
REPUBLIC OF KENYA
THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF MOMBASA

OFFICIAL REPORT

Thursday, 1st March, 2018

The House met at 2:45p.m.

(The Deputy Speaker (Hon. Fadhili Mwalimu) in the Chair)

PRAYERS

The Deputy Speaker: Have your seats. Yes, Clerk?

PETITIONS

Yes Hon. Amriya?

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: Thank you for your indulgence Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker Sir, I wish to bring to the attention of the House that the Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs has on the 27th February, 2018 received a petition from one Bernard Obera. Mr. Speaker the petition requests the review of the interview process of the 4th and 5th Member of the County Assembly Service Board. Mr. Speaker with your permission if I could skim through the petition it reads as follows. Mr. Speaker the petition is dated on the 19th February, 2018 and it has been addressed to the Chairperson Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs, County Assembly of Mombasa.

(Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma read)

Dear Madam,

Request for review of the interview process of the 4th and 5th Member to the County Assembly Service Board.

It goes ahead and says;

I would like to request your Committee to look into the above mentioned matter how each candidate who turned up for the interview on Monday 6th November, 2017 and Tuesday 7th November, 2017 performed, qualifications and marks scored during the interview by listening to the Hansard records to find out how each candidate answered the questions asked and whether all candidates who turned up for the interview had all the clearance documents on the interview date from the following institutions;

The Criminal Investigation Department

The Higher Education Loans Board

The Kenya Revenue Authority

The Ethics and Anti Corruption

The letter goes ahead and says;

The investigation by your Committee will make those who attended the interview to be satisfied by knowing how they performed, ranked and finally who emerged top during the interview and become 4th and 5th Member of the County Assembly Service Board.

Finally the letters says;

I hereby attach the names of those who were shortlisted for the above interview and I am looking forward to expeditious response and many thanks indeed in advance.

Yours faithfully

Mr. Bernard M. Obera

Cc. The Clerk of the County Government
Speaker
Secretary, County Assembly Service Board

Mr. Speaker, the Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs had a subsequent meeting on the 20th February, 2018 at 2:30p.m after looking at the petition and discussing in depth it was unanimously resolved to dismiss the petition up initial on the following grounds Mr. Speaker.

That the petition has failed to meet the requirement of the Standing Orders and the law in this manner; the petition has been brought out of time contrary to Section 7(10) of the Public Appointments County Assembly Approval Bill, 2014, the second ground for the dismissal Mr. Speaker is that the petition was submitted to the Committee on Justice as opposed to the Clerk of the County Assembly pursuant to the Standing Order 195(1). Lastly Mr. Speaker the final ground on the dismissal by the Justice and Legal Committee of the said petition is that the petition was not accompanied by an attachment of signatures as required by the Standing Order 200.

Thank you Mr. Speaker I beg to rest the report on the petition.

The Deputy Speaker: So the Clerk to communicate to the petitioner Mr. Bernard Obera on the grounds as to why the petition was dismissed by the Justice Committee. Yes Clerk?

PAPERS LAYING OF PAPERS

Yes Hon. Mohamed Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I request the Chair to grant me permission to consolidate orders number 5 and number 6 so that I can table the report.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Hatimy as this is a House of rules and procedures we would like you to proceed as per in the Standing Orders; you can lay the papers as they appear in the order paper.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Ok Mr. Speaker, I wish to table the report on the vetting of the Nominee for 4th Member for the County Assembly Service Board.

(Paper Laid)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Clerk?

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker on behalf of the Committee on Appointments I wish to table the Report on the vetting of the 5th Member. Thank you.

(Paper Laid)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members before we proceed I acknowledge the presence of the Hon. Members from Kiambu County Assembly and I will name as per the list with me. So if the Hon. Member is in the public gallery he/she will stand and bow.

Hon. James Kimani

Hon. Joackim Njama

Hon. Thaki Macharia

Hon. Philip Njoroge

Hon. Sophia Mutuguti

Hon. Susan Muigai

Hon. Margaret Njeri

Hon. Margaret Gatonye

Hon. Joseph Karichu

Hon. Kaben Daniel

Hon. Eunice Mwega

Hon. Chris Karumba

Hon. Gathemu Mbiwi

Mr. Kenneth Mwiti

Clerk Assistant

Mr. Samuel Nganya Muchai

Hansard Reporter

Mr. David Kungu

The Serjeant-At-Arms

(Hon. Members and staff from County Assembly of Kiambu bowed before the House)

Thank you and you are much welcomed to the Mombasa County Assembly. Yes Clerk you may proceed.

SPECIAL MOTION

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Mohamed Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker on behalf of the Committee on Appointment I wish to give a notice of the following Motion approval for Appointment of the Nominee for 4th Member of the County Assembly Service Board. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Clerk?

APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE NOMINEE FOR 4TH MEMBER OF THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker I am here again to give a notice of Motion approval of the Nominee of 5th Member of the County Assembly Service Board. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Clerk?

STATEMENTS

Hon. Amriya Juma Boy.

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 41 (2) I wish to table the Notice Paper the next week commencing 28th February, 2018 to 2nd March, 2018.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes proceed?

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Clerk just a minute, the Hon. Member is still on the floor.

