REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 26th October, 2022.

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 9.00 a.m.

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

PRAYERS

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

APPOINTMENT OF LAIKIPIA COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD MEMBERS

Hon. Members, The County Assembly Service Board is constituted pursuant to Section 12 of the County Governments Act, 2012, which provides as follows:

1) *There shall be a County Assembly Service Board for each County Assembly.*

2) *The County Assembly service board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal.*

Hon. Members, Management and leadership of the County Assembly is entrusted to the County Assembly Service Board. The Board undertakes to ensure the goals and objectives of the County Assembly are achieved.

Hon. Members, Section 12 (3) of the County Governments Act, 2012 provides for the Membership of the Board as follows:

a) The Speaker of the County Assembly, as the Chairperson;

b) A Vice-Chairperson elected by the Board from the Members appointed under paragraph (c);

c) Two Members of the County Assembly nominated by the political parties represented in the County Assembly according to their proportion of Members in the County Assembly; and

d) One man and one woman appointed by the County Assembly from amongst persons who are experienced in public affairs, but are not members of the County Assembly.

Hon. Members, Pursuant to the provisions of Section 12(3) c of the County Government Act, 2012 the Members nominated to serve in the County Assembly of Laikipia Service Board are;

1. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira Korkole
2. Hon. John Irene Wachuka.

Hon. Members, I wish to congratulate you and promise to offer you my support in undertaking your duties. Thank you.

PAPERS LAID

SELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT ON CONSTITUTION OF ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

Hon. John Gichuki: Hon. Speaker, I wish to lay the following Papers, report by the Committee on Selection on the constitution of Assembly Committees dated 24th October, 2022.

(Hon. John Gichuki laid the papers on the Table)

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION OF ASSEMBLY COMMITEES

Hon. John Gichuki: Hon. Speaker, I wish to give the Notice of the following motion;

That, this Assembly adopts the Committee on Selection report on the constitution of Assembly Committee dated 24th October, 2022.

MOTION

REPORT ON CONSTITUTION OF ASSEMBLY COMMITEES

Hon. John Gichuki: Hon. Speaker, I beg to move the following motion;

THAT, this Assembly adopts the Committee on Selection report on the constitution of Assembly Committee dated 24th October, 2022.

Hon. Speaker, I wish to go through the document. Pursuant to Standing Order No 152, there shall be a select committee, to be designated

Selection Committee, Consisting the Leader of Majority party who shall be Chairperson, the

Leader of Minority party not less than two other members, who shall be nominated by Assembly

Parties and approved by the Assembly.

Committee Membership

The Committee on Selection consists of the following Members;-

1. Hon. Maina John Gichuki - Chairperson
2. Hon. Parleto Lekopien Sammy -Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. John Irene Wachuka -Member
4. Hon. Kimani Simon Kanyutu -Member
5. Hon. Kamau Stephen Ndiritu -Member
6. Hon. Muturi Nicholas Mwaniki: -Member
7. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira Korkole -Member

Committee's mandate and guidelines as per the Standing Orders;

Pursuant to Standing Order No 152 (2) The Committee on Selection shall nominate members to

Serve in committees save for the membership of the House Business Committee and the Committee on Appointments.

In executing its mandate the Committee shall consider the following;

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

1) Standing Order 153 (1): The Selection Committee shall nominate members to serve on all Select committees.

2) Standing Order 153 (2): The committee on Selection shall give consideration to the need for gender balance, Two thirds rule as far as may be applicable.

3) Standing Order 154 (3): No member shall be appointed to serve in more than three Sectoral Committees.

4) Standing Order 155 (1). The Selection Committee shall within seven days upon nomination of members to serve in any committee of the County Assembly, present the list to the County Assembly for approval.

Committee Meetings

The Chairperson called for the first meeting of the Selection committee on 17th October 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the Assembly board room to discharge its first mandate of constituting the Assembly committees.

During the meeting the Chairperson reiterated on the need to observe the strict guidelines provided for by the standing orders, in its mandate of constituting the House committees, particularly in respect of gender parity and the number of Sectoral committees one ought to be as a Member among others.

The committee met again on 24th October 2022 at Jacanaz resort in Nyeri to finalize on the subject here to and formally constituted the Assembly committees as follows;

Sectoral Committes

A. Finance and County Planning

1. Hon. Kamau Stephen Ndiritu
2. Hon. Maina John Gichuki
3. Hon. Muriuki Mary Gathoni
4. Hon. Leshuel Paul Kirenyi
5. Gatati Samuel Mugambi
6. Hon. Umija Catherine
7. Hon. Wairimu George Karuiru

B. Trade, Tourism and Cooperatives

1. Hon. Kibue Catherine Nyokabi
2. Hon. Moile Eunice Salaten
3. Hon. Wambui Anthony Theuri
4. Hon. Kamau Stephen Ndiritu
5. Hon. Kimani Simon Kanyutu

C. Labour, Social Welfare and Community Services

1. Hon. John Irene Wachuka

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

2. Hon. Umija Catherine
3. Hon. Muturi Nicholas Mwaniki
4. Hon. Leshuel Paul Kirenyi
5. Hon. Kihika Caroline Wanjiku
6. Hon. Kamau Stephen Ndiritu
7. Hon. Moile Eunice Salaten

D. County Cohesion, justice and legal matters

1. Hon. Wairimu George Karuiru
2. Hon. Mwangi Benson Kuria
3. Hon. Lowaya Salim Edung
4. Hon. Gatati Samuel Mugambi
5. Hon. Macharia Joseph Gitahi
6. Hon. Yusuf Amina Leila Hussein
7. Hon Kihika Caroline Wanjiku

E. Agriculture, Environment and Natural resources

1. Hon. Macharia Joseph Gitahi
2. Hon. Yusuf Amina Leila Hussein
3. Hon. Muriuki Mary Gathoni
4. Hon. Parleto Lekopien Sammy
5. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira Korkole
6. Hon. John Irene Wachuka
7. Hon. Kimani Simon Kanyutu

F. Transport and public works

1. Hon. Kimani Simon Kanyutu
2. Hon. Kihika Caroline Wanjiku
3. Hon. Parleto Lekopien Sammy
4. Hon. Muchemi Daniel Mugweru
5. Hon. Muturi Nicholas Mwaniki
6. Hon. Mwangi Benson Kuria
7. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira Korkole

