

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF BUNGOMA

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DAILY

HANSARD

TUESDAY 8TH MARCH, 2022

Afternoon Sitting

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF BUNGOMA

HANSARD OFFICIAL REPORT

TUESDAY 8TH MARCH, 2022

The House met at 2:30 p.m.

(Mr. Deputy Speaker [Hon. Stephen Wamalwa] in the Chair)

PRAYER

PAPERS

The following Paper was laid on the Table of the County Assembly:

A report by Sectoral Committee on Tourism, Environment, Water and Natural Resources on the Bungoma County Rig Policy laid by Hon. Grace Sundukwa (*Vice chairperson, Tourism*).

NOTICE OF MOTION

The following Notice of Motion was issued:

That this House adopts a report by Sectoral Committee on Tourism, Environment, Water and Natural Resources on the Bungoma County Rig Policy issued by Hon. Grace Sundukwa (*Vice chairperson, Tourism*).

STATEMENTS

WEEKLY PROGRAM OF THE BUSINESS OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY COMMENCING TUESDAY 8TH-10TH THURSDAY MARCH, 2022

Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa (Member, HBC): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I'm on my feet to give a weekly program of the business of the County Assembly pursuant to Standing Order 36 for the week commencing Tuesday 8th -10th Thursday March, 2022.

We are not on statements which I'm reading

Motion and Bills

THAT this House adopts a report by Sectoral Committee on Housing and Sanitation on the implementation status of the work plan for financial year 2020/2021- 2022 in respect to the department of Housing and Sanitation.

Wednesday 9th March 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Papers

1. A report by Public Investments Committee on the efficiency of the operations of NZOWASCO treatment works.

Motions

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Papers

1. A report by Justice and Legal Affairs Committee on the capacity building workshop of the committee members

Notices of Motion

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Motions

We shall have business that this House adopts a report by Public Investment committee on the efficiency of the operations of NZOWASCO treatment works.

On Thursday 10th at 2:30 p.m.

We shall have administration of oaths, communication from the Chair, Messages, Petitions...

Papers,

Report from the Office of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of Bungoma County Education Support scheme for the year ending 30th June, 2020.

Motions

That this House adopts a report by Justice and Legal Affairs committee on the capacity building workshop of the committee members.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Sospeter! Maybe you can have that back. You have read something which cannot...That report from the office of the auditor General cannot move to the notice! Maybe you correct that. It cannot move to the notice. Just check properly then correct accordingly. On Thursday 2:30 p.m.

Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I may repeat the Order Paper of Thursday.

Papers

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Motions

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Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you so much, Hon. Erastus Sospeter Nyongesa and the earlier statement read on the same date is expunged from the HANSARD accordingly so that we go by...You know he is putting on glasses and sometimes we have a problem. It was magnifying things and sometimes they become blurred. It is okay. We move to the next item.

MOTION

REPORT BY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND SANITATION ON THE IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF DEPARTMENTAL WORK PLAN FOR FY 2020/2021 - 2022 IN RESPECT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa (Member, Housing): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of Housing and Sanitation Committee and on behalf of the Kenya Kwanza team who are seated here, I may move this motion about implementation status of the work plan for the FY 2020/2021 and 2021/2022 in respect to the department of Housing and Sanitation.

Mr. Speaker Sir, on page 2 is the table of contents which I beg to skip. On page 1 the preamble and the mandate of the committee. I also beg that I skip.

On page 3 is the list of members of the committee who Honourable Members know. I also beg to skip.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee appreciates the office of the Speaker and the Clerk of the County Assembly for the logistical support towards making this undertaking a success. Allow me to also extend my appreciation to all members of the committee for their commitment during the consultative meetings and report writing exercise on the implementation status of the Annual work plans for the department of Housing and Sanitation in the FY 2020/2021 and FY 2021/2022 respectively.

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege on behalf of the Honourable Members of Housing and Sanitation to table this report for consideration and adoption by this Honourable House.

You can see the report is duly signed for Hon. Wamusai Simiyu MCA Siboti who is currently the Chair and member of Azimio.

We move to page 6 that is chapter 2

Implementation status of the Annual work plan in the department for the FY 2020/2021, 2021/2022

HOUSING DEPARTMENT WORKPLAN FOR 2020/2021-

The implementation status of the Annual Work Plan.

Mr. Speaker Sir, during the interrogation exercise, the committee on Housing and sanitation noted that the activities under recurrent in the department of Housing included the following;

1. Updating of housing inventories to be done on quarterly basis.
2. Physical assessment of two houses
3. Formulation of the Housing Policy.
4. Minor repairs of two houses opposite the High Rise building

During the year under review, the department set out to renovate various Houses across the County as part of their development plan.

The department managed to renovate 13 houses which are renovation of nine houses in Kimalewa health centre, four houses at Bungoma Referral Hospital, one house at upper and one house at the public works in Kanduyi. The table below summarizes the activities under recurrent and development in the financial year 2020/21.

Members this table is in your gadgets, you may go through it. With your indulgence Speaker, I beg that I do not go through these tables because they are with the members. We may move to general observations.

COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS

1. The department had updated its Housing inventory; an activity which was done in all the quarters of the Financial year.
2. The department had formulated the Housing Bill which is awaiting Public participation after the first supplementary budget is approved by the County Assembly. That the department indeed called for a consultative meeting with the committee on formulation of the Housing Bill
3. The committee had carried out a fact finding mission on the activities under recurrent and confirmed that the minor repairs had been done.
4. That the department had renovated the houses at referral hospital and upper Milimani. This was confirmed during the committee's fact finding mission.

