

MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 21st April, 2015

The House met at 9:30 a.m.

(The Speaker Hon. Nduati Kariuki in the Chair)

PRAYERS

PAPERS

SPECIAL AUDIT REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL ON THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF MURANG'A COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND FORMER DEFUNCT LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1st 2013 TO JUNE 30th 2013

Hon. Anderson Muchemi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the chair, I beg to lay the following paper on the table of the Assembly today Tuesday 21st April 2014:-

That, the report of the Public Investment and Accounts committee on the Special Audit report of the Auditor General on the financial operations of Murang'a County Government and Former Defunct Local Authorities for the period January 1st 2013 to June 30th 2013, be laid on the table of the Assembly.

(Hon. Anderson Muchemi laid the paper on the table)

Thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

REPORT OF THE WATER, ENERGY, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND CO-OPERATIVES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE MURANG'A WATER BILL, 2014

Hon. Danson Mburu: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I would like to lay the following paper;- the Report of the Water, Energy, Forestry, Environment, Natural Resources and Co-operatives Management on public participation of the Murang'a Water Bill, 2014 be laid on the table of the Assembly.

(Hon. Danson Mburu laid the paper on the table)

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

NOTICES OF MOTION

ADOPTION OF PUBLIC INVESTMENT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE SPECIAL AUDIT REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL ON THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF MURANG'A COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND FORMER DEFUNCT LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 TO JUNE 30, 2013

Hon. Anderson Muchemi: Once again Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion:-

That, this Assembly adopts the Report of the Public Investment and Accounts Committee on the Special Audit Report of the Auditor General on the financial operations of

Murang'a County Government and Former Defunct Local Authorities for the period January 1st, 2013 to June 30th 2013, laid on the table of the Assembly on 21st April 2015.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

STATEMENTS

PLOT NUMBER OF KIRIA-INI POST OFFICE NEAR KENOL PETROL STATION, ALONG THE ROAD TO THE DC'S OFFICE

The Speaker: Kimani Machiri? Not in?

Hon. Rebecca Mwicigi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I stand on behalf of my Chair, Hon. Joseph Kimani Machiri.

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 45(2) (c), I hereby wish to request for a statement from the chairperson, Land, Housing, Physical Planning and Settlement on the following:-

1. I would like to know the plot number of Kiria-ini Post Office near Kenol petrol station, along the road to the DC's Office.
2. Is the Chairperson aware that the original owner of the said plot was Mathioya Jua Kali Artisans and that it was grabbed and sold to the Post Office?
3. Can the Chairperson avail the application letter for the plot by the Post Office to the Defunct County Council of Murang'a and the allotment letter issued by Murang'a County Council?
4. The amount of money the Post Office has paid to the County Council of Murang'a and the County Government of Murang'a as plot rent since the plot was allocated to them.
5. Have they defaulted the payment in terms of plot rent since the plot was allocated to them, which steps is the County Government taking in order to repossess and reinstate the plot to the original owners who are Mathioya Jua Kali youths?
6. Can the Chairperson expedite the process of repossession and give this House timelines when it will be through?
7. Is the Chairperson aware that the Jua Kali Artisans continue to pay the County Government of Murang'a a sum of Kshs. 32,000 per year and copies of receipts are available without a proper place to carry on their business and are stationed at a road reserve?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker: Chairperson Land, Housing and Physical Planning? Not in?

Hon. Charity Rugu: On behalf of the chair, I beg to be given two weeks to reply to Hon. Machiri's request.

The Speaker: Granted.

Hon. Charity Rugu: Thank you.

MOTIONS

ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ORTHOPEADIC WORKSHOP IN MURANG'A COUNTY

Hon. Florence Nyambura: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I am a nominated MCA. I beg to move the following motion:-

Aware, that Article 54 (1) (e) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, stipulates that a person with any disability is entitled to access materials and devices to overcome constraints arising from the person's disability, further aware that most of the persons living with disabilities need assistive devices to enable them attend to their

day to day activities, cognizant that most of them are incapable of repairing the broken devices; this House urges the County Government to partner with the Association for the Physically Disabled of Kenya to establish an Orthopaedic Workshop in Murang'a County.

