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MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY THE HANSARD

Thursday, 31st March 2016
The House met at 3:15 p.m.
(Temporary Speaker Hon. Catherine Mugo in the Chair)

PRAYERS COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR CHANGES IN THE ORDER PAPER

Hon. members, I apologise for starting the Assembly late, there were consultations going on regarding the two Bills in our files and on the Committee of the Whole House; we had a supplementary order paper which has been adjourned to Tuesday next week.

STATEMENTS

RESPONSE ON DIRECTORS OF EACO- MILLS

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. Machiri or the vice- chair of the committee?

(Hon. Joseph Machiri was not in the Chamber)

Hon. Dishon, do you have something to add?

Hon. Samuel Wandia: It is unfortunate that this question has not been answered for the last four months, I have been requesting the chair of Water and co-operatives to respond to this statement but up to now there is nobody to respond to it.

(Hon. Charles Kirigwi rose on a point of order)

Hon. Charles Kirigwi: Is it in order for the hon. member for Muthithi to call this a social gathering, I think he asked the statement on this floor and he says he has now been getting it on social gatherings. I think he is insulting the integrity of this House.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. Dishon withdraw or retract **Hon. Samuel Wandia:** I stand to be corrected by the person who has raised the point of order. When I say that we have been consulting with the chairman of co-Operatives at our social sittings, I wonder what he is talking of.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. Dishon, it is you who is out of order, you are saying that you have been asking the member in social gatherings

Hon. Samuel Wandia: At our personal levels, let me correct.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): You are out of order, retract and proceed **Hon. Samuel Wandia:** I withdraw and apologize. I propose that this statement be moved to next week when the chairman co-Operatives will be present in this House.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Thank you Hon. Dishon, I would wish to state that the members of this committee should communicate to their chairman that the Assembly business is to be taken seriously

As much as we will defer it to next week, we will only give him the next session, someone from the committee should communicate this, and we expect the response on that day.

RESPONSE ON GAKOIGO, MARAGUA SUB-DISTRICT HOSPITAL JUNCTION (GIKINDU ROAD)

(Hon. Duncan Njuguna rose on a point of order)

Hon. Duncan Njuguna: Madam Speaker is it in order for the hon. Jesse to leave his buttons open, even if Kaunda suits are allowed in the Assembly?

(Laughter)

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. Jesse, you are out of order, please do the necessary out of the Assembly

(Hon Jesse Mburu walked out of the Chamber)

This is not to mean that the House will be held at ransom

Hon. Eliud Gitau: I want to respond to a request from our committee by Hon. Jesse Mburu from Nginda ward seeking information on Gakoigo, Maragua district hospital road popularly known as Gikindu road in Nginda Ward.

(Hon Jesse Mburu entered the Chamber)

The Office of the Clerk received a response to the statement from the County Executive Committee member Transport and infrastructure on Wednesday 3rd March and the committee discussed and adopted it yesterday, Wednesday March 30th. We did not conclude the issue. We request to respond next week on Tuesday so that we can bring a comprehensive answer. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): You mean Tuesday next week? **Hon. Eliud Gitau:** Yes, no problem; we have the answer but we are just waiting---**Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo):** Hon. Jesse?

Hon. Jesse Mburu: Thank you Madam Speaker, I do not object to what the chairman has said but I would be happy if he would tell me that the contractor is already at the site because the Local Purchase Order (LPO) is ready. Thank you.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Next order

RESPONSE ON KAHARATI MARKET

Hon. Duncan Njuguna: Thank you Hon. Speaker, I am the chairperson of Land, Housing, Physical Planning and Settlement committee. Our committee has not received the response from the County Executive Member (CEC) for Land. I called her today morning during our meeting and she told me that the person who was allocated the work in Maragua to investigate the matter was sent out on other duties; hence not in a position to carry out the investigation.

I therefore request the hon. member who had requested for the statement to give us 14 working days because we have also scheduled to visit the area on 11th next month.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. John Njoroge Gitau.

Hon. John Gitau: Thank you very much. I appreciate what the chairman has said; I also have a lot of respect for this committee; they have done a lot, especially in Kamahuha. I am aware that something is happening because I have been contacted by the department. Therefore, I oblige. Thank you.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Next order.

