

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

THE HANSARD

SECOND ASSEMBLY – FOURTH SESSION

Tuesday, 07th 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): Hon. Members, welcome to this Assembly. Mr. Clerk, kindly take us through the business of the day?

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Caleb Omoro to come forward and take oath of office for the position of Vice-Chairperson, Committee on General Oversight.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, as Hon. Omoro is preparing to take Oath of Office as the Vice-chair Committee on General Oversight, I want to direct that because we are using the same microphones, as you use these mics ensure that your face mask is on.

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Please proceed with the Oath.

I, **Hon. Caleb Omoro**, having been appointed as the **Vice-Chairperson of Committee on General Oversight** of the Kisumu County Assembly do swear, that I shall truly and diligently serve the people and the Republic of Kenya in the office of **Vice-Chairperson of Committee on General Oversight** of County Assembly of Kisumu; That I shall respect, uphold, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya; and I shall do right to all manner

of persons in accordance with the Constitution of Kenya and the laws and conventions of the parliament without fear or favor, affection or ill health.

SO HELP ME GOD!

(Hon Omoro appends his signature to the Oath documents)

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Order!! Order!! Hon. Members.

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

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

Hon. Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, as you are all aware that we did adjourn previously and we were in concurrence that we report back today Tuesday, 07th April, 2020 at 1430 hours. As you are all aware the reasons that necessitated our adjournment previously is because of the current Pandemic that is affecting the whole Country and the World to be specific.

Hon. Members, the same problem is still persistent and the Government through the President has given directives that the whole Country has to comply with. Yesterday, the President issued additional directives on the restriction of movement into and outside the Nairobi Metropolitan and effective tomorrow Wednesday, 08th April, 2020, the same will apply to Mombasa, Kwale and Kilifi Counties.

Hon. Members, on Saturday 04th April, 2020, we did meet as the Leadership of Kisumu County, in a meeting chaired by the County Commissioner and the Governor, attended by all the Members of Parliament of all the seven Sub-counties Kisumu County, Leader of Majority, The Whip, Leader of Minority, Minority Whip and the Speaker of the Assembly amongst other leaders, including the County Commandant, the DCIO and a number of resolutions were made.

Hon. Members, first, it was resolved that we must adhere with the Government directives that is on the curfew which commences as from 07:00 p.m. to 05:00 a.m. and as leaders, we must be able to sensitive our residents through any appropriate means on the importance of that Curfew.

Secondly, the Preparedness of Kisumu County with regards to the COVID-19 Pandemic because so far fifteen cases of suspected cases of CORONA VIRUS have been tested and luckily, all of them tested negative. That is good news. There were briefings regarding preparedness in terms of the following;

- a) Bed capacity;
- b) ICU Equipments;
- c) Respiratory Equipments i.e. Ventilators;

Hon. Members, it was resolved that, maximum efforts should be put in place to ensure that Kisumu County remains negative. By the time we are talking of the ICUs and Bed capacity, it means that it has gone to the extent for somebody to recover in the ICU level is very minimal. Therefore, our efforts should be geared towards sensitizing the public on the importance of the following;

- a) Safe Distance;
- b) The mask. Research has shown that by those practices you are able to prevent up to 70% chances of being infected by the COVID-19.
- c) Use of Sanitizers and Washing of Hands regularly.

Hon. Members, for the Kisumu County Assembly, we have a lot of pending tasks which are very necessary for the running of the County. One of them is the Budget Making Process and Implementation of the Kisumu County Budget Estimates for FY 2019/2020 whose time is almost elapsing. Therefore, we must devise ways in which we can deliver on these agenda items.

Hon. Members, as we are speaking, the National Assembly is in session and they have devised ways through which they can ensure that Social Distancing is maintained. Yesterday, we had a meeting with the County Assembly leadership and we proposed various measures in consultations with the Leader of Majority, because in terms of attendance it is the prerogative of the Party. So, we were with the Leader of Minority, Leader of Majority and their Deputies, the Whips and their Deputies. It was resolved that technically that Kisumu County Assembly shall remain open until otherwise communicated. However, in order that we ensure that we keep Social Distance, not all Members shall be attending the Assembly at ago. We have come up with a register in terms of how we will be attending the Assembly Sessions just as the Senate and the National Assembly has done.

