REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 22nd March, 2022

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 10.00 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Patrick Waigwa) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL

Speaker: Clerk confirm whether we have quorum

(Lack of quorum confirmed)

Speaker: Serjeant at Arms, kindly ring the quorum bell for 10 minutes or until such a time when we have quorum.

(Quorum bell rung for 15 minutes)

Speaker: Clerk confirm whether we have quorum

(Quorum confirmed)

PAPERS LAID

LAIKIPIA COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND RESILIENCE BILL, 2022

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you Mr. Speaker. On behalf the Chair, County Cohesion and justice and Legal Matters Committee, I wish to lay the Laikipia Community engagement and resilience Bill, 2022.

(Hon. Daniel Nyausi laid the paper on the table)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT FOR REVENUE ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE BILL

Hon. Mary Samken: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to lay the following Papers;

a) Public Participation Report on the Laikipia County Revenue administration Bill, 2022 by the Finance and County Planning Committee

b) Public participation report on the Laikipia County Finance Bill by the Finance and County Planning Committee.

(Hon. Mary Samken laid the paper on the table)

LAIKIPIA COUNTY CFSP REPORT

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Hon. Judy Lukio: Thank you Mr. Speaker. On behalf of the Chair, Budget and Appropriation committee, I wish to lay the Papers on Laikipia County Fiscal Strategy Paper report by the Budget and Appropriation committee dated 21st March, 2022.

(Hon. Judy Lukio laid the paper on the table)

NOTICE OF MOTION

Hon. Judy Lukio: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to give notice of the following motion;

> THAT, this Assembly adopts the Laikipia County Fiscal Strategy Paper, 2022 report by the County Assembly Budget and Appropriation committee dated 21st March, 2022.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

REDUCTION OF DAYS FOR BILL PUBLICATION

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of the Leader of Majority Party, I beg to move the following motion;

> THAT this Assembly approves the exemption of Standing Order No. 116 to reduce the number of days required after publication of the Laikipia County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2022 (Laikipia County Bills No. 4) from seven days to two days.

Hon. Speaker, we all know the rush we have on these days. All the Governments are trying to complete their work by reallocating some money to ensure that the ongoing projects are done on time. We are nearing elections and there are some things that the Executive have done to ensure that they finish on time. We are in a hurry in ensuring that the Supplementary Budget is granted to them on time so that they finish on time for the betterment of Laikipia.

That is why the Leader of Majority Party and the ruling party is requesting the same to ensure that the same is granted for easy movement and coordination of the County Government of Laikipia. I kindly ask Hon. Members to support this. This is not the first time and this time this will be of help to our people because some of us if not all of us have pending projects that need to be completed before the term ends.

I am very sure all Members will find it necessary for the Supplementary to be granted on time. Hon. Speaker, we are aware that this House is going for recess next week and actually it was meant to be this week so that we go to defend our seats in the nomination campaign. This is a very critical time that we need to speed up and ensure that the process is running smoothly as we come to the end of this session. I will call upon Hon. Judy Lukio to support this motion. Thank you.

Hon. Judy Lukio: I second the motion.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: May I call upon the mover to give a reply.

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I definitely know the silence of the Honourable Members means that we agree with this because it makes a lot of sense to all of us. I still request them to support this for the betterment of Laikipia. Thank you.

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(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

First Reading

THE LAIKIPIA COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2022

Speaker: The Bill is committed to the Budget and Appropriations Committee.

BILL

Second Reading

THE LAIKIPIA COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2022

Hon. Judy Lukio: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move the motion;

THAT, the Laikipia County Supplementary Appropriations Bill, 2022 be now read a second time.

Speaker: Who is seconding?

(Silence)

Speaker: Hon. Judy, kindly call your seconder.

Hon. Judy Lukio: Sorry. Mr. Speaker, I want to request Hon. Esokon to second the motion.

Hon. Lochimidi Esokon: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I second the motion.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I fully support the Bill to move to the Second Reading, and request the Hon. Members that we fully give support to the same. Thank you. I support.

Hon. Mary Samken: Mr. Speaker, I also rise in support of the Bill going to the Second Reading. Thank you.

Speaker: May the Mover give a reply. Hon. Judy?

Hon. Judy Lukio: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I thank all those who have seconded and supported the motion. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

Second Reading

LAIKIPIA COUNTY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND RESILIENCE BILL, 2022

Speaker: It was the Deputy Speaker who is laying it on behalf of the Chairperson of Cohesion Committee.

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Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I have got a lot of responsibilities this morning.

THAT, the Laikipia County Community Engagement and Resilience Bill, 2022 be now read a second time.

Hon. Speaker, as I said earlier we are almost at the tail end of the core business in this House. There are some Bills like the one that is before of us which is very important for the lives of Laikipians especially on this engagements and resilience. It is very important for our people. We know how much we are suffering and we want to caution our people on the same because in the very few days before, we have had some of our youths being recruited by Al-Shabaab.

This Bill will be more of cautioning them into falling into such traps. It is a very important bill for our people and we are requesting the House that at least we give it the necessary support for it to be completed so that it serves our people. I request the House that we fully support it until we see it working for our people. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Speaker: Who is Seconding?

