



Republic of the Philippines  
**PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR**  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

**MINUTES OF THE 143<sup>RD</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 20<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF SURIGAO DEL SUR HELD AT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL, LEGISLATIVE BUILDING, CAPITOL HILLS, TELAJE, TANDAG CITY, THIS PROVINCE ON JUNE 3, 2025**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. - Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
(Temporary Presiding Officer)

**Regular Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members:**

**District I**

Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon  
Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr.

**District II**

Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco  
Hon. Margarita G. Garay  
Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr.  
Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo  
Hon. Raul K. Salazar

**Ex-Officio Members:**

Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod - Indigenous Peoples Mandatory Representative, Surigao del Sur  
Hon. John Paul C. Pimentel - President, Philippine Councilors' League, Surigao del Sur Chapter  
Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno - President, Provincial Chapter of the Liga ng mga Barangay sa Pilipinas

**ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:**

Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. - Vice Governor  
Hon. Yuri Art Eufy R. Sanchez - President, Panlalawigang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan

**ABSENT:**

**On Special Privilege Leave:**

Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr. - Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan

**On Sick Leave:**

Hon. Ruel D. Momo - Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City    [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com)    (086) 214-5832

Since the Honorable Vice Governor Manuel O. Alameda, Sr. was on Official Business and in adherence to Section 4, Rule II of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan Rules of Procedures, Hon. Margarita G. Garay moved that Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. will act as the Temporary Presiding Officers and it was unanimously seconded. Hence, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. acted as the Temporary Presiding Officer.

**I - Call to Order**

The session was called to order by the Honorable Presiding Officer at 9:30 in the morning.

**II - Pambansang Awit/Surigao del Sur Hymn**

The Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan directed the attention of the August Body to the multi-media presentation for the singing of the Pambansang Awit and the Surigao del Sur Hymn.

**III - Invocation/Prayer**

To invoke God's presence, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. led the Prayer.

**IV - Roll Call**

The Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan called the roll to determine the presence of quorum. Ten (10) Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members responded to the call including the Honorable Presiding Officer. Thus, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. Presiding Officer declared the session in quorum.

Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco arrived at 9:57 in the morning.

**V - Approval and Adoption of the Order of Business**

- Order of Business of the 143<sup>rd</sup> Regular Session of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated June 3, 2025.

After a thorough review of the Order of Business page by page and there having no corrections, comments and objections raised by the Body, said Order of Business was approved and adopted on motion of Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. and jointly seconded by Hon. Margarita G. Garay and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno. It was assigned as Resolution No. 3137-25.

**VI - Approval and Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Session**

- Minutes of the 142<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated May 27, 2025 prepared by Ms. Genevieve M. Cagalawan, Local Legislative Staff Officer IV.

After a thorough review of the Minutes page by page and there having no corrections, comments and objections raised by the Body, said Minutes was approved and adopted on motion of Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. and jointly seconded Hon. Margarita G. Garay and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno. It was assigned as Resolution No. 3138-25.



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City    [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com)    (086) 214-5832

## **VII - Approval and Adoption of the Transcript of Proceedings**

- Transcript of Proceedings of the 142<sup>nd</sup> Regular Session of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Surigao del Sur dated May 27, 2025 prepared by Mrs. Metzi Ann D. Obaob, Administrative Assistant V.

After a thorough review of the Transcript of Proceedings page by page and there having no corrections, comments and objections raised by the Body, said Transcript of Proceedings was approved and adopted on motion of Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. and duly seconded by Hon. Margarita G. Garay and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno. It was assigned as Resolution No. 3139-25.

## **VIII - Question/Visitors' Hour**

During the Question Hour, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Floor Leader of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan requested the Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. to introduce the visitor in the day's session.

