manager, Gubat Water District, Gubat, Sorsogon; Dr. Ruben Lelis, Chairman of the Board, GWD, Gubat, Sorsogon and other offices concerned for their information and guidance.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE
CORRECTNESS OF THE FOREGOING:

(Sgd) JOEY P. ENAJE
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

Attested by:

(Sgd) HON. SIXTO F. ESTAREJA
Municipal Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer

Approved by:

(Sgd) HON. SHARON ROSE G. ESCOTO
Municipal Mayor