



## COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

### THE HANSARD

#### SECOND ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION

Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

House met in the Main Chamber at 02:30 p.m.

(The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Seth Okumu) in the Chair)

### PRAYERS

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Good afternoon Hon. Members. Under the guidance of the Table Clerk, I want to make reference to the provisions of Standing Orders No. 32 (2) and request the Serjeant-at-Arms to ring the Quorum Bell for five minutes.

*(Quorum Bell is rung for five minutes)*

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Members. I would like to request the Chief Whip to confirm if the House has attained the requisite quorum.

**Deputy Whip** (Hon. Obonyo): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I confirm that we have the required quorum.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. Mr. Clerk, could you please take us through the Order Paper of the day?

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Next order!

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Members. I want to request that, that bell be kept somewhere safe so that it doesn't confuse Hon. Members that we still don't have quorum. Once again thank you Hon. Members and welcome to this afternoon session of Thursday,

27<sup>th</sup> February, 2020. Hon. Members, I have the following communications to make. This is to the Select Committee of Welfare and Equal Opportunity and the Sectoral Committee of ECD and Vocational Training that they need to plan for their travel to different destinations.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Next order!

## PAPERS LAID

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Agolla, MCA, South West Kisumu.

**Hon. Agolla:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. Please allow me to lay before this House a Paper on a report of the Committee of Water, Environment and Natural Resources on the First Ministerial Conference on Water and Sanitation held on the 28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019 and the Kenyatta International Centre, Nairobi. I beg to lay.

*(Hon. Agolla tables the paper)*

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Agolla. I wish to acknowledge receipt of the report from the Sectoral Committee of Water, Environment and Natural Resources on the First Ministerial Conference on Water and Sanitation held on the 28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019 and the Kenyatta International Centre, Nairobi on this day Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 at 14:53 hours.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Members, we are still on the laying of Papers segment.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Yes Deputy Leader of Majority.

**Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Ogendo): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to table a report on behalf of the Chairperson, Hon. Miruka. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No. 193, Second Schedule on Sectoral Committees, I wish to lay before this House today Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 Sectoral Committee report on the CASA Games which was held in Eldoret from the Committee of Children, Gender, Culture and Community Services. I beg to lay.

*(Hon. Deputy Leader of Majority tables the paper)*

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Deputy Leader of Majority. I wish to acknowledge receipt of the report on the 2<sup>nd</sup> County Assembly Sports Association Games (CASA) held in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County from 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 to 05<sup>th</sup> October, 2019. This report has been presented on behalf of Hon. Miruka the Chairperson, Sectoral Committee of Children, Gender, Culture and Community Services.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Members, is there any other report to be laid?

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Otiang, Chairperson PIC/PAC Committee.

**Hon. Otiang’**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. If you permit me. I would like to lay a paper. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No. 188. Mr. Speaker, this is a report on Induction Training that was carried out in Eldoret for the Committee of PIC/PAC. Thank you.

*(Hon. Otiang’ tables the paper)*

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Chairperson PIC/PAC, Hon. Otiang’. I wish to acknowledge receipt of the report on the Investigative Committee of PIC/PAC on Induction Workshop held on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2019 at Noble Hotel, Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County. Thank you.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Members, are there any other papers to laid?

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Members, from the look of our Order Paper and on Order No. 5 (3) there is a paper that was supposed to be laid by Hon. Nyasuna Chairperson, Implementation Committee.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Next order!

## NOTICES OF MOTIONS

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Agolla, MCA, South West Kisumu.

**Hon. Agolla**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of County Assembly Standing Orders No. 45, I wish to give Notice of Motion on the Committee trip on Water, Environment and Natural Resources on the First Ministerial Conference on Water and Sanitation held on the 28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2019 and the Kenyatta International Centre, Nairobi on behalf of my Chair Hon. Ameso.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Agolla.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Yes Deputy Leader of Majority.