At this juncture, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. took the floor and introduced to the Body the visitors coming from the Girl Scout of the Philippines, Surigao del Sur Chapter. He informed the Body that in 1968, the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur had executed a Deed of Donation in favor of the Girl Scout of the Philippines for over 10,000 square meters of lot within the capitol site. However, after perusing over the records of the Provincial Government, not a single copy of the Deed of Donation may be located and may be found as evidence that indeed there was a donation made in 1968. According to him, the Members of the Girl Scout of the Philippines, Surigao del Sur Chapter is quite in a quandary considering that they have already established a building for and in benefit of the Girl Scout of the Philippines within the area. As a result, they are asking for the reconstruction or reconstitution of the document that will eventually be the basis of their application for patent over such portion of land. It was further noted that the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan was continuing to review the records of the Office in an effort to locate any official copy of the Deed of Donation. If no copy of a Deed of Donation is found, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, and together with the new Members of the 21<sup>st</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan, made a commitment that it will be the first legislative agenda that will be made by the new Members of the 21<sup>st</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan, a resolution earnestly requesting the Provincial Government, under the leadership of Hon. Johnny T. Pimentel, for the execution of a Deed of Donation over what's left, which is approximately around 3,000 square meters, wherein the building of the Girl Scout of the Philippines was established.

This time, the Honorable Presiding Officer inquired whether a Resolution could still be made under the leadership of Hon. Alexander T. Pimentel. In response, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. relayed to the Body that according to the Provincial Legal Officer, since the matter involves the conveyance of Real Property Tax, it would be more respectful and prudent to defer the action by giving discretion and authority to the incoming Provincial Governor.

## **IX - Privilege Hour**

During the Privilege Hour, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Floor Leader of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan informed the Body that the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members who will deliver their privilege speeches in the day's session are the following, namely: Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo and himself.



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

The first who took the floor was Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo. He greeted one and all a pleasant morning. His concern was relative to the celebration of the National ICT Month for the year 2025, 65<sup>th</sup> Araw ng Surigao del Sur and to the athletes and coaches for their recent achievement on the Palarong Pambansa held at Laoag City, Ilocos Norte. He then manifested to pass the following Resolutions in Unassigned Business/Privilege Business in the day's session, viz:

1. Resolution entitled "Adopting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) National ICT Month 2025 in the Province of Surigao del Sur with the Theme 'Walang Iwanan sa Digital Bayanihan' as Part of the Celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' and to Appropriate Funds Thereof";
2. Resolution entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Caraga Region, Butuan City to Conduct Digital Literacy Campaign, ICT Conferences, Innovation Fairs and Cyber Security Training Inline with the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' on June 15-19, 2025 and Inviting the ICT Personnel/Officers from Different LGUs as Participants";
3. Resolution entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Caraga Region, Butuan City to Install DICT-Free-Wifi-For-All Service During the Whole Week Celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' that will be Held in Surigao del Sur Sports Complex, Tandag City, Surigao del Sur";
4. Resolution entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Provincial Office to Install DICT-Free-Wifi-For-All Service During the Whole Week Celebration of the 56<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Tagbina' on June 21-27, 2025 in the Municipality of Tagbina, this Province";
5. Resolution entitled "Commending the Athletes and Coaches of Surigao del Sur Who Were Part of the Caraga Region Delegates for Ranking 8th in the Overall Position During the '2025 Palarong Pambansa' Garnering a Total of 84 Medals (21 Gold, 20 Silver and 43 Bronze Medals) Last May 24-25, 2025 Held in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte"; and
6. Resolution entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Education (DepEd) Surigao del Sur Division, DepEd Bislig City and DepEd Tandag City to Furnish the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan the List of the Athletes Who Won Medals from their Respective Sporting Competition During the '2025 Palarong Pambansa' Last May 24-25, 2025 Held in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte".

At this point in time, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon took the floor during the Privilege Hour. His concern was relative to the letter-request coming from Hon. Alexander T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, requesting for the urgent passage of a Sangguniang Panlalawigan Resolution authorizing the Provincial Governor to enter into and sign a Contract of Service (COS) on behalf of the Provincial Government of Surigao del Sur with Mr. Ricardo Villasoto, for a celebrity Basketball Games on June 16-17 at Tandag City and Bislig City in connection with the 5-day celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> Araw ng Surigao del Sur, in the amount of One Million One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Pesos (Php1,152,000.00). To this effect, he manifested to pass a Resolution in Unassigned Business/Privilege Business in the day's session entitled "Authorizing Hon. Alexander T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province to Enter and Sign a Contract of Service (COS), for and in Behlaf of the Province of Surigao del Sur with Mr.



