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OFFICIAL REPORT

SPECIAL SITTING

Tuesday 30th January 2018

The Assembly met at the Assembly Chamber at 2.30pm.

[The Speaker (Hon. Ndegwa Wahome) in the Chair]

Prayer

QUORUM CALL AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE SITTING

(The clerk-at-the-table confirms that there is quorum)

Speaker: Very well, quorum having been recognized, we can now proceed with the second part of the special sitting.

MOTION(S)

1. REPORT ON THE COUNTY 1ST SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2017/2018.

Speaker: Very well, the member from Njabini Kiburu and chairperson, committee on budget and appropriations, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr Speaker. I beg to move the following motion that this house does adopt the report of the budget and appropriations committee, on the 1st supplementary budget for Nyandarua County Government and Assembly for the financial year 2017/2018 tabled on the 15th day of January, 2018 as a report of this house. Thank you. I believe the members have the report of the budget and appropriations committee, supplementary budget for the financial year 2017/2018.

Mr Speaker Sir, Articles 213 and 221 of the Constitution of Kenya, the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 stipulates prudence in utilization of public finances. It further contemplates oversight of the budget making process by the National and the County Assemblies. Article 185(a) of the Standing Orders establishes the Budget and Appropriations Committee with specific mandates among which are to:

- i. investigate, inquire into and report on all matters related to coordination, control and monitoring of the of the County budget, and

- ii. discuss and review the estimates and make recommendations to the County Assembly.

Composition of the Committee Mr. Speaker Sir, the Budget and Appropriations Committee as currently constituted comprises of the following Honourable members:

1. Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba	-Chairman
2. Hon. John Githinji Mwaniki	-Vice chairman
3. Hon. Catherine Wairimu Njane	Member
4. Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani	-“
5. Hon. Esther Nyambura Mwangi	-“
6. Hon. Samuel Kaiyani Rimui	-“
7. Hon. Gabriel Gathure Wambui	-“
8. Hon. Milkah Wanjiru Ndirangu	-“
9. Hon. Isaac Kung’u Wanjiru	-“
10. Hon. Reuben Gitau Karanja	-“
11. Hon. Simon Mburu Mbogo	-“

Mr Speaker, we have the acknowledgement where the Formulation and Oversight of the County budget making process is envisaged in the Constitution of Kenya 2010, the Public Finance and Management Act No. 18 of 2012, the Public Finance Management Act (County Government) Regulations 2015 and the County Assembly Standing Orders.

The Committee is grateful to the Offices of the Speaker and the Clerk the County Assembly for the support received as it discharged its mandate in reviewing and scrutiny of the first County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017/2018.

Further, the Committee is indebted to the Assembly sectoral Committees for their immense support and insights during the consideration of the estimates.

Mr Speaker, It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege, on behalf of the Budget and Appropriations Committee to table the report on the first County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017 /2018 and recommend it to this House for Adoption.

We go to chapter onewhere we have the introduction. We start with the Fiscal responsibility principles.

Mr Speaker, Section 135 (2) of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 and Section 39 of the Public Finance Management Act (County Government) Regulations 2015 mandates the County government to submit to the County Assembly a supplementary budget in support of the additional expenditure for the approval of the authority to spend. Specifically,

- Section 135 (1) of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 stipulates that in certain circumstances a County Government may spend money that has not been appropriated if-
 - i. the amount appropriated for any purpose under the County Appropriation Act is insufficient or;
 - ii. a need has arisen for expenditure for a purpose for which no amount has been appropriated by that Act or;
 - iii. Money has been withdrawn from the county government Emergency Fund.
- Section 129 (3) of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 further provides that, the Clerk of the County Assembly prepares and submits to the County Assembly

the budget estimates for the County Assembly and a copy to the County Executive Committee member for Finance. Pursuant to Section 135 (4), (6) and (7), County Executive Committee member for Finance prepares and presents his or her comments on the budget estimates presented by the County Assembly clerk.

The above notwithstanding, section 39 of the Public Finance Management (county government) Act Regulations 2015, stipulates the process involved in preparation, consideration and approval of the supplementary estimates and upon approval by the County Assembly, the Executive Committee Member for Finance prepares and submits a County Appropriation Bill for the approved estimates to the County Assembly.

Mr Speaker Sir, Notably, the preparation of the first county supplementary budget estimates for the financial year 2017/2018 is confined within the provisions of the established framework.

We have the Preparation and submission of the first County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017/2018. Mr. Speaker, Notably, the County government has two arms; the County Executive and the County Assembly. In this context, the County Executive and the County Assembly supplemented its budget estimates.

Guided by the fiscal responsibility principles, the County Executive Committee Member for Finance prepared and submitted the first County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017/2018 to the County Assembly.

The same was duly laid before the House on Monday the 15th day of January, 2018 for further scrutiny, consideration and approval.

Scrutiny of the First County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017/2018 for the County Executive and the County Assembly.

Pursuant to standing order 210 of the County Assembly Standing Orders, the supplementary budget estimates upon being laid before the Assembly was committed to the County Assembly Sectoral Committees for scrutiny as per their constitutional mandates in order to make recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations Committee. The latter was held at the Kenya School of Monetary Studies, Nairobi from, Monday the 15th day to Thursday, the 18th day of January 2018. In scrutiny of the supplementary budget estimates, the Sectoral Committees considered the updated vote book with an in-depth and comparative analysis of the total requisitions, total commitments and total actual expenditures as at 31st December 2017. The Sectoral committees made recommendations to the Budget and Appropriations committee for further consideration.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee, through an extension of leave, held sittings at Kenya School of Monetary Studies on 19th and 20th January 2018. Later, it travelled to Top Cliff Lodge and Hotel, Nakuru on the 21st and 22nd of January 2018 where it held sittings. It scrutinised and reviewed the supplementary budget estimates for the financial year 2017/2018. The compiled report includes a schedule of the ceilings per recurrent expenditure items as reallocated.

In this regard, upon consideration and approval of the First County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017/2018 by the County Assembly, the same will give effect to the County Supplementary Appropriation Bill 2018 that shall be submitted by the County Treasury.

Chapter two Mr Speaker where we have the committee observations and recommendations.

The Budget and Appropriations Committee considered the issues raised and observed that pursuant to Section 39 of the Public Finance Management (County Government) Act Regulations 2015 read together with Sections 108 (2), 135 (1) and 154 of the Public Finance Management Act No. 18 of 2012 the first County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the

financial year 2017/2018 satisfies the circumstances underlying when the County government may spend money that has not been appropriated, that is-

- i. The amount appropriated for any purpose under the County Appropriation Act is insufficient.
- ii. A need has arisen for expenditure for a purpose for which no amount has been appropriated by that Act.

