

REPUBLIC OF KENYA
MURANG'A COUNTY ASSEMBLY
THE HANSARD

Tuesday, May 28, 2019
The House met at 2.40 p.m.

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

PRAYER
MOTION

ALTERATION OF THE ASSEMBLY CALENDAR PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER 30 (4)

Hon. Eric Kimani: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I beg to move the following Motion;-

Aware, that the County Assembly adopted a calendar for regular sittings of the Assembly for the period February to December 2019 and gazetted the same pursuant to Standing Order 30 (1) and (2), further aware that the Assembly is scheduled to adjourn for long recess on June 6, 2019 to July 8, 2019, cognisant of the fact that pursuant to Standing Order 30 (4) the House Business and Rules Committee during its meeting held on Tuesday 21st May 2019 passed a resolution to delay recess by one week, to allow the consideration and subsequent approval of the Murang'a County Government Budget Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for Financial year (FY) 2019/2020 and the Appropriation Bill 2019, this Assembly alters the Assembly calendar by adjourning for long recess on Thursday 13th June 2019, subsequently Assembly sittings will resume on Tuesday 16th July 2019 at 9.00 a.m.

Thank you Mr. Speaker, I think the Motion is well elaborated and every member can understand the simple language, the content and the details so I will not have to explain more about this Motion. I call upon Hon. Zablon Nduati to second the Motion. Thank you.

Hon. Zablon Nduati: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to second the Motion. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Murigi Amos: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir, as I stand to support this Motion we are supposed to proceed on the long recess next week and we are also aware that the Budget is not well in order. It is not only this one for Murang'a but across all the 47 counties because there is a misunderstanding between the two Houses: the Senate and the National Assembly as regards the Revenue Bill. If we are to postpone for that one week and we are aware that there is mediation between the two Houses, they might agree may be before we go for recess so that we can factor whatever they will agree in our estimates and also in the Appropriation Bill.

In so doing also, in one way or another I think we shall also save the County a lot in terms of gazetting a special sitting, if we are going to have any special sitting to discuss the Motion to deal with the Budget estimates and Appropriation Bill. We know maybe within that week we shall have concluded all the business before us. As we do that, we also expect that may be we are going to have a break because our brothers and sisters, the Muslims are expecting a holiday next time. We also call upon, because we do not have a lot of time we only have two weeks and we know the

budgetary estimates in the relevant Committees, it is important we look at the estimates more critically because that is the main business of this Assembly. This one is a very crucial role.

Mr. Speaker I know we will not be having problems of quorums in our Committee meetings, especially this time. I call all members to sacrifice because this one is a very cardinal role of the members of the Assembly especially this time for the next two weeks. So that we can interrogate those estimates and also the County Executive Committee member (CECM) who will come so that we can produce a very good document which will serve the people of Murang'a for the next financial year. With that I support.

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): The mover to respond.

Hon. Erick Kimani: Thank you Mr. Speaker, if I can react on what Hon. Amos has just mentioned about the standoff between the Senate and the National Assembly, ours is to do our mandate and pass the Budget estimates and by the time may be these two Houses agree on matters revenue maybe we will consider that. But if they will not have agreed on the revenue issues then I think we will have done our part, we shall deal with the other matters as we proceed.

One of the issues that has been mentioned as to why we have pushed the recess by one week is because if we break for recess, then at some point we think of coming for a special sitting it will attract some charge and we are not here to waste public funds. We are here to do proper finance management, that is the advocacy we are doing.

Number two, there will be so much activities during the recess. We do not want to break in the midst for the members to come back and deal with the Appropriation Bill and Budget affairs. Am grateful and I call upon the members to support this. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

PAPER

REPORT OF LAND, HOUSING AND PHYSICAL PLANNING COMMITTEE ON THE PROPOSED KABATI INDUSTRIAL PARK.

Hon. Gerald Wambugu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to lay the following Paper;-

That, the Report of the Land, Housing, Physical planning and Settlement Committee on the proposed Kabati Industrial Park Land, be laid on the Table of the Assembly today May 28, 2019.

Thank you.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Nduati Kariuki): Honourable Members the House stands adjourned until today in the afternoon at 2:30

The House rose at 3:02p.m.