

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

THE HANSARD

SECOND ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION

Thursday, 30th April, 2020

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

(The Speaker (Hon. Elisha Jack Oraro) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Mr. Clerk, kindly take us through the order of the day?

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, good afternoon and welcome to this session. I want to pass this humble appeal to the Hon. Members that you will have to put on your masks especially when you are given permission to speak because we are sharing one microphone.

Secondly, I still want to confirm that I received a response from the COVID-19 Response Committee and we are still luck that Kisumu County has no positive case of Corona Virus. I pray and believe that it remains so.

On the same note, I want to communicate that today the Committee on Appointment sat and did the vetting for two CEC Members nominees for the position of Roads, Transport and Public Works and the CEC Member for Health and Sanitation Kisumu County. We shall be communicating to the Committee on the dates and time and venue for meeting to prepare a report.

Third, those Members whom you can reach, our Zoom Line is active and the password and ID remains the same and you can communicate to Members who are not with us because I have put it in our WhatsApp page to enable them participate on-line.

Fourth, the list for attendance remains the same and the schedules for Sub-counties Oversight Activities remains unaltered. Last week I did communicate that, the Caucus chairs to ensure that the reports are with the Clerk to facilitate a meeting for the General Oversight which shall be on-line and at the same time to facilitate the preparation of logistical arrangements especially payments by the finance team.

by the Finance Team early enough. Next order!

COMMENCEMENT OF BUSINESS

MOTION

HEALTH, HOUSING AND SANITATION COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE GOVERNOR'S
MEMORANDUM ON THE KISUMU COUNTY HEALTH BILL, 2019

BY

HON. VINCENT JAGONGO

CHAIRPERSON, HEALTH, HOUSING AND SANITATION COMMITTEE

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Proceed Hon. Jagongo.

Hon. Jagongo: Thank you Mr. Speaker. The County Assembly Committee on Health, Housing and Sanitation received the Governor's Memorandum on refusal to ascend to the Kisumu County Health Bill, 2019 and after the consultation with Chief officer Health, the County Attorney, and the Governor's advice on the Universal Health Coverage, we put into considerations both the views and we came up with a consensus that the memorandum be withdrawn and the drafting to remain as earlier stated in the Kisumu County health Bill, 2019.

We did receive a letter from the Office of the Governor withdrawing the memorandum and that is attached to this report. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of the letter from the County Government of Kisumu written by the County Attorney withdrawing the said memorandum that was issued by the Governor on certain clauses on Health Bill. With such, I want to direct that we shall not have a business on the same.

Mr. Clerk, a communication to be made immediately so that the Bill as was passed may be ascended to by the Governor so that it may become an Act. Because the businesses No. 8, 9 and

10 are pegged on the report from the Health, Housing and Sanitation Committee, whose main subject has been withdrawn, I direct that Motions No. 9 and 10 be withdrawn. Next order!

MOTION

COMMITTEE FOR BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS REPORT ON THE PENDING BILL

BY

HON. STEVE OWITI

CHAIRPERSON, BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Steve Owiti or Member of the committee. Yes, Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the Honourable Member was here a short while ago. Unfortunately, I cannot see him right now. However, I want to confirm that I will relay to him the need to expedite the delivery of that report on the Assembly and I would want to indulge you that you give us a week so that the business can be brought to the Floor of this House and dispensed with as appropriate. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Seth, are you getting us?

Hon. Okumu: (via Zoom), yes, I can get you clearly.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Leader of Majority, I do direct that the report be brought to the Assembly on 12th of May, 2020 failure to which we will do the necessary may be form an Ad Hoc committee to work on the same because it is now long overdue. Next Order!

MOTION

COMMITTEE FOR IMPLEMENTATION REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
PROJECTS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, WILDLIFE AND HERITAGE

BY

ERICK OTIENO AGOLLA

CHAIRPERSON

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Agolla

Hon. Agolla: Thank you Mr. Speaker. With your indulgence, I beg for this House and your Chair to accord us an opportunity to give a progress report considering the fact that the information that we are to relay to this House, we source them from the Executive. Mr. Speaker,

it is a comprehensive report given that it is implementation of all the projects and the particular projects that were mentioned, the Assembly through the Clerk had made good effort and we have written to the Executive through the County Secretary.

Mr. Speaker, I want to beg that you give us seven more days from today so that on Thursday next week, we come up with a comprehensive report. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Chair for implementation, kindly note that this statement was as a result of serious delay in the implementation of projects especially in the department of Tourism, Wildlife and Heritage.

There is serious delay and the financial year is almost coming to an end. So kindly expedite and I want to direct that you report back to the House on the first direction that is 12th May 2020. Yes, Leader of Majority.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Kenneth Onyango): Mr. Speaker, I would have rose earlier under statement time to just express some concerns but I would wish to indulge you under your discretionary powers that is Standing Orders No. 1 to allow me to say that you did give an order that the Delegated committee do meet so that they may go through the Covid-19 regulations. The circumstances under which we operate in may not allow that to happen very fast and yet those regulations need to be dealt with expeditiously. I would wish that through the Clerk's office a deliberate attempt is made to communicate directly to that committee and to urge them to fast track this meeting so that possibly this matter can be dealt with next week. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, I want to say that each and every member has an iPad and we agreed that the best way to communicate is through zoom. When we did direct that the Committee on Delegated Legislation to meet with a co-option of at least two Members each from the Budget and Appropriations and the Finance Committee, it was because this is a matter of outmost agency. It is important and urgent and the Chairpersons should take responsibility to call for a meeting remotely.

Hon. Members, the regulations can be shared in their forums and I did direct that the Clerk to make necessary communications for the purposes of public response through necessary ways that do not go against the recommendations by the Cabinet Secretary for Health on preventive measures as regard to COVID-19 in Kenya and the entire world. I can confirm that Water, Environment and Natural Resources Committee had a meeting today in the morning which was held remotely and it was successful. I therefore direct the clerk to inform the Chairpersons so that the matter can be dealt with and a report to be presented next week.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): There being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned to Tuesday 5th May 2020 at 2.30 p.m.

House rose at 2.50 p.m.

Addendum

Zablon Otiende – Head of Department

Edward Odanga – Hansard Reporter

Fanuel Okode – Hansard Reporter

Patrick Okoyo – Hansard Reporter

Jacklyne Otieno – Hansard Reporter

Denis Onyango – Hansard Reporter