The Committee did a comparative analysis of the total requisitions, total commitments, total expenditures as indicated in the vote book analysis from the Integrated Financial Management Information Systems database for period and the issues raised in the memorandum on the supplementary budget estimates for the financial year. Memorandum on the First County Supplementary Budget Estimates For the financial year 2017/2018.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, The memorandum that was brought from the county executive consists of the following-

- a) The legal basis for preparation of the supplementary budget estimates
- b) Justification for the supplementary estimates; that is, change of the county administration, and changes in the projected revenue specifically;
 - i. National Transfers of Kshs. 4,771,600,000
 - ii. County Headquarter grant of Ksh.121,000,000
 - iii. Road Fuel Maintenance Levy Fund of Kshs.183, 511,039
 - iv. Reimbursement for User Fees foregone of Kshs.12,735,922
 - v. Support for Youth Polytechnics of Kshs.46,590,293
 - vi. Kenya Devolution Support Programme of Kshs.40,222,996
 - vii. Maternal health care of Kshs50,716,400
 - viii. Danida Grant of Kshs12,435,427
- c) Unspent balances in the close of the FY 2016-17 of Ksh315, 702,890. This is the money that we want to supplement so that we can be able to move forward.
- d) Reviews of county Personnel Emoluments due to the new Salaries and Remuneration Commission circulars , and
- e) Downward review of the Local Revenue to Kshs.371,000,000

Mr, Speaker, in addition, the memorandum further highlighted on the following issues-

1. How the Supplementary Budget Estimates relates to the fiscal responsibility principles and financial objectives.

The impact of the supplementary budget estimates on the fiscal responsibility principles as outlined in section 107 of the Public Finance Management Act and regulation 25 of the PFM Regulations as follows:

County government's expenditure on wages and benefits for its public officers shall not exceed thirty five (35) per cent of the county government's total revenue. The County's expenditure on wages and benefits has increased from Kshs. 1,791,715,607(36.7%) 2,071,916,277 (39.0%), this is the rate at which the wage bill has risen up, exclusive of the County Assembly's share of expenditure. This is attributable to the salary reviews by the Salaries and Remuneration Commission and Collective Bargaining Agreements for the health sector personnel.

The county public debt shall never exceed twenty per cent of the county government's total revenue at any one time. It has exceeded twenty per cent and it is not allowed by law. The supplementary budget has factored Kshs.180 million for payment of some of the existing pending bills. The budget does not consider debt financing either through internal or external borrowing. The county government will at the same time ensure that all its obligation to the suppliers are met on a timely basis to avoid further accumulation of pending bills. A further allocation of the pending bills will be factored in the annual estimates for the FY18/19.

The County Government actual expenditure on development shall be at least thirty per cent. It is projected that 30.23% of the budget will go towards development. This will be mostly on expenditure towards the completion of on-going projects and other service delivery initiatives. The budget has met the required 30% for development expenditure vs. the 70% recurrent.

A reasonable degree of predictability with respect to the level of tax rates and tax bases shall be maintained, taking into account any tax reforms that may be made in the future, and Fiscal risks shall be managed prudently.

Mr. Speaker Sir, The submitted supplementary budget estimates were presented in a format that facilitates comparison with the original budget estimates of FY2016/2017 including:

- the Vote, program and expenditure item which is supplemented and the original sum voted thereon;
- the actual expenditure and commitments against the item, and
- The latest fiscal projections in terms of revenues and expenditures.

Upon scrutiny of all the written submissions, that is, the memorandum, sectoral committee's recommendations, the following summary was arrived at.

Proposed Budget items as Supplemented by the County Treasury in the financial year 2017/2018

Department	Supplementary budget 2017/18	Funding Priority (programme/subprogramme)	Objective/justification
County Public Service Board	10,468,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appointing persons to hold or act in offices of the County Public Service • Facilitating the development of coherent, integrated human resource planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To acquire adequate and skilled human resource

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Office of The Governor	151,976,744	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinating the implementation of the Rapid Results Initiatives • Public engagement and Media publicity • Intergovernmental relations • Resource mobilisation • Civic education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To Jump start major change efforts and enhance the implementation capacity of long- term goals • To inform and receive timely feedback from the citizens • To create linkages with the National Government, other County Governments and development partners for partnerships in developing the County • To Mobilise resources for implementation of county programmes • To empower the citizenry to participate in socio-economic development
Service Delivery & Investment Promotion	6,535,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service delivery unit • Investment promotion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design and Coordinate the implementation of county programmes • Monitoring the services provided to the citizens and generating the management information reports to inform any corrective measures if need be. • To establish and implement an effective performance management system • To attract and manage private investments to supplement County Government funding
Office of The County Secretary	18,937,765	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human resource administration and capacity building • Cabinet affairs • Coordinate public participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to attract and retain a well motivated and professional workforce • To institutionalize ethics and integrity in service delivery • To effectively coordinate and manage cabinet matters • To disseminate county policies as approved by the cabinet • To promote shared responsibility and partnership and to provide complementary authority and oversight
Department of Public Administration and ICT	45,424,363	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public administration including the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To coordinate the delivery of County Government services at the county, subcounty and ward level • To facilitate the enforcement team to enforce compliance with county laws and regulations • ICT & E-government services

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • devolved units • Enforcement and compliance • ICT & E-government services • Communications and Public Relations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To develop i-hubs , youth centres and expand ICT infrastructure for improved connectivity across the county • To acquire media equipment and disseminate information on county government programmes and news through publication of county magazines and newsletters
County Attorney	19,090,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litigation • County court • Legislative drafting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To represent the county in courts and other dispute resolution forums to handle litigations against the county government • To settle legal fees and liabilities • Offer advise on legal matters • Completion of the county court at Olkalou • Facilitate the departments to draft policies and bills
Finance & Economic Development	353,086,277	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treasury services • Internal audit • Local Revenue collection and administration • Economic development and budgeting • Supply chain management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To facilitate the administration, enhancement and monitoring of local revenue collection • Roll out of the revenue automation system • To facilitate the preparation of the CIDP II and other associated plans including public participations. • To facilitate the coordination of the 2018/19 budget cycle • To facilitate tracking and M&E of county programmes and budgets • Acquisition of a vehicle to facilitate M&E activities • To facilitate the acquisition of goods, works and services • To facilitate the management suppliers through prequalification and contract management • To facilitate disposal of obsolete goods
County Funds	212,153,340	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bursary Fund, • Emergency Fund, • County Mortgage Fund- Executive, Trade 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To facilitate the functions for which the funds have been established

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		Fund, County pension and Gratuity fund, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Insurance, • Medical Insurance. • Kenya Devolution Support Programme 	
Lands, Physical Planning and Housing	182,699,464	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Land use administration and management • Survey and mapping • Urban development and county lighting • Construction of a lands office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquisition of land for access roads and social amenities • The allocation for this programme has been revised in the supplementary budget. This has been informed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The remaining period to the close of the financial year (6 months) is short considering the lengthy process of acquiring public land including advertising, valuation, negotiations, award, transfer and payment; Inclusion of payments for pending bills for land acquired in previous years • Survey of squatter villages • Preparation of the county Spatial plan • Acquisition of a vehicle for survey work • Installation of floodlights • Development of drainage and walkways in subcounty HQs • Beautification and parking lots in Olaklou town • To provide a one stop shop for all lands related services
Transport, Energy and Public Works	811,454,230	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transport and Energy • Public works 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquisition and maintenance of road construction machinery plant and equipment • Acquisition of a fire truck • Construction and maintenance of roads, drainage works and bridges • supervision of road works • improvement of bus parks and boda boda sheds • Maintenance and servicing of floodlights (including payment of electricity bills)