Mr. Speaker sir, I have been one of the persons with disability, although mine is not to the extreme. I thought of our people that are suffering on the ground. They are suffering because of the wheelchairs, the crutches and the surgical boots that they use. I have been witnessing the pain that they are going through because I have been going around the County and I have seen the problems they are undergoing. That is why I thought of coming up with the motion for our County Government to establish an Orthopaedic Workshop so that whenever those people need assistive devices, such as wheelchairs, they will just be going to that workshop to order for what they require.

The Association for the Physically Disabled of Kenya (APDK), is a non-governmental organisation. It started in the early 1950s whereby it began as a charitable organisation. In Murang'a, it started in Mathioya sub-county whereby they went to Gitugi. When I visited most of those people, I saw that they have now improved. They came to start a clinic as per the needs of the community. When we learnt that there were needs in our community for the persons with disabilities, we requested them to come from Nairobi and they devolved.

Mr. Speaker sir, in the first year they came to Murang'a in Gitugi, they did it free of charge; they did not charge anything. After that, the clients started paying something. They have now gone to almost the whole County. For example, they came from Gitugi after they finished their work there and went to Kangema, Kahuro, and Kigumo. They are now in Maragua. As I was doing the study, I was thinking; what if we have our own?

Mr. Speaker sir, our County Government has done a lot of good things. I would like to congratulate the County Government because they gave so many wheelchairs and so many crutches last year and that eased the mobility of our people. I wish to say that even if those people were given those devices, it is unfortunate that some of them have broken. For example, the crutches and some of the assistive devices have already broken because of the nature of the environment in our Murang'a County which is very hilly in some places. Those people are suffering a lot.

Mr. Speaker sir, if the County Government partners with the APDK, and we start our own workshop where people will be trained, we will create jobs, both for the persons with disabilities, the youth, young parents and even the old people because when people wish to have that knowledge, they will be trained. Second, we will also save the lives of our people and we will eliminate poverty. Sometimes, people with disabilities have a kind of poverty because, in their mind, they think that they can do nothing. However, I thank our Assembly and the Executive because we have been training our people to wake up and be assisted with little things as they try to do most of the jobs on their own.

Mr. Speaker sir, I would like to say that most of the Hon. Members in this Assembly have been requesting for the wheelchairs. I was with the Executive on Thursday and I asked them whether they have procured the wheelchairs, I was told they are on the way and yet, they have not procured with the APDK. APDK serves the whole country in Kenya whereby we have 47 counties.

What if we have a sub-county APDK in Murang'a whereby we will also be selling our wheelchairs out of the County? It will bring income to our people. That point means that it will bring income to our County. We have been eliminating poverty with our neighbouring Counties like Kirinyaga, Nyeri, Kiambu. The ones who move here to beg will now manage to come to beg, some of them come here because they do not have the assistive devices. Mr. Speaker sir, if you go around our town in Murang'a, you will see so many people, walking, crawling and walking while seated down. As I was trying to look where they came from, I learnt that some of them came from outside our County.

So, Mr. Speaker sir, we will be able to engage our people, reduce the poverty levels and our people will be so happy. Therefore, I would like to request the Hon. Members to support this motion.

For the implementation, I thought it is not our work to suggest the places. The Executive will decide according to the geography of Murang'a County and according to our needs. If we say that we let them come up with one in Kahuro, the other one in Maragua and another one in Kandara, they will raise chaos in our County because the rest of the five sub-counties will stand and say, "What about us? The County is discriminating us!"