Republic of the Philippines  
**PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR**  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

Ricardo Villasoto, for Celebrity Basketball Games on June 16-17, 2025 at Tandag City and Bislig City for the 5-Day Celebration of the 65th 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' in the Amount of One Million One Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Pesos (P1,152,000.00) Only".

**X - Calendar of Business**

**A. Unfinished Business**

None

**B. Business for the Day**

**B.1 Committee Reports**

At this point, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Rules, Privileges and Ethics moved for the omnibus approval of the Four (4) Committee Reports. It was jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, namely:

1. Committee on Public Works and Infrastructure;
2. Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability;
3. Committees on Education (Lead Committee)/Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens, and Social Services and Community Development; and
4. Committees on Urban Planning and Development (Lead Committee)/Finance and Appropriation.

**B.2 First Reading and Referral to Committees**

The following matters calendared for First Reading and Referral to Committees were automatically referred to appropriate Committees, viz:

**Referred To: Committee on Urban Planning and Development**

1. Ordinance No. 08 dated March 18, 2025 of the Municipality of Cagwait, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Adopting the Integrated Zoning Regulations of the Municipality of Cagwait, Surigao del Sur and Providing for the Administration, Enforcement and Amendment Thereof and for the Repeal of All Ordinances in Conflict Therewith".

**Referred To: Committees on Women, Children and Family Relations (Lead Committee)/ Finance and Appropriation**

2. Ordinance No. 03 dated April 23, 2025 of the Municipality of Marihatag, this Province entitled "An Ordinance Granting Cash Incentive/Benefit on a Semestral Basis to Minimum Amount of Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) to a Solo Parent and Appropriating Funds Thereof and for Other Purposes".



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

**Referred To: Committee on Good Government, Public Ethics and Accountability**

3. Ordinance No. 04 dated May 21, 2025 of the Municipality of Marihatag, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Amending Certain Provisions of Municipal Ordinance No. 04, Series of 2022 Specifically Section 2., 2.3. (B), and Section 2, 2.3., C.4, No. 2., All Under the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan, as Presented Hereunder and for Other Purposes”.

**Referred To: Committee on Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens, and Social Services and Community Development**

4. Ordinance No. 05 dated May 21, 2025 of the Municipality of Marihatag, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Prescribing for Prioritization and Commitment to Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Exited and Graduated Households in the Delivery of Services Through the Adoption of the Convergence Provision of RA 11310 in the Municipality of Marihatag, Province Surigao del Sur”.

**Referred To: Committee on Tourism, Culture, Arts and Heritage**

5. Ordinance No. 05 dated May 27, 2025 of the Municipality of Carmen, this Province entitled “An Ordinance Temporary Closing the Hubason River Resort and Adventure Trail in the Municipality of Carmen, Due to Landscaping and Construction Activities for Public Safety Purposes”.

**For Information**

1. Letter from Mr. Mikunug G. Darapa Jr, JD, MPA, SVTRO/Acting CTDO, Department of Transportation, Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board, Caraga Regional Office XIII, DOTr Regional Complex, Brgy. Ampayon, Butuan City dated May 14, 2025 addressed to Hon. Alexander Ty Pimentel, Provincial Governor thru Hon. Manuel O. Alameda Sr., Vice Governor, all of this Province, with Subject Response to Inquiry on Allowing Tricycle Operations on National Highways, for the Body’s information.
2. Letter from Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., M.D., Provincial Board Member, Chairman, Committee on Health, Sanitation and Nutrition and Committee on Differently Abled or Persons with Disabilities and Senior Citizens, and Social Services and Community Development, 1st District, this Province dated May 28, 2025 addressed to Hon. Alexander T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor thru Hon. Manuel O. Alameda, Sr., Provincial Vice Governor, Dr. Oscar De Jesus, Provincial Health Officer, and Mr. Esmeraldo S. Raymundo, Provincial Administrator, all of this Province, copy furnished all Members of the Provincial Council and Mr. Edgar G. Perez II, J.D. Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan relative to the conduct of Medical Missions. The latter informed the Body that the next schedule of the aforesaid activity will be held on June 6, 2025 (Friday) from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM at Brgy. Caromata, Municipality of San Miguel, this Province, for the Body’s information.