G. Health Services

1. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira Korkole

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

2. Hon. Maina John Gichuki
3. Hon. Yusuf Amina Leila Hussein
4. Hon. Wambui Antony Theuri
5. Hon. John Irene Wachuka
6. Hon. Parleto Lekopien Sammy
7. Hon. Kibue Catherine Nyokabi

H. Education and vocational training

1. Hon. Muchemi Daniel Mugweru
2. Hon. Lowaya Salim Edung
3. Hon. Wairimu George Karuiru
4. Hon. Kibue Catherine Nyokabi
5. Hon. Moile Eunice Salaten
6. Hon. Muriuki Mary Gathoni
7. Hon. Parleto Lekopien Sammy

SELECT COMMITTEES

A. County Public Investments and Accounts Committee (PIC/PAC)

1. Hon. Parleto Lekopien Sammy
2. Hon. Kimani Simon Kanyutu
3. Hon. Kibue Catherine Nyokabi
4. Hon. Wairimu George Karuiru
5. Hon. Macharia Joseph Gitahi
6. Hon. Umija Catherine
7. Hon. Kihika Caroline Wanjiku

B. County Budget and Appropriations Committee

1. Hon. Muturi Nicholas Mwaniki
2. Hon. Kamau Stephen Ndiritu
3. Hon. John Irene Wachuka
4. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira Korkole
5. Hon. Leshuel Paul Kirenyi
6. Hon. Maina John Gichuki
7. Hon. Mwangi Benson Kuria

C. Committee on Implementation

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

1. Hon. Leshuel Paul Kirenyi
2. Hon. Gatati Samuel Mugambi
3. Hon. Kamau Stephen Nderitu
4. Hon. Wairimu George Karuiru
5. Hon. Muturi Nicholas Mwaniki
6. Hon. Moile Eunice Salaten
7. Hon. Maina John Gichuki

D. Committee on Delegated County Legislation

1. Hon. Lowaya Salim Edung
2. Hon. Muriuki Mary Gathoni
3. Hon. Gatati Samuel Mugambi
4. Hon. Wambui Antony Theuri
5. Hon. Muchemi Daniel Mugweru

E. Powers and Privileges Committee

1. Hon. Lantano Nabaala
2. Hon. Moile Eunice Salaten
3. Hon. Muchemi Daniel Mugweru
4. Hon. Kibue Catherine Nyokabi
5. Hon. Leshuel Paul Kirenyi
6. Hon. Mwangi Benson Kuria
7. Hon. Wairimu George Karuiru

Committee's recommendations

That the report of the committee on the selection dated 24th October 2022 be approved.

Acknowledgment

On behalf of the selection committee, I have the honor and pleasure to present the committee Member selection report. May I take this opportunity to thank all the Members of the committee for their valuable contribution to this important matter. I would also like to relay my gratitude to the Office of the Speaker and the Clerk of the County Assembly and also to the staff for their effort and support during the process. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I now request Hon. Leila Hussein to second me.

(Hon. Leila Hussein seconded)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Thank you Mr. Speaker, for giving me this chance. I have heard you giving some communication on the County Assembly Service Board. I just want

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

some clarification because the names you have read here are not the names we gave out in the meeting. We also voted, so I requested your information on how you arrived at those two names.

I also want to be supplied with the minutes where the meeting happened, or if there is another Assembly in Laikipia you let me know. That is the information I am requesting from your office because we had some meetings and the records are there and the Members know where we met.

I am just a concerned Member because we are setting a very bad precedence in this Assembly, that if we shall be doing something in the House and then there is another power somewhere else. I want to remind you, Mr. Speaker, that you took an oath of office that is bound to this land and we live in a land where there is a rule of law and this is one of the Houses that sets and do legislation.

If we do that, we are setting very bad precedence even to the people of Laikipia that we should be doing something in this House, we have the leadership of the house, the Leader of the Majority, the Deputy Speaker, and we are watching them very smoothly doing the wrong things. So, as the Member of the County Assembly of Laikipia I am not satisfied and I want to be given directions on how you arrived at the two names, Mr. Speaker Sir. Thank you.

Speaker: The Hon. Member, Samuel Mugambi, I have heard your concern and it shall be responded to. For the time being, we proceed with the motion. We are still on the motion.

Hon. Samuel Mugambi: Mr. Speaker, I think as a Member of this House, I have the right to be given all the information I ask for. If you do a certain communication, certain documents must support the communication. As a Member of this House, I requested some information to be given to me on the floor of this House. This is not a secret, the County Assembly Service Board will be managing this Assembly. I think it is important that the information flows in this Hon. House. I think you saying we continue with the same, I feel am being denied my rights, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The Hon. Member, your request has been heard and it shall be provided in the afternoon session with the documents you requested. Hon. Nicholas Lempaira.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. I rise to support the motion and the report on the selection committee. This committee deliberated on Members interests and input for the last one week. We are happy we finally tabled the report I begged the other Members to support the motion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The Hon. Stephen Nderitu.

Hon. Stephen Nderitu: Asante Bwana Spika. Nasimama kuunga mkono ripoti ambayo imeletwa na Kiongozi wa Walio Wengi, haswa pia nikimshukuru kwa ukakamavu na vile ameweza kuwakilisha hiyo ripoti kwa Bunge. Pia ningetaka kuwashukuru wafanyikazi wengine wa Bunge hili ambao wamekuwa wakisaidia Kamati ya Uteuzi kuhakikisha ya kwamba wamefuata sheria na kwamba wameweza kuweka wajumbe kwa Kamati ambayo wanaweza kufanya kazi na kuleta biashara katika Bunge hili.

Jambo ambalo ni muhimu kwa wakati huu ambapo tuko na ripoti ya Kamati iliyochaguliwa inayoonyesha kila mjumbe Kamati ambayo anafanyia kazi, ni jukumu la kuhakikisha ya kwamba mambo yote tuliyowaambia wananchi wakati wa kampeni tutaweza kuyafuatilia na kuhakikisha ya kwamba tumetimiza.