So, according to this motion, I decided that the Executive will decide. If they decide that they are going to come up with three or four, it is upon them and their needs because they are the ones who have the budget. We can decide and say that we are going to have four and the budget limits us. So, I stand to say that as we support the motion; let us not look at the places, the places will be determined by the Executive according to the geography of Murang'a County.

In future, Mr. Speaker sir, we hope to have a Westlands in Murang'a where every Kenyan will be going to seek for assistance. We know we are heroes in Murang'a. We can start something and the first Assembly will make a legacy that we started something for the disabled and for the entire County. I call Hon. Charity Rugu to second the motion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Charity Rugu: I am a Member of this Assembly; I stand to support the motion. The people living with disabilities are our people. We have these people in our homes, we have brothers and sisters, we have our neighbours. I will be very happy if the County Assembly agrees to partner with the APDK and build this important institution in our County.

According to our bible, there was a person who was blind and people asked Jesus whether the parents of the person had the fault or the person himself. Jesus answered and told them to glorify the name of the Lord. This Assembly will also glorify the name of the Lord if we pass this motion. They are our people, we like and love them, we want to see them do their activities as we do. So, I stand to second and support the motion and even urge the House to support it so that we have a special institution in our County. Thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

The Speaker: Thank you.

(Question proposed)

No contributions?

Hon. Esther Ngugi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I am a nominated MCA, I stand to make a comment on this motion. This motion was here the other time and it was ruled that it

should come back with an amendment but as it looks, there is no amendment. Only the words Murang'a County and Muriranjias have been interchanged.

Mr. Speaker, I would also want to make members of this House know that both the elected and nominated MCAs are representatives of the people. These people include persons with disabilities. These are the people who know the needs of the people. When it comes to disability, the common denominator is accessibility and distance and that is why where these workshops should be located should be determined by this House.

The issue of the budget keeps coming up but we know that MCAs are not the keepers of the County Accounts. These workshops are not expensive. They are just simple sheds that can either be somewhere in an open place or within a compound in an existing hospital, so we do not need to use a lot of money to construct a very big building to have these workshops. These services are required by people and they should be near where they are. When we leave this motion open like this, we do not know what we are going to get.

Mr. Speaker, the issue of the structure and infrastructure or both also keeps coming up. These workshops do not require all these structures. It is just like a simple welding workshop, it is just that machine and some metals. So, we do not have to dwell so much on the budget and structures because it can be anywhere as long as it is near where people who need it are. Those are my comments. Thank you.

The Speaker: Order! Are you supporting or opposing? You are not clear.

Hon. Esther Ngugi: I am opposing Mr. Speaker.

(Several members rose)

The Speaker: Ladies first.

Hon. Mary Waithira: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I rise to oppose the motion. As the Hon. Member has said, we remember that we had this motion on the floor of this House. There were some amendments that had been brought so that at least the motion would have regional balance, but I also want to reiterate that there is nothing that has happened to the motion, it is only the withdrawal of the two areas that member has talked about.

Mr. Speaker sir, when we talk that we have the workshop started in Murang'a County, we know that Murang'a County is very diverse as per the land area and due to the disability of the people we are talking about, when devolution came we were talking about bringing services closer to our people, and since we know the needs our disabled people have I would imagine maybe we take the workshop wherever they can be able to access. And in this case I am not supporting that we have the workshops in all the counties, but we can be able to look at the geography of Murang'a and maybe we have two.

Meaning that we can have a workshop in north and another workshop in south meaning we have a central point of south where the disabled can be able to access and a central point in north of Murang'a County and maybe we have a workshop there.

But when we leave it open like this Mr. Speaker sir, we now we have gone round the Murang'a County and especially I because I usually travel, and we have seen you cannot compare the development that has taken place in two geographical areas. When we leave it open like this we do not know where the workshop might be placed. Let the motion be a bit

specific and maybe we talk of two workshops whereby those in south will be able to access equally to those who are in north.