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: Ok, thank you again Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to the same order 41(2) I wish to read out the Notice paper commencing 26th February to 2nd March, 2018. Mr. Speaker the Business of Tuesday 6th March, 2018 at 2:30p.m will be a Motion of installation of security light in every building or House in Mombasa County by Hon. Charles Kitula Member of County Assembly Frere Town Ward. Mr. Speaker further the Business of Wednesday 7th March, 2018 at 9:00a.m we will have a paper on *Chikungunya* fever by the Chairperson Committee Health that is Hon. Kibwana Swaleh Baya. On the same date at 9:30a.m you will also have a paper on sponsorship of Ward soccer tournament by the Chairman on Committee on Youth, Gender, Sports and Cultural Affairs that is Hon. Moses Aran. On the same date Wednesday 7th March, 2018 at 2:30p.m we shall have a notice of Motion on the status of cleanliness in the County by Hon. Shebe Athuman, Chairman Committee on Environment, Waste Management and Energy. Further Mr. Speaker on Wednesday at 2:30p.m. we shall have a Notice of Motion on the status of bursaries within the County by the Chairperson on Committee on Education, IT and MV 2035, that is Hon. Ibrahim Omondi. Finally Mr. Speaker on Thursday, 8th March, 2018 at 2:30p.m, we shall have Statements from Members of the County Assembly. Thank you so much.

The Deputy Speaker: Thank you Hon. Amriya but for Hansard records it will be 5th March, 2018, the businesses will commence next week then correct yourself please.

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: Ok, thank you Mr. Speaker I wish to amend my previous statement by saying the Notice Paper on 5th March, 2018 to 8th March, 2018. Thank you very much.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Clerk?

STATUS OF THE SECURITY LIGHTS IN THE COUNTY

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Tobias Samba.

Hon. Samba: Yes thank you Hon. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order 41 2(c) I rise to seek a statement from the Chairperson, Committee on Transport Infrastructure and Public Works on the status of the security lights in the County. Hon. Speaker despite the tremendous efforts by the County Government in lightening up the City, some of the security lights have not been properly maintained as a result cases of insecurity have been reported in the County in places where there are no proper lightings. Hon. Speaker i made an inquiry at the Department of Transport and Infrastructure and the response was that the supplier had not brought the bulbs, the House wishes to establish the following from the County Government of Mombasa Mr. Speaker. In the statement the Chairperson should inquire into the report on the status of all security lights in the county, the measures that the County Government is taking in order to fix the problem, and what was the agreement between the County Government and supplier on the maintenance of lights. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Chairman Transport? Any Member from the Transport Committee?

(Silence)

It seems the Committee has no information. Yes Hon. Mwaka?

Hon. (Ms.) Mwaka Bakari: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I request to give us one week.

The Deputy Speaker: Okay thank you. Yes Clerk.

PROMOTION AND EXHIBITION ON WOMEN ENTERPRISES

Yes Hon Milka.

Hon. (Ms.) Ngare: Thank you Mr. Speaker, I request to read a statement on promotion and exhibition on women enterprises. Pursuant to Standing Order 41. 2 c, I wish to seek a statement from the Chairperson, Committee on Trade, Tourism and Investments regarding the need on promoting and exhibiting women enterprises. Hon. Speaker women are now on the forefront of opening and running their own businesses but despite this milestone women businesses have not been properly promoted or exhibited. Hon. Speaker in the statement the Chairperson should inquire into and report on the measures the County Government is taking on promotion and exhibition of women enterprises. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Okay Chairman Trade any response? Any Member from Trade Committee? Yes Hon. Ahmed.

Hon. Ahmed Khamis Salim: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I request the Honorable Members to give us two weeks.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon Ahmed, there are two Members standing. Hon Ahmed have you seat.

Hon. (Ms.) Ngare: I stand to state that I think two weeks is too long a period, this is something that can be done within at most one week because he is not going to look for information from out of the country it is just within the County and we require an answer almost immediately, thank you Mr. Speaker.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Okay the Committee on Trade the House will give you a week's time, so next week Thursday make sure you have the response from Hon. Milka Moraa. Next order.

HOW BEST THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY CAN FOSTER GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HON. MEMBERS AND STAFF

Hon Fatma Mote.

Hon. (Ms.) Fatma Swaleh: Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity to make a statement. The statement relate to..., Mr. Speaker this is my second term serving as a Hon. Member, serving in this Assembly...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members you are not supposed to read a speech, it is as if you are reading a speech in the House; Just make a statement, it is your statement and your statement belongs to you.

Hon. (Ms.) Fatma Swaleh: Mr. Speaker I Thank God this is my second term to be in this Assembly, I kindly request for induction with Hon. Members and staff of the Assembly. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: So who is to respond to your statement; the Service Board, the Speaker or the Hon. Members?

Hon. (Ms.) Fatma Swaleh: I think you are the one who is going to respond.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Okay it will be discussed in the House Business Committee, Next order.

CONSTRUCTION OF FRERE TOWN SAREJEVO MWANDONI ROAD

Yes Hon. Charles Kitula.

Chief Whip (Hon. Kitula): Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing order 41, sub section 2c, I arise to seek a statement from the Chairman Committee on Transport Infrastructure and Public Works on the construction of Frere town Sarejevo Mwandoni road. Hon. Speaker the Frere Town Sarejevo Mwandoni road is in a dilapidated condition and has affected both the motorists and pedestrians; this is despite the importance of the road which connects Bamburi Kisauni Road and Mombasa Malindi road. Hon. Speaker in the statement that Chairperson should examine into and report on if the County Government is aware of the condition of Frere Town Sarejevo road, when will the County Government start the construction of Sarejevo Road. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: I understand the Committee, Transport Committee are not ready so we give them one week...

(Interruption)

Hon. Ibrahim I have already ruled on the same. Next order.

NON REMITTANCE OF MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES DEDUCTIONS

Yes Hon. Athman Mwamiri.