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of Executive offices and refurbishment of existing offices
Education, Culture & Social Services	220,423,918	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECDE development • Youth training • Alcoholics drinks control • Social and cultural services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of ECD feeding programme • Construction of ECD classrooms and sanitation facilities. • Curriculum supervision • Completion and equipping of youth polytechnics • Transfers to YPs for operations • Facilitating subcounty licensing committees • Development of rehabilitation centres • Support for community groups • Promotion of cultural heritage
Health Services	614,562,615	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preventive and promotive health • Curative health 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of public and environment health • Facilitation of Community health units • Outbreaks and disaster management • Solid waste management • Transfers to health facilities for their smooth operations • Acquisition of strategic stocks • Servicing of the lease for medical equipment supplied under MES • Construction and renovation of dispensaries • Upgrade of the county referral hospitals
Agriculture, livestock and fisheries	237,457,665	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crop development • Livestock and fisheries development • Extension 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input subsidy • Potato Tissue culture laboratory • support for ATCs, AMS • Soil testing facilities and equipment • Rehabilitating the dilapidated ATC infrastructure • County's contribution towards ASDSP II • Subsidy for A.I • Livestock disease control and surveillance • Development of livestock sale yard • Development of the trout farms • Supply of fingerings/feeds to fish farmers • Delivery of advisory services to farmers through farm visits, field days, demonstrations and exhibitions
Industrialization, Trade and Co-Operatives.	90,211,034	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cooperative development • Trade development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for cooperatives • infrastructure for milk coolers, • Softwares for cooperatives • Developing and maintaining the market infrastructures • branding of the county to attract investment by making the county more visible and attractive to investors;

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industrial and Enterprise development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> facilitating of the investors conference and the Nyandarua we want conference Construction and equipping of jua kali sheds Support to cottage industries
Youth, Sports and Arts	103,046,216	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth empowerment Sports and arts development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> capacity building of the youth on entrepreneurship to improve their employability and for self reliance supply of equipment for income generation (car wash, green houses, incubators) facilitation for Talent search upgrading of county stadia; support for sports and talent development activities
Water, Environment Tourism and Natural Resources	280,615,617	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water and environment resources management Tourism development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of water supply and distribution schemes Development of micro irrigation schemes Rehabilitation of dams Tree planting and institutions greening Gazettment and Development of tourism sites Tourism marketing and information
Compensation to employees	1,892,500,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Executive 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recurrent ceiling is set by the CRA
Allocation for the County Assembly	837,301,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Assembly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> recurrent and development expenditure
Total	6,088,543,248		

Mr Speaker, arising from the above, the Committee recommends:-

1. THAT, Annex I and II on the recurrent and development expenditure ceilings per item as reallocated be adopted as the base for expenditure for the County Government for the financial year ending 30th June 2018, and
2. THAT, Annex I and II be the base for the preparation of the County Supplementary Appropriation Bill 2018 that will give effect to the Act of the Nyandarua County Assembly to authorize the issue of a sum of money out of the County Revenue Fund and its application towards the service of the year ending on the 30th June, 2018 and to appropriate that sum and a sum voted on account by the County Assembly for certain public services and related purposes.

Mr Speaker, as we conclude, Hyde, Albert C., in his book on *Government Budgeting: Theory, Process, and Politics*, he puts it that: "In their voluminous and complex formats, budgets simultaneously record policy outcomes, cite policy priorities and program goals and

objectives, delineate a government's total service effort; and measure its performance, impact, and overall effectiveness" (Hyde, 1992:1). Further, Budgeting, according to Hyde, is partly political, partly economic, partly accounting, and partly administrative.

As a political document, it allocates the scarce resources of a society among multiple, conflicting and competing interests, due to the resources mobilized allocation towards the departments and the electorate. As an economic and fiscal document, it serves as the primary instrument for evaluating a jurisdiction's redistribution of income, stimulating its economic growth and development, promoting full employment, combating inflation, and maintaining economic stability. As an accounting document, it provides a ceiling on government spending and makes it legally binding for it to live within the allocated funds. Therefore, it has a legal binding in terms of expenditure.

Finally, as a managerial and administrative document, it specifies the ways and means by which public services are provided, and it establishes criteria by which they are monitored, measured, and evaluated. Cognizant of the words by Albert Hyde, the Committee therefore urges the House to adopt the report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee on the first County Supplementary Budget Estimates for the financial year 2017/2018 as a report of the House and the specific recommendations therein as the resolutions of the House. Thank you, Mr Speaker.

That is all we had as a budget committee. We have done our best to make sure that this budget is realized. It is purely a consensus budget. We sat with the executive and had some irreducible minimums. We need to have water, roads and ECD centres. We came to an agreement that the money allocated for those three sectors should not be reduced.

We have 7.3 million for each ward in the water project, 6.5 million for road network and two ECD classes for each ward. That is why we are saying that this is a negotiated document in the County Assembly and that is the reason we are moving very fast in terms of implementation and execution of our duties.

Nevertheless, Mr Speaker, we are aware that the money we received from CRA was reduced by two billion, which had been budgeted for. Our revenue expenditure did not meet the revenue collected and therefore we already had a deficit of sixty one million. In terms of development to be done some of the projections done will not be effected. I would therefore urge the County Government to stop giving high figures that will not be realised.

On the issue of the pending bills, we have the contractors who had been working throughout. We would urge the executive to see to it that this people are paid. We want to have a county of rich people. There should be diligent scrutiny when paying this pending bills because some contractors did a shoddy job.

The programme based budget should be itemized. If it is a programme on roads in Kinangop, let us be told the name of that road and not block figures. We should also support the Governor, the result initiative programme, which is to be realised in a hundred days, was in the Governors kitty and we therefore gave it some funds so that we can buy milk for our students. Another thing was implementation of the projects Mr Speaker. Some of the projects done in the last Fiscal year have never been completed. We are therefore urging the Government now that we are passing the budget, it should see to it that this projects are completed. Having completed the appropriations we urge them to see to it that money meant for this projects gets to complete this projects.

We need to have a working county and some of or officers for now should start working. We have another three to four months before the next budget. So much should have been done by then. I am urging the Chairperson Roads and infrastructure to go through all the BQs and see to it that they are fast implemented least this money goes back to Treasury. With the few months remaining, all people should be ready to burn the midnight oil and work extra hard to see to it that we have benefited with this budget.

We also want to support the Governor the best we can and we did give money to all his projects, as an Assembly we have no problem with him and we will support him fully. We need to revive our industries. We have no minerals in our county but we are rich in potatoes and milk. It is for this reason that we should have as many industries as possible throughout the County so that our people may benefit with their produce and grow economically. I am calling on the National Government too to come and assist Nyandarua in building these industries. We have been talking of neglected industries in Kinangop and Njabini. These companies belong to the people of Nyandarua and we will never allow crooks from elsewhere to come and buy the property. Those properties are government properties and belong here. The way the President walked around the country and gave money, he was in Mumias and gave three hundred billion, he went to Murang'a and revived the coffee industry and wiped out the debt in the cashew nut industry in Mombasa. We need him to come to Nyandarua and assist us in building these industries and help us grow too.

Mr Speaker we also need to increase bursary allocation for our needy students and we are therefore urging the Governor to provide this committee with a big margin of the County bursary in the next financial year. The bursary we gave this time was too little, we gave one million shillings only and therefore telling the whole county to scramble for this one million is unfair and will not help our people. Setting out around twenty to thirty million will see to it that every ward gets something and we will be able to truly help our students. With these much, I now call the vice chairperson budget to come and second.

Speaker: Okay, very well Chair. Yes the Vice Chairperson for the Budget and Appropriations Committee and the member for Geta Honourable John Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: Thank you Mr Speaker, the report of the budget and appropriations committee is self-explanatory and has been well explained by my very able chair. I do not want to say much about it but wish draw attention of the members to the main purpose for having the supplementary budget Mr Speaker. Just as the Chair has stated, the local revenue projection was not achieved, and the Commission for revenue Allocation. The projection was so high that what was given did not adequately meet what was budgeted in the 2017/18 financial year. This is the reason why the Government had to do a supplementary budget. Also having in mind that this is a new Government, the Governor should be able to meet all the promises he made to the people. This will only be achieved with this supplementary budget. The electorate is anxious to see what will be done for them. Therefore, mine is just to insist on using the money we have prudently so that it gets to help *Wanjiku* who is our boss.