When we talk of budget, it is us who make the budget and the grant that is given to the Murang'a County and equally the money that we raise from the cess and other revenues that we get. We know that the disabled have also got a share. And if you look at the grant that we are getting as far as the expenditure in Murang'a County is concerned, there is nothing of essence that we have given to our disabled. So if we say that our budget cannot be able to cater for two workshops so that even those with disabilities can see that we also mind about them and they also come for voting.

I think when it comes to voting that is when we see the essence of that person who is disabled. This is the time that we look for vehicles and all possible means to ensure that those people reach the polling centres to vote for the people that we want.

If at all we see essence in them and the value that is in their votes let us not talk of the budget constraint to give two workshops one in north and another in south so that we can talk of a major development from the share that Murang'a gets to our people with disabilities.

Let us talk about bringing services closer to the people and especially those who have disabilities. If at all we are taking agriculture near to them, we are looking for the markets; access roads to our people so that we can make sure their products are able to reach the markets what about the workshops.

If it is put here will the people from the south be able to access it, if it is put in the south will the people from here be able to access it? So let us start with two and when money is available we can talk of setting up in other sub-counties.

So in the way it is I oppose, let us look to the essence of our people, let the motion look at the issue of regional balance; let us talk of two so that both areas are catered for so that our people can be able to access the services. I thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Rebecca Mwicigi: I stand to oppose the motion. In my last contributions to the motion before we asked the mover whether she could amend I talked about two workshops and I am surprised that the motion talks about orthopaedic workshop which has been changed. If something is to be made in Murang'a County we leave it to the CEC to decide then this House will be useless. This House should be more specific and decide on where issues should take place.

I live with a disabled person and I know what to be disabled means. If you tell somebody from Kariara to bring his wheelchair to Murang'a he would rather live without one.

And that is why I support the hon. member who said we have two workshops geographically, one in the north and another in south to be fair because we need these people to access the services and this does not require much.

If a normal container is put somewhere where there is a tarmac road and the people from all the areas can access it and another put in the north, I do not think we would oppose that because the idea is very good, it is a noble idea but it seems nothing was changed from what was presented here. I stand to oppose the motion and I feel that nothing has changed in the motion.

Hon. Anderson Muchemi; Mr. Speaker sir, I also stand to oppose. There is a Kikuyu saying that says once a person is bitten by a snake he sees a rope and he starts crying. It is in this House that things have been done without regional balancing. If I may remind the

member who has moved this motion, one of three projects done in this county because we had given a block figure without mentioning the money where we are taking the funds to and somebody somewhere in the executive decided to take the whole amount of money in one side.

I will just remind her of irrigation. We gave 300 million to irrigation and I cannot shy to say it was taken to one side of the county and the other region of the county was given not more than 50 million.

I also remind the mover about floodlights, in the county we have erected more than 30 floodlights and out of 30 floodlights 23 are in one region. If we leave it that way in this motion you will find that even if we are going to build five orthopaedic workshops it will not be a wonder to find that all of them will be taken to one region.

Mr. Speaker we advised the mover just to mention at least two for regional balancing. I will say this for me to support this motion let us put names, it will not harm anybody and we will not say when to start, but at least we will have guided the executive where to place these workshops. I oppose the motion.

Hon. Danson Mburu: I will start by congratulating the mover of the motion because she is putting a lot of effort in acquiring the chairs for the people with disability. I would urge her to continue doing that one although I am standing to oppose the motion.

Mr. Speaker, I think the argument here is that she has not said where the money should be taken to, she has left it for the executive to decide. And there is no harm for the mover saying that as one has said for Murang'a north and Murang'a south.

Let it be said where these should be established. I cannot imagine somebody with disability in Makuyu bringing her chair to be repaired in Murang'a, that is a long distance but if it is established somewhere in south it would be a short distance.

I would recommend that she amend the motion and state where exactly the services should be taken. The intention of the motion is very good the only mistake is that she has not stated where the workshops will be established, I oppose the motion.