Hon. Athman Mwamwiri: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing order 41 section 2c I rise to seek a statement from the Chair Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriation on the non remittance of Members and employees deductions. Hon. Speaker every month both Members and employees are deducted moneys from their salaries with the proceeding going to, for instance loan services; NHIF, LAPTRUST, LAPFUND among others, however it is emerging that the County treasury has not been dutifully remitting the deductions. As a matter of fact some Hon. Members and staff won't access their salaries this month due to delays in remittance of their personal loans. Hon. Speaker i seek the statement from the Chair, he should inquire into and report on;

- a. Reasons for the delays in the remittance of Members, employees deductions,
- b. When will they remit the deductions for Honorable Members and staff for the month of February for them to access their February salary.
- c. Measures the County Treasury will take to ensure that salaries deductions are remitted to the respective entities promptly.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: The concerned Committee to respond to the statement from Hon. Mwamiri in a week's time.

(Interruption)

What is it Hon. Hatimy?

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Is he requesting the Finance Chair to respond? I think Mr. Speaker you can give me until Tuesday this week i will respond.

The Deputy Speaker: It's okay till next week Tuesday, Clerk.

MOTION

EXEMPTION OF BUSINESS FROM THE PROVISIONS OF STANDING ORDER ORDERS 35(2), 41(2)(A) AND 228(2)

Hon. Kitula.

Chief Whip (Hon. Kitula): Thank you Mr. Speaker, exemption of business from the provisions of Standing order orders 35(2), 41(2) (a) and 228(2).

THAT, notwithstanding Standing order 35(2), 41(2) (a) and 228 (2) this House orders that the business appearing under Order Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 16, 17, 18 and 19 be exempted from those Standing orders due to the urgency of fulfilling County Government business and to meet statutory timelines set in the appointment of the Fourth and Fifth Members of the County Assembly Service Board.

Mr. Speaker may I ask Hon. Moses Aran to second.

Hon. Oindo: Mr. Speaker Sir I second the Motion.

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Members as Order number 15 is a Procedural Motion I stand to put a question. That the Motion by Hon. Charles Kitula on exemption of business from the provisions of Standing Order orders 35 (2), 41(2) (a) and 228 (2).

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Members as per the Motion we will proceed to a Special Motion. Next order.

SPECIAL MOTION

APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT FOR THE NOMINEE FOR FOURTH MEMBER OF COUNTY ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD MR SWABIR MASOUD ABDALLAH

Yes Hon. Hatimy.

(Hon. Mohamed Hatimy moved the Special Motion)

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker I wish to table the following Motion; that this House adopts the Report on the vetting of the Nominee for the position of the Fourth Member of the County Assembly Service Board as laid on the Table of the House on Thursday 1st March, 2018. And pursuant to the provision of Section 9(1) and 46 of the County Assembly Service Act, 2017 CAP 24 and Section 12(3) (d) of the County Government Act, 2012 CAP 17 of Laws of Kenya, approves the appointment of Mr. Swabir Masoud Abdallah to be the Fourth Member of the County Assembly of Mombasa, County Assembly Service Board. I beg to move Mr. Speaker.

I request Hon. Kitula to second the Motion.

Chief Whip (Hon. Kitula): I stand to second the Motion Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: I propose a question that the Special Motion on approval for appointment for the Nominee for Fourth Member of County Assembly Service Board be debated in this House. Yes Members.

(Question proposed and agreed to)

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Mheshimiwa Spika ili kutafuta *Fourth Member* wa bodi na walifanyiwa *vetting* na wakaonekana kuwa hawa *Members* wako sawasawa kabisa, Mheshimiwa na kulikua na makaratasi mengi sana kama tunavyojua Mheshimiwa Spika ripoti zote ziko kwa *website* zetu tangu juzi zimewekwa. Kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika tumeona pia hawa wawili *Fourth* na *Fifth* tumewafanyia ili...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Hatimy you are on the Fourth Member.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: *Fourth Member* ili tuweze kupitisha leo Mheshimiwa Spika, ahsante sana.

The Deputy Speaker: It seems Members you are all in support of the Fourth Member so I stand to put a question.

(Question put and agreed to)

Next order?

**APPROVAL FOR APPOINTMENT FOR THE NOMINEE FOR FIFTH MEMBER OF COUNTY
ASSEMBLY SERVICE BOARD MS. LYNETTE KAMADI**

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Hatimy.

(Hon. Mohamed Hatimy moved the Special Motion)

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I wish to give the following Motion on approval on appointment of the Nominee for Fifth Member of the County Assembly Service Board. That this House adopts the Report on the vetting of the Nominee for the position of the Fifth Member of the County Assembly Service Board as laid on the Table of the House on Thursday 1st March, 2018. And pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 (1) and 46 of the County Assembly Service Act, 2017 CAP 24 and Section 12(3)(d) of the County Government Act, 2012 CAP 17 of laws of Kenya, approves the appointment of Ms. Lynette Kamadi to be the Fifth Member of the County Assembly of Mombasa, County Assembly Service Board. I beg to move Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Who is your seconder?

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: I request Hon. Moses to second the Motion.

Hon. Oindo: I second the Motion.

The Deputy Speaker: I now propose a question that the approval for the appointment for the Nominee of the Fifth Member of the County Assembly Service Board be debated in this House.

(Question proposed and agreed to)

Yes Hon. Hatimy or any other Member. Yes Hon. Hatimy?

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Mheshimiwa Spika nilitaka ku *consolidate* hizi Hoja lakini ukanikatalia naona mpaka sasa watu bado kidogo wako usingizini; kwa hivyo maneno ni yale yale Kamadi tumempata ambae alikuwa *vetted* na akawa ni mama mmoja ambae yuko ngangari kabisa na yuko vizuri na huyu alikuwa Karani nafikiri wa Chama cha Walimu na ni mama ambae atatuletea mambo mengi sana katika Kaunti yetu hii. Kwa hivyo naomba Wanachama wamuunge mkono ili tuweze kumsaidia kumuweka huyu kwa haraka vile yawezekana tupate msaada ili tupate kuendeleza mambo yetu.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Amriya.