On the issue of the pending bills, I wish the executive will include them in the main budget for the 2018/19 financial year and strict policies and mechanisms be put in place. On the fair distribution of resources Mr Speaker, I recommend that the executive should introduce ward projects in the coming financial year so that we can have equity in this County. Equity should be so strongly considered, and the youth and women too should be considered.

Mr Speaker, I believe supplementary budgets will always have issues. Main budget are subjected to Public participation, which is not the case with the supplementary budget; this is why *Wanjiku* has representatives in us in this house and we should always do our best. I wish to thank everyone who participated in making this budget, the committee and the technical people. The budget is available to all of us for scrutiny. It is a budget that tried to meet all our needs and it is a budget that will develop all of us. With these few remarks, I second.

(Question Proposed)

Speaker: Member for Murungaru Honourable Kariuki Muchiri.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to support the report by the Budget and Appropriations committee. As much I support, I have a few reservations. Let me

first start by commending the committee for the job well done and the well-negotiated budget, I must say that all the Honourable members involved in the whole process did a commendable job.

Mr Speaker, budget is about planning on how resources are going to be utilised by the county and it is important to plan and plan prudently. There are a number of areas I want to touch regarding this budget. This budget ought to have been passed by this assembly long time ago. This is long overdue. Coming from the first Assembly, a time like this, the executive was actually finishing the issue of giving out various projects to do with construction and on the issue of the contractors. The rains are around the corner and my worry is whether the Government will be able to absorb all the development money. I am sure it will be able to absorb the recurrent money because we know and have seen it. On looking at the budget, we can see the recurrent money has been substantially utilised although nothing has been done in terms of development vote. This is a serious issue that this house should consider and put serious recommendations to the executive so that in future the Supplementary budget should be brought to this house before the house adjourns for long recesses. This will give the executive ample time to give out the tenders to the bidders. I have mentioned about adoption and if the Government is not serious about this and quotations we might not be able to use this money and a huge chunk of it will go back to the Ex- chequer. If this happens then, this budget will not be Wanjiku friendly whom we are here to represent.

I heard the Chairperson talk about ward development projects and this is the way to go. As an Assembly, we need to put that law that we had started in the first Assembly and have it enacted so that we can have money allocated for ward development projects. We should have minimums with this money. This ward projects bring equity. On looking at this budget, I will not say we are looking for equality because it will never be there but I cannot see equity here on a very serious note. Some wards have less than twenty million while some wards have more than forty million. This is not equity Mr Speaker. I remember in the first assembly bringing a motion here on equalisation fund and I remember how the members with small wards were up in arms against it and it failed. It made me develop cold feet and I do not want to bring another motion of this nature for fear of another humiliation.

If we can put twenty million for ward development and other members go lobbying, and let those people who do not lobby be whipped by those who do not. Resources are about lobbying, if you can be able to go the executive and lobby for a project, I do not see why other members should not support that. This is what happens even in the national Government. I can see member for North Kinangop laughing, well it is not that he vigorously lobbied but he knows what he did. What I mean is that these funds will bring a lot of equity.

I have an issue with the school feeding programme. Yes, this is a Rapid Result Initiative (RRI) for the Governor, which is good, but it is a populist policy, why? The retired President of Kenya H.E Daniel Moi tried it, in 1979 I was in class six and we were given milk, but the question is how sustainable was it? Finally, what happened is that it flopped. I therefore want to ask this house, how sustainable is this programme? What visibility study has been done? We have not seen a policy document on the issue of nursery school feeding programme. I am sure it has not come and if it has come then I am sure the Chairman of the Education Committee will talk about it. This is a programme that was supposed to be started in a few nursery schools. Pilot project, maybe one in every ward and then we get to see how it goes. This would have truly informed us as a county, but we know the lobbying that has been going on around the Forty Million. I believe this is money whose half of it would have gone to the roads because the rains are coming and Wanjiku will be up in arms against the impassable roads....

(Honourable Rueben Gitau rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Shamata Honourable Gitau Rueben?

Hon. Rueben Gitau: Mr Speaker is it in order for the member to refer the milk programme as a populist programme yet the said programme has not even hit the ground and the executive has just requested for resources?

Speaker: I think the word populist is neither indecent nor scandalous, because the word resources here have been used. We said we want vibrant and robust debates and this is what we want. Proceed member for Murungaru.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker for the protection, when I used the word populist, many minutes have elapsed, I think the enquiry of the word was an afterthought for the member. What I meant is we need programmes that are well researched and this County is not short if researchers and we seriously need to advice the Governor. Well before that interjection I was saying the long rains are coming and this honourable members whose constituency is the ward are about to be thrashed by Wanjiku. We have allocated very little money on road works. We have all benefited from good roads. We have only put 6.5 million for this. In the last assembly Mr. Speaker, Murungaru my ward had 5 million for grading, tell me what 6.5 million will do, and grading is not there. 20 million set aside in this budget for general works is peanuts. What are we going to do with these roads, as they are full of potholes? The short rains last year left the roads in bad shape. The machines are lying and out of work and not repaired. I think there is a cartel in this County out to destabilise the road works here, whenever money is put or the repair of this machinery it disappears and the machines are left grounded. This is unacceptable; we want a report on why those machines are lying there. I have never seen a grader in Murungaru or anywhere near Kinangop for that matter and they are here Mr Speaker.

During the campaigns, I heard the people talk that we did roads with the ‘tongues width’. With this money then we are going to see the shape of tongue that will be produced on the roads in this financial year with this money. We shall see.

(Laughter)

The issue of pending bills Mr Speaker is a thorny matter that can take this government down the drain. Why? Mr Speaker, the big contractors who do not come from Nyandarua were paid while the small contractors who come from Nyandarua were not paid. I am telling you members, because I must sight where I represent the people of this great County, A six million bridge as well done and it is in good shape and passable. It was not paid last year and it is also absent in this budget. Compare this to the contractor who was doing Kamirangi ECD school which is still on foundation level and he was paid. It is sad that this person is not considered. It is so painful Mr Speaker to see Quarry farmer in this county who gave 1.3 million in terms of material in 2013 and up to now has never been paid. The poor are neglected and the rich considered. A time will come when the rich will also cry. I am seriously disturbed on the issue of the pending bills...

(Hon. Gabriel Gathure Wambui rises on a point of order)

Speaker: Yes what is it member for Kaimbaga Honourable Gabriel Gathure Wambui

Hon. Gathure Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker, it is well recorded that 300 million is set aside for pending bills. Can the member prove that the pending bills here are for the poor and not the rich I think what is segmented here is for all, can he prove what he is saying? That the rich were paid and not the poor?