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

### B.3. Second Reading

The Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan read each item in the Second Reading and it was moved individually by the Chairman of the Respective Committees and it was jointly seconded. Hence, the Resolutions below were approved under Second Reading, viz:

1. Appropriation Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco, Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and duly seconded by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. entitled “An Ordinance Authorizing Supplemental Budget No. 2, Series of 2025 Involving an Amount of Forty Nine Million One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty One Pesos and 69/100 (₱49,117,741.69), for the Implementation of Programs/Projects/Activities of the Province”.
2. Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. and Hon. Raul K. Salazar and duly seconded by Hon. Margarita G. Garay entitled “Affirming Resolution No. 0425-523 Dated April 25, 2025 of the Municipality of San Agustin, this Province Entitled ‘A Resolution Adopting and Approving Municipal Development Council (MDC) Res. No. 7-2025, Re: Supplemental Annual Investment Plan (SAIP) No. 3, Involving the Amount of ₱5,623,456.31’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991, Subject to Verification During the Submission of the Appropriation Ordinance to Ensure Plan-Budget Linkage Wherein the Local Budgets Truly Operationalize Approved Local Development Plans (Section 305 (i) R.A. 7160) and are Consistent with the Budget Operations Manual (BOM) for LGUs 2023 Edition”.
3. Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ sponsored by Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco, Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and jointly seconded by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled “Affirming Ordinance No. 04 Dated February 10, 2025 of the Municipality of San Miguel, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Granting a Monthly Cash Subsidy to Learners with Disabilities or Special Needs Officially Enrolled in the Special Needs Education (SNED) Program, Also Known as the KALINGA Program, in the Municipality of San Miguel’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991”.

After the approval of the Resolutions and an Ordinance in Second Reading, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Floor Leader of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan moved for the suspension of the House Rules at 9:57 in the morning. He then moved that the Two (2) Resolutions and One (1)







Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City    tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com    (086) 214-5832

Ordinance be calendared in Third and Final Reading and it was duly seconded by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr..

Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon moved for the restoration of the House Rules at 9:58 in the morning.

#### **B.4 Third Reading**

At this juncture, Hon Jose Dumagan, Jr. moved for the Omnibus approval of the Two (2) Resolutions and One (1) Ordinance in Third and Final Reading and it was duly seconded by Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno.

1. Appropriation Ordinance No. **158-25** sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco, Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and duly seconded by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. entitled “An Ordinance Authorizing Supplemental Budget No. 2, Series of 2025 Involving an Amount of Forty Nine Million One Hundred Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty One Pesos and 69/100 (₱49,117,741.69), for the Implementation of Programs/Projects/Activities of the Province”.

In Favor:        10    Against: 0        Abstained:    0

2. Resolution No. **3140-25** sponsored by Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr. and Hon. Raul K. Salazar and duly seconded by Hon. Margarita G. Garay entitled “Affirming Resolution No. 0425-523 Dated April 25, 2025 of the Municipality of San Agustin, this Province Entitled ‘A Resolution Adopting and Approving Municipal Development Council (MDC) Res. No. 7-2025, Re: Supplemental Annual Investment Plan (SAIP) No. 3, Involving the Amount of ₱5,623,456.31’, it Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991, Subject to Verification During the Submission of the Appropriation Ordinance to Ensure Plan-Budget Linkage Wherein the Local Budgets Truly Operationalize Approved Local Development Plans (Section 305 (i) R.A. 7160) and are Consistent with the Budget Operations Manual (BOM) for LGUs 2023 Edition”.

In Favor:        10    Against: 0        Abstained:    0

3. Resolution No. **3141-25** sponsored by Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco, Hon. Amado M. Layno, Jr., Hon. Margarita G. Garay, Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, Sr., Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, Hon. Valerio T. Montesclaros, Jr., Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr., Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo, Hon. Raul K. Salazar and Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno and jointly seconded by Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled “Affirming Ordinance No. 04 Dated February 10, 2025 of the Municipality of San Miguel, this Province Entitled ‘An Ordinance Granting a Monthly Cash Subsidy to Learners with Disabilities or Special Needs Officially Enrolled in the Special Needs Education (SNED) Program, Also Known as the KALINGA Program, in the Municipality of San Miguel’, it



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City    [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com)    (086) 214-5832

Being Within the Scope of the Prescribed Powers of the Sangguniang Bayan Concerned to Enact Such Ordinance Pursuant to the Local Government Code of 1991”.

