

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 3rd July 2018

The House met at 9:40a.m.

[The Speaker (Nduati Kariuki) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

PETITIONS

PUBLIC PETITION BY TEA FARMERS OF KANYENYA-INI FACTORY

The Speaker: Honourable members, pursuant to standing order 214 (2) (b) I wish to report that on 18th June 2018 the County Assembly received a petition submitted by tea farmers of Kanyenya-ini tea factory located in Murang'a County. The petitioner draws the attention of the Assembly to the matter of manure that was paid for in October and December 2016 but was never supplied.

I further wish to state that the petition is signed by 13 petitioners. Their prayer is that the Murang'a County Assembly requires that the money owed to them plus interest based on the time value by the County Government be refunded to them within a month or double the manure supplied within the specified period which is twice that would have been supplied had the County supplied to them as per its undertaking.

Require the County Executive Member (CECM) Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries to apologise to them in public on behalf of this department for the suffering including health and the psychological problems that they have gone through trying to chase their money.

Require His Excellency the Governor to take stern action against the County Government officers in the department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries for abuse of office and inefficiency.

Pursuant to standing order 216 (1), the petition is hereby committed to the sectoral committee of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries. Further, pursuant to standing order 216 (2) the committee shall in not more than 60 calendar days from today respond to the petitioners by way of a report addressed to petitioners laid on the Table of the Assembly.

PUBLIC PETITION BY MEMBERS OF KANGUNU COFFEE CO-OPERATIVE

Honourable members, I have got another petition that is public petition on illegal deduction of money from members and mismanagement of co-operatives. Pursuant to standing order 214 (2) (b) I wish to report that on 21st June 2018, the County Assembly received a public petition submitted by the residents of Murang'a County and members of Kangunu coffee co-operative. The petitioners draw the attention of the Assembly to the matter by the residents of Murang'a County who are members of Kangunu coffee factory co-operatives. I further wish to state that the petition is signed by five petitioners. The petitioner's prayer is that:

- a) A forensic audit be conducted Kangunu coffee co-operative to unearth all the anomalies in the co-operatives for the benefit of farmers.

- b) The management committee and the secretary manager to step aside for investigations on mismanagement of the co-operative
- c) The society members be refunded the money that was illegally deducted

Pursuant to standing order 216 (1) the petition is hereby committed to the sectoral committee on Trade, Co-operatives, Industrialization and Tourism. Further, pursuant to standing order 216 (2) the committee shall in not more than 60 calendar days from today respond to the petitioners by a way of a report addressed to petitioners laid on the Table of the Assembly.

NOTICES OF MOTION

PURCHASE OF ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTANANCE EQUIPMENT

Hon. Duncan Muturi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following;

Aware, that County roads is a devolved function as stipulated in part 2 (5) (a) of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, further aware that most County roads are in a dilapidated condition thus rendering them inaccessible due to lack of periodic rehabilitation and maintenance, recognizing the fact that previously the County Government used to lease road construction and maintenance equipment which was expensive and not utilized as per the Ward residents expectations; this House urges the County Executive Member in charge of Transport and Infrastructure to purchase each of the following equipment per sub-county to facilitate periodic road construction and maintenance:

1. Grader
2. Lorry
3. Water boozer
4. Roller
5. Dozer
6. Shovel
7. Excavator

Thank you.

INVESTORS CONFERENCE

Hon. Sospeter Nyoko: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following:-

Aware that private investments are a key economic driver of development, recognizing that trade development is a devolved function under Part 2 (7) of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, further aware that Public Private Partnerships offer a suitable platform for economic growth, cognizant of the need to tap the County's investment potential in agri-business, manufacturing, tourism, hospitality and education, recognizing the importance of marketing the County to potential investors; this House urges the County Executive Member for Trade and Industrialization to;

1. Organise an investors conference to showcase the County's investment potential that will involve all the stakeholders including KEPSA, Chamber of Commerce, Kenya National Farmers Association, Murang'a Business Community, Murang'a Professionals and Academia.
2. Identify possible investor friendly incentives through Public Private Partnerships to promote the County's investment competitiveness.

LOW COST HOUSING IN MURANG'A COUNTY

Hon. David Macharia: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following;-

Aware that every person has the right to accessible and adequate housing pursuant to Article 43(1) (b) of the Constitution of Kenya ,2010, further aware that provision of affordable housing is one of the agendas of the national government, recognizing that County planning and development including housing is a devolved function pursuant to Part 2 (8) of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, informed by the fact that the County has under-utilized land parcels in the major urban centres, concerned that Murang'a County only has 47 low grade and 13 middle grade houses as captured in the CIDP 2018-2022; this House urges the County Executive Member in charge of Land, Housing and Physical Planning to;

1. Formulate a County housing policy to address housing standards, amenities access, spatial planning, drainage and waste management.
2. Develop low cost housing for the County residents living in informal settlements.
3. Spearhead issuance of land ownership documents to enable private housing investments.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker: There being no other business this House stands adjourned until today 2:30pm

The House rose at 9:55a.m.