Hon. Members, we have proposed not more than twenty members at ago, we shall not allow anybody to be seated at the Public Gallery. For Members of the Fourth Estate, anytime they come, their presence will depend on the availability of space and the ability to maintain the One Meter Social Distance that is recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the National Government.

Hon. Members, the list as proposed, it is unfortunate we are getting it late. Today the 07th April, 2020 the following are expected to be in the House. The Leader of Majority and Leader of Minority has proposed attendance as following;

1. Leader of Majority, Hon. Kenneth Onyango.
2. Minority Whip, Hon. Ken Ageng'o
3. Deputy Majority Whip, Hon. Jennipher Obonyo
4. Hon. Philemon Ojuok
5. Hon. Joachim Oketch

6. Hon. Pamela Odhiambo
7. Hon. Paul Okiri
8. Hon. Seth Ochieng Kanga
9. Hon. John Atieno
10. Hon. Johnson Guya
11. Hon. Vitalis Otura
12. Hon. George Abaja
13. Hon. Victor Rodger
14. Hon. Inviolata Adhiambo
15. Hon. Caleb Omoro
16. Hon. Beatrice Odongo
17. Hon. Julius Genga

Hon. Members, on Wednesday, 08th April, 2020, we shall have one session in the Afternoon. The following Members shall attend;

1. Chief Whip, Hon. Priscah Misachi
2. Leader of Minority, Hon. Benny Pete Oiko
3. Deputy Leader of Majority, Hon. Jecktone Ogendo
4. Hon. George Ogutu
5. Hon. Seth Okumu
6. Hon. David Arao
7. Hon. Steve Owiti
8. Hon. Roy Samo
9. Hon. Vincent Jagongo
10. Hon. Samson Ameso
11. Hon. Maurine Otiang'
12. Hon. Rashid Miruka
13. Hon. Florence Olang'o
14. Hon. Beatrice Pamela Ochieng'
15. Hon. Olga Aoko
16. Hon. Gard Olima
17. Hon. Kennedy Ooko
18. Hon. Consolata Ollows

Hon. Members, Thursday, 09th April, 2020 in the Afternoon Session. The following Hon. Members shall attend;

1. Leader of Majority, Hon. Kenneth Onyango
2. Leader of Minority, Hon. Benny Pete Oiko
3. Deputy Whip, Hon. Jennipher Obonyo

4. Hon. George Ogutu
5. Hon. Carren Muga
6. Hon. Joseph Olale
7. Hon. George Olwal
8. Hon. Eric Agolla
9. Hon. Judith Ogaga
10. Hon. Sally Okudo
11. Hon. Habil Nyasuna
12. Hon. Nancy Owiti
13. Hon. Jane Manuche
14. Hon. Carren Oguok
15. Hon. Maurice Ngeta
16. Hon. Seth Ochieng Kanga.

Hon. Members, we shall be attending session in that manner so that we ensure the one meter Social Distancing and above anytime we are in the Assembly. The other remaining Members whose names do not appear in this list in the said dates, shall be attending the Assembly remotely. We are working with the ICT Department because I am aware that each and every Member was provided an IPAD and therefore you shall be able to follow and comment on the activities of the Assembly remotely. Hon. Members that I have read their names, must appear in the Assembly physically for us to proceed with the necessary and critical agendas that we have for the County to proceed.

Hon. Members, on the same note, we have agreed and I am directing that Committee Sittings shall proceed normally. Except that each and every Member shall be co-opted to the Committee of Implementation for those Members who are not Members of this Committee. The Committee on General Oversight, shall proceed except that you shall be working at the Sub-county level. I am directing that by close of business tomorrow, each Caucus Chairperson should liaise with the Leader of Majority and the Liaison Chairperson and present your schedule of works in terms of Oversight at the Sub-county level. Please undertake an arrangements of visiting sites two people at ago or maximum three, and when having these meeting after the meetings at the Sub-county and when things have normalized, we shall have a general meeting of the General Oversight to compile such reports.

Hon. Members, when things have normalized, we shall have General Oversight Committee meeting to compile these reports. We must also come up with ways of sensitizing the public on the importance of the various measures that has been proposed by the Government on restricting the, thorough hand washing, use of sanitizers, keeping social distance, putting on of mask and the curfew. Please by closure of the business tomorrow, present your schedule for the purposes of logistical arrangements.

