REPUBLIC OF KENYA MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 22nd November 2018

The House met at: 2:32p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki) in the Chair]

PRAYER **PETITIONS**

STATUS ON COMMITTED PETITIONS

PROVISION OF SANITATION, CLEAN WATER AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE OF MANGOTO B NURSERY SCHOOL

CONSTRUCTION OF AN ECDE CLASSROOM IN NGURUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL AND EMPLOYMENT OF ONE ECD TEACHER

Hon. Waithera Ndung'u: Thank you Mr Speaker, I want to bring to your attention the status on committed Petitions, on behalf of The Education and Child Welfare, Research and Information Technology and E-Government Committee, I will like to issue an update on the following; report on the public Petitions by the residents of Mangoto Kimorori/ Wempa Ward in Maragua on provision of sanitation, clean water and general maintenance of Mangoto B nursery school.

Report on public Petitions by the residents of Ithanga ward in Gatanga Sub-County on construction of an ECDE class room in Ngurunga primary school and employment of an extra ECDE teacher in the said facility.

Hon. Speaker, in a meeting held today, Thursday November 22, 2018, the Committee adopted the two reports which will be forwarded to the House Business and Rules Committee for allocation of time in the order paper next week. Thank you.

STATEMENTS

TENTATIVE BUSINESS FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23RD TO THURSDAY NOVEMBER 29, 2018

Hon. Elizabeth Mwangi: Mr Speaker, I beg to issue the following Statement on behalf of Hon. Milkah Ngare. Pursuant to Standing Order 46 (2) (a), the House Business Committee in their last meeting approved the following tentative business that will come before the Assembly from the week commencing Tuesday November 27, to Thursday November 29 2018 as contained in the programme.

Morning sitting on 27th November 2018 there will be a Paper laid, report on the Controller of Budget (COB) County Government budget implementation review on the first nine months financial year 2017/2018.

There will be a Notice of Motion adoption of the report on the COB County Government budget implementation review report for the first half financial year 2017/2018. Notice of Motion adoption of the report review on the first Nine months financial year 2017/2018.

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Notice of Motion; adoption of the implementation status of adopted resolution from the implementation by the department of Finance Information Technology (IT) and Economic Planning by the Chairperson Committee on Implementation.

Tuesday afternoon sitting, 27th November 2018 there will be a Paper to be laid by the Chairperson Public Investment and Accounts Committee on Auditor General financial statement of the County Executive of Murang'a for the year ended 30th 2017. There will be schedule of Statements; request of Statements on Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) centres in Makuyu Ward by Hon. Stanley Muhia, Member of County Assembly (MCA) Makuyu Ward.

Wednesday afternoon sitting there will be a Motion on the COB implementation review report for the first half financial year 2017/2018, by the chairperson Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Thursday afternoon sitting 29th, November 2018; Statement which will be read by a member of House Business and Rules Committee on the tentative business. Motion; adoption of the report on the Annual Development Plan (ADP) financial year 2018/2020 to be read by the chairperson Finance and Economic Planning Committee. That is all Mr. Speaker Thank you.

STATEMENTS

RESPONSE ON WASTE MANAGEMNT POLICY IN THE COUNTY

Hon. Milkah Ngare: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I wish to record my apologies for clocking in late, I was the one to give notification schedule for next week.

I stand here on behalf of Water, Energy, Forestry, Environment and Natural Resources and give response from Hon. Lilian Kabaya, she requested for a Statement dated 16th October 2018. It is therefore my pleasure and duty as a member to give this response. Hon. Lilian Kabaya stated some problems and I will request you allow me to go through question by question as I give an answer.

Question one, Hon. Kabaya asked is there a County Waste Management Policy and, if not why, and if yes, has it been adopted by the County Assembly? The Committee responded that yes there is developed a County Waste Management Policy and the policy gives a situation analysis of the garbage status.

The Waste Management Policy states as follows: - the goal is to reduce exposure of Murang'a residents to the hazards of solid waste; hence protect them from human and environmental health hazards and promote efficient waste management. The policy is to be implemented through four key objectives:-

- 1. To inform legislation instruments to reduce waste quantities;
- 2. To inculcate responsible public behaviour on waste management;
- 3. To promote waste degradation at the source; and
- 4. To establish environmentally sound infrastructure and systems for waste management.

The policy will further define the role of the community to reduce garbage menace and further give the government policy statements on its responsibility. I wish to inform that the policy is in its draft form and has been presented to the Cabinet for input and further on, the final draft will be shared to the Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, the second question was how many garbage collection points are there in the County and where are they located and what is their status? The County has 250 garbage collection points distributed in all the Sub-Counties as guided by the garbage production levels.

The garbage receptacles were constructed in these areas but half of them were vandalised. A proposal was presented to the Cabinet for which it has approved construction of those chambers in the vandalised areas.