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

Bwana Spika, kila Kamati iliyotajwa na kiongozi wa walio wengi iko na jukumu lake. Kwanza ni hiyo Kamati ambayo imeweza kukaa chini na kuhakikisha wajumbe wote wametosheka na wameweza kupata nafasi zifaazo. Kanuni ya Bunge inapeana mwelekeo ya kwamba ni haki ya kila Mjumbe kukaa katika Kamati yoyote ile amewekwa na Kamati ya Uteuzi

Bwana Spika, nafikiria Kamati ambazo zimetajwa kwa mfano ya Kamati ya Fedha itaweza kushughulikia mambo yote ya kifedha na kuhakikisha uokotaji wa ushuru umeweza kuinuka na kuhakikisha ni mikakati gani serikali inatumika katika kuziokota bila kunyanyasa mwananchi wa kawaida. Pia hiyo Kamati itaweza kuleta mswada wa fedha wa kila mwaka kuonyesha malipo yatakayokuwa yakilipwa katika Kaunti hii ya Laikipia.

Niruhusu tu niguzie hizo Kamati moja kwa moja. Kuna Kamati ya Biashara ambayo iko na wanachama watano wenye uwezo wa kuhakikisha hiyo kitengo imeweza kufanya kazi na kufuatilia sheria zozote zilizowekwa. Nafikiri kazi zote watakuwa wakifanya, watafanya kwa niaba ya hili jumba.

Bwana Spika, Kamati ambayo wajumbe wamewekwa, hakuna ambayo mjumbe atasema ni Kamati yake ama aseme ripoti ataleta ni yake bali ni ya Bunge hili. Kwa hivyo ningeomba wanachama wote kwa mfano katika Kamati ya Utendakazi pia iweze kuchunguza vile uajiri unavyoendelea katika Kaunti ya Laikipia na kuhakikisha kuwa bodi ya uajiri inaajiri watu kulingana na sheria wakizingatia usawa wa maeneo. Pia waweze kuangalia na kutathmini katibu wa Kaunti na Bodi ya Uajiri, kwa hivyo hiyo ni Kamati ambayo iko na nguvu zake.

Kamati ya uwiano na hali Bwana Spika, nafikiri Wanachama walioko katika hiyo Kamati, nilikuweko moja wao ambao waliweza kuwatathmini, ni wajumbe waliotoka pahali penye mchafuko sana kwa mfano Mheshimiwa George Karuiru. Najua huko kwao kila wakati ni vita, wizi wa ng'ombe na ukosefu wa amani. Pia naona Mheshimiwa Gitahi, ambaye kwao ng'ombe huibwa saa saba mchana na wengineo wanaohakikisha amani ipo kwa kuhusisha serikali kuu, Kamishna wa Kaunti, na wasimamizi wengine wa usalama.

Katika Kamati ya Kilimo Bwana Spika, wanachama ni watu walio na ujasiri na wenye uwezo wa kuimarisha ukulima na kupanga mikakati kwa ajili ya shughuli hiyo. Kamati ya Uchukuzi nayo inashughulika na mambo ya ujenzi wa mabarabara na kuhakikisha kwamba nyumba zimejengwa. Najua kati ya sera katika chama yetu ya UDA ni upangaji wa nyumba kwa bei wananchi wanaweza mudu.

Nafikiri waliowekwa kwa Kamati hiyo wanaweza kuendeleza hiyo mambo ifaavyo kwa kujenga mabarabara kwa maeneo zote wakizingatia usawa bila kuwacha nyuma Wadi yoyote. Wanachama wa Kamati mbalimbali wasidhani kuwa wana nguvu ya kuamua bali ni kuleta ripoti sisi tunaamua. Pia Kamati inayosimamia maneno ya afya najua wanachama hao wana uwezo wa kushughulikia mambo ya afya.

Katika Idara ya Elimu na vyuo vya ufundi, tumeweka Waheshimiwa kama Daniel Mugweru, Lowasa Salim, George Karuiru, Catherine Kibue, Moile Eunice, Mary Gathoni na Parleto na hawa ni watu ambao wataweza kuelewa mambo ya Elimu ikizingatiwa ya kwamba hasa katika wadi yangu ningetaka waangalie mambo ya elimu. Gathoni akiwa, pale basi watoto ambao wanarandaranda bila elimu, ataweza kuhakikisha ya kwamba mambo yao inashughulikiwa.

Bwana Spika, Pia katika hizi kamati zingine za CPAIC, hii ni kamati ambayo itaweza kuhakikisha ya kwamba hesabu na ripoti zote za ukaguzi zimeletwa Bunge na mahali ambapo

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

pesa za serikali zimepotea wataweza kuangalia. Kila siku tutataka uwajibikaji wa pesa na kwa hivyo ni kamati ambayo inaongozwa na watu wa upinzani.

Upinzani kwa sababu ninaona Parleto na Lempaira. Lekopien ambaye ni Kiongozi wa Upinzani katika hili Bunge na atakuwa na nafasi nzuri ya kuhakikisha ya kwamba serikali imetumia pesa zake vizuri na mahali ambapo pesa zimepotea atakuwa wa kwanza kusimama. Sisi wengine tukiwa katika serikali tutahakikisha ya kwamba serikali imesimama imara. Tutahakikisha ya kwamba hatatumia kiti chake kuhujumu serikali au kujaribu kuielekeza visivyofaa.

Bwana Spika, katika Kamati ya Bajeti, wale Waheshimiwa ambao wako hapo ni…

Speaker: Hon. Kagondu, just a minute. I wish to give to Hon. Kanyutu.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, I stand on a point of clarification because the Member has stated that CPAIC is for the opposition and I happen to be a Member of that committee. Does it mean opposition in this House? I need that clarification from the Hon. Member.

Speaker: Hon. Member, are you done? Can I invite Hon. Kagondu?

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Bwana Spika, nafikiria ni vile Mheshimiwa Kanyutu hakuelewa. Mheshimiwa Kanyutu tumemkaribisha upande wa serikali na pia yeye aelewe ya kwamba yuko upande wa kibinafsi na akiwa upande ule anaweza hata kuchagua kuenda upinzani. Kwa hivyo hapa yuko katikati bado hatujamuelewa. Huenda hata yeye yuko upande wa upinzani lakini tumemkaribisha lakini tukiona akipenya kwa njia zingine tutamshughulika. Kwa hivyo Bwana Spika nadhani ya kwamba nimeweza kumuelekeza lakini nimesema ya kwamba inaongozwa na watu wa upinzani kwa sababu hiyo ndiyo sheria.

Speaker: Hon. Stephen Ndiritu, I want to give the floor to Hon. Catherine Nyokabi.