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: I stand on a Point of order; under Standing order 73 Mr. Speaker the Hon. Member has used both English and Swahili in this House contrary to Standing order 73. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Hatimy.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Yaonekana kuna Waheshimiwa wamelala, **nimemaliza** kutoa Hoja nikakaa chini ndio nikainuka nikaongea Kiswahili, kwa hivyo Mheshimiwa Spika nataka Wakili asome *Standing order* sawasawa.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Samba.

Hon. Samba: I think the Hon. Member is out of Order by terming that Hon. Members are sleeping, we do not have beds here!

(Applause and laughter)

He should use Parliamentary language to address us. We are Hon. Members. Thank you. Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Hatimy withdraw your statement for the House to proceed.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Mr. Speaker I am sorry I cannot withdraw sleeping is not abusive language, so I am sorry I cannot withdraw.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Tobias?

Hon. Samba: Mr Speaker we are not sleeping. I think sleeping entails many things we need to close our eyes, we need to have blankets, and we need to have mattresses. Mr. Speaker sir we are not sleeping and if you allow that to go unchallenged I think we will get ourselves in bad books, we are not sleeping and perhaps maybe some are sleeping but Mr. Speaker I am not sleeping I am awake...

(Laughter)

Thank you Mr. Speaker

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Raphael.

Hon. Bwire: Thank you Mr. Speaker I think we have a lot of....

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: You are up on...!

Hon. Bwire: I am up on a Point of order.

The Deputy Speaker: Then there is no Point of order on a Point of order. Yes Hon. Hatimy proceed.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Hon. Speaker can Hon. Samba tell us if he is a Lawyer because he said that he is not sleeping so why talk on behalf of other Members?

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Hatimy proceed with your Motion.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: *(Off Microphone)*

The Deputy Speaker: It seems Hon. Members you are also in support of the 5th Member to the Service Board but Mr. Hatimy in future when I say apologize you have to do so before I put a question; apologize to the House for me to proceed.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I respect your Chair Mr. Speaker but I am ready to apologize if that is in the Standing order; under which Standing Order Mr. Speaker?

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Hatimy, I have said apologize to the House for the language that you have used in this Honorable House. The Hon. Members did not take your statements lightly so please and it is also under Standing Order 84 so Hon. Hatimy apologize to the House for the House to proceed with its business.

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: Mr. Speaker if you are insisting.

The Deputy Speaker: You just apologise Hon. Hatimy!

Hon. Mohamed Hatimy: If you are insisting that i just apologize, it is okay I apologize. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

(Applause and laughter)

The Deputy Speaker: I stand to put a question on the Special Motion on approval for the appointment of the Nominee for the 5th Member of the County Assembly of Mombasa Service Board.

(Question put and agreed to)
(Applause)

Yes next order.

ROOTING OF SUB COUNTY ADMINISTRATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEVOLUTION

Yes Hon. Moses Aran.

Hon. Oindo: I wish to move a Motion on rooting of Sub County administration in the Department of Devolution.

(Hon. Oindo moved the Motion)

Mr. Speaker Sir AWARE THAT the County Government Act, 2012 establishes a number of administrative structures for the proper functioning of the County Government, the Sub County administration being among them.

FURTHER AWARE that section 50(4) of the County Government Act, 2012 specifies that the Sub County Administrator shall report to the relevant Chief Officer.

NOTING THAT the County Government has established a Department of Devolution and Public Administration whose head is the County Executive Member and whose functions and portfolio includes overseeing the Sub-County Administration.

DEEPLY CONCERNED that the Sub County Administration which had previously been working under separate arrangements has not adjusted to the current reality and is yet to be cognizant of the new hierarchy and reporting structure.

Mr. Speaker, I urge this Assembly to resolve that:

1. The Sub- County Administration including all other staff working thereof shall be rooted/domiciled in the Department of Devolution and Public Administration.
2. The County Public Service Board shall ensure compliance with this resolution and take necessary action to enforce the same.

I request Hon. Kitula to second the Motion.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Honorable?

(Hon. Kitula bowed in seconding the Motion)

The Deputy Speaker: I now propose a question that the Motion on rooting of Sub County Administration in the department of Devolution be debated in this House.

(Question proposed and agreed to)
(Applause)

Yes Hon. Aran.

Hon. Oindo: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika Hoja hii iko wazi sana vile nimetangulia kusoma hapo na twajua kwamba mambo na usimamizi ulikuwa au kazi ya usimamizi ilikuwa chini ya ofisi ya Gavana na twajua muhula wa kwanza wa Gavana hatukuwa...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Aran under Standing Order 73, use one language please you have started with English proceed with the same.

Hon. Oindo: Mheshimiwa Spika nilikaa nikasoma tena ama?

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Proceed.

Hon. Oindo: Okay Mr. Speaker I am very fluent in English, so let me just proceed in English as you have requested. Mr. Speaker the Motion that I am moving this afternoon is self-explanatory. We all know that the first term of the County Government under the Governor His Excellency Hon. Hassan Joho the office of the Ward and Sub-County Administrators was under the office of the Governor but right now we know that there is a new Department that has been created, that is the Devolution and Public Administration. I hereby request this House that all the administrative work should be therefore handed over or transferred to the relevant department because as I have read Mr. Speaker all the Administrators, the Sub County Administrators are supposed to report to the necessary Chief Officer, in 2013 that office right now we have the Chief Officer of Devolution so I request the Honorable House to please do the necessary. Thank you.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Kitula?

Chief Whip (Hon. Kitula): Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika nimesimama kuunga mkono hoja ambayo imeweza kuletwa na Mheshimiwa Moses Aran. Kusema kweli Mheshimiwa Spika nimeshangazwa sana siku ya leo kusoma gazeti ya leo kuona kwamba kuna mgogoro katika Serikali ya Kaunti ya Mombasa upande wa wafanyi kazi.