Hon. James Njoroge: I am very disappointed as I stand today and I stand to oppose. I chaired the meeting to reconcile the two hon. members, we called them in youth committee and we agreed they are going to amend the motion stating that the orthopaedic workshops has to be built in two regions so that we can have a regional balance.

I am surprised today to see that Hon. Wangechi went ahead and brought the motion the way it was. When it was rejected on this floor as it is being rejected today

So Mr. Speaker through your wisdom maybe there is more than we can think about the two hon. members and I would wish you call them in your chambers and you talk with them so that the competition between them, because they represent a very special group of people and if they can bring the motion the way it was rejected first time there is more than meet the eyes.

So Mr. Speaker I would like you call them and listen to them because I tried to make an effort and they hugged each other as we were winding, so that you reach an amicable solution to bring an end to this enmity because I do not know how they will represent that special group with the enmity. To the two hon. members I was very friendly with you but the next time I will not be friendly when I call you to my committee,

(Laughter)

I thank you Mr. Speaker sir.

Hon. Mary Watiri: I stand to support this motion. The issue of disability is a social responsibility of each and everyone in this county. We have nothing like an orthopaedic workshop in this county and it is better if at least we have one and then be complaining of building another one.

I would suggest that we agree as members in this House that we need a workshop in this county, let us not bring political differences of Murang'a being two and not one. We have one Murang'a county and thus I support that we have this workshop in Murang'a.

If the issue of money is coming in, we should start with one and then build another one next year or some other time. I support the motion.

Hon. Cecilia Gitu: I thank you Mr. Speaker sir. The issue of disability is very important, and I want to thank the members who represent the disabled in this House because they work with a lot of commitment, but the only hitch is that this motion is coming for the second time and this House guided them on what we want and it has come without the amendments that members expected.

We are saying we must have geographical balance, the location of the orthopaedic workshop has to be fair to everybody and that is the reason why this House has suggested we have two, one in the south side of the county and the other one in the northern side of the county. I do not think any member has talked about dividing the county, we are one. And we have to support the people living with disability in Murang'a as one county.

This House cannot afford to be partisan, this House cannot afford to be selfish because we are representing the whole of Murang'a County, but we must insist on balance on every resource that we have.

We are saying the issue of disability cannot be politicised because we are all candidates of disability. Today I am walking tomorrow I might have a stroke, God forbid, and then I will be on wheelchair. That is why we need to rise above petty competition. Let us not be partial, let us look at the things without being partial. Let us be impartial because it is important we serve our people equally.

So it is important that the point that this House has already made be observed. The distance is too long. If we put one in Murang'a north, the people in Murang'a south will find it difficult to come all the way and if we put one in south, the people from north will not be able to access the facility.

So we know this is a money motion, we only need to plan so that we provide. Hon. Esther has talked about a simple kind of workshop; it is not so much about a big kind of building. A welding place like we have workshops around here is enough on both sides.

I do not want us to complicate issues, let us not talk about dividing the county, we are one and we will remain one but provision of facilities should be fair and just. This House stands for justice for everybody not partial. And I stand to oppose the motion until it is amended.

The Speaker; Hon. Kago and by the way congratulations

(Laughter)

And I hope you have completed your honey moon.

(Laughter)

Hon. Kago Njoroge: I thank you Mr. Speaker, may I take this opportunity to thank you and the members for how they supported me during the wedding when I took my vows and said that it is only one and only one that is Rose who will be the mother of my children until death makes us part, God forbid.

Mr. Speaker, as you welcomes me back in this Assembly I must say that I am somehow worried by the points that I have heard though I have come late. I would like to take the members back in 2010 before we were elected MCA's but then I was a councillor in the ward called Mirichu. Then we had problems with our people with disabilities and we had to make a lot of efforts in Murang'a north and we had even to look for funds to take our people to be assessed as far as Nairobi.