In Favor: 10    Against: 0    Abstained: 0

**XI - Unassigned Business/Privilege Business**

At this juncture, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. moved for the approval of the Seven (7) Resolutions in Unassigned Business/Privilege Business. It was jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod.

There having no comments and objections raised by the Body, the Honorable Presiding Officer ruled that the Seven (7) Resolutions under Unassigned Business/Privilege Business be approved having been jointly seconded and voted upon:

1. Resolution No. **3142-25** authored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Canedo and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Adopting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) National ICT Month 2025 in the Province of Surigao del Sur with the Theme 'Walang Iwanan sa Digital Bayanihan' as Part of the Celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' and to Appropriate Funds Thereof".

In Favor: 10    Against: 0    Abstained: 0

2. Resolution No. **3143-25** authored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Cañedo and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Caraga Region, Butuan City to Conduct Digital Literacy Campaign, ICT Conferences, Innovation Fairs and Cyber Security Training Inline with the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' on June 15-19, 2025 and Inviting the ICT Personnel/Officers from Different LGUs as Participants".

In Favor: 10    Against: 0    Abstained: 0

3. Resolution No. **3144-25** authored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Canedo and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), Caraga Region, Butuan City to Install DICT-Free-Wifi-For-All Service During the Whole Week Celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' that will be Held in Surigao del Sur Sports Complex, Tandag City, Surigao del Sur".

In Favor: 10    Against: 0    Abstained: 0

4. Resolution No. **3145-25** authored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Canedo and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Provincial Office to Install DICT-Free-Wifi-For-All Service During the Whole Week Celebration of the 56<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Tagbina' on June 21-27, 2025 in the Municipality of Tagbina, this Province".

In Favor: 10    Against: 0    Abstained: 0



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

5. Resolution No. **3146-25** authored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Canedo and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Commending the Athletes and Coaches of Surigao del Sur Who Were Part of the Caraga Region Delegates for Ranking 8th in the Overall Position During the '2025 Palarong Pambansa' Garnering a Total of 84 Medals (21 Gold, 20 Silver and 43 Bronze) Last May 24-25, 2025 Held in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte".

In Favor: 10 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

6. Resolution No. **3147-25** authored by Hon. Anthony Joseph P. Canedo and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Earnestly Requesting the Department of Education (DepEd) Surigao del Sur Division, DepEd Bislig City and DepEd Tandag City to Furnish the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan the List of the Athletes Who Won Medals from their Respective Sporting Competition During the '2025 Palarong Pambansa' Last May 24-25, 2025 Held in Laoag City, Ilocos Norte".

In Favor: 10 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

7. Resolution No. **3148-25** authored by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod entitled "Authorizing Hon. Alexander T. Pimentel, Provincial Governor, this Province to Enter and Sign a Contract of Service (COS), for and in Behlaf of the Province of Surigao del Sur with Mr. Ricardo Villasoto, for Celebrity Basketball Games on June 16-17, 2025 at Tandag City and Bislig City for the 5-Day Celebration of the 65<sup>th</sup> 'Araw ng Surigao del Sur' in the Amount of One Million One Hundred Fifty Two Thousand Pesos (P1,152,000.00) Only".

In Favor: 10 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

## **XII - Other Matters**

For the Other Matters, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon took the floor and informed the Body that the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Agusan del Sur had decided to cancel the Joint Meeting between the two provinces, considering that they have also other matters to attend to, including their Inauguration, Naliyagan Festival, and other official commitments. Considering also that the Body had its own activities, he opined that they will go for the cancellation of the event. He relayed to the Body that he already requested the Assistant Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan to communicate with the Province of Agusan del Sur that they are amenable with the cancellation. Further, he disposed the suggestion raised by Hon. Raul K. Salazar that the said event be held in Davao City, for the Body's consideration.