Mheshimiwa Spika kusema kweli Gavana hivi sasa ameweza kutenga idara hii ya Ugatuzi na masuala ya umma; Mheshimiwa Spika unapata hawa wahudumu katika Wodi zetu kata ndogo maarufu kama *Ward Administrators* wamekuwa wakiweza kuchukua ripoti zao na kupeleka kwa *County Administrator* ambaye hivi sasa *County Administrator* huyu ameweza kufanya kazi pasipo kuwa na mwelekeo. Lakini leo hii tukiweza kupitisha kama Wabunge katika Bunge hili kwamba hawa *Ward Administrators* pamoja na *County Administrator* waweze kuhakikisha kwamba wanaweza kufanya kazi kwa ushirikiano baina ya wao na Waziri ambaye Gavana ameweza kumteua Bwana Seth Odongo ili kuweza kuhakikisha kwamba huduma haziwezi kugongana kwa ajili ya manufaa ya watu wetu. Mheshimiwa Spika ni jambo la kushangaza kuona kwamba hadi wafanyi kazi wa umma hawajui wapige ripoti changamoto zao mashinani kwa mkubwa wao nani, lakini leo hii tukiweza kupitisha kama Wabunge tutaweza kuwapatia nguvu hawa *Ward Administrators* kuhakikisha kwamba wote pamoja na wahudumu katika idara hiyo waweze kufikisha malalamishi yao katika Wizara ambayo Gavana ameweza kuiteua inayoongozwa na Waziri Seth Odongo. Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Tobias Samba.

Hon. Samba: Yes thank you Mr. Speaker, in fact this Motion has come at the right time; of late we as Hon. Members there have been some conflict of interest between the Member of the County Assembly (MCA) and the Ward Administrators, at times you feel frustrated and you do not know whom you report to. When we are dealing with other Departments we are very much aware that there are specific people for specific Departments responsible for each and every issue, now this is going to be the platform that is going to be offered to us as Hon. Members, we are going to have somebody who is responsible.

Most of the Ward Administrators do not report to anyone, they are colliding with most of the politicians and at times you find that we have conflict of interest between us and the Ward Administrators. Mr. Speaker this is going to be between us and the Ward Administrators are well propagated, well laid mechanisms that are going to make sure that we deliver to our electorates at appropriate times and with appropriated measures. Hon. Speaker we have got several incidents within our Wards and whenever there are issues at the Ward level the only person whom the electorates can reach easily or can access easily is only these Hon. Members and they can only reach these Ward Administrators when there are issues like for instance where there are public holidays you find that the only people who will be front with those issues of public holidays will be Ward Administrators. There are some of the things that are going on like currently I just contacted my Ward Administrator last time and there is an issue going that they are setting up a structure or a Committee that is going to foresee the development within the Ward; this is done without our consent, without even our knowledge and if you call them the best thing they can tell you is that; give us two or one person. This thing has been going on Hon. Speaker and they are just using the power that is bestowed on them to enrich themselves. Thank you Hon. Aran for this Motion I beg this House also to support it so that at least we will have somewhere to run to, we will have somebody who will be responsible, we will have somebody whom if at all there is any issue we can summon. I beg to support the Motion.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Athuman Mwamwiri?

Hon. Athuman Mwamwiri: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika nimesimama kwa nia ya kuunga mkono Hoja hii ilioretwa na Mheshimiwa Moses Aran. Kwa yakini Mheshimiwa Spika kuwepo kwa hawa Makarani au *Ward Administrators* kumekuwa donda sugu sana mashinani.

Laiti kama sio ya kwamba watambulika Kikatiba basi ingekuwa waondolewe mbali; Mheshimiwa Spika wamefanya kazi bila mipangilio kwa sababu hawakuwa na mahali maalum ama Waziri mhusika wanapopiga ripoti. Wameteteleza majukumu yote wanayowahusu na yasio wahuu. Mheshimiwa Spika kuna taarifa ya kwamba baadhi yao pia hutembelea mijengo inayojengwa na kuitisha rushwa, wanatembelea vibanda vya mama zetu wanaofanya biashara na kuwatatiza na kuwaitisha hongo hali ya kwamba wenyewe ni maskini na hali duni. Lakini uwepo wao katika idara mahsusi watanyoroka na watakuwa na nidhamu kwa sababu changamoto utakazozipata hatutadili na wao...

(Applause)

Tutawaendea wakubwa wao ambao bado Bunge hili lina uwezo la kuwaita na ikilazimika ama hawajibiki pia kuwatuma nyumbani Mheshimiwa Spika. Mheshimiwa Spika ndugu yangu ametangulia kusema Mheshimiwa Samba ya kwamba kuna Kamati zinaundwa mashinani kwa nia ya kuteleza majukumu na maendeleo mashinani. Jamii inatutambua sisi kama wawakilishi wao na majukumu yale wameyaweka juu yetu iwapo kuna tengenezwa Kamati na sisi hatuna taarifa Mheshimiwa Spika tutajibu nini kwa wananchi wetu? Mheshimiwa Spika hawa makarani sio tu walikuwa wanahujumu nia nzuri ya Mheshimiwa Gavana bali walikuwa na nia ya kutuhujumu baadhi yetu tusiweze kurudi katika Bunge hili Mheshimiwa Spika...

(Applause)

...Kuwepo chini ya Mkurugenzi na Waziri mhusika itawanyorosha na naliomba Bunge hili pasi na kigegezi tuunge mkono hoja hii hawa Makarani wawe chini ya Idara husika wapate nidhamu inayostahiki na wateleze majukumu kwa nia ya kusaidia jamii na serikali ya Kaunti ya Mombasa. Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika.