We had suffered because we had to take them up to three times before they were assessed and up to today some of them are not assessed. So Mr. Speaker I am hearing that we are arguing of where this workshop should be and when I read the motion it is talking of orthopaedic workshop in Murang'a, it has not specified.

If this motion passes I would suggest that a member can come up with another motion and suggest where the orthopaedic workshop should be put. I feel the motion was amended as the members said and it came to Murang'a County.

For it to pass, for it to be budgeted, if you throw this motion back and you want it to be budgeted, the budget process is almost coming to an end. We should think do we really need this workshop as the first question? The question of where it is going to be let it be the second. Already having put the money aside for it to be done

I know the push is because the other day Hon. Florence had talked of Muriranjas. It is good to bring to the knowledge of this House, that after we gathered, those of us who were there then, we went to Nairobi and event to Afya House to convince the Minister for Health, Muriranja hospital was identified as one of the places where the clinics were to be established, later on, Murang'a a district hospital was earmarked.

However, today I am not vouching for Muriranjas or Kandara; I am going for us having a workshop In Murang'a, we will then start arguing where to place it. I am for Murang'a. We have a rehabilitation center which is one and the only one in East and Central Kenya having said it is there, we have not said that the workshop should be there.

We can think otherwise, Mr. Speaker, it is in this House that some money was set aside, for Muriranjas and some argued that this was only happening in the North. I was not born when Muriranjas was identified, so there is a difference between uplifting the facility and creating a new facility.

Mr. Speaker, I do not mind if the center goes to Kandara, I understand that one member has said that all things are going North, that all irrigation projects are in the North and I know Ajibika which is in Kandara, there is a playground that is under rehabilitation in Ng'araria ward. We know these things are being done. If we bring politics within our term, we will fail. We need this orthopedic workshop here in Murang'a, the member has not specified where, when there is money in the budget we can then discuss where we will position our orthopedic clinic, we can then say, if we only have the capacity for one centre, can we then take it to Maragua rural hospital because it is the center of Murang'a county. I have no problem even if it is taken to Kenol, my issue is, can we have that money put in the budget, then we will start arguing where best we can locate this workshop. Thank you Mr. Speaker I support.

Hon Samuel Wandia: Looking at the members we have no quarrel in establishing an orthopedic workshop, but we are not the implementers. We are requesting the member to specifically state whether they are at least two, because in implementation we do not have

a hand. Somebody somewhere will have to establish the unit, I request the mover, with all the sincerity in my personality

(Applause)

To rethink this. With your guidance, I do not know whether a motion can be brought for a third time, if so let the mover bring it even tomorrow. We are ready to discuss the motion and approve it for the betterment of the disabled people of this county. Thank you for giving me this opportunity.

Hon. James Kagoni: Mr. Speaker I support this motion. I think that the members are reading too much in the motion. The last line says, to establish an orthopedic workshop in Murang'a County. I was there in the meeting that reconciled the two members and there was a compromise on whether it can mention two other places, I now like it the way it is rather than in mentioning two other places.

I feel that we are heading the wrong direction if we start viewing things from a geographical point Mr. Speaker, from a North South East West point and all these other things.

Mr. Speaker, there are other factors that are considered in implementing some of these things besides the geographical locations. The geographical locations could be one factor but there could be many other factors that can be considered. It is important even as we present things to the executive for implementation, we also give a room for consideration of other factors so that we do not micro-manage specifically from a motion point Mr. Speaker.

Murang'a County is from Gatura to Gaturi, it is from Mioro, it is from Makuyu to Mukuyu, it is from Ithanga to Githanga, it is that big. From Kahuti to Mihuti, that is still Murang'a County Mr. Speaker, let us not just narrow down, the problem is when we create a perception like Murang'a County means Kandara, then anything that will be coming here saying let us have a generator in Murang'a County we will interpreted like we mean Kandara.

Mr. Speaker, I like it the way it is because we are not the people who will implement, the people who will implement will pick this motion as it is and then consider other factors when they are doing the budgeting. The implementers could even consider having eight workshops in Murang'a County. What happens when we micro-manage their thinking, and say exactly two when they actually have the ability?