Hon. Members, I also want to direct that the Budget and Appropriations Committee to proceed with its work taking in consideration the recommendations that have been made in line to combat the COVID-19 Pandemic. Any other committee that has a pending work that does not involve calling of crowds shall write to the Speaker and you shall have approval as necessary. I want to request that we remain vigilant and committed to the recommendations made by the Government to combat the issue of Corona virus.

Following the meeting of 6th April, 2020 at Sunset Hotel chaired by the County Commissioner and the Governor and in attendance were our security personnel in the County, including the Commandant, the CCIO, NTSA, leadership of the Assembly, Registrar of Social Services and the leadership of the boda-boda sector. The discussion was involving the state of security in Kisumu County and to be specific the issue of boda-boda operations. The resolution that was made is that all SACCOS, CBOs or associations of the boda-boda sector within Kisumu County are deregistered with immediate effect from yesterday and any account belonging to those groupings are frozen. No money should be withdrawn or deposited without notice. All the Saccos, CBOs or associations are directed to surrender their certificates to the registrar by the close of business today.

Honourable Members, you are requested to give such further information to the SACCOS, CBOs or associations of boda-boda within your Wards. A sub-committee was formed and I will be chairing the said committee to structure how the sector will operate within the County. This was necessitated by a wing that calls itself the security within the sector who have run a mock in the County as we are speaking there are two riders who will be laid to rest in the course of the week who lost their lives as a result of the menace.

At the same time, the representatives of the sector confirmed to us that they are in fear of their lives because the so called the security wing are targeting them and they are working with some of our police officers. The only noble way is to deregister all this association and come up with one formal structure to protect this important industry.

Three, I wish to say that there are a number of renovations going on in the Assembly and we did consult several sectors on our plans to renovate the County Assembly including the Public Health and the Public Procurement Oversight Authority. The directive given is that the work can proceed but they have to work with the minimal number of workers as much as possible. The Public Procurement Oversight Authority has given us the directives which has been shared with the contractor on how we shall behave within the sites as they operate. That is in terms of protecting the workers, the time of leaving work and the time of reporting to work. I want to request the Members that we let the work proceed because the more we keep them here is the more expensive it will be.

Finally, I want to welcome you back to this session and please adhere to the clustering we have made. You can liaise with the Leader of Majority or the Leader of Minority to get the exact dates

you will be attending the sessions. In the meantime, we shall be working with the ICT Officer to ensure that you work with Assembly remotely. Next order!

PAPERS

NOMINATION OF THE CEC MEMBER FOR ROADS, TRANSPORT AND PUBLIC WORKS, DR. JOYCE ATIENO OSOGO

BY

LEADER OF MAJORITY, HON. KENNETH ONYANGO

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes, Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Government Act, Section 35 (1) (a) and (b), I wish to lay a Paper on the nomination of the CEC for Roads, Transport and Public Works, Dr. Joyce Atieno Osogo. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of a letter from the Executive of the nomination of Dr. Joyce Atieno Osogo as the CEC Member for Roads, Transport and Public Works. I direct that this letter be committed to the Appointment Committee and report back on 22nd April, 2020 owing to the fact that Short Recess is coming soon.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

REPORT ON THE KISUMU COUNTY, WOMEN, YOUTH AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITY FUND REGULATION

BY

HON. INVIOLATE ADHIAMBO

CHAIRPERSON, COUNTY DELEGATED LEGISLATION

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Inviolata.

Hon. Inviolata: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No. 182 (6) and (7), I wish to lay a Paper on the Report on the Kisumu County, Women, Youth and People Living with Disability Fund Regulation.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of the Report from the County Delegated Legislation Committee on the Kisumu County, Women, Youth and People Living with Disability Fund Regulation.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

NOTICE OF MOTION

REPORT ON THE KISUMU COUNTY, WOMEN, YOUTH AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH
DISABILITY FUND REGULATION

BY

HON. INVIOLATE ADHIAMBO

CHAIRPERSON, COUNTY DELEGATED LEGISLATION

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Inviolate.

Hon. Inviolate: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provisions of the County Assembly Standing Order No. 45. I wish to give a notice of motion on the report on the on the Kisumu County, Women, Youth and People Living with Disability Fund Regulation.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

STATEMENTS

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Benny Oiko.

Minority Leader (Hon. Oiko): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the County Assembly Standing Orders No. 41 (2) (b) and 193, I wish to request for a Statement from the Chairperson of Sectoral Committee on Labour and Social Welfare regarding the Kisumu County Community Health Workers. In the Statement, the Chairperson....