The Deputy Speaker: Members it seems you have fully exhausted. Yes Hon. *Bomoa*.

Hon. Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker sir for awarding me this opportunity to air my views too to this important matter in the House. Mr. Speaker Sir it is very understandable and it very well known that any institution must always have an organizational structure where all the matters must be addressed from down upwards. Mr. Speaker Sir this sector; the Devolution and Public Administration is one of the very important sector in our country and as you know that this child was just born recently and his Excellency Governor has taken a lot of effort to ensure that we have the best material in this particular Department and we have to utilize this optimally.

As you have heard from the Speaker or from my Member who spoke at first that this time there is a very clearly lineage where by the protocol must be observed. The Ward Administrators that we are having now; Mr. Speaker am sorry to say that they have been, of late they have not been organized the way they do their services and that is why I want to support this Motion, that this particular Department must be active and they must be able to report to a specific person whom we now have in our County. As another Member said indeed we have had problems with these Ward Administrators and Mr. Speaker Sir I will tell you this one for free that I am the Chairman of Education but I was amazed when I happened to meet one the Ward Administrator who seemed to know more than the way I know than the Chairman of education. Mr. Speaker sir I think that is very sad because the Ward Administrator seemed to know that the bursaries will be released next month and that one is my department...

(Laughter)

I have just prepared my report Mr Speaker sir which was requested by these able Members in this House of which I am going to give that statement on Thursday on the status of bursary in our County and the Ward Administrators are already preaching outside to our voters that the bursaries are ready and then they are going to be given next month. I think Mr. Speaker sir something has to be done and this one is actually an indication that there is a very big problem; the way these Departments are run, thanks to our Governor that now we have the person the Chief Officer who is going to organize this and ensure that everything is done the way it is supposed to be done to avoid this confusion. Thank you Mr Speaker Sir I support.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Amriya.

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: My microphone is trying to play hide and seek on me, however thank you so much. Mr. Speaker Sir I wish to oppose the Motion by Hon. Moses Aran Oindo that on the rooting of Sub County administration to the Department of Devolution. Mr. Speaker having looked at the Motion the arguments are neither here nor there because the County Government Act as correctly brought forward by Hon. Aran Section 50(4) states that Sub County Administration shall report to the Chief Offices and the current position is they do report to the Chief Officer not to Department of Devolution but rather on the office of the government. Mr. Speaker unless there are other reasons to the rooting of administration I think the Department of Devolution is relatively new and you understand Mr. Speaker that the Fourth Schedule part two has given the mandate of the County Assembly and they are quite enormous so they are relatively new, they are familiarizing so I think that this Motion will bring more harm than good in my respected opinion since the Department is adjusting; is it a month now, it is adjusting. We want to bring a whole structure that has been there almost for three and four years to that Department it will be a bit of confusion, so Mr. Speaker am on my feet and some Members are murmuring behind...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Whom do you want to inform.

Hon. Omondi: Yes the Member who was just speaking Mr. Speaker sir and Mr. Speaker when the Hon. Member stands firm and states clearly that she's not in support of the Ward administrative reporting to the respective Chief Officer who is now in the office I think that one is not in order because the reasons the Hon. Member has given that the department...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: So you are now opposing what the Hon. Member was saying or you are informing the Hon. Member.

Hon. Omondi: Am informing the Hon. Member.

The Deputy Speaker: But it is as if you are opposing what she has been saying on the floor of the House, just inform her because you've already given your views for her to proceed with the debate.

Hon. Omondi: Ok Thank you Mr. Speaker sir for that correction I would just like to inform the Member that the Chief Officer that was appointed in that particular Department has all it takes to be able to contain the pressure, very intelligent and educated.

The Deputy Speaker: Ok we've got your point Hon. Amriya proceed.

Hon. Omondi: Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir.

Hon. (Mrs.) Amriya Juma: Thank you very much again Mr. Speaker. I was just winding up before Hon. Member interrupted my speech but I think I have made my point that one of the structures as they are a pursuant of the County Government Act and the Constitution so I don't see the necessity of trying to delve into the new structure that we are... the Hon. Member has just recommended and secondly the Department is relatively new and it needs some time before we can think about restructuring on the same. Thank you so much Mr. Speaker sir those are my grounds of my objections.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Prischilla.

Hon. (Mrs.) Mumba: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika kwanza nimesimama hapa kuunga mkono na kumpongeza kijana mdogo Mheshimiwa ambaye yuko hapa ndani ametufanyia kazi nzuri kabisa ameleta Mswada huu kwa wakati unaofaa na wakati ambao tutasema ni mzuri kwa sababu katika muhula huu wa pili ambao tumeanza ni mda mfupi tu ameweza kuwa na tunaweza kuona wameingizwa katika Wizara. Kwa masikitiko yangu kuona Mheshimiwa mwenzangu akipinga ninakuombea Mungu Mheshimiwa Amriya...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Member address the Speaker please!

Hon. (Mrs.) Mumba: Ninashukuru Mungu kwa kunipa fursa hii ili nimuambie Mheshimiwa mwenzangu pia alikuwapo Mheshimiwa Spika nimuombea Mungu ndio maana nimesimama hivi nikimuombea Mungu wakati unao kuja aweze kuwa na Wodi aingie akiwa na Wodi asikie ule ule uchungu ambao sisi tumeteuliwa tuko hapa tukiunga huu Mswada kwa sababu yeye saa hizi yuko raha mustarehe hata huyo mtu anayeitwa *Ward Administrator* nafikiri hajakutana naye akamjua ni nani....