I like what the Hon. Esther said that these workshops do not require a lot of tools and space, just some sheds to repair wheelchairs and other machines. We are even expecting more funding for the year 2015/2016 and if we are able to have even ten of them, the better. Otherwise it is like we are headed in a very dangerous route when we start looking at things from a North- South angle, while the actual motion reads Murang'a county, let us not read too much because we know where is Murang'a County.

If the implementers decide Gatura and see it more favorable depending on other factors like population, there are other factors and we cannot just narrow them to geographical features. If they find Gatura better, well and good, if they find Kiru as the most favorable, well and good, if they feel they will start it as a pilot project from Kandara, that is ok. Mr. Speaker. I support the motion on the grounds that is states Murang'a County and not Muriranjias nor Kandara. Thank you Mr. Speaker

The Speaker: Hon. Members I can see that we are almost through with their contributions and from what I can see, two things can happen to this motion, it can be defeated or it can pass. Like everybody has said, it is a very important meeting, I will give the option to the mover, because from the sentiments of the members, the only concern is that the motion talks of one, I wonder whether the mover, and this is not a command from the Speaker, it is just a suggestion on whether you could propose an amendment, so that instead of establishing an orthopedic workshop, you say establish orthopedic workshops covering as much of the county as possible. That is upon the mover to consider, if you want to move an amendment, if you do not wish, then I will just put the question.

Hon. Florence Nyambura: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir, I stand guided by you to move the amendment in the floor or I later bring back the motion. In my explanation I was talking about, the reason, I thought we need to have an orthopedic workshop not only in Murang'a County and in Kenya as a whole. Things for disability are taken for granted, sorry to say so. In our CIDP, there is no project for the disabled that have been done and we had included many things. As we have done in the budget 2013/2014 after the KSG approvals we have done. We have said about a special school and nothing has been done so it seems as if..

The Speaker: Order! Order! You have not been called to respond yet and what you are doing now is responding, I have just asked you whether you want to move an amendment or you rather the motion remains as it are. It is your choice.

Hon. Florence Nyambura: I stand to accept the addition of 's' to read workshops.

The Speaker: Maybe the clerk can make an amendment, and give her the motion to move the amendment

Hon. Florence Nyambura: I beg to move an amendment, to read orthopedic workshops in Murang'a County,

The Speaker: You should move that the amendment, 'be part of the motion'

Hon. Florence Nyambura: I move that the amendment 'be part of the motion'. I call upon Hon Kagoni to second the motion

Hon. James Kagoni: I stand to second that the letter 's' be added to read orthopedic workshops in Murang'a county as guided in the motion.

The Speaker: We are not voting for the motion we are voting for the amendment
(Question put and agreed to)

The Speaker: You can now respond to the motion as amended

Hon. Florence Nyambura: I wish to congratulate the hon. members for discussing it, we have seen the issues that are there. I wish to state on the floor of the House that we have no differences, because for disability you cannot have differences since the intention was to have the workshop since the one in Nairobi serves the whole country. We need the services to come near our people and our people will be assisted especially the poor.

Even if the workshop starts anywhere in the county and then picks up, I will be glad because I know our people will have moved from that challenge, as an Hon. Member has said, as we serve these people we will be serving God and do a noble thing to our people who will feel that they have not been left out.

Once again I would like to emphasize on implementation. In 2013 CIDP we stated a lot for disabilities but nothing was implemented, in 2013/2014 budget apart from the wheelchairs, nothing else was implemented.

Mr. Speaker, it's sorry that our people are suffering in their homes because they do not have anywhere to go and be trained. I stand that his county should give the first priorities to our people. I wish to remind the Hon. members that we should not see things negatively but see them from a positive point. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

The House is now adjourned until 2:30 p.m. this afternoon.

The House rose at 10: 33a.m.