Hon. Catherine Kibue: Asante, Bwana Spika. Naomba ufafanuzi kwa sababu Mheshimiwa Stephen amesema ya kwamba CPAIC ni ya upinzani ilhali mimi niko kwa pale ni wa chama cha UDA. Hata mimi ni wa upinzani kweli? Kwa hivyo naomba ufafanuzi.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Bwana Spika, nafikiria hata ukiangalia Mheshimiwa Catherine hakai upinzani bali mtu wa UDA. Nimesema inaongozwa na ODM na ukiangalia hiyo kamati mwenye anaongoza ni Parleto na mwenyewe ni UDM. Kiti ambacho anachokalia ni cha Kiongozi wa Walio Wachache na yuko upinzani. Kwa hivyo yeye ndiye atakayeongoza halafu tunampatia watu wa upande wa serikali kama Mheshimiwa George Karuiru ambaye atakuwa imara, Kihika Caroline ambaye atakuwa…

Speaker: Hon. Ndiritu, just a minute. I want to give the floor to Hon. Kanyutu.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, I need clarification from the Hon. Member. I am shocked because we have Assemblies which have got just a single party with all the Members. Do we have CPAIC in those Assemblies? Even in the National Government sometimes that is why we have the opposition. For example in Nyeri, all the Members were elected under the same party and CPAIC is also a committee in the same Assembly. When you go to Nyandarua it is the same. I would wish for a clarification by his statement that the committee is for the opposition. Does it mean that the Assembly that consists of all the Members from one party does not have CPAIC?

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Bwana Spika. Nafurahia hayo maswali kwa sababu tutaweza kuyajibu hapa. Kama sio sasa, basi ni sasa hivi. Mheshimiwa ameweza kuuliza swali

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

muhimu na nitamjibu ya kwamba wakati uliopita tulikuwa na Bunge ambayo ilikuwa na watu wa chama kimoja ambacho ni cha Jubilee na mimi mwenyewe nilikuwa mwenyekiti na hiyo haikumaanisha ya kwamba nilikuwa upinzani. Nilikuwa serikali damu wakati huo.

Kwa hivyo namaanisha tu ya sasa na sijasema Nyandarua, Kajiado au kwingineko lakini katika hili Bunge letu la Laikipia wale watakaoongoza hapo ni watu wa upinzani ndio waweze kuangalia vile serikali inatumia pesa yao. Sikusema wote kwa sababu kuongoza ni mwenyekiti na ninafikiria ya kwamba atatoka upinzani kwa sababu *Standing Order* inasema vizuri ya kwamba ni lazima utoke upinzani.

Kwa hivyo najua ya kwamba Mheshimiwa Kanyutu najua ya kwamba anaelewa lakini bado nampenda kwa sababu yeye ni kijana barobaro. Alisema ya kwamba yeye ni kijana lakini bado sijaona kitambulisho chake. Kwa hivyo namkaribisha katika haya mazungumzo ya Bunge ambapo tutamuelekeza vile mambo itakavyokuwa. Akiwa pale na aone ya kwamba hataki upande wa upinzani, basi aje na tutamvalisha hadi sare ili atoke hicho chama cha kibinafsi. Huyu Mheshimiwa amesimama na hoja nyingi sana za nidhamu bila kurejelea *Standing Order* anayotumia kwa sababu atatusumbua. Kwa hivyo Bwana Spika naomba asipewe nafasi nyingine hadi aonyeshe ni *Standing Order* gani anayotumia. Lazima tusimame imara. Yeye pia ni mwana chama wa hii kamati na ilikuweko wakati tulikuwa tunafanya hiyo kazi Bwana Spika.

Speaker: Hon. Ndiritu, allow me to give Hon. Simon the floor.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, I am standing on a point of clarification. The Hon. Member seems to be having some other issues because all the parties which we went through were vehicles to bring us to this Assembly. Once we are here, we are all Members of this Hon. House. So I was standing on a point of clarification because he should not specify the means I used to join this Assembly. We had hiccups even in that party and that is why even in the nominations, I had to find a way on how to come back.

Now I am back, he should not keep on telling me which party I belong to because even previously I was a Jubilee member and by the time we came to the election I defected immediately because I realized how the situation was. I went to the ruling party and the nominations were very stiff. By the time he is claiming about the party, he should remove that party issue because here as Members of the Assembly we are only here to work for our people. I can even come with yellow trousers to prove that I am a Member of a certain party but in my heart I remain to be in opposition. So I would wish that he make his statement on how the committees have been constituted because we did not consider the party issues when we decided on committees.

Speaker: Hon. Kanyutu noted. I will invite Hon. Ndiritu to finalize in his contribution.

Hon. Stephen Ndiritu: Asante, Bwana Spika kwa sababu umeonelea na umetumia jasiri ya kwamba niendelee na mjadala na niachane na Mheshimiwa Kanyutu kwa sababu hoja lake ambalo analotaka kuleta hapa halina maana sasa hivi kwa sababu sisi wote tumeletwa hapa na chama. Mimi nimekuja hapa nikiwa mwana UDA na hadi wakati nitasikia nitaweza kuhama na sihami, ndio nitahama. Tusinidanganyane, kama mtu ni wa ODM ni wa ODM, kama ni wa UDA ni wa UDA na hatuhami au kuwa na mpango wa kuhama. Labda Mheshimiwa Kanyutu akitaka kuhama tutamkaribisha na tumvalishe sare na tumpatie taji awe mwanachama UDA. Kwa hivyo naomba niendee na mjadala.

Bwana Spika, wale Waheshimiwa ambao tumeweka kwa hizo kamati zote wataweza kufanya kazi inavyostahili. Ningewaomba wale ambao watakuwa wenyeviti, ukipewa kamati

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

utapewa na Waheshimiwa ambapo wako kwa hiyo kamati. Kwanza nataka kushukuru Mheshimiwa Theuri ambaye ni Naibu wa Spika kwa sababu ya kukalia hicho kiti maana umekalia kama mtu anayeelewa vile anavyofanya. Nashukuru kwa sababu unaweza.