**Deputy Leader of Majority** (Hon. Ogendo): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of the County Assembly Standing Order No. 45, I wish to give a Notice of Motion on a Committee Report from the Committee on the CASA Games which was held in Eldoret on behalf of the Chairperson Hon. Miruka, Committee on Children, Gender, Culture and Community Services Thank you.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Deputy Leader of Majority.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Next Notice of Motion?

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Otiang, Chairperson PIC/PAC Committee.

**Hon. Otiang**?: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I move to Notice of Motion. Pursuant to the provisions of County Assembly Standing Order No. 45. I wish to move a Notice of Motion on Committee report on the Induction Training that was done to the Committee of PIC/PAC. Thank you.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Members. I wish to give you guidance that you are giving a Notice of Motion but not moving a Motion. So, could you please give that notice?

**Hon. Otiang**?: Thank you Mr. Speaker I stand guided. I to give a Notice of Motion. Pursuant to the provisions of County Assembly Standing Order No. 45. I wish to give a Notice of Motion on Committee report on the Induction Training that was done to the Committee of PIC/PAC. Thank you.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Members, any other Notice of Motion to be given?

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Next order!

## STATEMENTS

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Otura, MCA, Ombeyi Ward.

**Hon. Otura**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. On 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, Hon. Kanga sought for a statement on Locust invasion and in his request he requested to know the following;

1. Where in particular these Locusts have invaded?
2. What arrangement are put in place to avert this situation?
3. Mitigation measures that are put in place by the County Government on the situation?
4. The extent of damage cause by the Locusts so far?

Mr. Speaker, the Committee did a correspondence to the Department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries dated 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 referenced CAK/ADM/VOL. V/2020. The Chief Officer for Agriculture and Livestock responded vide a letter referenced MALF/COALF/-KSM/CG/AGRIC.15/VOL II (68) dated 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2020. This reference was made vide our letter inviting the Department to attend our Committee Meeting so as to shed light on the Statement that was sought by Hon. Kanga.

Mr. Speaker, in their letter they did communicate on the Report on Invasion of Desert Locust in Kisumu County 2020. Mr. Speaker, this is the chronology of what they presented in their report.

Preamble

Mr. Speaker and Hon. Members, on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 an alarm was raised by a farmer in Masogo/Nyangoma Ward on the invasion of “Desert Locusts” in their farms. The Provincial administration, the area Chief reported citing of Locusts to the County Commissioner and the Fourth Estate (Press) was invited to report on the Invasion of “Desert Locusts” in Muhoroni Sub-county, Kisumu County.

The report was aired in the Local FM Stations and it appeared in both the print Media of the Daily Nation and the Standard Newspapers on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

Mr. Speaker and Hon. Member, the Technocrats undertook Assessment which were;

1. On 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 the Department of Agriculture, Irrigation, Livestock and Fisheries sent a technical team to the farms where the locust were cited to conduct an assessment on the type of locust and gravity of damage.
2. On 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, the Department of Agriculture, Irrigation, Livestock and Fisheries in collaboration with KALRO and Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Services (KEPHIS) again conducted an assessment to verify or confirm the nature of pests and severity of damage caused.
3. On 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, the Department of Agriculture, Irrigation, Livestock and Fisheries requested its Field Officers, the Sub-county Agriculture Officers to report sighting of Locusts in the Sub-counties in Wards.

1. Report – Are these Desert Locusts? The Response in NO.

From the observation and consultations with KALRO and KEPHIS, the state Department of Agriculture, Irrigation, Livestock and Fisheries have now conformed that the insects cited in Muhoroni are Variegated Grasshoppers. There were no Desert Locusts observed at the time of field visits.

These Variegated Grasshoppers are brightly covered local grasshoppers, in our local dialect it is known as (DET LANG’O) whose basic body colour is yellow with extensive black marking on the head, thorax, legs and tips of their abdomen.

