REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Wednesday, 8th June, 2022

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 2.35 p.m.

[The Temporary Speaker (Hon. Veronica Ikunyua) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

PAPER LAID

QUARTERLY REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Hon. Patricia Muthoni: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I beg to lay the report of the Health Services Committee on Laikipia County Government (County Executive) quarterly report and financial statements for the Department of Medical Services and Public Health for the quarter ended 31st March, 2021.

(Hon. Patricia Muthoni laid the Paper on the Table)

NOTICE OF MOTION

QUARTERLY REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL SERVICES AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Hon. Patricia Muthoni: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I beg to give notice of the following motion;

> THAT this Assembly adopts the quarterly report and financial statement for the year ended 31st March, 2021 for the Department of Medical Health and Public Health by the Sectoral Committee on Health Services dated 2nd June, 2022.

MOTION

QUARTERLY REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, PLANNING AND COUNTY DEVELOPMENT

Hon. Mary Samken through Hon. Joseph Suge: Thank you, Madam Speaker. On behalf of the Chairperson, Hon. Mary Samken who is not with us, I beg to move the following motion;

> THAT this Assembly adopts the quarterly report and Financial Statement for the period ended 31st March 2021 by the Committee of Finance and County Planning on the County Government of Laikipia (County Executive) third quarter report and financial statement for the period ended 31st March, 2021 for the Department of Finance, Planning and County Development.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Members of the Finance Committee on Finance and County Planning, pursuant to the provision of Standing Order No. 191/5 (f), it is my pleasure and

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duty to present to the House, the Committee's report on the County Government of Laikipia (Executive) 3rd Quarter Report and financial statements for the period ended 31st March, 2021.

The Committee as currently constituted, comprises of the following Members:

1. Hon. Mary Samken - Chairperson
2. Hon. George Karuiru - Vice Chairperson
3. Hon. Joseph Kiguru - Member
4. Hon. Joseph Suge - Member
5. Hon. Chalumbo Kaparo - Member
6. Hon. Lochimidi Esokon - Member
7. Hon. Wilson Wakahiu - Member

Committee's Mandate;

The Committee is established under the Standing Order No. 191 which provides that the committee shall investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operation and estimates of the assigned departments among other functions. Madam Speaker, the next one is on committee meetings and I am sure that the Members are following.

Background Information;

Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 Section 166 which stipulates that not later than one month after end of each quarter, the County Treasury shall-

- Consolidate the quarterly reports and submit them to the Assembly
- Deliver copies to the Controller of Budget, National Treasury and Commission on Revenue Allocation, and
- Publish and publicize them

In compliance to the above regulation, the County Government of Laikipia submitted the Quarterly Report and Financial Statements for the Quarter ended 31st March, 2021 to the County Assembly.

Fiduciary Management of the Funds

The key management personnel who held office during the financial year 2020/2021 and who had direct fiduciary responsibility were the County Executive Committee Member for Finance, Planning and County Development as well as the Chief Officer, Finance, Planning and County Development.

Madam Speaker, the next one is the funds financial statements and there below there is a table of budget execution by programmes and sub programmes showing how the department utilized their allocated funds.

BUDGET EXECUTION BY PROGRAMMES AND SUB-PROGRAMMES

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Program	Sub Program	Description	Approved Budget(A)	Q3 2020/2021 (B)	Variance (A-B) =C	Absorption rate. (B÷A) ×100
706004510		Departmental Administrative Services/Centralized Services	19,500,000	3,000,000	16,500,000	15.38%
	706034510	Revenue collection services	19,500,000	3,000,000	16,500,000	
707004510		Financial Systems and automation program	476,040,232.45	75,492,194	400,548,038.45	15.85%
	707044510	Revenue Management Services	-226,959,767.55	1,000,000	-227,959,767.55	
	707064510	County Treasury administrative service	703,000,000	74,492,194	628,507,806	
717004510		Intergovernmental relations	24,878,059.75	28,165,880	-3,287,820.25	113.21%
	717014510	Grants and Transfer to Government entities	24,878,059.75	28,165,880	-3,287,820.25	
718004510		Enhanced staff welfare	15,000,000	7,500,000	7,500,000	50%
	718014510	Car and mortgage-public officer	15,000,000	7,500,000	7,500,000	
721004510		Economic Planning Services	1,106,800	395,700	711,100	35.75%
	721014510	Integrated Monitoring and Evaluation Services	1,106,800	395,700	711,100	