Speaker: I think what he is saying is there was discrimination in paying the pending bills. We have the hindsight of those paid and this is an issue that requires thorough investigation. The member for Murungaru should be able to state the rich. The member should be able to give examples of the rich who have been paid. Actually I have stated in this house from the chair I have stated that the criminal contractors were paid but the people of Nyandarua were never paid. I have communicated this appropriately to the executive. I believe when the member for Murungaru is saying as much, this is a very thorny issue for us as the representatives of the people in this county. We need to go to the bottom of it and stand with our people. Whether it rains or it is dry, at daytime or at night this ought to be looked into. Proceed member for Murungaru.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker for coming to my rescue. On the very words that you have used, I will not add more for it is well said. Finally, I want to talk about a contractor who was given grading works to do and handed about 2 Million for upper Murungaru and 3 Million for lower Murungaru. I saw the money for the upper Murungaru and therefore when I talk of rich men I know what I am talking about. His money is here and for the contractor who did 3million his money is not here. And the committee on roads can prove this when they get to do a thorough investigation. All the same I want to support this budget. This report was supposed to have been brought here like yesterday and I urge the members to support it.

Speaker: Yes member for Kaimbaga Honourable Daniel Gathure Wambui.

Hon. Gathure Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker, you may have been opposing various motions in other days but not today..,

(Laughter)

I rise to support this motion, aware that I am a member of the budget committee and the members of this committee worked hard to have a summarised budget Mr Speaker. To quote your wise words Mr Speaker, it is possible to achieve equity but equality can be hard to achieve. As the member for Murungaru was saying, that some wards have more than forty million while some have less than twenty million, we should be guided by equity and not equality. As the budget committee we tried to achieve equity. The members had said that they want to have a minimum of 7.3 million for their ward projects and this was catered for by the budget committee, the committee went further and even out sourced some money to be able to achieve this. This was not easy for we went and touched the Governors kitty and we are well aware he was against it.

On irreducible minimums, this was done on roads and it was agreed that 6.5 million should be given to all. Well there are some wards like Murungaru that was given less. We had the amount on this wards shooting from 4.5 to 6.5. On the issue of ECD, we said that each ward would get two ECD classroom projects. The ones that had only one we made sure that we added to make two classrooms, on health, the health docket was allocated approximately 600 Million to upgrade the county referral hospital Sheba, and renovation of dispensaries. This is a good move Mr Speaker, and this money will be enough. This will even be enough to cater for the Public toilets that are also to be renovated.

On Agriculture, which was allocated approximately 240 Million, this will work for this docket. I understand there are farmers who cannot afford the artificial insemination fees and we saw that this is well taken care of. We also realised that our farmers are suffering from lack enough knowledge. We also offered some money for field extension officers as they go about their work. This will even cater for the laboratory soil tests that are so important. We will also be able to get feeds for our animals and fish. Supporting the fish farmers will be a good thing, which will even supplement our feeding habits now that we eat a lot of potatoes and maize.

On transport, I will concur with the words of Honourable Kariuki Muchiri, what was allocated is not what we wished. We would have wanted a higher amount. The task to be undertaken in this department requires more than this for the machines to start working. We have a shortage of fire tracks and it is important to add this tracks. It is good to note that last week there was a fire outbreak in Huruma and we lost one life and we are actually from the burial, it is important that we get this tracks. We also had fire outbreak yesterday at Nyamu.

I will also commend the executive for catering for the flood lights, this amount will cater for this. Another issue was the bus parks and the *boda-boda* shades. This parks and shades are mostly used by the humble people trying to make ends meet. So support of this shades was a good move.

Education was given approximately 230 million, this is of great importance to the Governor and us, and it is here that we had Honourable Catherine Njane introduce the issue on feeding programmes in our schools. This will go ahead and boost the nutritional supplements in our county. We have had cases of malnourished children in our county and therefore the 44 million will purely go into this project. The children will be given milk at least twice in school and this will be good for our young ones. On The construction of polytechnics, there are those students who are unable to join Universities and technical institutions. These polytechnics will be useful for this brothers and sisters, it is therefore important to upgrade and equip them well. We have honourable Gita. From Kiriita ward who sponsored around fifty-six locals to join the polytechnics. Therefore upgrading of these polytechnics by the executive was a commendable job.

Another issue was on ECD sanitation programme. ECD schools in our county lack sanitation facilities like toilets. In Kaimbaga centre, we have a nursery school that has existed before I was born and up to date they do not have a toilet. It Is therefore good to have such developments. As I conclude Mr Speaker, the allocation of approximately 280 million for the county funds is still not enough. This is a supplementary budget and not a main budget, this money will cater for bursaries but it will not be enough, we have an outcry from our people on day schools bursary programme. It is a national government policy that day schools should not benefit from bursaries; I think in the near future we will have to revisit this as a county. We will have to come up and think of what to give to day school even if it is 1500 shillings

The department of sports was not given enough money, 100 million for the youth and sport is so little. This is a ministry that supports activities that will generate income for our youths. We need to buy them car wash machines, incubators and the like. This will empower our youths and will stop relying on the one hundred or two hundred shillings dished out by politicians. This will reduce crimes because they will be earning incomes. Talents will also be nurtured here and therefore this is an important docket.

As I conclude, I would like to say that the amount allocated to Land is also not enough. we have a lot of issues on land allocation. Much of this money will go to acquisition of land and survey, we are all aware of the double allocation problems. In your wisdom Mr Speaker in the last assembly, you had requested that the government should set aside money and buy these lands to avoid conflicts. All the same, I commend the committee and I support the motion.

Speaker: Yes, member for Kipipiri Honourable Wambaire Ngeche

Hon. Ngeche Wambaire: Than you Mr Speaker, I rise to strongly support the motion and have my sentiments recorded. Not because it favours my people in Kipipiri but for the greater good of Nyandarua. I bring your attention to page 13 on land and physical planning. This shows how a member has been short changed, there is a survey of Miharati squatter village which had been allocated for 2 million but was given nothing but in Mirangine squatter village where nothing had been approved, it is given the 2 million and Kipipiri sacrificed. I wrote to the Chairperson on budget about this issue on the 18th of January and copied the same to the

minister of lands but my efforts bore no fruits. Therefore what this means is that the people of Kipipiri were short changed in favour of the people of Mirangine...

(Honourable Samuel Mathu rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is Honourable Samuel Mathu?

Hon. Samuel Mathu: Mr Speaker, is it in order for Honourable Ngeche to say that the people of Mirangine short changed the people of Kipipiri. There was Kaheho village in Shamata which had been allocated 2 million but has been given nothing. Captain Squatters Village was not allocated any money in the previous budget but it has now been allocated Kshs 2,278,000. Is it in order for the member to talk of Mirangine short-changing others? This is discrimination.

(Laughter)

Speaker: Okay! The member for Mirangine might be having a point because there are two new insertions, two introductions, that is Mirangine and Mirahati, maybe the member for Kipipiri could say that his money was given to Kaimbaga, which puts you out of order because you can never tell which money went where. I agree these are some of the issues that the Chairperson budget must look into. If this issue was in the original budget and then it is removed, and the people of Kipipiri are eagerly waiting for this project then this change puts the member in a very awkward position.

Hon. Paul Ngeche: Thank you Mr Speaker for ruling on that issue. The reason I had talked of 2 million is because I do not deal with decimals but with whole figures. I now want to proceed with the issue of pending bills, there is priority in all that we do, and my attention goes again, to where Miharati Market has been left out and it was to be levelled. As a legislature representing that ward, is it fair to level the ground while the people there are suffering? There cry is to have good shades, when we talk of supplementary, it should come to supplement the people's needs. I will conclude by saying that we need to lobby but not robbed out our things.

Speaker: Member for Githioro, Honourable Sambigi Mukuriah.

Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah: Thank you Mr Speaker, I will start by thanking the budget committee under the able leadership of Honourable Gachomba for the act of coming up with these supplementary budget. I would like to be on record on supporting this supplementary budget albeit with reservations. I want to correct a few things. The issue of the school feeding programme. This is a motion that started from this house. The issue of people going to research on it cannot be introduced and it has already been adopted by the Governor, I think that the assembly should also be supporting it even further. This is a programme that originated from this house. I also want to put it on record as the Chairperson of the Education Committee accompanied the executive for benchmarking in Murang'a on this issue and I want to say that we are on good way.

An issue that is bothering me is the issue of the pending bills Pending bills is a ghost glairing its head and unfortunately it is affecting the small investors in Nyandarua. When the amount that had been put in the original budget is reduced drastically from 200 million to 30 million. This creates fear. Bearing in mind that just the other day the procurement process was reopened, we might have foreigners come here and will make us poorer because this will be taking all the funds away from Nyandarua and we will end up looking like a colony that only denotes money to the other colonies. Therefore, we must deal with the pending bills as an item by itself and we must know that it is crippling our economy.

We heard people here talk about equity. I do not know how to disengage equity with lobbying. Some of us do not know how to lobby and we might never lobby. Suppose we all

went to the big office and started lobbying, what is going to be the end product? I would like to appeal to the executive to not look at how good a legislature is at lobbying but to consider all of us as representatives of the people. I would like to know what parameters were used to come to these figures that some wards are having. Were they based on the geographical layout and population because these are some of the things that should be considered over disbursement of development funds on specific wards. Any way I leave this to history to judge. So let us deal the issue of pending bills as an item by itself before it cripples us

About ward projects, I think this is the way to go. I say this because and I am not worried. I do not think it is fair for the Governor to get mileage for the milk project and I get punished for not giving good roads. All projects will be judged in equal measure. The people on the ground know I am not the one who dispenses money. I want this to be clearly understood by the electorate that my work here is to oversee as much as I bring much prioritised projects.

Mr Speaker there is another worrying trend where the money that had been allocated for purchase of land is drastically reduced from 1.2 Million to 200 thousand. The county Government might argue that the process might not be accomplished within the financial year. We know that the people selling this land are not selling it at the pleasure of the County Government. They are selling because they want these funds to educate their children and other kinds of activities. Therefore, it would be prudent to have this money paid within the specific financial year. We should stop postponing a problem. In future this when a project is earmarked let it be fully financed unless something else comes up.

I have already talked about the issue of prequalification and I want to say here, that I happened to go and check and the people who happened to be in the list are not from Nyandarua. We all know how difficult it is how even honourable members to go to another county and get jobs. We should therefore guard our jobs here so well by awarding these positions to our people otherwise we will end up just as I said, being colonised by other economies

On hospitals and the health sectors, I think it is a high time that the executive stops coming up with new facilities and upgrade what we have. With the little resources we have, we should endeavour to equip them well. Otherwise, as it is, we only have walls and walls do not equal to hospitals. I have been to several hospitals, visited a few dispensaries and health centres and there is medicine. In addition, this is good for the Government, but then the left hand should know what the right hand is doing and therefore even departments should talk to each other. It is sad to see a health centre well facilitated with equipment be ideal for mothers to go for maternity but then it cannot be used because there is no water. This is sad, the health department in collaboration with the department of water should drill a bore hole and see to it that health centre can be used by the people of Mawingu. The cost of life of the people in Mawingu is immeasurable. These people are referred to North Kinangop. The health facility in Mawingu does not even have a laboratory. They are forced to travel miles and miles away for tests and bring back results.

About the youth polytechnics which happen to fall under my docket. We have enough youth polytechnics Mr Speaker. The problem is that they do not have the requisite equipment and you find that there lacking enough machines, example having cars without engines. It is a mockery for a student to say that they are studying mechanical engineering and they are experimenting with a car without the engine. The executive should equip these polytechnics. On the same breath, I want to thank the executive for adopting our recommendations on taking up the instructors on a permanent and pensionable basis. We should consider employing all the terms of full employment otherwise we might be paying them and we end up not having value for money

In these budget by and large, I have heard people ask, including the Chair person of the Budget committee, why so many projects in the previous budget are not featuring here. It is a

worrying trend to see some major developments erased in the previous budget and the Governor's office given 92% increment at the expense of development. If it is reduction, all those sectors should be reduced with similar margins.

Mr Speaker I stand guided, maybe we should be told why the money in the office of the Governor is going up while everything else is being reduced. All these things should be considered. I hope my reservations have been recorded. We are in the budget making cycle and soon, we will be called again to make the 2018/19 budget. Our reservations should act as a guide in the next budget. This is a negotiated budget and it has tried to meet the minimum threshold and that is the reason most of us have supported it.

Speaker: County member from Kiriita, Honourable Milka Wanjiru Ndirangu.

Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu: Thank you Mr Speaker, I apologise for coming late, I was stuck in traffic. All the same, I stand here to support this motion. As a member of the budget committee, I will echo the words of my chair that indeed we burnt the midnight oil in making this budget. Talking of equality and equity. We tried to achieve equity. Moreover, talking from a gender sensitive point of view, we do not look for equality but we looked at the end results. In a gender responsive budget, we looked for the equity of opportunity and results. When we looked at it we saw the equality of results. Therefore, at the end of it all, the results will speak of the benefits of the people of Nyandarua and this is a good thing. I want to point a few things especially from the trade and industry. Priority is what is touching Wanjiku, that which is reflecting on the ground. We should strive to revive the Cooperatives Mr Speaker. Wanjiku needs to sell her produce, so reviving the industries and improving the infrastructure is very important. Livestock and fisheries, crop propagation is of priority for it is touching on Wanjiku.

The youths of this county have been taken care of by this budget. I have taken note of the fact that women are under the docket of Education Labour and Social Services. There is however nothing significant about women, that has been mentioned. We are almost starting the 2018/ 2019 budget process and it is the high time that we include the women's project in the budget. It is good that we become gender responsive while making the budget. Mr Speaker I know that this budget will run for five months and I would not like us to make the same mistake we made while doing the 2017/2018 budget.

Looking at the health department, I appreciate the county government and the national government for the Linda Mama project. It is a very helpful project to women. They will not be paying the hospital bills. However Mr Speaker where is the real problem, is it paying the bills? We have high maternal death rates in this county and also high infant mortality rates in the county. This does not happen on their way to the hospitals but in the health facilities. The county government helped to do away with the payment of maternity hospital bills. It is also the duty of the county government to see to it that they have improved the state of health facilities in the county, that is, they should have operation theatres and staff. In this budget, the amount allocated to it is about Kshs. 10 million. We are not saying that money should be set aside for women; all we are asking for is the improvement of the maternal health care facilities to see to it that women get maternal services from good health facilities.

If the county government would ensure that there are many maternity units, the infant mortality rates would be reduced. There should be budget to create maternal awareness. As I said in another forum, a healthy people will make a healthy county. We need healthy people in this county so that it can move forward.

*[The Speaker leaves the chair and the Deputy Speaker
(Hon. Zachary Njeru) assumes the chair]*

As I conclude, I want to make this clear, that as we get into the 2018/2019 cycle, the county executive should ensure that the budget is gender responsive. This should

include the infrastructures that lead to those hospitals. For instance, there could be a maternal clinic somewhere but we cannot go to that clinic because the road is poor. We need those infrastructures that surround those clinics to be improved. We need water in these maternity clinics. Sometimes we have to carry water with bottles to take to women in the hospitals. It is therefore important to consider having gender responsive 2018/2019 budget. With those few remarks, I support the motion.