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Oiko, is that not a statement on a topic of concern?

Hon. Oiko: Yes Sir.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): The Standing Order requires that you submit a written Statement to the Speaker.

Hon. Oiko: Which I had done.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): The Statement is with clerks but I want to request that you present it later to give us a chance to have a look at it as per our Standing Orders.

Hon. Oiko: Much obliged Hon. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Yes, Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I just want to thank you because you have given a very good brief on the meeting that we held with the County Security Team concerning the COVID-19 Pandemic. I believe the issues that you have given are quite elaborate

and therefore the matter should be put to rest. However, I just want to reiterate that the issue of COVID-19 should be taken very seriously by the Honourable Members and the underpinning word in all these is that we must stay safe from this pandemic. Of course, the Members are aware of the measures the Government is taking just to ensure the population stays safe. I believe that as Honourable Members, we shall do all that it takes for us to ensure our personal safety and to disseminate information to our Wards that in deed, the need to stay safe is an imperative that cannot be overemphasised.

Mr. Speaker, you have also rightly said that as we begin to go to the Sub Counties, I just want to urge Members that this is something that must be taken seriously. Even as we do that, let us ensure that we have safety precautions because this disease is ravaging the world in a unique way. We are just lucky as a nation that even though it is knocking at our doorstep, it is not as serious as what we are seeing in the international media happening in the developed world.

Therefore, as you have directed Mr. Speaker, I would wish to meet the Caucus Chairs tomorrow so that we may lay the groundwork for the work we shall be doing at the Sub Counties. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Caren Linet

Hon. Muga: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to express gratitude to the President of Kenya for having been keen enough to establish that multiple movement spreads corona virus. I am bit afraid because we are not as vigilant as the President. The reason I am saying this because of my neighbouring County, Nandi, which is very vigilant. I recently heard of two incidents. There was a time when a European came and they being sensitive enough could shout and the person was taken back. About two to three days ago, a lady from Mombasa came, alighted at Chemelil, and one of the boda-boda riders from Chemelil Ward took her to Chemase. On reaching Chemase, the residents became vigilant and took her to a Quarantine Centre. She later tested positive for COVID-19. This made our security team to look for the rider who was also taken to quarantine centre.

I want to plead with fellow Members and the public at large that we be very vigilant. Otherwise, I rose to thank the President for being vigilant and concerned about the people. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

MOTION

COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE ESTABLISHMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PAP
ONDITI MARKET

BY

HON. PAUL OKIRI

CHAIRPERSON, COOPERATIVES, FINANCE TRADE AND ENTERPRISES

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Paul Okiri, Senior Member.

Hon. Okiri: Thank you very much Mr. Speaker. As you are aware Mr. Speaker, this Statement was raised in Seme Sub-county while we were doing the “Bunge Mashinani”. Mr. Speaker, when we resumed our normal sitting in this plenary, we had to take a break because of the novel corona virus.

Mr. Speaker, since then, the directive from each quarter was not conducive for the committee to sit as sittings of not more than fifteen Members was banned. In this regard Mr. Speaker, I may request for an extension of two weeks so that the committee can resume its work. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Philemon, Hon. Chair was to present a motion. Do you have anything to say?

Hon. Ojuok: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I just want to raise an objection on what Chair of Cooperatives, Finance and Trade has said. I believe that you are vast with the history of Pap Onditi Market and I would be worried if the statement is taking the trajectory that it has taken. I do not think the President said not more than fifteen Members. We do not have a committee whose number exceeds fifteen. There is need to know what is happening. Mr. Speaker, there are a number of things I have previously obtained without the help of the House. I think we need to get serious.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Honourable Members, you have heard what the Senior Member, Hon. Okiri has said. I will allow comments from about three to four Members before I make a ruling.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Atieno.

Hon. Atieno: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to concur with what the Chair has said. We are not allowed to assemble a team exceeding fifteen persons. Remember it is not only the Members who are expected to work on that report. The Committee Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms must also be present and this number could exceed fifteen over and above the recommended numbers. As such, having a meeting is impracticable. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): I can see Leader of Majority on his feet. I will then give Hon. Ogaga, followed by Hon. Guya then Hon. George Ogutu. Leader of Majority.

