

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NAKURU

THE HANSARD

Third Assembly (Second Session)

Wednesday 25th October, 2023

Assembly Building

The House met at 03:30 PM

[The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri) In the Chair]

PRAYER

PAPERS

MEDIUM-TERM EXPENDITURE FRAMEWORK, SUPPLEMENTARY FOR THE FINANCIAL
YEAR 2023/ 2024.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): There is a Paper to be laid by the Leader of the Majority Party the honorable Alex Langat.

The Majority Leader (Hon. Alex Langat): Thank you Speaker. I rise on Order No. 5 to lay a Paper on the Nakuru County Government Medium-Term Expenditure Framework, which is Supplementary for the Financial Year 2023/ 2024. Mr. Speaker, I wish to lay the said Paper before this honorable House. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you, the honorable Majority Leader. The Paper is hereby committed to the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for onward action; Mr. Chairman take Note. next order!

MOTION

COMMITTEE ON COUNTY PUBLIC ACCOUNTS AND INVESTMENTS

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): There is a Motion by the honorable Simon Kamau, Chairperson for the Committee on County Public Accounts and Investments. Chair! The Vice Chairperson of that Committee! Any Member of that Committee? There are no Members of the County Public Accounts Committee and investment in the House.

Hon. Ann Njaguara: Mr. Speaker, I am here.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): So, is there any Paper to be laid maybe the Chairperson, had delegated that to the membership of that Committee?

Hon. Ann Njaguara: Mr. Speaker *Mwenye Kiti wa Kamati anashughulikia.*

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): There is no Report to be laid. The Chairperson did not delegate so that any Member can lay it, or is it just the Chairperson who can lay it?

Hon. Ann Njaguara: The Chairperson.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Okay. Then we bypass that Order.

MOTION

SHORT RECESS

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): There is a Motion by Hon. Alex Lang'at, the Leader of Majority Party.

The Majority Leader (Hon. Alex Lang'at): Thank you Mr. Speaker, I rise to move a Motion That pursuant to the provisions of Standing Orders 31, (3), this Honorable House adjourns from today 25thOctober 2023 to 7thNovember 2023. This one is in accordance to the Calendar of this Honorable Assembly. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. You have an Honorable Member to second?

Hon. Alex Lang'at: Mr. Speaker sir, I request Hon. Alex to second the Motion.

Hon. Alex Mbugua: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. This is a House of rules and as the Majority Leader has stated very well that this House has a Calendar, and this Calendar has to be followed for the purpose of why the Calendar was set. I stand to support the Motion. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Motion has been seconded. The Motion is that Pursuant to the Provisions of Standing Order 31, this House adjourns from today, 25thOctober 2023 to 7thNovember 2023 in accordance with the Assembly Calendar. The Motion is open for Debate. I am going to allow a maximum of 4 Members then I put it to question. Hon. Minority Leader and then the Member for Shabaab Ward in that order.

Minority leader (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I rise to support the Motion as put forward by the Leader of Majority and seconded by the Honorable Member for Naivasha.

Mr. Speaker, it is true and it is within the Calendar that we are supposed to have a break. We have run this Assembly concurrently for very many days and in order for us to avoid Mental Stress and Depression, we need to have a break to go and stay with our families. Mr. Speaker, at the same time, you know there is information that is saddening our Constituents that El Niño rains are not coming and the Members do not understand. We have to go back and let them know that El Nino rains are not coming and we are going to have no more rains and also advise them on the crops to plant because we had given them some other advisory information. I support the Motion Mr. Speaker.

Hon. David Wathiai: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir. I stand to support the Motion that we go for Recess. Mr. Speaker at this time from my area, Shabaab Ward, we have lost one of our Community Leaders who was also an Aspirant. He has succumbed to Cancer. This will give me enough time to go be with my people in Shabaab, mourn, and prepare for the send-off of our friend the late Jimmy Garang. If I had not been in this House, then this man would have been the MCA for Shabaab because he came second.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Honorable Member, we regret and share with you the sadness of the moment. Now what is the reality, are you in the House or not in the House?

Hon. David Wathiai: Mr. Speaker, I am in the House and that is why I am supporting the Motion for us to go for recess, so I can assist in the preparation for the burial of my good friend Hon. Jimmy Garang. I rise to support this and pray that we are not going to lose more young men and future leaders. God to be with us and guide us. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you Honorable Member. My concern was that if you were not the MCA then he would be MCA. So, I was trying to compare the two. I wanted to know the reality but you have confirmed that the reality is that you are the MCA now.

Hon. David Wathiai: Yes Mr. Speaker. I meant that if the great people of Shabaab had not chosen me to be the MCA maybe Jimmy Garang would be the MCA today but God gave me this chance and that is why I am here today. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Honorable Member for Mauche then the Honorable Member for London.

Hon. Moses Koros: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to support the Motion that we proceed on recess so that we can interact with our electorate. As you are aware, several projects are going on in our Wards. This will enable us to oversight efficiently, and interact with the community now that the Government has announced that we shall not have El-nino rains and we shall still have heavy rains. This will allow us to contribute to the Environmental Conservation in our County by spearheading planting of trees and also encouraging the community members to form various groups, especially for planting trees and especially tree Nurseries so that in the next rainy season we shall have a lot of trees to plant. So Mr. Speaker, I support the Motion that and we proceed on Recess. Thank You, Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you, now before *Mheshimiwa* for London comes for debate, the Honorable Member for Mauche has just said something about El-Nino rains, and the Honorable Member for Lare who is also the Minority Leader said that people are asking him when it is going to rain. Did you promise at any point that maybe you could know when it could rain or they heard that in the Media and want to confirm it from you? Maybe you can expound.

The Minority Leader (Hon. Philip Wanjohi): Thank you Mr. Speaker. The Hon. Koros and I come from the same Constituency and also the damage that is done by waters in my Ward comes

from Mauche. We had promised our farmers, we were to do Dams and desilting, and all that in order to receive rains. But now they are worried after doing all that work, now the rains are not coming and also we had told them to plant long term crops because the rains were to go up to January and February. So now we have to go and reschedule the program and tell them to do short term crops. So Mr. Speaker, that is the message we have and we have now to adjust our information. Thank you Mr. Speaker

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you. The Hon. Member for London.

Hon. Bernard Gatuso: Thank you, Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity. I rise to support the Motion for us to proceed on Recess. This is a House of rules and order, and we have a Calendar that we are supposed to follow; I believe it is in order. Also Mr. Speaker, we will be able to realise emerging challenges within our Communities as we continue walking around and evaluate projects that we have been able to do, explaining to our communities and also to some extent, we will be explaining to them the changes that we have been effected to our Wards Budget regarding what we were able to do as MCAs in various Wards. Thank you Mr. Speaker, I support.

The Speaker (Hon. Joel Karuri): Thank you, I now want to put it to question.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members be upstanding. This House stands adjourned from today 25th October 2023 to 7th November 2023 at 9.00 am

The House rose at 3.50 PM