

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF NAKURU

THE HANSARD

Third Assembly (Second Session)

Tuesday 25th April 2023

Assembly Building

The House met at 03:10 PM

[Temporary Speaker (Hon. Elijah Murage) In the Chair]

PRAYERS.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): There is a Motion from Honourable Njuguna Mwaura, the Chairperson Committee on Health Services.

Hon. George Tallam: [On a Point of Order]. Mr. Temporary Speaker, we do not have quorum in the House and this Motion is very important; we cannot discuss a very important Motion without quorum.

QUORUM

NO QUORUM

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): The Sergeant -At- Arms kindly confirm if we have quorum. Kindly ring the bell for ten minutes.

(The quorum bell was rung for 10 minutes)

Hon. Francis Kuria: I want to pass some information that most of the Honourable Members are not in the Assembly premises, some have other Departmental Committees' Site Visits and that is why you find we have few numbers and even if the Sergeant - At - Arms rings the bell, no Member will appear because technically they are not available.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): Resume your seat Honourable Wathiai. There is a Communication I want to make and then I will give you time. Honourable Francis you are out of order because Members are not allowed to go for any Departmental Meetings during Plenary Session time. Sergeant- At- Arms ring the bell again for five minutes.

(The quorum bell was rung for five minutes)

Hon. George Tallam: [On a Point of Order]. Mr. Temporary Speaker, I think Honourable Francis Mungai was referring to the Honourable Members who are not here; they are not in Departmental Meetings, they are outside this town.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): Honourable George Tallam, you get my statement; they are not supposed to be out during the Plenary Session time and that is not procedural and this House is a House of rules and regulations. Honourable Wathiai.

Hon. David Wathiai: Honourable Temporary Speaker, I think we have enough Members here and we can now go on with the business of the day. Currently I think we can handle any business brought to the floor of the House and I beg the House to continue with its normal business.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): Honourable Megek.

Hon. Hellen Chemutai Megek: Thank you Honourable Speaker, the Member of Malewa West Ward is not in decorum and he is taking the opportunity to say that Member is not in the House. It is my wish that we proceed with the Motion, thank you.

Hon. George Tallam: [On a Point of Order]. Honourable Speaker, as I had said earlier this is a very important Motion and if you look at the Motion it is about Health so if you can have the Sergeant -At- Arms count the Members present because we are supposed to be over twenty-five Members and as it is, we do not have the numbers in the House. I think we can adjourn the Motion until when we shall have enough Members in the House.

Hon. Francis Kuria: Honourable Speaker, I want to inform Honourable Megek, I think the Sergeant – at -Arms can confirm whether I am in decorum. I think my colleague Honourable Megek is resting her eyes here. You can tell the Sergeant -At- Arms to confirm whether I am in decorum, thank you.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): Let us not concentrate on that issue because I can see you are now in decorum. Honourable Wathiai

Hon. David Wathiai: Honourable Temporary Speaker, I want to echo what Honourable Hellen said, the Member for Malewa West. The Member is from out of town and you cannot even know where their Wards are; sometimes they confuse us. He came into the House having his neck tie inside his Jacket. This is a House of rules and we cannot let this kind of behavior continue in this House. We pray that we follow the rules.

Hon. Virginia Wamaitha: [On a Point of Information]. Honourable Temporary Speaker, I do not think that there is any Member of this House who is illegally here or who is not a Member of the County Assembly and I would like Honourable Wathiai to withdraw his remarks that Members who come from out of town. Is Naivasha part of Nakuru County? Is Lanet part of Nakuru town and is that particular Member not a Member of this Honourable House? Thank you Honourable Temporary Speaker.

Hon. David Wathiai: Honourable Temporary Speaker, when I said that there are some Members who come from out of the town I meant the City Centre which holds the Central Business District of Nakuru County which comprises of Nakuru East, Nakuru West and Nakuru Town West and I meant the Members that come from far away locations like in Maiella, Waseges and also Kiptororo in Kuresoi. I had no intentions of making a colleague from Naivasha feel like I am against other Honourable Members. I request that you protect me Honourable Temporary Speaker.

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): Both of you should resume your seats, Sergeant At Arms confirm for me whether we have quorum.

(Lack of Quorum)

ADJOURNMENT

The Temporary Speaker (Hon: Elijah Murage): I will invoke Standing Order Number 37 and I will adjourn the House because we do not have quorum. This House stands adjourned until Tomorrow at 9:30 am.

The House adjourned at 03: 20 PM