Bwana Spika, pia kuna kamati ya Utekelezaji ambayo itahakikisha kwamba mambo zote za idara zinafanyika inavyostahili. Pia kuna kamati ya Nguvu an Ufadhili wa Bunge ambapo Wajumbe ambao wako hapo wataangalia natija za Waheshimiwa na kuhakikisha ya kwamba mambo yote inaenda inavyofaa. Nikimalizia, nitaomba Wajumbe wote kwa kauli moja na msimamo mmoja tusimame na tupitishe hii ripoti ndiyo Bunge letu liweze kufanya kazi ya uangalizi. Najua ya kwamba wafanyikazi wako tayari na pia nguvu ya kufanya kazi na tutahakikisha ya kwamba tumefanya uangalizi kwa njia inayostahili bila kukwaruzana na kuchukiana.

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

[The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Anthony Theuri) took the Chair)

Tutakapoingia kwa hizo kamati, ningeomba Waheshimiwa wote wawe na urafiki kwa wale wengine na tusiwe na mambo ya kubeba rohoni. Hii ni kwa sababu hata kama mimi nachukia mtu yeyote kama Kanyutu na tuko katika kamati moja, itabidi nimpende kwa sababu yeye ni ndugu yangu. Nikimalizia namkaribisha kwa chama chetu cha UDA ili aachane na upinzani ndio tuweze kuendeleza hii Kaunti yetu. Asanteni sana.

Hon. Salim Edung: Nashukuru Sana kwa huu mswada ambao umeletwa kwa Bunge kuhusu mambo ya kamati. Kitu cha kwanza ni pongezi kwa wale ambao walikaa na kuchagua kamati katika idara mbalimbali. Ningeomba katika hili Bunge ya kwamba zile kamati tumepangwa, kila Mheshimiwa ajue ya kwamba hii kazi ilifanywa kwa busara kwa sababu ingechukua muda mwingi sana kutengeneza hizo kamati. Sasa hivi nikiangalia kwenye Kamati ya Uchukuzi tukiwa na kina Mheshimiwa Kimani Simon na Mheshimiwa Catherine, najua ya kwamba hao Wajumbe saba ambao wamewekwa tutafanya kazi.

Ukiangalia katika eneo ya Laikipia Kaskazini, hasa mahali tumetoka, barabara zetu sio nzuri lakini naamini ya kwamba kupitia hii kamati ya Uchukuzi na ujenzi, hawa Waheshimiwa hawataangalia pande ya Laikipia Kaskazini pekee. Tumekuja katika hili Bunge tuwe tukifanya kazi pamoja na kwa hivyo waangalie katika kila wadi mahali barabara haziko nzuri. Waangalie kwa makini sana kwa sababu wananchi walituchagua kuangalia majukumu yao katika hili Bunge.

Nikiangalia pia upande wa kilimo, kuna Mheshimiwa Macharia, Yusuf, Muriuki na Parleto Lekopien. Mheshimiwa Lekopien akiwa pale, naamini ya kwamba Laikipia Kaskazini hawaelewi sana mambo ya kilimo lakini akiwa pale, ataleta ule ujuzi ambao atapata kutoka kwa hao Waheshimiwa wengine na kuletea sehemu za Laikipia Kaskazini ili tupate ujuzi wa kupanda mimea mbalimbali. Hiyo ni nia moja ya kutusaidia katika eneo ambazo tumetoka.

Ukiangalia upande wa elimu, hasa sisi Waheshimiwa ambao tumetoka Laikipia Kaskazini, wanafunzi wetu wengi wakifika darasa la nane huwa wanakosa karo ya shule. Mimi naamini ya kwamba wale Waheshimiwa ambao wamechaguliwa katika hiyo kamati nikiwa mmoja wao, ninaona ya kwamba mambo yote itakuwa sawa. Ninashukuru Bunge hili kwa sababu ya wale Waheshimiwa ambao waliopanga hizi kamati kwa sababu sioni kama kutakuwa na marekebisho mahali. Naomba ya kwamba Bunge hili lipitishe haya majina ili tuendelee na kazi. Bwana Spika, kwa maoni yangu ningesema ya kwamba wale Wabunge ambao waliopanga pamoja na wafanyikazi, walifanya kazi nzuri ili Bunge iweze kuendelea. Asanteni.

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

Hon. Irene Wachuka: Asante Sana, Bwana Spika. Nasimama asubuhi ya leo kushukuru Mwenyezi Mungu juu kila mtu ameamka na sote tuko hapa kama wajumbe. Kwanza nashukuru Kiongozi wa Walio Wengi ambaye ameleta haya majina ya kamati ambazo tulisaidiwa sana na wafanyikazi wetu. Wakati tuliketi chini, kila mtu alikuwa na maoni yake lakini dakika ya mwisho hao wafanyikazi wakajaribu na tukawa laini moja. Hili ni jambo muhimu sana tangu tuingie katika hili Bunge kwa sababu kama hatuna kamati hakuna kazi ambayo inaweza kuendelea. Sasa hivi, kazi itaweza kuendelea. Kama vile Mheshimiwa Ndiritu amesema, ni vizuri kila mtu kwa ile kamati amepewa, tutafanya kazi tukisaidiana na wafanyi kazi wetu ili kazi iendelee.

La pili, ukiangalia upande wa elimu, tulipokuwa tukichambua ripoti ya Gavana, tulishukuru Mwenyezi Mungu na tukampongeza Gavana, Joshua Irungu. Katika serikali iliyopita tulikuwa tunapewa milioni hamsini ya *bursary* lakini wakati alipokuja akaongezea hadi milioni mia moja. Wakati huu Gavana amesema itakuwa maradufu ambayo watoto wetu ambao wanaohitaji wataendelea kusoma.

Upande wa Hospitali kati ya wiki mbili toka Gavana wetu Joshua alipopata nafasi, kazi yake ya kwanza alianza hospitali ya Nanyuki kisha hospitali zingine zote Laikipia nzima. Leo hii ukienda Nyahururu huwezi ukakawia hata dakika moja. Dawa hapa Nanyuki ni kwa wingi na pia Nyahururu.

Nashukuru Gavana na watu wake hata kama hatujampa CECM. Naona kazi itaendelea tukishikana kama vile Mheshimiwa Simon amesema, hakutakuwa na vyama. Tukiheshimu hawa wafanyakazi wa bunge tutafanya kazi na pia kiongozi wa wengi na naibu wa Spika ambao ni viongozi wetu wapewe heshima. Kama kuna shida tunaketi chini tunazungumza. Mimi na bwanangu John, tukikosana na anigone ngumi, mgeni akiingia huwa anajaribu kujifanya juu hiyo ni nyumba na watu hukaa chini na watu kuongea. Naomba tupitishe haya majina na ndio watu waendelee na kazi.