Mr. Speaker, question three was what is the frequency of waste collection? The garbage collection plan is that the receptacles are emptied every day but this is not the case due to breakage of the old lorries at times and the garbage may accumulate for the said reason. An approval was presented to the Cabinet as well to have all the old lorries repaired and, going forward, the Department will purchase two new lorries a year.

Mr. Speaker, question four was what is the modality of waste collection especially in the major towns and urban centres? The response is as follows:- that the areas with high garbage collection levels are Kenol, Gatura, Maragua, Kangari and Kariaini. The areas mentioned here have been allowed to hire lorries to avert the crises and the routine is that they use two lorries while the others will be using one.

Mr. Speaker, question five was what measures are in place for waste treatment? The answer is that currently, the Department has resolved to have solid waste decentralised and buried underground to avoid flies and rodents that have been a source of ailment. The Karii dumpsite work is in progress and this will be extended to all the other Sub-Counties. The World Bank project on the landfill will ease the garbage problem once completed as it seeks to privatise collection and transportation.

Mr. Speaker, question six was how many dumping sites are there in Murang'a County and where are they located? The County has three dumping sites namely Karii which is in Kandundu area, Mukarakara in Kangema and Gikono in Kenol. Then, how many tonnes of garbage are produced in Murang'a County per day and per month? I wish to notify the House that the County produces and approximate of 640 tonnes per day which translates to about 1920 tonnes per month.

Then how many tonnes are recycled? And if any the location of recycling plant. Hon. Speaker currently the County has no recycling plant and this makes the garbage disposal difficult. However, it has been recommended that one will be incorporated in the County.

Mr. Speaker those were the findings of the Committee and I would also want you to kindly allow me to give an acknowledgement. The Committee will like to thank your office, the office of the Clerk for the support and services extended to the members to enable the Committee to complete this report. Also grateful to diligence and competence of the members in the completion of the task to water committee, thank you Mr. Speaker.

RESPONSE ON EMPLOYMENT OF MINORITIES AND PEOPLE LIVING WITH DISABILITIES

Hon. Stanley Muhia: Thank you Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Governance, Justice and Legal Affairs Committee, I wish to take this opportunity to present a response to a Statement requested by Hon. Ndunda regarding people living with disabilities. I also want to greatly thank the Committee for answering the same.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee wishes to sincerely thank the offices of the Speaker and the Clerk for necessary support accorded to Committee during the carrying out of its mandate. The Committee also wishes to record an appreciation for the services rendered by the staff of the Assembly always when we have such questions.

Mr. Speaker, in an afternoon Assembly sitting held on Tuesday 14th August 2018 Hon. Ndunda asked for a Statement from myself the Chair Governance, Justice and Legal Affairs on employment status for People Living with Disability.

In response, Mr. Speaker the first question was asked; can the Chairperson provide to this Assembly employment status of the minorities and People Living with Disability in the County pursuant to Article 56 (c) of the Constitution of Kenya, and the response, Mr. Speaker, the response is in annex one and annex two.

And second question; can the Chairperson further provide above information in respect to all the seven Sub-Counties; then annex one and two answers the question.

Question three, with regards to Persons with Disabilities in employment if any, can the Chairperson inform this House if they have been equipped with facilities and equipment to facilitate their duties and what is the level of compliance by the County Public Service Board to ensure that facilities such as buildings, sanitation rooms are friendly to the same? Mr. Speaker, in response, I am aware that the People with Disability in this County are distributed in various offices such as hospitals scattered all over the County. I am also aware that facilities such as buildings, sanitation rooms were constructed by the defunct local governments and central government ministries. There were attempts by the authorities to mainstream People Living with Disability. The welfare unit in the County is in the plan to conduct an audit of the structures in the County offices to establish the disability mainstreams gaps are met and comply with the requirements of the law.

I wish to request Hon. Alex Ndunda to take his time and go through the annexes and be satisfied that we have done enough to respond to his questions. I thank him for giving us work to do. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Thank you very much, Hon. Ndunda.

Hon. Alex Ndunda: Thank you Mr. Speaker for this opportunity. I must thank the chair governance and his Committee for their good work. I was happy when I saw this document. I came to realize that they have done a lot of work. This has shed some light because I have come to understand that there are People Living with Disability (PWDs) employed in our County and they are there with their names and respective departments. Thank you so much for work well done.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): It is very rare for a Committee to be commended due to a question. Congratulations to the Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY ORDER PAPER PAPERS THE MURANGA COUNTY GOVERNMENT SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FY 2018/2019

Hon. Francis Kibe: Thank you Mr Speaker. I beg to lay the following Paper on the Table of the Assembly;-

That, the Murang'a County Government Supplementary Estimates FY 2018/2019, be laid on the Table of the Assembly.

(Hon. Francis Kibe laid the Paper on the Table)

Hon. Francis Kibe: Thank you Mr. Speaker.

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ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker: Honourable members, the House stands adjourned until Tuesday morning at 9.30am.

The House was adjourned at 2.53 pm