Further observation revealed that at the time of visit, most of these insects had grown to adult. They were at the Nymphal Stage 4. Their wings had not fully developed to make them fly but could only hop and very docile.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that Members have been furnished with copies of this report because these are some diagrams which are the snapshots of the “Desert Locusts” in comparison with Variegated Grasshoppers.

2. Where in the County have the grasshoppers been reported?

Surveillance by the Sub-county Agricultural Staff indicates a new incidence of Variegated Grasshoppers in some villages in Seme, Nyando and Muhoroni Sub-counties. At the time of this report, the insects had only been cited in 5 villages across the County as indicated below with minimal impact.

Sub-county	Ward	Location/Village	Remarks
Nyando	Awasi/Onjiko	- Kamuoro Villages, Ayucha Sub-location	- Nymph on Cassava leaves - No adults seen
Seme	North Seme	- Urudi areas on North Rata Sub-location	- Few grasshoppers seen with no damages on the crops
Muhoroni	Masogo/Nyangoma	- Wang'aya Sub-location	- Shrubs and Sugarcane
	Koru/Muhoroni	- Homalime Sub-location	-Sited on Sugarcane leaves and Shrubs
	Miwani	- SRI Area	Seen on Shrubs

3. Extent of Damage so far?

In Muhoroni Sub-county, Masogo/Nyang'oma Ward where these grasshoppers were first seen, they only affected sugarcane in two farms of affected locations with a total area of 6 acres. Damage severity is categorized as low as 5% of the leaf area affected.

The density of the hoppers was 6 per meter square on sugarcane crop while higher density of 18 per square meter was recorded on *Parthenium hysterophorus* weeds. This a scientific term.

The extent is not severe in areas and concentration based on number of grasshoppers per unit in areas to cause alarm.

Thus the incidence of grasshoppers is currently of economic significance, however, if left uncontrolled, can cause economic damage to crops especially sugarcane, rice and vegetables.

4. Mitigation measures put in place by the County Government?

The Department plans to undertake to immediately spray the affected farms and field in the affected villages to avoid build up and further spread of these grasshoppers in the area.

This will entail Procurement of a broad spectrum chemicals and control protective equipment for the management of these hoppers and desert locusts by undertaking the following mitigation measures;

- a) The Department has made orders for Chemicals to be used for Spraying.
- b) Contracted Agro-chemical Association of Kenya (AAK) for the provision of Personnel Protective Equipment and Capacity Building to the Youth and Farmer on how to spray the chemicals.
- c) Conduct spraying immediately.

**Hon. Okiri:** On a Point of Order. Thank you Mr. Speaker, this is a very important report and by going through this report, I am not seeing anywhere that the Chief Officer has appended his signature and that of the Committee showing ownership of this report. How will we know if this report has emanated from the Department or the Committee?

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Hon. Okiri. I want to guide this House that this was a reply on a statement sought by Hon. Kanga. So, I have given permission to the Chairperson of Agriculture and Livestock to read the statement pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 72 (2) and I am glad that Members have the report.

Hon. Chair, Agriculture and Livestock, I would like to bring to your attention that, even though it was mentioned in this House, but I am trying to locate in the Order Paper where you were slotted to reply and I can't seem to find that. Please, could you resume your seat as I guide the House?

Hon. Chair, I know you will want Hon. Members to respond to your statement. Leader of Majority, do you have something to inform the House?

**Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. The Hon. Seth Ochieng Kanga sought for a Statement and the same was committed to the relevant Committee which is Agriculture and Livestock. This Committee must have sought clarification from the experts who are domiciled in the relevant departments. I want to be in concurrence that once that report was received, then it needed to have been owned by the Committee so that it is brought to the floor of this House as a Committee report. Thank you.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Leader of Majority for that. So, I would like to ask the Chair for Agriculture that is it true that the report was not owned by Committee Members?

**Hon. Otura:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. The sequence of the happenings in this House are open and obvious. Mr. Speaker, when this statement was sought in this House, we were given specific timelines to report back and I would like to inform this House that we did our sittings as a Committee and all these were brought before the Committee and we owned them. This is the reason that as directed by the Speaker I am report on the same and that is the true position of events pertains to what I am presenting today.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): What is it Hon. Agolla, I want to give a ruling on what Hon. Otura has presented regarding the Statements.

