

## COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF KISUMU



### COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KISUMU

#### **THE HANSARD**

*Official Report*

#### THIRD ASSEMBLY – FIRST SESSION

Wednesday 02<sup>nd</sup> November, 2022

House met in the Main Chamber at 2:30 p.m.

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

#### PRAYER

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Madam Clerk, please take us through the Order Paper of today.

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

#### ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I had received a communication from the Leader of Majority that the Members who had not taken their oaths is because there were some challenges and this has been sorted out. So, we will proceed with the oaths.

*The Oath of Office was administered to following Members*

1. Hon. George Othuthu Abaja – Vice Chairperson, Appointment Committee.
2. Hon. Habil Nyasuna - Vice Chairperson, Labour and Social Welfare Committee.

3. Hon. Bill Oliver – Vice Chairperson, Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries Committee.
4. Hon. Vincent Odhiambo Obuya – Vice Chairperson, Delegated County Legislation Committee.
5. Hon. Samwell Omollo Onyango – Vice Chairperson, Ward Development Fund Committee.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, that marks the end of the Members who were taking oaths and, on my behalf, and that of the Assembly, I want to congratulate you but I want to remind the Chairpersons and the Vice Chairpersons that your committees should be very active. I believe that each and every Member belongs to at least two or three House Committees. I expect that no committee should go without meeting at least four times in a week if we are to achieve our goals as an Assembly.

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

## PAPER LAID

### THE LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE APPORTIONMENT OF COMMITTEES ANNUAL OPERATIONS BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/2023

BY

HON. NEREAH AKOTH OKOMBO

CHAIRPERSON, LIAISON COMMITTEE.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Deputy Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo Nereah, MCA, Manyatta “B” Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 194 (2), I wish to lay today Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2022. The Liaison Committee report on the Apportionment of Committees Annual Operations Budget for the Financial Year 2022/2023. Thank you.

*(Hon. Okombo tables before the House the Report for consideration)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, I confirm the receipt of the Liaison Committee report on the Apportionment of Committees Annual Operations Budget for the Financial Year 2022/2023 as presented by Hon. Deputy Speaker who is also the Chairperson of the Liaison Committee. I want to confirm that this matter had come to the House Business Committee and we scheduled it appropriately for discussion. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

**NOTICE OF MOTION**

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**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Deputy Speaker.

**The Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Okombo Nereah, MCA, Manyatta “B” Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 45 (1) I wish to give a Notice of Motion on the Liaison Committee report on the Apportionment of Committees Annual Operations Budget for the Financial Year 2022/2023. Thank you.

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

**STATEMENT**

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Hon. Ratib Boitone Ahmed.

**Hon. Boitone** (MCA, Nyalenda “A” Ward): Pursuant to the provisions of the Kisumu County Assembly Standing Order No. 41 (2) (b), I wish to seek for a Statement from the Chairperson Public Works, Roads and Transport Committee regarding the status of streetlights and floodlights within Kisumu County.

Recognizing that there is a long-standing correlation between light, accident and crimes, streetlights and floodlights play a big role. Among them, promoting security in the market for traders and road users. In light of the above, it has come to my attention that most of the street lights or floodlights are either faulty or none-functional. Below are sample of areas affected in my ward.

- a) Floodlights
- a) We have floodlight at Kowino Market Center which is not functioning at all.
- b) We have floodlight at Catholic Center which is on day and night.
- c) We also have a floodlight at a church called Kingdom Power with only one eye functioning.
- d) We have floodlight at Dago with only one eye functioning.

**2. Street Lights**

- a) Nairobi Road, right from town to Nyamasaria area. Several streetlights are not functioning.

- b) Ring road; that is, from Kachok to Dunga. Several lights are not working.
- c) There is a road in my area called Konabato Kajobita Raod. Several street lights are not working.
- d) There is also a road from Western to Okonyo Welo where several lights are also not functioning.

Hon. Speaker, it is against this backdrop that I seek the Chairperson of the Committee of Public Works, Roads and Transport to probe and report to this Honourable House.

1. All areas apart from the above mentioned that are affected and what the department is doing to ensure that all streetlights and floodlights within the County are functioning.
2. That there is a maintenance team put in place so that in case of default, members of the public will know where to channel their grievances.

Mr. Speaker, I need to add that it is not only my ward that has been affected. We want to really appreciate the County Government for putting up floodlights and streetlights in several parts of the County. Mr. Speaker, if these floodlights and streetlights are not maintained, then the good work they are doing may not be realized.

Mr. Speaker, I would equally like to urge my fellow Honourable Members, who in one way or the other, is effected by lack or none-functional of the same. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Honourable Members, it is my belief that you have heard the Statement from Hon. Ratib Boitone on the issue of floodlights and streetlights. What I was just trying to think through, if this only applies to the Department of Roads, Transport and Public Works. Honourable Members, I want to commit the same to the Standing Committee of Roads, Transport and Public Works but to advise that they work alongside other House Committees more so the Sectoral line Departments notably;

1. City of Kisumu, on areas that are affected in the City coverage;
2. Department dealing with Energy and Industrialization

Honourable Members, the Committee is expected to report back to this House within fourteen days. Unless the Chairperson of the Standing Committee of Roads, Transport and Public Works and wants to weigh in and make some comments?

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): The Serjeant-at-Arms, we are using the manual Hansard, please hand over the recorder to Hon. Rakwach.

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I will be able to give that report in the next two weeks as you have directed. It has been a very heavy statement which has made electricity disappear in this Assembly.

*(Laughter)*

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): The Serjeant-at-Arms, please assists the Member with the microphone, the lights are back.

**Hon. Rakwach** (MCA, Kolwa East Ward): Thank you Mr. Speaker, just I have stated, I believe that I will respond to the matter in the next two weeks. Mr. Speaker, I believe that you have equally seen the weight of the statement, it had disappeared with the lights. Thank you.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Thank you, I believe that what the Chairperson is saying that he doesn't have the answers right now. I want to advise the chairperson that you should know how many floodlights and streetlights that are not working. So you can liaise with the Members to give you that information. Make sure you communicate with the Members so that they give you the report. Don't just rely on the department of Roads but go to the City, Department of Energy and Industrialization. You should also make attempt to visit those sites to have a concrete report as you present in the next 14 days.

**The Speaker** (Hon. Oraro): Next Order!

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**The Speaker** (Hon. Elisha J. Oraro): Honourable Member, There being no any other business to transact, the House stands adjourned to Thursday, 03<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 at 2.30 p.m.

*(House rose at 03.25 p.m.)*

*Addendum*

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