Leader of Majority (Hon. Onyango): Mr. Speaker. Earlier on when you were giving communication, you did direct that the House Committees should be collapsed into the Committee on Implementation and the Committee of General Oversight. You also directed that this work should now be done at the Sub-counties. Now that you had given that directive, I do not know if it would be appropriate, considering the prevailing circumstances, that Honourable Members that hail from the Sub-county where the project was to be done can confirm when shall be doing their oversight duties so that when the Assembly resumes, they submit that report. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Ogaga.

Hon. Ogaga: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I want to support my Chair and echo his sentiments that before we suspended the Assembly, this committee had a lot of work. Therefore, it has been difficult for the committee to work on everything and this is why we are unable to submit the report. However, I would wish to say that it is work in progress. We will surely be able to present a report if given the two weeks that the Chair requested. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Guya.

Hon. Guya: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I know the Chair Hon. Okiri as one of the very hard working Chairs in this House. However, my concern is a brief one. That, the House Business Committee sat today and approved a motion that this report be brought to this House. I do not know what the House Business approved because it is indicated in the Order Paper, implying that they approved the report to be submitted today.

Mr. Speaker, I want to assume that at the time they were making this approval, the report was there and they saw it and found it fit to be presented before the House. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, I believe that I can respond to that before giving Hon. Ogutu a chance. Hon. Guya, you have to note that we agreed that once a Statement has been raised in the plenary, a date is set. We agreed that it is important for reports to be submitted on the set date. This is why the motion is there. We agreed that the issue of postponing work or statements should stop and that is how we have been operating in the last few weeks. All statements and reports should be submitted on agreed date.

Actually, the statement should have been brought on the 24th March, 2020 by the Finance Committee. We have just committed some activities to different committees. Otherwise, I do not think we will be doing justice to the Committees or to the Assembly. This is something we discussed and agreed upon. I hope you are advised Hon. Guya.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. George Ogutu.

Hon. Ogutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, we know very well that the issue of Pap Onditi Market is an emotive one. It has come to our attention that the Chair has asked for an extension. I have a suggestion Mr. Speaker. If the Chair is unable to do this work, I wish to ask through the leadership that an Ad hoc Committee be formed to look at this matter and bring it to rest. This is my suggestion. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I have to make a ruling on the request by Chair Finance, Trade and Cooperatives Hon. Paul Okiri. It is true that true report was to be presented on 24th March 2020. However, we adjourned because of matters beyond our control. As such, the report was to be tabled today. In fact, if you refer to your House Business Schedule of 17th March 2020, it was planned for presentation on 7th April 2020.

Honourable Members, we have just discussed ways of working better during this period that we have to be innovative. I believe Hon. Paul has been critical in suggesting ways of working. The fact that you are fifteen Members in a committee does not mean that all of you have to go and work on that agenda. You can agree amongst yourselves.

I am aware that each committee has a representation from every Sub County. Therefore, even in the committee of Finance, Trade and Cooperatives, a Member from Nyakach ought to have collected some information and consult the Clerk and the Speaker. As we previously said, any person doing committee work should liaise with the Clerk and the Speaker so that you can be advised accordingly on how to execute the assignment without attracting a crowd and ensuring that we work within proposed measures.

I want to say that we have just agreed that we will be working through the Implementation committee and the Committee of General Oversight. However, I want to suggest that Honourable Chair for Finance, Trade and Cooperatives to liaise with Members especially from Nyakach. In addition, liaise with the department of Trade to get the information you need so that on 22nd of April 2020, you report to the Assembly with a complete report and recommendations regarding Pap Onditi market.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

MOTION

COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE PROPER HUMAN RESOURCE AUDIT OF KISUMU COUNTY

BY

HON. BEATRICE ODONGO

CHAIRPERSON, LABOUR AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Beatrice Odongo.

Hon. Beatrice Odongo: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I would like to inform the House that my clerk communicated to the County Secretary through a letter but he has not responded to date. When I called him, he told me that they had a meeting on issues of Covid-19 and I believe that now that we are back for session, I will do a follow up so that we can get the response from the Executive. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, I believe it is the same thing. We agreed last time that a progress report has to be produced. If you have communicated to the Executive and they are not responding then that is the report that you are supposed to bring to the Assembly with the recommendations. That is how we should work. If you have communicated to any institution and they are not responding, kindly sit as a committee, do your recommendation as per our Standing Orders or any other relevant statute that is available and then we speak from that level on where we go next because the electorates cannot keep on waiting for the reports or the recommendations that is basically our work as their representatives. You did not request for more time.