Ningetaka kufafanua ukiona kuna kamati, wakati huu hakuna marupurupu. Kulingana na yale marekebisho ilifanywa, sisi wote tuko sawa. Lazima kuwe na ule utaratibu uliletwa hapa. Tuko na wabunge wa kuchaguliwa 15 na wale wa wengine wa kuteuliwa. Ni dada zetu na ndugu zetu. Tufanyeni kazi pamoja. Na mahali hawajui tutawaeleza. Hujui kuhusu kesho.

Siku moja Bwana Spika, nilisimama hapa nje nyuma ya sheria nikiwa Mheshimiwa wa kuteuliwa. Mheshimiwa mmoja wa kutoka mahali nimetoka, Igwamiti, akaninyoshea kidole na nikamwambia kuna Mungu mbinguni. Hujui kuhusu kesho. Wakati ule mungu akasikia maombi yangu na nikarudishwa hapa na kura. Ndugu zanguni ambao mmeteuliwa, hamjui kuhusu kesho. Huenda mtakua Gavana wa hii Kaunti, MP, Seneta ama kitu ingine kwa nyumba hii. Asante sana.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I stand to support the report from the Committee which I am a Member. We had a hectic time trying to ensure we balance these committees and balance off the work. What I would wish to tell the Members is that we are in honeymoon at the moment. Soon the public will start questioning us. We were given the role and they were happy. Everybody was being congratulated and very supportive. By the end of the next year when they will have witnessed how we will have utilised the first budget, that is when we will start feeling the public.

Mr. Speaker, I was in this Assembly last year. I can remember there were times most of us will not go through the gate because members of the public had come over questioning issues we have done in this Assembly. Sometimes it's hectic. Even the public that we are leading, they will oversight us. This time round, I am happy because I am here for the second

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

time. These committees will enable us to oversight how the government is implementing projects and the work we have passed in this Assembly.

There was a time we had the Water Services Bill in this Assembly and I was the Chairperson for, Agriculture. I remember how it went down with the Members of public. We had the Sand Bill. I am happy because we have constituted the committees and we have to work extra hard. We have formed many committees but we have to do extra work.

Mr. Speaker, if it's possible with the time-frame that we have, we ensure we have the CECMs. Without them even now, who shall we oversight? The acting people? We need to have substantive people – those who have been earmarked. We should ensure we have passed them so that we can make a follow-up from the committee level. At the moment, if I go to infrastructure, I will find a C.O who is in acting capacity. That is our work and I am happy because maybe by the time honeymoon is over that is when we will start realizing what we came here to do. I am happy because I have seen all Members are vibrant and ready to work.

Mr. Speaker, I am a bit lucky because even when sometimes we used to throw chairs when we were trying to impose on how the work should be done in our own areas, by then I was a counsellor. Then, they never used to speak much. They will talk a few words and if the work is not done you pick the chair and throw to the Clerk and start following up how the work will be done. When I came to this House, I realized those are two different positions.

Our role here will determine much on what will be done to our people on the ground. Were it not for the work that I was able to push through this Assembly, the work that was done in my area, I could not be here today.

Mr. Speaker, when we were discussing on the Governor's Speech, I spoke on something we call leasing machines for infrastructure department on roads construction. If we can get a way on how those machines can be properly harmonised, were it not those machines because I got them in my ward during the last month of election even when I was campaigning I was earmarking the roads to be done when I go for campaigns.

It really helped me come back to this Assembly. I would wish we streamline and ensure we have a well organised structure that will help our people with what they are expecting from us. I support the report, because I would wish we start the work immediately and ensure we do it in the right way.

Mr. Speaker, I am happy with the budget committee, it will have very good work to do for us. It will determine on how the work will be done and the implementation of most of the projects. Already, we have pending projects, maybe a borehole that sunk, it's still in existence and is not being utilised. Some of those issues we will seat together as a House and we see to it on how we push it. I am happy for the position and I will ensure this Assembly is one of the best. Thank you.

Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Thank you Mr. Speaker for according me this chance to make contribution on the same. Before I make my contribution, I don't know whether it is the position of your seat that has tilted to the right side because most of us on this side we are not getting the chance to be recognised. I also wish to make my contribution and support the Selection Committee report on the committees that will run this Assembly and the Government at large.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to also thank Hon. Nderitu for mentioning that Hon. Irene John is unwell and I whispered to Bishop Kamara who said a word of prayer. From that prayer, Hon. Wachuka was able to stand and speak. That is the power of the prayers.

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

[Laughter]

Hon. Speaker, it is important that we have the committees now in place trusting the Members of this Assembly will support this report from the selection committee. As I said earlier, it is important that whenever we have a committee from there we learn to respect the decision of that committee and also the privileges of the committees. It will be unfortunate when we give someone a committee to run then we do not want to hear that person enjoying the benefits of having that committee or any other position in this House.

Mr. Speaker, I wish to thank the committee having come out with a list of Members in different committees. It is also important to mention to Hon. Members, that it is within our rights, everybody in this House is entitled by the law not because you know anyone but by the law you are supposed to be in committees. It is within your right. Nobody has helped the other.

Secondly, all 21 Members, who are here, are all equal and capable of running each and every committee in this House. Nobody is superior to the other. We are able to sit in any position, any committee and in place in this House because the Standing Orders are very clear.

Hon. Speaker, having said that, it is also important to note the duties we were given when we get these committees. The committees we are having is not personal. It is for this House. If you are a Member of HBC or Infrastructure, it does not mean the department of Infrastructure is under you. It is not. It is under this Assembly. You are only doing what you are doing in that committee on behalf of all of us and the people of Laikipia. No committee is superior to the other.

The reports you will bring in this House is not yours or committee. It is the report of the whole House. Any time you table a report in this House, it is no longer yours but ours. We own it equally. Every committee that you are in, always remember whatever you are doing, you are doing on behalf of all Members in this House.

Hon. Speaker, sometime back we used to hear as a Member when you become a Chair of maybe Transport Committee you start moving out there promising people you are the Chair Transport Committee and I will do your roads threatening other Members. That will never happen. It is important for the Hon. Members to understand that whatever duty you are doing in this House, you are doing it on our behalf. Tomorrow we might wake up and get another person to come and do it on your behalf if you are representing your own stomach. What we need is someone who is standing on behalf of all Members.