RESPONSE ON KAMAHUHA DISPENSARY

Hon. Boniface Njihia: Thank you Hon. Speaker, I am the chair of Health Services committee. There was a statement that was requested by one John Njoroge Gitau from Kamahuha ward; he requested to know about Kamahuha dispensary.

The information was sent to the CEC in charge but we are yet to finalise on the report. She is requesting for an additional two weeks to bring a comprehensive report to this House.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): I cannot hear you Hon. Boniface.

Hon. Boniface Njihia: The CEC has requested for about two weeks to come up with a comprehensive report on the said dispensary. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. John Njoroge.

Hon. John Gitau: Thank you Madam Speaker, I do not have a problem with two weeks, however, I am wondering why nothing has been done at all on this issue yet the two weeks that the chairman promised are over; the people of Kamahuha continue to suffer.

Even if the department is asleep, the committee should do something and visit the area and see for themselves so that they know the condition of the hospital even before they are responded to. That is the only dispensary that is serving the entire Kamahuha ward. This is an emergency; hence very urgent. If you allow, I will give the committee one week.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. Boniface.

Hon. Boniface Njihia: Thank you Hon. Speaker, we had a meeting today with my committee and that was one of the agendas that we discussed. As the member has requested, our committee plans to visit that place so that the committee can have a fact finding exercise before receiving the response from the CEC. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Thank you Hon. Boniface. The House expects a response within 14 days. Next order.

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT ON DISCUSSION OF MEMORANDUM FROM THE GOVERNOR ON THE MURANG'A COUNTY TRADE LICENSING BILL, 2015 AND THE MURANG'A COUNTY REVENUE ADMINISTRATION BILL, 2015

Hon. Peter Kihungi: Thank you Madam Speaker, pursuant to standing order no. 53 (b), I hereby move a motion for adjournment on discussion of memorandum from the Governor on the Murang'a County Trade Licensing Bill, 2015 and the Murang'a County Revenue Administration Bill, 2015 to Tuesday, April 5 2015 at 2:30 p.m. so that members can familiarize with bill before we discuss it.

Madam Speaker allow me, we will be able to discuss that motion on Tuesday; we will not fail you again. I call Hon. Njoroge to second the motion.

Hon. Joseph Njoroge: Madam Speaker I stand to second the motion of adjournment.

(Question proposed)

Hon. David Muhoro: Thank you very much Madam Speaker, as I rise to support this adjournment motion it is now a concern because this is the second time we are adjourning this very serious motion.

It is the prerogative of the Whip and the deputy Whip of the majority party in this Assembly to mobilise and bring the members in this house.

It is a let-down and as long as we are going to take issues in such a casual way we will be caught up with time and we might even find ourselves being out of time.

I am actually supporting this motion very reluctantly ----

(Hon. Charles Kirigwi rose on point of order)

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): What is it Hon. Kirigwi?

Hon. Charles Kirigwi: Madam Speaker today it appears to be very hot and members are appearing to be abusing the privileges of this House, is it in order for Hon. Muhoro to imply that this House is lacking quorum and as far as I am concerned and from where I am seated, this House is well constituted and I do not know what he is talking about when he speaks about people coming into the Assembly. This House has a quorum so I need to be guided.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): Hon. Muhoro substantiate.

Hon. David Muhoro: Madam Speaker I want to honestly say that I have not talked of quorum this afternoon, what I have talked of is the long period the majority party in this House is taking today in its consultation.

Madam Speaker we had a *Kamukunji* and they consulted on the same issue, today they adjourn, they need more time for consultation.

Madam Speaker those of us who are in the minority party are tired

(Laughter)

and actually we need this matter to be dispensed with as soon as possible. Thank you Madam Speaker.

Hon. Charles Kirigwi: Thank you; I rise to support the motion. From what the leader of the majority has said members need time to understand the memorandum from the Governor so that members will deliberate when they are informed so I support.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Catherine Mugo): This House is adjourned to Tuesday next week at 9.30.

The House rose at 3:38 p.m.