Hon. Beatrice Odongo: Mr. Speaker through our letter it was very clear that we need a report within 7 days but it is now 3 weeks down the line so that is why I am now requesting that you allow me and my committee Clerk to do a follow up now that the session is on because they have not communicated back. I made a phone call without getting that came from their end.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Leader of Majority.

The Leader of Majority (Hon. Kenneth Onyango): Given the issues of Covid-19. Most of the staff at the prosperity House went home and they have only retained those that are providing essential services so that would have occasioned the delay in communication between the Chairperson of Labour and the relevant department. Mr. Speaker, I would therefore indulge you that this is put in a bend until the situation normalizes and resume full operation. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Philemon.

Hon. Philemon: Hon. Speaker I would want to understand what the Majority Leader is saying but based on the history I think we have resource audit and the way we are seeing the informed decision of the President of 15 Members. There are several reports and investigations to human resource audit that have been done in this County and I think that there is relevant information including physical counting that we just did the other day. I do believe that there is no function that can be done totally without the element of human resource being a service department. I think that as the oversight body. It would be extremely dangerous if we have things running normally and nobody is asking questions. If implementation is going on, oversight must also follow suite. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Okiri.

Hon. Okiri: Thank you Mr. Speaker. The Chairperson of Labour has done a wonderful work. She has done a letter and made phone calls to the Executive but all these things are not forthcoming. I don't know why the Leader of Majority is saying that until things come back to normalcy. I do believe that whatever was sort being for can only be gotten through a software and that does not mean that anybody can come back to the office for him or her to access the software.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Thank you. Hon. Beatrice, I want to make a ruling.

Hon. Beatrice Odongo: Mr. Speaker, I just want to inform the Hon. Members that we sent copies to the office of the County Secretary. He stated that he was working on them and he told me to give him seven days for him to give me back the report.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members, I want to make a ruling and I am persuaded to agree with Hon. Philemon Ojuok that the directive that is there in the whole Country is that people can work remotely so it means that the human resource department is operational as we are speaking

because the entire country is not on lockdown. Work is progressing and only measures are being taken care of. Hon. Okiri put it very clear that the committee was not going to count what has physically but was going to rely on the report that is given by the Executive on audit I regards to what they have as human resource within Kisumu County. A number of them have been done. There is an audit report that was initially there and the head count which I believe is ready. I can be sent online.

I want to direct that the committee of Labour finds a way of coordinating with the Executive and you report on 23rd April 2020.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

MOTION

COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE KISUMU COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE

BY HON. SETH KANGA

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Okiri.

Hon. Okiri: Thank you Mr. Speaker. The Vice Chairperson has just sent me a text requesting for more time so that we can give a comprehensive report.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): All other persons have presented their reasons why they are not able to present their report because I think the roads committee was through with field work if I am right. The only pending item was the report which was scheduled to be presented today.

Hon. Okiri: Mr. Speaker the committee did its work, we have gone to various places and we have compile everything and it is only that we are still waiting for the committee approval of the report then we bring it here. We had agreed that immediately we resume then the committee will sit and give their report.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Members I think that we need to take our work very seriously because the same Members who have been asking for online sessions have not submitted the reports. I actual sense the Public Works, Roads and Transport Committee Report was supposed to be presented on 25th of March 2020 and a request was made that it be presented on 7th April 2020. If we are serious that we need to do our work then we must show that we are able to do our work and therefore I want to direct that this report be presented on the 23rd April 2020.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Yes Hon. Okiri.

Hon. Okiri: Mr. Speaker I beg for your indulgence once again and you can see that the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson are not here and being that my report on Finance will be

coming on 22nd and we still don't know how the scenario is going to be, I therefore ask that you give a different date apart from 22nd being that we will have another report on that particular day.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Okiri, I have just said on 23rd April 2020. The Finance Committee report is coming on the 22nd and the roads report is coming on the 23rd.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Next order!

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Khan you should appear on Thursday sitting and the Leader of Majority should note that. I want to say that we need to have a consultative meeting for 10 minutes at the end of the session.

The Speaker (Hon. Oraro): There being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned until tomorrow 8th April 2020 at 9.00 a.m.

House rose at 3.35 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