Hon. Speaker, when we are doing oversight, some of these committees need to remember and recognise the independence of this House. Today you might go as a Member of Trade, Tourism and Cooperative. The powers that are given to these committees, the Standing Orders are very clear. You have powers of a high court. Any committee that you are in, when it seats down, it seats as a high court. You can even recall a CECM. You are able to summon them. Every committee that is here has the powers of a high court.

When we see a department is not functioning automatically, we know we as an Assembly cannot go blaming the CECM. We will blame the Chair of that committee. You are supposed to stand on our behalf. As an Honourable House, we cannot go out there looking for a CECM yet we have a committee that is supposed to do the same given all powers to prosecute your duties. We expect every committee will offer proper oversight for the whole county.

A committee of Agriculture for example, is a committee that is supposed to serve the 15 wards of this county and interest of all Laikipians. Any committee that we get it is upon us to support the committee you are in, the committee that I am in and in that way we are going

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

to deliver. We are supposed to first stand by the mandate given to us by the people of Laikipia and the Constitution. We are supposed to represent our people in this House. We legislate and make laws.

There is another responsibility that will be tasked to these committees. Oversight; You cannot stand here and claim the Governor is not performing or Executive. It is our responsibility to keep them on toes and do oversight to those departments. It is within our powers. All the committees that we have here have a responsibility to represent us and stand for us so that we are not blamed that we did not offer proper oversight.

Today, if a CECM or a Chief Officer does shoddy work in my ward, the community will not blame them. We will be held accountable because it is our responsibility as a committee to move around the county and see what every department is doing and whether it is meeting the standards. It is our responsibility and so it will be unfortunate when that day comes and we hear our committee crying that our CECM is doing something yet we have powers of a high court.

You have the responsibility. Every committee stands up to be counted for delivery services of this County. Thank you, I support the report and I wish the committees well and I hope they will deliver as they are mandated by our Standing Orders. Thank you.

Hon. Catherine Kibue: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir, for giving me this opportunity. It is my honour and privileged to be counted as one of the Hon. Members in this House, who have supported this report brought by the Selection Committee on constituting Members to service various committees. First, I congratulate the committee for burning the midnight oil and coming up with a noble report that has been constituted well. It is well balanced and I know this House will never lack business.

It will not be shameful that yesterday we entered this House and adjourned. I know that from today henceforth, we will be having business in this House and we are going to deliver what brought us in this House. We will be able to represent the people who sent us here. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I support.

Hon. Nicholas Mwaniki: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I being one of the members of the Selection Committee do congratulate the staff for the support they gave us on delivering this report today. I also congratulate the Hon. Members for their support yesterday because they gave their views on the same report. They deliberated on the same issue so that every Member can feel comfortable being in the committees.

We did not want to have some Members absent in the committees because it is the business of the House to deliver on the promises of Laikipians. We wanted everyone on board, everyone to perform and everyone to give his views in committees so that we can deliver on the promises we made to the electorates in Laikipia County.

I also congratulate the Majority Leader for presenting this report to the Assembly. We still have work to do because that is why we are elected to do so. Being a Member of a committee is a duty to every Member in this House. Being a Chair or a Vice chair or a Member, you represent the whole House in the said committee. When it comes to service delivery, we will be there. We will still proceed.

Being in a committee, we have Members who are in all committees and what we are requesting Members is that they give Business to the House. Whatever we do in this House is what is needed on the ground. If at all everyone performs in all committees, that is what is required of us and that is how we build business in the House. Still that is how you get

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

allowances from this County Assembly. It is upon us to do due diligence in each and every committee.

When it comes to CPAIC, we have Hon. Lekopien leading the team. As I have heard, there is a lot to be done in that committee. It is upon you Hon. Members to deliver on the said committee because that is where the ball lies. I am privileged to serve in the Budget Committee and other committees; I promise this House that I will do my work. I promise to deliver in every duty given to me as a committee Member.

I ask Hon. Members to deliver in all committees and we shall do wonders in Laikipia County. Thank you, Hon. Speaker. I support this motion.

Hon. Joseph Gitahi: Thank you, Mr. Speaker for this opportunity. I have been going through and I have also listened to the report that was given by the Majority Leader and I stand in support of that motion. Mr. Speaker, I want to make a few observations even as I support this report. First, I would like to say that the effectiveness of this House lies squarely on the vibrancy of these committees.

I have looked at the Sectoral Committees and I have seen the distribution of Members which I have no doubt that in all these Committees, the Members are equal to task to offer oversight to different departments, so that we realize good performance from the Executive and other bodies that are tasked with development.

However Mr. Speaker, as I proceed, I would also want to state that at times it is not the political composition of these committees and the optics that comes with these committees. It is the integrity. It is the people that are sitting in these committees that determine their effectiveness. Therefore Mr. Speaker, I urge that in all these committees that we have been placed, let us be people of integrity and tact to ensure that all these departments are accountable to this House.

Mr. Speaker, I would also want to state that let these committees at the onset understand that we are working in a situation where there are expectations from the wards we come from. There is a lot of expectations from Entire County and it is upon us to ensure that we meet these expectations through the available time and resources that are given to these committees and the departments on development.

I would also want to state that we are in a situation where we have scarcity of resources. We have to oversight every coin that is given to various departments. If we do not do this, the people who are working hard to pay taxes will not get value for their money. Mr. Speaker, I urge all of us to ensure that we oversight every coin and every system.

Mr. Speaker, you and I are privileged to the public perception that government processes are always slow and mugged with regularities and lack of integrity. It is upon this Honourable House to ensure that we change this perception and ensure that our people are able to see development.

I also want to state on the issue of efficiency. I had the privilege of going through a paper that was done by the writer of a book referred to as the wealth and poverty of nations. This writer is saying that it is not the physical resources that we see, it is the efficiency in all the systems that make people develop or get poor. Mr. Speaker, I call upon the efficiency of every committee.

As I sit Mr. Speaker, I want to state that the aspects of development in all the fifteen Wards rely on each Hon. Member whether elected or specially elected. So let us have what I

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

had called in the last session, collective responsibility so that we are able to do all these things. I have looked at the Committees on Budget and Infrastructure and I am especially happy about the Committee on Cohesion. The constitution of this committee is for the people from the regions that are heavily affected.

