REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF KILIFI

THE HANSARD

Monday, 13th March, 2017

The House met at the County Assembly Chamber, Malindi Town, at 2:30 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL AT COMMENCEMENT OF SITTING

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Good afternoon hon. Members?

Hon. Members: Good afternoon!

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Madam Clerk, do we have quorum? **Clerk-at-the-Table**: No Mr. Speaker, we do not have quorum.

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Ring the Bell

(The Division Bell was rung)

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Madam Clerk, do we have quorum?

Clerk-at-the-Table: Yes there is quorum Mr. Speaker.

STATEMENTS

ILLEGAL STRUCTURES ERECTED OPPOSITE SHELL PETROL STATION IN MALINDI TOWN WARD

Hon. Kaunda: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir, for giving me this opportunity. I would like to read a Statement directed to the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Lands, Energy, Housing and Physical Planning through the Chairperson, Lands Committee:-

Is the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Lands, Energy, Housing and Physical Planning aware that a number of structures have been erected at Malindi Town Ward along the Malindi -Mombasa road opposite Shell petrol station (Plot number:93/4 Malindi PAG Church) without due process being followed?

If yes, what is County Executive Committee Member doing to make sure the owners of the structures follow the due process?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir.

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THE STATUS OF BARAKAJEMBE EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Hon. Kenga: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir. With me is a Statement to the County Executive Member in charge of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports through the Chairperson, Early Childhood and Children Welfare Committee:-

Whether the County Executive Committee Member in charge of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports is aware of the status of Barakajembe Early Childhood Development (ECD) Centre, three classrooms project?

Whether the building meets the Bill of Quantity (BQ) specification and if the project is complete, why the project has not been handed over to the community?

What measures the County Executive Committee Member put in place to avert such delays in future?

Thank you very much.

MOTION

ADOPTION OF THE REPORT ON THE KILIFI COUNTY FISCAL STRATEGY PAPER, 2017

Hon. Kaunda: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir. On behalf of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, I beg to move the Motion:-

THAT, this honourable House adopts the Report of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations on the Kilifi County Fiscal Strategy Paper, 2017 laid on the Table of this Assembly on 18th March, 2017.

(Hon. Kenga seconded)

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Thank you. Hon. Members, the Motion has been tabled for debate by hon. Chokwe (Kaunda) on behalf of the Budget Chairperson.

(Question proposed)

Yes, hon. Stanley Kenga.

Hon. Kenga: Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I have seconded and I have the following contributions to make in support of the same. Looking at the recommendations that were put forward by the Committee, especially directing the Members to item number five on the recommendations that is on page 20 that, 'the Committee recommends that the County Executive works with the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) in putting up an efficient revenue collecting system with well trained and motivated staff', you will realize that our county has not been able to realize our revenue projections.

Most of the times, we have had challenges and difficulties and therefore we believe that working with KRA which is an institution that has a wealth of experience in the issues of revenue, it will enable this county to be able to achieve its revenue projections. By achieving this, then it is going to guarantee development to the people of Kilifi. This aspect is going to address the challenges that we have. The issues of marginalization where some wards in the

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County are putting up various projects and others wards may not have that opportunity to also be covered with the Ward Development Fund, then people are assured of making sure that they have a piece of the cake of the county and therefore development is guaranteed in their areas.

The only item that the Committee was trying to push is making sure that these proposals taken from members of the public for projects that they feel must be given priority are considered. The County Fiscal Strategy Paper has given us an opportunity to engage the other Papers that we initially had adopted as a county, how far and how best we had performed and how best we can learn from them and make sure that we even perform better as a county. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I beg the other Members to support. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Any other contribution? Yes, hon. Barns Kaunda, do you wish to make any submissions?

(Question, that the mover be now called upon to reply, put and agreed to)

Hon. Kaunda: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I believe even the silence means the Members are in support of this Report and they will not let you down because the Committee has worked very hard to come up with this Report so that we can meet the budget timelines.

Mr. Speaker, I know I did not mention it but I am standing in for the Chairperson who is not in the House and I would like to make the following submissions. This being an election year, the National Treasury reviewed the Budget Calendar causing a subsequent review by the County Treasury through the County Treasury circular reference number 1/2016 which stated that the Paper be submitted to the County Assembly by 10th November, 2016. However, the County Treasury submitted the CFSP (County Fiscal Strategy Paper) 2017 on 9th February, 2017, a date that was overdue.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I wish to submit before this hon. House the relevance of the County Fiscal Strategy Paper in the Budget making process and thus the obligation of this House to adopt it. Mr. Speaker, Sir, section 117 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012, lays down the procedure of preparing the Paper from the County Treasury to approval by the County Assembly. Section 117(4) goes further to say that the County Treasury shall include in its County Fiscal Strategy Paper the financial outlook with respect to County Government revenues, expenditures and borrowing for the coming financial year and over the medium term. With respect to this provision, it is clear that the County Fiscal Strategy paper, 2017 is an important policy paper that provides the framework and composition of the Budget estimates for the financial year, 2017/2018.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I therefore urge hon. Members of this honourable House to adopt this Report to give room for submission of the Budget estimates for the financial year 2017/2018. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker (Hon. Kahindi): Hon. Members, in the absence of any other business in the Order Paper, I move to adjourn the House until tomorrow morning. Thank you.

The House rose at 2:45 p.m.

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