REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Thursday, 10th August, 2023

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 2.30 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano. Nabaala) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL

Speaker: Clerk, confirm whether we have got quorum.

(Lack of quorum confirmed)

Speaker: Now that we do not have quorum, I direct the bell be rang for ten minutes.

(Quorum bell rung for ten minutes)

Speaker: Ten minutes have lapsed. Clerk, do confirm whether we have got quorum.

(Clerk confirmed achievement of quorum)

PAPER LAID

LOCAL PHYSICAL LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021-2031 FOR RUMURUTI MUNICIPALITY

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have got a Paper to lay on the report by Finance and County Planning Committee on the local physical and land use development plan 2021-2031 for Rumuruti Municipality.

(Hon. Stephen Ndiritu laid the Paper on the table)

NOTICE OF MOTION

LOCAL PHYSICAL LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021-2031 FOR RUMURUTI MUNICIPALITY

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Mr. Speaker, I beg to give notice of the following motion;

THAT taking into consideration the findings of the County Planning and Finance Committee on its report on the local physical and land use development plan 2021-2031 for Rumuruti Municipality dated 3rd August, 2023,

THAT this House recommends the local physical and land use development plan 2021-2031 to the County Executive Department of Infrastructure and Land Public Works and Urban Development to incorporate the recommendation detailed in the report and submit to the County Assembly within 14 days for approval.

MOTION

LOCAL PHYSICAL LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021-2031 FOR RUMURUTI MUNICIPALITY

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker, I was intending to not only give the notice of the motion, but to move the motion of the said notice. However, considering the

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shortage of Members in this House because they are the ones who have got the powers to say what they want in Laikipia County, I wish to defer this motion until further notice. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Stephen. Point taken and I would direct that as the Chairman of that committee, in consultation with the House Business Committee, you consult and reschedule the date on which it shall be appropriate.

(Motion deferred)

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

ALTERATION OF ASSEMBLY CALENDAR

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I beg to move the following motion.

THAT this Assembly approves the application of Standing Order No. 29(4) to allow it alter its calendar by adjourning its sittings from Friday, 11th August, 2023 to Monday, 28th August, 2023.

Hon. Speaker, this is a motion to alter the calendar by this House to adjourn its sittings from Friday,11th August because the Members understand this House is ran through the calendar. Therefore, I am asking the Members to allow us to alter the calendar as it is indicated in this motion. I am calling upon Hon. Karuiru to second.

Hon. George Karuiru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Hon. Ndiritu for presenting the motion well. I second the motion because the task that is ahead of us is key like the devolution conference where we have to join hands with other Assemblies and County Governments. So, we need to embrace this so that we can have time for interaction. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: The Motion is now open for debate. You are all welcome.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you, Hon. Speaker for giving me this opportunity this afternoon. Firstly, I want to congratulate the Chairman for the Finance Committee for taking into consideration the interests of the Members of the House. Their interest is everything.

On the Motion, I rise to support. We have a lot unfolding events that we need to attend. We need to be part of the Assemblies in Kenya in the coming one or two weeks. We need to join the others and learn more from them. I support the Motion because it will give us an opportunity to interact well with the Reports ahead of us. By the time we shall be fully furnished with what we need to know and see; this will ensure we are all considered. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Nicholas. The floor is still open. Hon. Anthony the floor is yours.

Hon. Anthony Theuri: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I stand to support the procedural Motion. As they say, work without play makes Jack a dull boy. I do not know why they never said Jackie. We should know that we are all human beings and not machines. We have responsibilities. As MCA's, we carry the bigger burden of the community. We need some rest.

We have CASA games and Devolution Conference ahead of us. We need to join others and participate. It is good to note that schools are on holiday and we need time with our

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families. I have small children and I need to take them to Mombasa. We need to interact and I need to see their report cards. I also need to interact with the people who elected me.

Since we passed the Budget recently, we need to meet with Wanjiku so that we hear what they want from us. We do not want any doubts from anyone. I also wish to emphasize on the calendar of this House. We need to sit and know where we are headed as an Assembly. We need to sit down with the Executive. We do not need the episodes that we have been having here and other Assemblies where the Executive and Assembly are not reading from the same page.

We demand that they should know this is the Highest House in Laikipia County. We need to have a one on one with the Executive from each and every Committee. They need to tell us what is going on because they are answerable. Wanjiku does not even know the *Waziris*. All they know is that exactly one year ago, they went to the ballot and need the report card from us. Where do we get it from? We need the Executive in all manners. Whatever we approve here must be reflected on the ground. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Anthony for the good contribution. The floor is open for debate. Reading the mood, I invite the mover to respond.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I thank you Hon. Members for the contribution to this Motion.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT OF THE ASSEMBLY

Hon Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. Before I move this Motion, there is a Notice I gave and I request you allow me withdraw the word 14 days. This will not be enough for Members to go through the plan.

Speaker: Hon. Member, permission granted.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I have a procedural Motion on Adjournment. I beg to move the following Motion;

THAT this Assembly approves the application of Standing Order number 29(3) to allow it Adjourn its sitting from Friday,11th August 2023.

