

MOMBASA COUNTY ASSEMBLY**HANSARD REPORT**

Wednesday, 21st December, 2016

The House met at 9.20am.

(Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Members you may sit down. Yes Clerk.

MOTION

Yes Hon Patrick Siminyu.

Hon. Siminyu: Hon Speaker I want to move a Motion on adoption of report on condition of all fire stations in Mombasa.

Mr. Speaker I beg that this House adopts the Report on condition of all fire stations in Mombasa laid on table on Tuesday, December 20, 2016. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Okay Members I now propose a Motion that the House adopts the report on condition of all fire stations in Mombasa. Yes Hon Siminyu.

(Hon Siminyu read report)

DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Hon. Patrick Siminyu	Chairman
Hon. Mswabah Rashid	Vice Chair
Hon Saad Faraj Ahmed	Member
Hon Maimuna C Mwamassa	Member
Hon Nasser Rashid	Member
Hon Zainab Mumba	Member
Hon Murfad Amur	Member
Hon. Tom Ogalo	Member
Hon. Ahmed Omar	Member
Hon. Hamisi Musa Mwidani	Member

This matter was raised because of a Member who brought a statement wanting to know the status of all fire stations in Mombasa and it was directed to fact find and we went to several fire stations and maybe we go to the recommendations of the Committee because the report was placed in this House way back.

Mr. Speaker Sir the recommendations of the Committee; the Committee recommended that;

- The County government should consider employing additional firemen to enhance the staffing levels of fire stations in the County.
- There is need to establish a County diving and rescue unit and manned with qualified personnel so as to handle any emerging rescue missions in the County and beyond.
- The firemen should be facilitated to undertake regular training and refresher courses in their specialist areas so as to be responsive to the County disaster needs.

- The Committee recommends the County to enter into Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs) with several stakeholders such as Mombasa Water Company, Kenya Pipeline, Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) and Kenya Refinery with a view to access water hydrants within the industrial areas;
- That during procurement of fire fighting and rescue equipment, officers from this unit be incorporated in the process/inspection so that the County can get value for money for the equipment being procured.
- Mr. Speaker Sir the Committee also recommended that the Department in charge of County Fire fighting services to urgently supply the units with the three types of uniforms i.e ceremonial, protective gowns and working uniforms, safety boots, VHF communication gadgets, working gear such as breathing kits, gloves, soap, gas etc.
- That no officer should be victimized or reprimanded for the engagement with Members of the Disaster Committee of the County Assembly of Mombasa, and that all warning letters to that effect arising from an earlier visit of a committee of the House be withdrawn.
- The Committee recommends that the Department in charge of County fire fighting services should urgently find modalities to compensate the fire fighters for working beyond the official normal working hours. This should be done either through cash or off days to the officers.
- The Committee also recommends that Kshs. 1,000/= risk allowance to the officers should be reviewed upwards in order to motivate the officers who are undertaking an important service to the County residents.
- The Committee recommends that the County government should explore modalities to improve on the officer's access to medical care considering that they worked in very risky and hazardous environments.
- The Committee also recommends that thorough investigations be undertaken by the Lands department with regard to the encroachment of lands belonging to three fire stations in the County. The renting by IEBC of offices previously belonging to the fire station at Changamwe be investigated and a way forward be given.
- Mr. Speaker, that an engagement forum between the Committee members and the leadership of fire stations be undertaken with a view to further engage and come up with tangible strategies and proposals on the way forward with regard to disaster management and fight fighting issues in the County.
- Mr. Speaker on 21st November, 2016 the Committee invited the Director of Inspectorate and we had a meeting on conditions of all fire stations and he had informed the committee members that he wrote to the Public Service Board on the employment of 50 staff and drivers due to the shortage of staff to the fire department.

Mr. Speaker, I beg this House to adopt the report in this House. Thank you.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Yes Hon Mary Akinyi.

Hon. (Ms) Akinyi: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika mimi naunga mkono ripoti hii kwa juhudi ambayo Kamati hii imetuletea ripoti hii imefanya na ikatuletea ripoti hii.

Mheshimiwa Spika tunapongelea mambo ya *fire* ni mambo na majanga ambayo yanatakikana tuyatilie maanani tena tuweze kukubaliana na hii ripoti iweze kuanza kazi haraka iwezekanavyo.

Mheshimiwa Spika hii ripoti imeletwa wakati mzuri ambapo tunaenda katika ile hali ya kuweza kutengeneza bajeti.

Hivyo basi kwa vile hii ripoti imeletwa wakati tunaenda kufanya bajeti ni ombi langu hata tukishapitisha ripoti ndani ya Nyumba hii ni tuhakikishe kuwa hii ripoti inatekelezwa kwa haraka haraka ili wakati tunapofanya bajeti tuweze kuweka haya mambo yote hapa ambayo yako kwenye mapendekezo ambayo yako katika hii ripoti ili haya mambo yaweze kutekelezwa vile inavyohitajika ili kusiwe tena na mambo ya majanga.

Hata kama janga limetokea; ama moto umetokea mahali, kuna mtoto ameingia kwenye kisima mahali, kuna mtu yeyote amefanyiwa kama ni ajali kama ni nini kinachohitajika Mambo yaweze kutekelezwa haraka iwezekanavyo.

Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Yes Hon Tom.

Hon. Ogalo: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika nimesimama kuunga mkono ripoti hii.

Mimi ni Mwanakamati na tulienda mpaka Nairobi na tukapanga way forward ya kutengeneza fire za Mombasa Kaunti na ningeomba Nyumba hii tuunge mkono na tutekeleze mapendekezo ambayo tumeyaleta kwa hii Nyumba ili tupate faida ama tuache ile hasara ambayo tulipata wakati ule.

Mheshimiwa Spika ninaunga mkono sana.

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Mheshimiwa Fatuma Swaleh Kushe.

Hon. (Ms) Fatma Swaleh: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika, mimi pia nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja ilioletwa na Mheshimiwa Patrick Siminyu.

Mheshimiwa Spika kama unavyojua Bunge letu la Mombasa barabara zimetengenezwa katika njia za kidigitali Bwana Spika.

Mimi ningeomba Service Board ifanye haraka iwezekanavyo ili iweze kuajiri watu ambao watatusaidia katika upande wa hizi fire.

Mheshimiwa Spika janga la moto ni jambo kubwa sana na ukiangalia hapa kwetu barabara zimejengwa katika hali ya utata sana na majumba pia yamejengwa katika hali ya kusikitisha.

Kwa hivyo mimi cha kuongezea Mheshimiwa Spika katika hoja hii ni kwamba ikiwa inawezekana kila Sub county kuweze kupelekwa gari la kuzima moto. Ahsante sana.

(Question proposed)

Deputy Speaker (Hon. Mswabah Rashid): Thank you very much Members, I think this Motion has been deliberated and I now put the question Members.

I propose that this House adopts the report on conditions of all fire stations in Mombasa laid on the table Tuesday, December 20, 2016.

(Question put and agreed to)

Yes Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

Members this House is adjourned until afternoon.

The House rose at 9:34am.