This time, Hon. Conrad C. Cejoco raised a concern relative to the status of a lot located in Luha, Tandag City, which the Provincial Government had acquired for the establishment of National Government Offices. He reported that he had spoken with Mr. Romel M. Natad, Provincial TESDA Officer who had followed up on their request for a Deed of Donation. He inquired about the legal arrangement for the national agencies currently occupying the site whether their occupancy would be through Deed of Donation, Usufruct, Lease, or other legal arrangement. He noted that TESDA had constructed a building on the lot without tenurial instrument over the land. He pointed out that TESDA's request for donation had been submitted earlier than BIR's, yet BIR had already received a Deed of Donation. He further raised concern over the legal implications of issuing a donation without first obtaining clearance from the



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City | [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com) | (086) 214-5832

Commission on Audit (COA), citing a prior experience involving the City of Bislig where COA clearance was a prerequisite.

In response, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. recalled that during the discussion of the procurement of the real property and the subsequent authority given to the Provincial Governor, the Provincial Government had intended to establish a government center to accommodate various national government agencies. He stated that the purpose of the Ordinance for the purchase of the property will exempt it from the national law, requiring clearance for the disposal of government assets.

Hon. Azarcon clarified that the Sangguniang Panlalawigan's role was limited to passing an Ordinance or Resolution authorizing the Governor. He emphasized that it was the Governor's responsibility through the Provincial Legal Office, Internal Audit, and related departments to ensure compliance with all applicable legal requirements.

Hon. Cejoco expressed agreement with the earlier points that the Body could not take retroactive action on previously enacted Resolutions or Ordinances. He proposed that, the Secretariat should include a clause in a Resolution or Ordinance involving the disposal of government assets, explicitly stating that such actions are subject to compliance to other requirements for the disposal of assests. He explained that this clause would serve as a reminder to the Office of the Governor and its staff to follow proper legal procedures.

This time, Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon, moved for the suspension of the House Rules at 10:18 in the morning. He then moved to pass a Resolution "Changing the Venue of the 146th Regular Session of the 20th Sangguniang Panlalawigan on June 24, 2025 from Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Legislative Building, Kahayag, Bislig City to Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Legislative Building, Telaje, Tandag City, this Province. Said motion was jointly seconded by Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon and Hon. Jimmy I. Guinsod. It was assigned as Resolution No. 3149-25.

In Favor: 10    Against: 0    Abstained: 0

Likewise, he also move and to change the schedule of the Maiden Session for the 21st Sangguniang Panlalawigan on July 8, 2025.

Hon. Antonio C. Azarcon moved for the restoration of the House Rules at 10:21 in the morning.

Hon. Gines Ricky J. Sayawan, took the floor and relayed to the Body that the venue for the Gender and Development (GAD) Seminar had been transferred to Ocean Point Beach Resort in Lianga, this Province.

### **XIII - Announcement**

The Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan announced that the 144<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the 20<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan, this Province will be held on June 10, 2025 at 9:00 o'clock in the morning at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Legislative Building, Capitol of the South, Kahayag, Bislig City, this Province.



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**  
to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan



2nd Floor, Legislative Building, Capitol Hills, Telaje, Tandag City    [tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com](mailto:tspsurigaosur@yahoo.com)    (086) 214-5832

#### **XIV - Adjournment**

There having no more business to be taken up by the Body, Hon. Jose Dumagan, Jr. moved to adjourn the session and same was duly seconded by Hon. Melanie Joy M. Guno. The Honorable Presiding Officer then declared the session adjourned.

Session adjourned at 10:22 in the morning.

#### **SUBMITTED BY:**

**EDGAR G. PEREZ II, J.D.**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

#### **NOTED BY:**

**VALERIO T. MONTESCLAROS, JR.**  
Member, Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
(Temporary Presiding Officer)

**ATTY. ANTONIO C. AZARCON**  
SP Member

**ATTY. CONRAD C. CEJOCO**  
SP Member

**ATTY. JOSE DUMAGAN, JR.**  
SP Member

**MARGARITA G. GARAY**  
SP Member

**JIMMY I. GUINSOD**  
SP Member

**GINES RICKY J. SAYAWAN, SR.**  
SP Member

**JOHN PAUL C. PIMENTEL**  
SP Member

**ANTHONY JOSEPH P. CAÑEDO**  
SP Member

**MELANIE JOY M. GUNO**  
SP Member

**RAUL K. SALAZAR**  
SP Member

**JIMMY I. GUINSOD**  
SP Member

**JOHN PAUL C. PIMENTEL**  
SP Member

(JLCS-Minutes-143<sup>rd</sup> RS-June 3, 2025)