Huu ni Mswada tunaomba upitishwe. Tuondoke Bunge ili tujiunge na kongamano la ugatuzi lililo Uasin Gishu kwa sababu Kaunti zote zinaelekea huko .

Speaker: Just a question. Are you withdrawing the Paper or Notice?

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Am withdrawing the 14 days.

Speaker: Okay

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Mr. Speaker, allow me to withdraw the Notice and the Paper.

Speaker: Granted.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Mheshimiwa Spika, nilikuwa naongea kuhusu kuahirisha Bunge kutoka tarehe kumi na moja mpaka tarehe ishirini na nane Agosti. Tutaweza kuwa na nafasi ya kuweza kuwatembelea wananchi ambao wako mashinani. Wakati mwingine tunafanya kazi kwa niaba ya wananchi ambao walituchagua. Bwana Spika, tukikaa bila kuonana nao tutakosa kuelewa matatizo ambayo yaliwakumba wakati tuko hapa.

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Bwana Spika, itakuwa ni jambo la busara kwa kila Mheshimiwa kurudi mashinani kuongea na Wanjiku ili kumuuliza shida zimefika wapi na ni wapi wangetaka kufanyiwa kazi. Bwana Spika, naelewa Waheshimiwa wako tayari kufanya kazi. Waheshimiwa wanaelewa kazi ambayo wanafanya hapa. Ni watu ambao walitumwa hapa na wananchi ambao walipiga kura.

Wakati walikuwa wanatafuta kura waliwekewa kura kwa debe, kwa hivyo wamekuja hapa kwa niaba ya wananchi. Itakuwa ni jambo la busara tukiahirisha hili Bunge ili tuweze kukutana na wananchi na kuweza kufanya mambo ambayo yako mbele yetu kama vile *Devolution Conference*. Kwa hayo machache, naomba tukubaliane na huu mswada na ninamuomba Mheshimiwa Kanyutu aafiki huu mswada. Asante.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I second this noble idea that for two weeks, we have a chance to interact with our families and then the community. Our family is the first priority but since the community have been entitled to serve them, we shall do it as per the Constitution and the way God will assist us. Mr. Speaker, I wholly heartedly second.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: The motion is open for debate honourable Members. So, the floor is yours

Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Hon. Speaker, I rise to make my contribution on this motion. As I make my contributions, in the beginning, I will say that I am supporting it. When I say I am making contribution, you will start sending signals that you might make contributions against the same motion. I am supporting the motion.

Hon. Speaker, our work is very clear as legislators which we have been doing in this House, oversight which we normally do outside this House and representation. Now that we have the Devolution Conference, we are the representatives of the people of Laikipia. We are going to represent Laikipia in Eldoret. Anywhere Laikipia is needed, we are their representatives. So, we are ready to represent them anywhere they are needed. So, Hon. Speaker, I support. Thank you.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Daniel Mugweru. Honourable Members, the floor is still open. By reading the mood I will therefore ask the mover of this motion to give a reply.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Nachukua hii nafasi kuwashukuru Waheshimiwa kwa kuchangia katika huu muswada. Kwa sababu huu ni mswada ambao unawaruhusu kwenda nyumbani, wanapoenda nyumbani kushughulikia wananchi, vilevile wakubali na wajishughulikie. Najua kuna wale ambao wanatoka mbali na wanapotoka mbali, wako mbali na familia zao.

Ningeomba pia wafike nyumbani kwa siku tatu ili waweze kutimiza majukumu ambayo wanafaa kutimiza kwa familia. Bwana Spika, tunaweza kukaa hapa kisha mambo yaharibike kule nyumbani. Nafurahia kwa sababu ninaenda kwangu kila siku lakini Mheshimiwa Karuiru anakaa siku nyingi kama hajaenda kwake.

Bwana Spika, kwa lugha ya kikwetu, ukiwa na mbuzi nyingi ambazo hazina watoto, boma inaisha. Mimi nawapatia jukumu la kwenda kuhakikisha wameongeza familia. Wasiende kukaa hivyo kwa sababu tunataka Taifa letu likue. Tunapoongea hivi Bwana Spika, waweze kuambia wananchi kuwa 2027 na 2032 tunahitaji viongozi. Kama hatutatafuta viongozi leo, tutawatoa wapi?

Bwana Spika, mimi nimejitolea kwenda kufanya kazi yangu ambayo nimejumuiwa. Nitafanya kazi hadi nikija hapa, watajua kuwa kazi imefanyika. Tunaomba Mungu awajalie.

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Wale ambao wataenda kufanya hivyo, wafanye hivyo na Mungu atujali tukutane hapa tukiwa tumeongezeka na si hapa bali kwa familia. Asante, Bwana Spika.

Speaker: Thank you, Stephen Ndiritu for a robust reply to the motion. Hon. Members, I want to refer you to Standing Order Number 29 (3);

> *"On a day when the Assembly is scheduled to adjourn to a day other than the next normal sitting day in accordance with the Assembly Calendar, the Leader of the Majority Party or the Leader of the Minority Party or another Member of the House Business Committee shall move a Motion of Adjournment which shall be debated for not more than three hours after which the Assembly shall adjourn without question put."*

Thank you, Hon. Members.

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: The sittings of this House now stand adjourned until Tuesday, 29th August, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 2.50 p.m.

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