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: I will call upon Hon. Mary Samken to second this motion.

Hon. Mary Samken: Thank you, Hon Speaker. I do second.

(Question put and agreed to)

Speaker: Are we supporting the bill to be read the second time?

Hon. Patricia Muthoni: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I am rising to support the bill to be read the second time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: May the mover give a reply.

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker and I indeed the Members. I am very sure we are sailing together with them. We have been engaging in this bill closely as the whole House. I hope we are sailing together and I request the Honourable Members to support the Bill.

(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

Second Reading

LAIKIPIA COUNTY FINANCE BILL, 2022

Speaker: Hon. Mary Samken.

Hon. Mary Samken: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. For giving me this opportunity. I wish to request;

THAT, the Laikipia County Finance Bill 2022, be now read the second time.

I would like to inform the Honourable House that as the Committee on Finance, we have gone thoroughly through the Finance bill and made necessary changes.

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I would also urge the Members that when they will get that the chance in the Committee of the Whole, they can still look at it and make necessary changes. Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I now call upon Hon. Esokon Lochimidi to second.

Hon. Esokon Lochimidi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I second.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Thank you, Hon. Speaker. For giving me this chance to support this motion. It is very important as I had said earlier that we need to consider soon because our people are waiting for these bills. We do not want the Executive to point fingers on us in any way it is us who are not fully facilitating anything from our side.

Remember Hon. Speaker, all your Hon. Members are about to be subjected to elections again. Although I must say even days before elections, this House has been giving a priority to such Bills or to such works and will directly be improving the life of *Wanjiku*. I am very sure that it is not only this time that we are trying to hurry, all we are saying is that we give it priority. We have been doing it and even the last day we were still doing it and I still request the Hon. Members that we ensure we have completed this process for the betterment of our people. I wholly support. Thank you, Hon. Speaker.

Speaker: May the mover give a reply.

Hon. Mary Samken: Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank all the Hon. Members for supporting the Bill and also urge them that we approve so that we proceed to the final stage. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

BILL

Second Reading

LAIKIPIA COUNTY REVENUE ADMINISTRATION BILL, 2022

Hon. Mary Samken: Hon. Speaker, I beg;

THAT, the Laikipia County Revenue Administration Bill goes for the second reading.

I would like to thank your office and also that of the Clerk for the support they have provided to the Committee during the process of the two Bills especially the Administration Bill. I also like to recognize the support that the liquid team from the Assembly have accorded to the Committee and through their help and guidance, I believe that we are bringing a law that will govern the collection of revenue in the County.

Mr. Speaker, we have also seriously looked into heat that taxes are being collected across the County and also the citizens are not oppressed because the clauses and everything that we felt as a Committee that will oppress the citizens, we have tackled it and we have also removed it from the Revenue Administration Bill. I assure the Hon. Members because I know they will also have the Bill and will go through it, when it becomes operational will be of great help to this County and will also guide the collection of revenue.

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We will not move from that point onwards and bring the Finance Bill which is so much detailed to this House which the Hon. Members sometime do not have a lot of time to go through it. However, we shall only be bringing the Administration Bill. We will be bringing only the amendments to the Finance Bill which will be easy for the Hon. Members to go through and make the necessary changes that they require to make. I would like to call upon Hon. Esokon to second the Bill. Thank you.

Hon. Lochimidi Esokon: Thank you Hon. Speaker, I second the Motion. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

(Silence)

Speaker: Are we in support that the Bill be read a second time?

Hon. Judy Lukio: I support.

Speaker: May I now call upon the mover to give a reply.

Hon. Mary Samken: Hon. Speaker, I would like to thank the Hon. Esokon for seconding the motion and also Hon. Lukio for supporting it. I also urge the Hon. Members to support so that we can proceed with the bill. We shall have time to look at it at the Committee of the Whole until the final stage. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE HOUSE

LAIKIPIA COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2022

Hon. Daniel Nyausi: Mr. Speaker, I don't think we have got the quorum to facilitate us in the next business of this House.

Speaker: Standing Order No. 36;

1. *If at any time the Chair is taken, or when the Assembly is in Committee, a Member objects that there is not a quorum present, the Speaker or the Chairperson shall order a count of the Assembly or the committee as the case may be.*

2. *If on the count under paragraph (1) a quorum does not appear to be present, the Speaker or the Chairperson shall cause the division bell to be rung as on a division, and if no quorum is present at the expiration of eight minutes*

    a) *If the Speaker is in the Chair, the Speaker shall adjourn the Assembly until the next sitting without question put.*

Therefore, I wish to order that the count be done to confirm whether we have got a quorum.

(Lack of quorum confirmed)

Speaker: Serjeant at Arms to ring the quorum bell for eight minutes.

(The quorum bell was rung for eight minutes)

Speaker: Serjeant at Arms to stop the bell.

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ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: Hon. Members, you may rise. This House now stands adjourned until tomorrow Wednesday, 23rd March, 2022 at 9.00 a.m.

The House rose at 11.12 a.m.

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