(Laughter)

Lakini mimi ninafahamu kwa sababu anafanya kazi katika Wodi yangu ambayo niliochaguliwa na ninajua utundu wao sana kwa sababu walikuwako hawana mamlaka yoyote ya kuweza kuwanyoosha lakini saa hii tunashukuru kwa Gavana wetu kwa kuweka kitengo cha wao kuweza kusimamiwa wakiwa na Wizara ambayo itakuwa inawajibika wao wanawajibika kuleta ripoti pale kwenye Wizara ili kuhakikisha utendaji kazi wao katika ma Wodi uko namna gani. Kwa wakati huu tukisema utendaji kazi wao una shaka kubwa sana kwa sababu hata unashindwa mtu huyu anapiga ripoti haya mambo wapi na ikiwa hata anakosea tunaweza kumpata wapi maana hata mimi wakati alipokuwa akinihujumu kwenye ule muhula wangu wa kwanza alipokuwa anaenda kinyume nilipata wakati mgumu sana kuweza kumnyoosha *Ward Administrator* wangu. Hii ni kwa sababu alikuwa anafanya mambo yake kiholela holela bila kuwa na wasiwasi akijua kuwa wewe hakuna mahali utanipatia pa kuweza kunishika na kuweza kunihujumu lakini sisi kama tunavyojua Mawaziri wakiwa wamekosea tunawaita katika Jumba letu na tunawauliza maswali na ikiwa Waziri ana mfanyi kazi ambaye yuko katika Wizara yake amekosea ni lazima Waziri ataenda kumuuliza maswali na kumuonyesha jinsi ya kufanya kazi inavyotatikana hawa watu ambao wako kule mashinani wamekosea kwa njia nyingi sana wa kutokuelewa kuwa mtu ambaye alichaguliwa ni MCA ambaye anatakikana awe ndio kama kiongozi wake wa kumuelekeza yale majukumu ambayo yanatakikana kufanya katika Wodi. Lakini unakuta anaenda kuchukua mkondo wake kivyake, anaenda kukaa na kufanya kazi zengine hata na watu ambaye pia si wahusika na anafanya nao wengine hata ni wa kuhujumu kazi ya MCA na anafanya nao kazi kuharibu jina la MCA kule chini. Kwa hivyo sisi tunashukuru kwa hii hoja leo....

(Applause)

Maana mimi kuanzia leo nina imani kuwa hii kitu ikipita leo hapa hii Hoja *Ward Administrator* wangu kwanza atakuwa mashakani manake mimi ndio wa kwanza nataka nimpeleke kwa Waziri wangu nikamuweke kikao chini ajue majukumu yake. Hiyo bodi unayosikia saa hizi inayotekelezwa watu mashinani Mheshimiwa Spika mimi ninaheshimu uongozi wa chini na uongozi wangu na uongozi wa Kaunti ya Mombasa lakini huwezi kuja katika Wodi yangu uniletee bodi unaniwekea hapo na unaniambia ati mimi MCA nimechaguliwa na katika bodi ya watu ishirini nipeleke mtu mmoja ndio awe ananiwakilisha, mimi huo ni upuuzi wacha nikuambie hata nitaivunjilia mbali kwa sababu nina imani walio niunga mkono ndio watakuwa na fursa kwanza katika ishirini...

(Applause)

Wakae katika ile Wizara kwa sababu yeye lazima ale matunda ya jasho ya lile alilolitoa leo mtu alinipinga mpaka akawa anataka niende nyumbani alafu kesho namkuta amekaa katika bodi ati anakaa pale akiniuliza maswali ati wewe ninakupangia..., unanipangia kama nani....

(Applause)

Ndio pale tunasema tunashukuru hawa kuingia katika Wizara kwa sababu wataitwa kulingana na kazi zao vile wanazifanya sisi ni wanasiasa na Mheshimiwa Spika nashukuru Mungu hili ni jumba la siasa tumeletwa hapa kwa ajili ya siasa anayeniunga mkono atakula matunda yangu ambaye haniungi mkono atakula upepo...

(Applause and laughter)

Wacha nikuambie Mheshimiwa Spika na hawa *Ward Administrator* watakuwa wanatuletea walaghai katika Wodi zetu wakiwaweka mstari wa mbele mimi nakuambia nashukuru sana ndio maana naona nampa kongole yule kijana mdogo amekuja katika Bunge ametuletea mambo ya maana sana...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Honorable Sheillah your time is up.

Hon. (Mrs.) Mumba: Mheshimiwa Spika unajua hii ni kitu imenigusa hapa na unajua ukishaguswa na jambo lazima useme huo...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: Hon. Sheillah your time is up.

Hon. (Mrs.) Mumba: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika lakini ungenipa kama dakika chache...

(Laughter)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Mgwisho.

Hon. Hamadi Mgwisho: Ahsante Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipatia hii nafasi ili na mimi niweze kuchangia kuhusu hoja ambayo imeletwa na Mheshimiwa Moses Aran.

Natoa shukrani zangu za dhati kwa hii hoja ambayo imeletwa na Mheshimiwa Aran hawa ma *Ward Administrators* wameleta kazi katika hizi Wodi zetu lakini kwamba wanafahamu kwamba hili Jumba letu la kutunga sheria lakini hasa nafikiri haya majukumu yao hawaelewi hasa ni nini kwa sababu sisi wapinzani wetu katika Wodi ni *Ward Administrators*. Hii ni kwa sababu hawa ndio ambao hutatiza sana katika kazi zetu na hufanya kazi kinyume cha sheria wakisema kwamba wao wametumwa sijui na nani lakini sitaki kutaja hilo jina lakini husema kuwa hao huwa wametumwa wanahujumu sana kazi zetu kule chini na la muhimu pia nafikiri hawa wanafaa wapelekwe *induction* ili waelezwe kwamba kule mashinani kwa sababu kazi zao kwenda vizuri ni lazima washirikiane na Waheshimiwa. Lakini kule mashinani kusema kweli Mheshimiwa Spika hawa watu wanatudharau sana hufanya mambo yao kama mtu pengine kuna kitu chafanyika MCA hana habari yeye ana habari ameunda Kamati sijui watu kumi na ngapi na kuambia Mheshimiwa MCA alete mtu mmoja. Hasa kule mashinani yaonekana hao wanafanya kazi sana kushinda sisi Waheshimiwa kwa hivyo kitu ambacho tunakihitaji sisi hatuwapingi kwa sababu isije pengine wakaona sababu tunawaharibia kazi lakini ni lazima washirikiane na sisi Waheshimiwa ambao tumechaguliwa na wananchi tufanye kazi nao pamoja na kama hawawezi kama kuna kipengele katika sheria chaweza kutumiwa basi hawa waondolewe kabisa...