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725004510		Public Finance Management Services	18,927,530.95	4,280,315	14,647,215.95	22.61%
	725024510	Supply Chain Management Services	10,528,223.25	1,844,400	8,683,823,25	
	725034510	Internal Audit Services	6,953,107.70	1,845,915	5,107,192.7	
	725044510	Budget Management	1,446,200	590,000	856,200	
726004510		Development Planning Services	30,044,171.30	6,989,804	23,054,367.3	23.26%
	726024510	Participatory Budgeting Support Services	8,419,417.30	2,717,904	5,701,513.30	
	726034510	Research Statistics and Documentation Service	7,468,882	1,069,300	6,399,582	
	726044510	Programme monitoring and Evaluation	5,392,850	202,600	5,190,250	
	726064510	Strategic Partnership and Collaboration	8,763,022	3,000,000	5,763,022	
TOTAL			585,496,794.45	125,823,893	461,672,901.45	21.49%

Madam Speaker, the Department had an absorption rate of 20.74%, Kshs. 125,823,893 was spent against a budget of Kshs. 585,496,794.45. During the period under review, Intergovernmental Relations programme had the highest absorption rate of 113.21% whereas the Departmental Administrative Services/Centralised services programme had the lowest absorption rate of 15.38%.

Committee Observations

Madam Speaker, the Finance and County Planning committee made the following observations;

- According to the analysis table above, the Intergovernmental Relations Programme exceeded their budget allocation as they utilised Kshs. 28,165,880 against a budget of Kshs. 24,878,059.75.
- The committee observed that, the period under review being the third quarter of the financial year 2020/2021 majority of the programmes had low absorption rates as only and Intergovernmental relations and Enhanced staff welfare Programme, Car and mortgage- public officer sub-programme had above 50% absorption rate.

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Committee Recommendations

Madam Speaker, the Finance and County Planning Committee made the recommendations that;

- The Finance, Planning and County Development Department should ensure that the budgeted funds are utilised for their intended programmes.
- The County Government should ensure that those programmes that are budgeted for utilize their allocated funds accordingly.

In conclusion, the committee recommended that this House adopts the Committee on Finance and County Planning on the County Government of Laikipia (Executive) 3rd Quarter Reports and financial statements for the period ended 31st March 2021 Financial Year 2020/2021.

Madam Speaker, this is the report from the County Executive Department of Finance and Planning on the expenditures of their budget. This is the expenditures of the third quarter in the department which they have tried to explain the money that was allocated and how they have spent it. The committee has gone through the report and they have presented this report to the County Assembly for adoption.

I believe because they have gone point by point, I believe the Members have been following the same and they are ready to give their views and finally to adopt this report. The committee had observed that the department and the sectors should utilize the funds allocated because there are many other needs that need to be prioritized.

If the Members of this Assembly had seen the need to allocate the money to every sector, the money should be spent well and be utilized for the purpose of serving the County of Laikipia. You can see the departments had utilized the money. They exceeded the allocated money in the department of the County Intergovernmental relations program which was allocated Kshs. 24 million and they did spend Kshs. 28,165,880 million.

This shows that the intergovernmental relations maybe were fully supported by the department although we know there are so many intergovernmental relations. We have the COG plus other intergovernmental relations, and I believe that in future the department should also explain point by point that this amount of money was spent on this and this amount of money was spent on this.

Madam Speaker, I can even see the car and mortgage spent more than 50%. I need to concur with this, that we need to support our staff to acquire these monies for the car and mortgage so that they will have something to hold as they serve Laikipians with a lot of passion. With those few contributions, I call upon the Hon. Chalumbo Kaparo to second this report so that the rest of the Members can contribute. Welcome, Hon. Chalumbo, the representative of the people of Segera, who is a Member of the Finance Committee. Thank you.

(Hon. Chalumbo Kaparo seconded)

(Question proposed)

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Madam Speaker. I commend the committee for having done very thorough work. I am sure that at this hectic moment when we are campaigning they

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have been able to peruse these papers and analysed them. I am happy because with the report we will be able to go further and seek the details as the Mover has already stated. I am very happy with the statement and we will be able to make follow-up as the law requires us to do. Thank you very much.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Veronica Ikunyua): May I call upon the Mover to give a reply.

Hon. Joseph Suge: Thank you, Madam Speaker. Allow me to take this opportunity to thank the Hon. Members who have overwhelmingly supported the report by the Finance Committee. I know the Member has contributed and others have supported silently because the report has no issue. The report is good, it has been well done by the committee and I hope the Members will support unanimously. Thank you very much, and I request the Members to support.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Veronica Ikunyua): This House stands adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday 9th June, 2022 at 9.00 a.m.

The House rose at 3.00 p.m.

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