If you travel to the Wards of Hon. George Karuiru, Hon. Benson Kamara, Hon. Salim, Hon. Mugambi Gatati and I; you shall see that these are the people who have been affected. I wanted to confirm whether Hon. Lekopien is in this Committee on Cohesion but he is represented by Hon. Benson. Mr. Speaker, I am happy on the constitution of this committee. If you travel to these wards, you will get the notion that the government has no hold on the security situation in that area.

You will get the desperation of all these families. It is wrong Mr. Speaker and I am addressing this to the Committee on Cohesion that people are being displaced from their homes in a land that has a government. It is the first task for this committee and I am happy of its constitution. Mr. Speaker, personally I have been placed in the Agriculture Committee and I insist that Laikipia has the best climate and terrain.

If only we oversight the Department on Water, Agriculture, Fisheries and Livestock, we shall be able to economically empower our people so that we have somewhere to collect revenue and other things. Mr. Speaker, I wish to end my submissions by stating that I am happy because the distribution of these committees and placement, I am in good hands. We will work together to ensure that we deliver on the mandates of these committees. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I support this motion.

Hon. George Karuiru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As Hon. Mugweru said, I think that seat should be twisted because the left eye of Mr. Speaker has something. I support and give my input. I would like to challenge this Assembly. As a respected House with its laws and order, I wonder why we should have many informal meetings to have people put in positions and they are changed overnight.

Mr. Speaker, I think despite the outside forces interfering in this Assembly, the Members in this House should know their mandate and how the law is stated. If you want to go far, we must work together without manipulation from other sources. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate that the committees have been formulated. Through God's grace, I have a second chance in this Assembly. I am happy that if I get more assets, I will deliver for Ol Moran people who duly found me good to retain this this position.

The National Treasury might not have released funds. Without the CECM's and CO's in place, we can do very little in terms of oversight and other businesses. I challenged the speech of the Governor on insecurity. This has been a big challenge and I appreciate the National Government who brought food stuff to help our people. After the Governor's Speech we have had injuries from Insecurity. Our farmers are putting out their farm inputs from the garden especially in my ward which is a problem.

Once they harvest their maize without properly drying them, that leads to food poisoning. It is true that our county is hit by drought. As we speak, three of the boreholes in Ol Moran Ward are not functioning. I appreciate that we have the Committee on Agriculture and Water in place. This is not about the former regime or the current but it is about working for our people.

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

I am hoping that when the committee is put in place, I will have a shoulder to lean on. I will be able to ask why that borehole is still broken for three months while my people are suffering. They have been used to getting water from that source.

I recommend the Selection Committee for harmonization of the committees. I am hoping that we are all equal to the task. I am echoing some of my fellow Hon. Members that if we do what our committees are supposed to do maximally, this county will be one of the best counties to live in. Somebody told me that if you want to live for over 70 years, it is only in Laikipia that you can have such a life span.

The people to take that forth are this Laikipia County Assembly. I wish that the committees will deliver. I appreciate the Office of The Clerk and the Office of The Speaker for the induction courses that we have undertaken. I know we are heading for recess and optimistically, I know we have not learnt enough. Personally, I wish to continue learning because it is a process. I do not know what tomorrow has for me.

I might vie for Governor, Member of Parliament or Senator because I cannot vie for women representative and I know what will bring this on board is what I am going to study from what we are doing in this County Assembly. Our business, our core mandate is to oversight. We do it from our hearts because we cannot go on saying that the roads are not good, the water is not well done, there is nothing being done in agriculture or our boys and girls are not playing because of some things. If we do the oversight business as it ought to be done we are going to do well. Thank you and I support.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Karuiru. I want to give the floor to Hon. Parleto Lekopien.

Hon. Joseph Gitahi: Point of information.

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir. As the Leader of Minority here…

Speaker: Hon. Parleto, Hon. Gitahi has a point of information.

Hon. Joseph Gitahi: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I only wanted to inform the MCA of Ol-Moran Ward that the constitution does not bar him from vying for Women Representative. Thank you.

Speaker: Okay. Hon. Parleto, the floor is yours.

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir. As the Leader of Minority here I just want to get into the concern of my friend here, Hon. Gatati. He had asked about what happened to the Service Board and I feel that he is not really satisfied with how his concern should be addressed. At that point, I think it is in order that he gets the information right so that he can get to know the criteria that were used. As we continued even in the last two days, it was decided by our brothers from the UDA Party that it was Hon. Gatati, but suddenly this morning we got different names and I think as a party it was not right and he was not given the right justice for what happened.

On another point, I am here to support the Selection Committee for the good job they have done, I being part of it. I am actually happy that we finally did a good job and every one of us here is happy. I just request the committees to now move on and make sure that we do the right job for the people of Laikipia. Thank you.

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Parleto. On what you have raised, I had ruled that it shall be responded to in the afternoon session. I now want to call upon the Mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. John Gichuki: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I take this opportunity to thank everyone for contributing to this motion, for seconding me and supporting. I do not know whether I am allowed to contribute also?

Speaker: Hon. Member, you are replying to the motion so as long as you are within the tenets of the motion, you are allowed.

Hon. John Gichuki: Kwanza, nawashukuru Waheshimiwa kwa kuunga mkono huu mswada. Nikiangalia vizuri naona kazi imeanza na bila hizi kamati hakuna kazi yoyote ambayo tungekuwa tunafanya. Nikienda moja kwa moja kwa Kamati ya Ushikamanao naona wote walio hapo ni walioadhiriwa zaidi nami ni mmoja wao katika Wadi ya Rumuruti Township. Tukiwa pale nafikiri tutafanya kazi nzuri na tutaweza kudumisha amani.

Lingine ni kuhusu mambo ya maji. Nafikiri kila wadi ina shida ya maji kwa hivyo waliowekwa kwenye hio kamati sio walio na shida ya maji. Kila mtu katika Laikipia ana shida ya maji. Vile tu ambavyo Mheshimiwa Mugweru alisema, mahali mtu yuko haendi kujishughulikia mwenyewe bali anashughulikia Laikipia nzima nami nafikiri ni hivyo. Nawashukuru sana kwa kuchangia huu mswada na nafikiri hiyo ni mojawapo ya hatua tukisonga mbele. Asante sana.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: The sittings of this House now stand adjourned until later today, Wednesday 26th October, 2022 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 10.36 a.m.

Disclaimer: *The electronic version of the Official Hansard Report is for information purposes only. A certified version of this Report can be obtained from the Hansard Editor.*