Speaker: Thank you member for Shamata. Yes member for Weru, Hon. Mbogo Mburu.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: Thank you Mr Speaker for giving me this opportunity to contribute to this motion.

(Hon. Wanjiku Ndirangu rises on a point of information)

Speaker: Yes, Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu, county member from Shamata.

Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu: Mr Speaker I am a member from Kiriita and not Shamata.

Speaker: Point noted. Thank you for that clarification. Member for Weru proceed.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to support this motion. I am a member of the Budget Committee. I have a few remarks concerning it especially the roads department. I am the chairperson committee on roads. While going through the report with the committee I realised that the issue of the pending bills was not attended to. The explanation I would like to make on this since, I have the information, is that after the audit, the files that have the payment documents remained with the EACC (Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission). The only files that will be paid are the clean files¹. It is not that they are not going to be paid, it only that there are issues that have to be scrutinized before payment is made.

I also want to point out something on machineries. I think that department has been given enough finances to facilitate the maintenance of the roads. If you go through the document, you will note that apart from the recurrent expenditure of the machines, we have slotted in about Kshs.20 million for maintenance of the roads and we expect that all wards are going to benefit.

All I can say about the budget is that is it good as it is today, but just as my colleague said, it is important that we have the ward development fund if we may call it so. This is because the equitable distribution of funds is not being done well. Issues affecting Weru ward are not the same affecting Shamata ward or any other ward. If funds were given to each ward depending on its requirements, this would help the county. We have wards whose priority is water while others' priority is roads. For now, we are going to accept the budget but balancing of the wards depending on their needs is important in the next budget.

As I conclude, as the committee on Roads, we are ensuring that the pending bills that will be paid are the ones that have been scrutinized. We are doing the scrutiny to ensure that the county pays for the work done. I support the report.

Speaker: Member for North Kinangop Hon. Wambugu.

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker for giving me a chance before Hon. Kieru. I support the motion with reservations. Mr Speaker I beg you to look at Standing Order No. 139.

(The Speaker peruses through the Standing Orders)

Speaker: Continue.

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker. Standing Order No.

139 (2) At any time before the certification and submission of a Bill to the Governor, the Speaker may correct formal errors or oversights therein without changing the substance of the Bill.

I wish to highlight some of the errors here before I proceed with my contribution. In code 3110504 road in North Kinangop ward, Ezekiel Kitogo-Kwa Moses which has been allocated one million. Mr Speaker this is a double allocation. That money is supposed to go to D389, which is Kwa-Bekenya dispensary road. Then we have Ezekiel Kitogo- Kwa Moses road, installing culverts and gravelling which has been allocated Kshs. 1,126,000. That money should be moved to Kwa-Kamba-KAG church road Kshs. 550,000 and the balance Kshs. 576,000 to Aberdare primary road.

In education, code number 3111099, there is development expenditure for the construction of Kiambariki and Aberdare ECDE centres that totals to Kshs 2 million. I would beg that this money is allocated to Nandarasi Youth Polytechnic, which has Kshs. 1 million to add up to Kshs. 3 million.

In water 3110502 on development expenditure, we have water for Nandarasi water project. In North Kinangop, we do not have such a project; the money allocated is Kshs. 3.3 million. We can direct Kshs. 2 million to Kikana water project, Gatamaiyu water project one million and highland water project Kshs. 300,000.

Mr Speaker for this water project, it is as if the governor...

Speaker: Member for North Kinangop before you proceed, I direct that you give me a written submission for that correction.

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker, I will do the same. The monies mentioned have been allocated for North Kinangop and not any other ward.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Gatimu

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker, I share in the concerns of the member for North Kinangop, there are quite a number of gaps that members have noticed especially with respect to naming, allocation of projects as per the interests of individual members and the substance of the budget.

Mr Speaker those errors that do not change the subject matter, I am not sure whether it is at this juncture that they can be introduced or is it supposed to be during the Committee of the Whole House. Are the issues to be filed by the committee's secretariat? After this, the secretariat will go do a report to the governor with respect to the concerns raised by the members as raised on the floor of the House. Will this be captured during the committee of the whole House or in the written submissions on the concerns of individual members by the secretariat of the committee?

Speaker: Member for Gatimu I get your concern. The said amendments will not be made at the committee of the whole House. I direct the members that have issues to prepare written submissions and by close of business today have it given to the Speaker for considerations. Proceed member for North Kinangop.

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker. Hon. Kieru did not state the Standing Order that he was rising on. I stated Standing Order 139, where the Speaker is given

power to correct formal errors and oversights therein without changing the substance of the bill. Mr Speaker thank you for your direction.

This is a social economic budget, that is concerned about *mwananchi*. In Nyandarua, we have water and roads problems. I expected that within five months remaining before the end of this financial year, the executive should have come up with a road map of implementing this.

We are in the history of not utilizing development funds by closure of financial year. One time Mr Speaker we were number 47 out of 47. We have a new regime where the governor has been an administrator and we expect that by closure of this financial year the funds will be utilized.

(Hon. Sambigi Mukuria rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Githioro?

Hon. Sambigi Mukuria: Mr Speaker I have heard the member for North Kinangop allude to the fact that the governor is going to fulfil everything. Can he categorically state if he is speaking on behalf of the governor. Is he authoritatively saying that those things are going to happen so that we can put him to task? Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Member for Githioro I think Hon. King'ori just put it on a light note. As we know, this is a rich debate and the member for North Kinangop is in order. Member for North Kinangop proceed.

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker for protecting me from the member for Githioro. I believe that the governor of Nyandarua will be able to implement what he should within five years.

The ECDE feeding program started with us and the chairperson committee on Education has highlighted it. I do not see any problem of it being in the budget. Retired president Daniel Toroitich Arap Moi has the same program in the whole country and most of the beneficiaries were in Nyandarua because we had KCC (Kenya Cooperative Creameries) company in the county. The milk used that time was supplied by KCC. Whoever has a milk processing company in the county will be a beneficiary. Some of the brainy members here such as member for Murungaru and for Githioro were beneficiaries of that milk. That is why they are brainy. I am not expecting any member to oppose this. We developed a lot that time. In fact, for seven years Nyandarua emerged top in matters pertaining to education.

Concerning the pending bills, we have the pending bills from the very first financial year of the devolution. I would however say even if we have those pending bills, Nyandarua is the best in payment of the pending bills compared to counties like Nairobi that has about Kshs. 60 billion, Bomet County, Kericho County. Nyandarua has only Kshs. 324 million. We on the right track. It is good the governor does not pay pending bills without scrutiny. I hope that all those pending bills will be paid by the end of next year. It also good to note that some of the pending bills that are to be paid were meant to be paid to ghost contractors. A case study is my ward where three roads are said to have been constructed by the contractors and were paid but the roads were never done. It is good that forensic audit is done before the pending bills of previous regime are paid. One may feel like it is a witch-hunt but if he or she did what is right then there should be no fear of it. Forensic audit should be done other than paying what you are not sure about?

As we go to the financial year 2018/2019, we are already behind with the budget cycle. By the end of February, we are supposed to have the County Fiscal Strategy Paper. I am aware that the Committee on Budget has not prepared the Annual Development Plan. Let them get to the right track in preparation of the next financial year budget.