(Applause)

Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa hio nafasi kwa kuchangia. Ahsante.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Faith.

Hon. (Ms.) Boniface: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I am in support of this Motion because most of these Ward Administrators feel so superior than the elected Members; this is very frustrating and unacceptable so because it has been deliberated more I beg to seek leave in this House thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Milka.

Hon. (Ms.) Ngare: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I am in support of the Motion introduced to this House by Hon. Moses Aran and I want to talk as a person who was once beaten twice shy. I have had an experience with one Ward Administrator during the time when we were preparing to go and swear in the People's President Raila Amolo Odinga when I came face to face with one Ward Administrator and he was trying to consult on something and he seemed to have assumed too much power and even shouted at me in the presence of our supporters. I remained wondering; has this become the Governor or what is happening within Mombasa County so am very grateful that Hon. Moses has brought this Motion these people must be contained because they seem to be all over, they have no speed governors. I think they need a proper job description so that they understand and work under within their mandate and with that I support the Motion and am sure my colleagues Hon. Members are also in support of this Motion. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Nzai.

Hon. Nzai: Ahsante sana Mheshimiwa Spika kwa kunipa nafasi hii ya mwisho maana naona Waheshimiwa wenzangu wamechoka mimi nimesimama kupinga hoja hii kwa sababu zifuatazo; kitabu hichi cha sheria Mheshimiwa Spika ni kigeni mno na kila kipengele unapokisoma inakueleza kivingine na si rahisi mtu useme kwamba anafanya hili nikijua kuna mtu ananiunga mkono hapo chini kumbe anakuchimbia kisima. *Ward Administrators* walio mashinani ni kiungo muhimu sana kwa Gavana wetu ama ni jicho la pekee la Mheshimiwa Gavana kama vile Rais wa nchi naye ana wale watu wanaitwa kina Marwa, utategemea MCA chini kumbe MCA wengine wana ile maneno ya kumchimba Gavana chini chini.

Habari hizo kumfikia Gavana ni awe na jicho lake pale kwa hivyo hao ma *Ward Administrators* kama kule kwangu Kadzandani mimi naona wanafanya vizuri sana kwa sababu sijawahi kuparuzana na *Ward Administrator* wangu, cha muhimu Bwana Spika...

(Interruption)

The Deputy Speaker: There is an information, whom do you want to inform? Hon. Member are you ready to be informed?

Chief Whip (Hon. Kitula): Mheshimiwa Spika ningependa kumfahamisha Mheshimiwa Nzai kwamba hoja hii hatupingi hao *Ward Administrators* lakini tungependa sana waweze kuwa na mtu ambao atakuwa ni kiongozi wao na pia kwamba sisi tungeweza kumuita katika Bunge na kuweza kuuliza maswali kuhusu mahudumu ya mashinani, kwa hivyo hatupingi *Ward Administrator* Mheshimiwa Nzai.

The Deputy Speaker: Proceed.

Hon. Nzai: Mheshimiwa Spika mimi nina utulivu mmoja wa kutulia kusikiza Waheshimiwa wenzangu wakijieleza mpaka watosheke huenda pia mimi hutumia njia ya mbali ndio inifikishe Bungeni hapa ndio huleta huo uelevu wangu mimi kiurahisi. Kwa hivyo sisemi kwamba kuna yoyote ameongea hapa kwamba ma *Ward Administrator* wale wanafutwa hapana, mimi niko hapa kusema ma *Ward Administrator* ni wawe kivyao vile vile wasiunganishwe na mtu yeyote mwingine wawe hao wanampa siri vizuri Gavana wetu ili azidi kujiandaa na mambo yoyote ya kule mashinani. Kwa hivyo mimi ninapinga hoja hii. Ahsante Bwana Spika.

The Deputy Speaker: Thank you I will give the mover of the Motion to respond on this Motion. Hon. Aran?

Hon. Oindo: Mr. Speaker I would like to take this opportunity to thank Hon. Members of this House and I would want to urge the nominated MCAs we have to be there for elected MCAs because next time we will be there and come 2022 we are praying for them when some of them will be going for higher seats will be vying for the Ward so whatever they are going through now you will also face that. So if you cannot fix that sitting in our comfort zone knowing that we're nominated MCAs and we won't be nominated forever so I want to thank you Hon. Members and I hope action will be taken as soon as possible. Thank you. God bless you.

(Applause)

The Deputy Speaker: Yes Hon. Members I can see you have fully exhausted on the Motion I now stand to put a question on rooting Sub-County administration in the Department of Devolution.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Members before I sit I have a document of which I was supposed to communicate to you or to the respective Committee of the Mombasa County Assembly. The office of the Clerk on 28th February, 2018 which is yesterday, received the Mombasa County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP) plus the County Fiscal Strategy Paper (CFSP) of which the Committee on Finance and other Departmental Committees will look upon these documents.

I commit these documents to the relevant Committees.

Yes Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members the House stand adjourned until Tuesday on 6th at 2:30p.m.
The House rose at 4:15p.m.