**Hon. Agolla:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 41, with due respect the Leader of Majority is misleading this House. We need to be told under which Order is it stated that the Committee must convene before the Hon, Chair brings a response to this House.

Mr. Speaker, the Standing Order is very clear that the Chair of a Committee should bring a report. Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Senior Member Okiri is equally misleading this House because he should state categorically which Order Committee members must append their signatures for a report to be tabled in this House. Mr. Speaker, the Standing Order is very clear and I beg you to allow Hon. Otura to proceed because he is in order under Standing Order No. 41 (1) to 41 (d). There is nowhere indicated that the Committee must sit down before a report is brought into the House and be aware that this is a statement and not a motion. Thank you.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Please allow me give Hon. Samo, then Seth and we conclude with Hon. Otura.

**Hon. Samo:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I believe that the Hon. Agolla is not clear on some of these procedures. The Hon. Okiri did not mention that we as the Committee Members of Agriculture should have appended our signature. The Chair, if you can recall when we were in the Committee, Dr. Omanga said that he will own the statement. Remember that when a report is brought to this House and it is from the Executive or wherever, then the author of the report must append his signature to own it either it could be the CEC of the Chief Officer.

Mr. Speaker, I stand together with Hon. Okiri that the report is not signed. So, it is not about the Committee Members appending their signature to the report but the author of the report. Mr. Speaker, I did ask Dr. Omanga when we were in the meeting, if this was a report that was prepared by a University student but he stated that this was a report from his Department.

**The Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Order!! Order!! Hon. Samo. I want you to restrict yourself to the orders of the House. Please can we allow the Chair of Agriculture to go on and read the report or not.

**Hon. Samo:** Mr. Speaker that is the reason as to why he should let the Statement be owned by the Chief Officer or the CEC.



**Hon. Kanga:** Thank you Honourable Speaker. I raised this Statement on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 and the Clerk of the County Assembly went further to write an invitation letter to the CEC on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2020 and the CEC responded to this letter accordingly. How the report found its way here leaves a lot to be desired. There is no stamp to indicate that it was received and further more it is not signed. Sometimes we may be right but the procedures are not being followed. It is upon you to decide. Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu):** What is it Hon. Steve? We want to conclude on this because we have a huge task ahead of us.

**Hon. Steve Owiti:** Thank you Mr. speaker. I think as a House of rules and procedure, we need to respect the House. We should not allow the Chairpersons of various committees to respond to questions in the way they want. When a matter is committed to a committee, the committee needs to sit and own it. We cannot receive a report from the Directorate of Agriculture. This report is not from the Chair. He ought to have acknowledged receiving that report. We should hear from him on the same. Let the House be guided.

**Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu):** Thank you Chair Budget and Appropriations. Chair Agriculture we appreciate your efforts to bring a report to this House and it is a concern that the report might have come from the right people but it is finding its way in the House procedurally. It is being said that the report has not been received by the Office of the Clerk to acknowledge its authenticity. May I ask the Clerk to hand over the said report to me.

*(The Speaker perusing through the report)*

**Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu):** I want to say that Hon. Kanga might not gotten it right because the letter was received by the Office of the Clerk vide a letter on the first page. So, the letter was received by the Assembly and by that virtue you have all the rights to finish reading the report.

**Hon. Otura:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. It is unfortunate that some people like dragging this House behind. The letter was well received...

**Temporary Speaker (Hon. Okumu):** Order Hon. Otura. Let us allow Hon. Otura to finish reading the report. Proceed Honourable Member.

**Hon. Otura:** Thank you Mr. speaker. I was in the process of averting the crisis. The Department had contacted the Agrochemicals Association of Kenya for personal protective equipment and how and to provide training youths and farmers to spray the locusts.

