

# Kalkrand a quiet town yet complicated

By Levi Upula

5 February 2011 was no ordinary day for Kalkrand, this quiet yet bustling village located between Mariental and Rehoboth. It was a rainy day all the way from Windhoek to Kalkrand on that day and green was the color on trees and grass.

For an ordinary visitor to Kalkrand, it is just a near ghost town. It does seem to have that impression until you turn right

just after the Shell Service Station if you are coming from the Windhoek direction, it is then you begin to see the village coming alive with people moving about. There is a church a school and even a state of the art women centre which has an inscription of then minister of



Welcome to Kalkrand: A service station that welcomes visitors to the town. Photo by Levi Upula

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### TENDER INVITATION

**TENDER NO. INF 569/2011**

**Description:** Unit Rate Tender For Servicing And Maintenance Of All Municipal Air-Conditioning Units For The Period 1 April 2011 To 31 March 2013

**Closing Date:** Friday, 04 March 2011, 11:00

**Site Meeting:** Compulsory briefing session and site inspection will be held on Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> February 2011, 09h00 at the Building Maintenance Division, Noble street, southern Industrial, Windhoek

**Tender Documents:** Available as from Wednesday 16th February 2011 at 14h00 at the Customer Care Centre, Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek.

**Levy:** N\$ 150.00 (Non-refundable)

**Enquiries Technical:** Mr.: F Ganaseb – City of Windhoek- Tel: +264-(0)61-290 2451/2911

**TENDER NO. INF 572/2011**

**Title:** ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AT PARK & GARDEN

**Description:** Construction Of Additional Offices, Paving Of Equipment Yard, Upgrade Of Poison Store, And New Carports

**Closing Date:** Friday, 04 March 2011, 11:00

**Site Inspection & Tender briefing:** A Compulsory meeting will be held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 10H00, sharp, in the Meeting Room Architecture Division, Corner of Garten and Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek. Tender document must be submitted for signature during meeting. Tenderers must be present for the entire meeting procedures

**Tender Documents:** Available as from Monday the 14th of February 2011 at 14:30, at the Customer Care Centre of the City of Windhoek, Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek.

**Levy:** N\$ 250.00 (Non-refundable)

**Enquiries Technical:** Ms. E Nepela/ Mr. F Brockerhoff -Tel: +264-(0)61-290 2308 / 2190

**TENDER NO. M 15/2011**

**Title:** Supply & Delivery of 120 X 50-Lt Pole Mounted Refuse Bins To The City Of Windhoek; The Pole Mounted Refuse Bins To Be Delivered Inside The Yard Of The Solid Waste Management Premises

**Closing Date:** Friday, 04 March 2011, 11:00

**Tender Documents:** Available as from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at 14h00 at the Customer Care Centre, Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek.

**Levy:** N\$150.00 (Non-refundable)

**Enquiries Technical:** Ms. U Paulino/ M Uuyuni - Tel: +264-(0)61 290 3111 / 3221

**TENDER NO. M 16/2011**

**Title:** Expression Of Interest For Business Proposals For The Utilisation Of The Facility (Restaurant) At The Un Plaza, A Portion Of Erf 5384, Katutura Penning Street For Any Other Business For A Period Of Five (5)Years

**Objective:** The facility was utilized as a Restaurant by previous tenderers and the business proved not to be viable considering other similar businesses in the area. Therefore, to contribute to the economic development particularly for that community in that area, it is necessary to provide a chance to the local business community to utilize the facility for any other business. Therefore, the City of Windhoek hereby invites all businesses and /or individuals to submit business proposals for consideration

**Closing Date:** Friday, 04 March 2011, 11:00

**Tender Documents:** Available as from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at 14h00 at the Customer Care Centre, Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek.

**Levy:** N\$100.00 (Non-refundable)

**Enquiries Technical:** Mr. V Mwiya - Tel: +264-(0)61 290 2795

**TENDER NO. M 17/2011**

**Title:** Supply and Delivery of Office Furniture For The City Police And Emergency Management Head Office

**Closing Date:** Friday, 04 March 2011, 11:00

**Tender Documents:** Available as from Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at 14h00 at the Customer Care Centre, Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek.

**Levy:** N\$150.00 (Non-refundable)

**Enquiries Technical:** Mr. R Nambinga - Tel: +264-(0)61 290 3122

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gender equality and child welfare, Cde Marlene Mungunda.

I accompanied Dr. Elijah Ngurare and his delegation to a meeting convened by some community members and elders of Kalkrand. The delegation comprised of the well-known Windhoek based lawyer Dirk Conradie, Regional Coordinator of the Party in Erongo Region, Cde Tommy Kaimbi. Prior to the meeting the delegation was briefed about the purpose of the meeting. And on the insistence of

bought from the landlord. There was no visible border between townland and the private land hence some residents of Denk Rus farm as it was called required some services from the local authority in the form of water and electricity. Along the way to the venue of the meeting, the delegation interacting with ordinary people by asking them which part of town they lived “Ek bly in Kalkrand maar my friend bly in Rehoboth rural” and similar views were shared by other residents and

was latter learned that in the whole country land transactions were done in Windhoek however for Rehoboth it was a different platform with most land only registered in Rehoboth. Many legal implications were recorded by Comrade Dirk Conradie and a list was compiled of those who require assistance.

On a final note, it has to be said that if what was observed in Kalkrand was happening elsewhere in the country than it is really time that the line Min-



These borders Ooh! Rehoboth Rural, left, and Mariental Rural, right. Photo by Levi Upula.

Comrade Ngurare the delegation took a walk around Kalkrand and surrounding resettled farmers. It was here where the complication of Kalkrand began to unfold.

It turns out and for reasons beyond comprehension, the townland of Kalkrand is so small and is surrounded by a farm owned by a communal a commercial farmer. According to the accounts, some people have lived on his land as squatters for over 15 years but have no proof of title deeds for the land they allegedly have

thus it appeared that many or themselves understood what they were or how they were living. At the meeting venue there were many residents mostly the elderly. Some appeared fearful at first to express themselves as it was believed that some in the meeting were informers of the owner of Farm Denk Rus. The owner of the farm has also offered to donate some portion of the land to the government. But later after they were assured and requested to speak openly they indicated interalia the challenges of land ownership and

isters of Land as well as Regional and Local Government need to pay an urgent visit to Kalkrand and familiarize themselves with the predicament that have the potential to have a timebomb for the future. After the meeting and after a short break from rain the gates of heaven opened again, we drove through rain back to Windhoek. What a blessed Saturday that was, but for the people of Kalkrand they still wish and pray for a blessed life after their title deeds will be obtained or the townland be expanded.



Kalkrand residents being addressed by SWAPO Party Youth League leaders. Photo by Levi Upula.