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF ANNUAL WORKPLAN FOR FY 2021/2022

Mr. Speaker Sir, the activities under the department of Housing in the financial year 2021/2022 include the following:

- Renovation of (16) sixteen houses under major repairs; Five(5) in Kimaeti Health Center, Two(2) at Malakisi health center, Three(3) at Tamlega dispensary in Sirisia, Six(6) houses at Kanduyi under Public Works and ten(10) houses under minor repairs in Kanduyi.
- Building build a perimeter wall at Public Works estate

The summary of the projects undertaken for the financial year 2021/2022 are as follows;

Members, we also have the tables indicating the activities as were carried out during that financial year of 2021/22 and the table extends to page 11. As such, I beg to read the observations from the committee.

Mr. Speaker Sir, the committee observes as follows;

1. That all the programmes for this financial year have been awarded and the contractors are already on site.
2. That the department had a grant under KISIP programme of Kshs. 50,000,000 for slum upgrading in Mandizini Bungoma and Land Matope in Chwele. The department is awaiting the disbursement of funds for the project.
3. The committee is yet to visit the sites earmarked for departmental projects for this financial year.

THE DIRECTORATE OF SANITATION

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF ANNUAL WORKPLAN FOR FY 2020/2021

Mr. Speaker Sir, the department of Sanitation submitted the implementation status of its work plan for FY2020 / 2021 indicating the programs at different levels of implementation as shown in the table below:

Honorable members, we also have a table showing or indicating the programs at different levels. We have table one on page 12 and table two which extends to page 13. I also beg that I go through the committee's observations.

The Committee observed as follows:

1. That since the committee started to engage the directorate of sanitation in early 2021; it has managed to visit a number of infrastructural activities including the overhaul of water sewerage at Webuye staff quarters and the lower drivers' quarters in Bungoma.
2. The construction of 2 pit latrine at Milani dispensary (Bokoli ward), together with the dispensary is still in progress. The contractor had requested for part payment which is pending.
3. That renovation of Mungore Dispensary and construction of 4 No. Door pit latrines (Khasoko ward) had been awarded though the contractor had not taken off. That the department had initiated the process of terminating the contract.
4. The department of sanitation failed to conduct feasibility studies before consideration of some projects such as construction of 2 Door pit latrines at Nang'eni Market was incomplete because the proposed land was a private land and had not been paid for. The department had visited the site and there is a proposal to terminate the contract.

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR FY 2021/2022

Mr. Speaker Sir, the director submitted that they targeted to do 20 projects and most of the proposed had been awarded but a few were pending at the procurement office ;These are; Pit latrine at St. Elizabeth Lunao Sec School (Bumula Ward), erection and completion of pit latrin at Musiya ECDE (Bumula Ward), construction of toilet at Katumi Primary (Ndivisi Ward), construction of ablution block /pit latrine at Lubundaa and Mundaa (Khasoko Ward), and construction of 2 door pit latrine at Matumbufu Primary School(Bukembe West Ward).

The table below shows a list and implementation status of the programmes for FY 2021/22

Members, may you go through the table on page 14 extending to page 15 and 16.

COMMITTEE OBSERVATIONS

The committee noted the following;

1. Most projects have not been undertaken and being an electioneering year, most of the projects might not be completed.
2. That most of the projects proposed are Ward based projects but a few from the ministry headquarters.
3. There is need to move away from construction of pit latrines to ablution blocks which are cost effective and sustainable

3.2 COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Speaker sir, the committee therefore recommends as follows;

1. THAT the directorate of Sanitation should be carrying out enough feasibility studies to ascertain the true status of the project sites to avoid delays in implementation as was the case at Nang'eni market where the project stalled due to the land issues.
2. THAT the directorate of Sanitation should put enough measures in place to ensure that contractors are on site and fast track the procurement processes and absorb the funds allocated for various projects and to avoid pending bills.
3. The Directorate of Sanitation should desist from implementing projects in Secondary schools which is a jurisdiction outside the mandate of County Governments.
4. The department should consider construction of ablution blocks which are cost effective and sustainable as opposed to pit latrines.
5. The chief officer for Health and that of Housing need to harmonize their work plans to be implemented under one department.

On the page that follows is the adoption schedule that is duly signed as indicated. May I call upon Hon. Member of this Committee Hon. Sophie Marumbu our good friend of Kenya Kwanza to second the report?

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Sospeter.

Hon. Sophie Marumbu: Thank you. I just want to confirm that Hon. Sospeter our friendship is valid. I want to thank Hon. Sospeter for standing in for the Chair and for having ably taken us through the report eloquently and I believe we have all followed. I stand to second the Motion as I ask the House to also support it.

(Applause)

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members, the Motion having been moved and duly seconded, I now propose the question that this House adopts the report by the Sectorial Committee on Housing

and Sanitation on the Implementation Status of departmental work plan for financial year 2020,2021 to 2022 in respect to the department of Housing and Sanitation.

I propose.

(Question proposed)

Honourable Members, with your silence, I only have ears and without hearing anything, I sense the mood of the House. I now put a question that the Motion having been moved and duly seconded I now put a question this House adopts the report by the Sectorial Committee on Housing and Sanitation on the Implementation status of the departmental work plan for the financial year 2021 to 2022 in respect to the Department of Housing and Sanitation.

(Question put and agreed to)

(Applause)

The report is adopted! Table clerks will transmit as required of them.

Hon. Members there being no other Business on the Order Paper, this House stands adjourned to Wednesday 9th March, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

(House Adjourns)