Mitigation measures in place include the following;

1. Form a joint County Locust Coordination Team to liaise with National Plant Protection Department, Development partners and project sector in case of an outbreak.

2. Sensitize all the stakeholders to be on high alert and report incidence of desert locust to the relevant authority.
3. Continuous surveillance of the desert locusts and variegated grasshoppers.
4. County treasury to make plans to avail necessary resources to kick-start monitoring, control and sensitization of farmers on the pest.

## CONCLUSION

There was no incidence of desert locust in the County. There were a few incidences of variegated grasshoppers in Seme, Nyando and Muhoroni Sub-Counties. The variegated grasshoppers were of no any economic significance and immediate spraying of the affected farms or fields is required to avoid further spread in the area. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. That is the response from the line department in regards to Statement sought by Hon. Seth Kanga.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you Chair. Next Statement.

**Hon. Ojuok:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the County Assembly Standing Order No. 193, I would wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Water, Environment and Natural Resources regarding the County water rig.

Honourable Speaker, in Statement, the Chairperson should inquire and investigate into and report on;

1. The source of technicians.
2. Terms of engagement and personal file numbers.
3. Who are the operators?
4. From the inception to date the water rig has worked where in the county/capacity per year/ number of boreholes they have done.
5. The cost of drilling one borehole.
6. The criteria used by the department to arrive at the areas to do a borehole.
7. The mitigation measures to curb the any future irregularities.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. We acknowledge the receipt of your Statement to Chairperson., Water, Environment and natural Resources. Let the Chair report back to the House in a weeks' time. That is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. Yes Hon. Agolla.

**Hon. Agolla:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. On behalf of Hon. Pst. David Arao, I wish to seek for a Statement. Pursuant to the County Assembly Standing Order No. 193, I would wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee of Co-operative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development regarding the loans obtained by small scale traders.

Honourable Speaker, in Statement, the Chairperson should inquire and investigate into and report on;

1. The list of beneficiaries from the inception per Ward.
2. How much was awarded.
3. How much has been recovered.

Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. We acknowledge the receipt of your Statement to Chairperson, Sectoral Committee of Co-operative, Finance, Trade and Enterprise Development. Let the Chair report back to the House in a weeks' time. That is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. Hon. Chair for Finance you were to give us a statement on Fire outbreak and I want direct that you give two statements on the date I had stated.

**Hon. Okiri:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to request that I bring a response on fire outbreak on Thursday next and in two weeks' I shall be able to give a response on the loans to small traders. I beg.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Hon. Chair that is accepted. Give a response on Trade Fund on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. Thank you. Yes, Leader of Majority.

**Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker, allow me to appreciate the committees that have given notices of motions regarding their reports. You will agree that some of the reports are long overdue and I would have wished that you give a direction on committees that are still pending with their reports so that the House can move forward.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Order Honourable Leader of Majority. We are on the Statement Hour. Using the Standing Orders you know how you can compel those committees to bring their reports. That is my guidance.

**Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): Much obliged. You have given the ruling and I abide by it. Otherwise, there is a concern that I wanted to raise that even though routinely statements are raised in the House, then Chairs should seek for expert opinion especially from the relevant department, but I would wish that they go further to verify some of this information.

You do recall that there was a statement raised by Hon. Guya concerning the Nyanas and Gulf Water Companies. The facts were different when they went to the ground. Even though the Chair Agriculture has given an expert opinion in his response, in the future it will be important if this committees goes out in the field to verify this information. Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. Next order!

**COMMENCEMENT OF BUSINESS**

1<sup>ST</sup> READING OF THE KISUMU COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2020

BY

HON. STEVE OWITI

CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Proceed Hon. Owiti.

**Hon. Owiti:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. Having adopted the report that was presented by the Budget and Appropriations Committee, I want ask the Clerk to read for the first time, the Kisumu County First Supplementary Budget for the FY 2019/2020. Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Go ahead Mr. Clerk.

**THE KISUMU COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL  
2020**

**A Bill for**

**AN ACT of County Assembly of Kisumu to authorize the issue of certain sums of money out of the County Revenue Fund and their application towards the services of the year ending on the 30th June 2020, and to appropriate those sums for certain public services and purposes.**

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Thank you. Next order!

2<sup>ND</sup> READING OF THE KISUMU COUNTY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2020

BY

HON. STEVE OWITI

CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Proceed Chair.

**Hon. Owiti:** Thank you Mr. Speaker. The 1<sup>st</sup> Reading has been done. May I request the Clerk to read the bill for the second time, the Kisumu County First Supplementary Budget for the FY 2019/2020. Thank you.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Go ahead Mr. Clerk.

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2020****A Bill for**

**AN ACT of County Assembly of Kisumu to authorize the issue of certain sums of money out of the County Revenue Fund and their application towards the services of the year ending on the 30th June 2020, and to appropriate those sums for certain public services and purposes.**

The Bill has now been read for the second time.

**Temporary Speaker** (Hon. Okumu): Yes Hon. Steve Owiti.

**Hon. Owiti:** May I now move that the House reverts to the Committee of Whole House to dispense with this Bill at this stage? May I ask Hon. Leader of Majority to second?

**Leader of Majority** (Hon. Onyango): I stand to second.

*(The House reverts to the Committee of the Whole House)*

**Chairperson, Committee of the Whole House** (Hon. Joachim): Order Hon. Members. We are in the Committee of the Whole House. Yes Hon. Steve Owiti.

**Hon. Owiti:** Thank you Chair. Having gone through the Supplementary Bill and the Assembly had taken it for publication and during our deliberations as a committee, a number of issues came up and the House had sought for some information which we had to move with speed and get. The statement was from committee with regard to the pending bills. A matter which I had explained to the Members that as a committee we had also discussed with the Executive, the CEC Member for Finance.

Chair, as we proceed, I have been able to get this report from the committee. This is special report on the Auditor General on the pending bills of the County Government of Kisumu as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Some of the issues that were raised are here. In 2018/2019 pending bills were factored in the approved budget which was about Kshs. 800,000,000.

Allow me also to bring to your attention that we have a schedule of pending bills as at 30<sup>th</sup> June of the Financial Year I have mentioned. It indicates who the payee is. The project done, the department, the contract number and dates. The LPO or LSO Number, contract amount, amount paid and amount payable balance.

I was also able to get the summary of this list. What is payable to developments Kshs. 399, 514,597 and recurrent was Kshs. 231, 575, 140. Grassroot Projects at Kshs. 160, 342, 314. KRB roads is Kshs. 17, 730, 777. These are the records that the Members would have wanted. That was given to the committee as asked by the Speaker for fourteen days.

We need to analyze in this report what we call eligible pending bills that were presented to the Auditor General and they have done a report which I was able to have a copy. I will present this to the committee so that we give a report on the queries given by the Members.

I have also been able to access the payment plan of the pending bills as was presented by the Controller of Budget and eligible pending bills sent by the Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury and Planning. I would indulge the Members that going by the volume of this report, the information you wanted and the statement was also sought, we would want to make a report and give it to each and every Member within the fourteen days that was approved by the Speaker. It would be not possible for us to do two reports when Members have not sat. Thank you Chair.

**Chairperson, Committee of the Whole House** (Hon. Joachim): Thank you Chair. Yes Hon. Ojuok.

**Hon. Ojuok:** Thank you Chair. I want to thank the Chair for the efforts that he made to get those details. Let us not repeat the situation, I just want to know if the figures we are passing in the Supplementary Budget is the equivalent of that list. We would appreciate if the copies of list are given to the Members.

**Chairperson, Committee of the Whole House** (Hon. Joachim): Thank you Hon. Ojuok. Yes, Chair Budget.

**Hon. Owiti:** Thank you Chair. I wish to respond to the Member's concerns. One, we have a total of pending bills of Kshs. 809 million.