We are only supposed to change only 1% of the budget but through consultation, the guidance of the Speaker and the wisdom Hon. Gachomba, the chairperson Budget Committee,

the governor allowed us to change the supplementary budget estimates. We recognise the separation of powers but it is important for the executive and legislature to meet and discuss issues affecting them other than go out there and speak about them without giving solutions. It is good to agree or disagree. It will be like being caged, we fight until we come up with a solution. There are other members that would like to make their contribution to this motion. I support.

Speaker: Yes, member for Gatimu, Hon. Kieru Wambui.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker, I support the document. It is not good to go in records for the wrong reasons. We have seen how Nakuru county assembly has started. They have started on the wrong footing. You realize what it means to reject a budget. It has implications on the lives of Wanjiku. That is why from experience it is always good to have a negotiated document. Why do I say so? It is because the executive will create hard lines protected by the law. The county assembly will also create hard lines protected by the law. Who suffers at the end of the day? It is the common person. What are we going to do? The best thing to do is to create and equilibrium. This is for the sake of Wanjiku. This neutral ground will benefit Wanjiku. How do we go about that Mr Speaker? We do that by creating informal mechanisms that will see that everything that concerns the common mwananchi is articulated and addressed.

(The Hon. Speaker resumes the chair)

This subsequently informs the so-called 'wazee wa spika.' I can proudly associate myself with the 'wazee wa spika'. This is because this document is as a result of such negotiations. I have not seen any member objecting this document. I am not saying that were it not for the 'wazee wa spika' this document would not be here, no, It would still be here.

(Hon. Rimui Kaiyani rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani?

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: Mr Speaker is it in order for the member to introduce a new term in this House, 'wazee wa spika'. Can he tell us who the 'wazee wa spika' are?

(Laughter)

Speaker: Actually, I think that the member is trespassing very dangerous grounds. Please confine yourself to the issues at hand.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker I withdraw though the message is home. Mr Speaker what we have today is a negotiated document. I have seen member supporting this budget. Nakuru County failed to talk to one another. If the governor stands here, the assembly there, and the budget flops who suffers? It is the people that elected us. I am proud of Nyandarua because maybe tomorrow the Governor may start implementing the budget. The implementation of this budget is as a result of the assembly working together with the executive. How do they work together? It is through consensus and dialogue. It is to make sure that everyone in the county, who has issues of water, education health roads and agriculture, addressed. I am happy that the president of this country wants to address some of the aforementioned issues too. Transformation in health, education and agriculture are some of his key agenda for the coming four years.

There are various pertinent issues raised by the budget committee. From the memoranda sent to the county assembly as appears in page 7 of the report. They say that the committee on budget and appropriations considers the issues raised and observed that pursuant to section of 39 PFMA regulations 2015 for county government read together with sections

108 (2), 135 and 154 of PFMA that allowed the county executive to deviate from the principalities of the main budget. As much as they would want to say that there is a new administration, we cannot equate proper public participation to the promises made during campaign and political rallies. Those are distinct ideas. An idea becomes a government idea through public participation that is supported by the Public Participation Act. Public participation cannot be substituted with campaign rallies. Some of the members here and even the county executive confuse what the public was promised during campaigns and what the public said during public participation meetings that informed the budget prepared before June last year. We should never and it should not be repeated, confuse what Wanjiku said and what was promised during political campaigns. This will make us deviate from the principles of the main budget.

From the justifications of the supplementary budget, the county administration has outlined what brought about changes in the projected revenues. Among the 8 reasons there is one vote head called fuel levy maintenance fund of Kshs. 183 million. Any member in this assembly has never addressed this money. I want to be understood. There are regulations that guide how this money should be utilized in the county. It is however unfortunate that this assembly has never been consulted when this money is being utilized in the county. Out of the Kshs. 183 Million, you find that a certain ward will benefit with Kshs. 15 million while another one gets only about Kshs. 3.5 million. We are the representatives of the people who are democratically elected. They say that the County Executive Committee has the final say, I do not refuse but the in the said County Executive Committee only two people have been elected, that is the governor and the deputy governor. The rest do not have direct responsibility to the public. I hear that all of them would want the roads that lead to their homes constructed. Suppose from my ward there is no county executive committee member, what will happen? Suppose the deputy governor or the governor do not come from my ward? The county assembly should be consulted during the allocation of the fuel levy fund. Most of the members will be shocked when these things will be known to you or implemented

There is the Kenya devolution support program of about Kshs. 40 Million. I said that this money comes from the national government to support devolution programs. We also want to know the share of the county assembly. The devolution programs are not only for the county executive. It should also help capacitate the county assembly so that it can carry out the role of oversight representation and legislation well. The committee on budget should look into that matter again.

The unspent balance of Kshs. 315 million for the previous financial year. Out of this money, the assembly wants to know the amount that was the pending bills for the last financial year. Do you want to say that in the Kshs. 315 Million called unspent balance there were no pending bills? Unspent balance is a terminology that the assembly should be very careful about. We want to know what that is. Is it works that were not done or works done but were not paid? In the budget, there could be programs that were never started. There was a budget for two ECDE centres that were never constructed in my ward. They were to cost two million. Are the two million among the unspent balance or are they pending bills. We need training so that the executive does not throw terminologies that confuse us. Unspent balance is an ambiguous term. I cannot understand it.

They also say that the Salary and Remuneration Commission circulars inform the review of county personnel emoluments. We know that the salaries of the county executive staff were increased. We are told that the increase is about Kshs. 131 million. We are told that Kshs. 1.8 billion goes to salaries. The county assembly has a payroll that starts with the Speaker and it states how much he gets to the lowest paid person here. Why is it so hard for the county executive to do the same? Bringing block figures that they cannot substantiate... we need the county executive to bring the relevant documents to the county assembly before the approval

is done. This should go into records that we are not going to approve block figures again. We need breakdowns. You cannot keep on telling us that salaries were increase and this has occasioned an increase of Kshs. 331 million. Add an average of Kshs. 5000 to every staff in Nyandarua County that does not total to Kshs. 331 million. When the commission increased salary it did not increase to Kshs. 331 in Nyandarua. We need a document that justifies that Kshs. 331 million is the increase in salaries. If you multiply Kshs 5000 by 2000 people, that is about Kshs. 100 million. We need those justifications from the county executive.

It is projected that 30.23% of the budget will go to development. This will mostly go towards that completion of the ongoing projects and other delivery initiatives. Going back to the unspent balances, do they include the 30.23%. What contracts have been awarded in the current financial year? The ongoing project would be the ones that were started in the last financial year and were not completed. If funds have been provided in this financial year they become the ongoing projects from the previous financial year.

I support the document, but I would like the budget committee and the county executive to get the Hansard. We also want as the county executive introduces policies to follow law. They have introduced service delivery and investment promotion. There is a new entity in this budget. We expect the county public service board to do due diligence in consultation with the county executive constitute this office.

In page three of the budget there is the human resource management. They have eliminated the department. This is an issue that the assembly needs to understand. They have established what they are calling human administration. There is what they are calling human resource management, human resource administration, public administration, communication and public relations and ICT and ek-government services. There is confusion because you cannot differentiate one's role from the other. From the budget, you can see that there is confusion. It is good that we get policies to do away these ambiguous entities or offices in this budget that we are about to approve.

Going to page 18, with your leave I would wish to conclude my submissions by making an amendment. As supported under Standing Order No.215

(6) An amendment to any Vote to increase the sum allotted thereto whether in respect of any item or subhead or of the Vote itself may only be moved in accordance with the resolution made by the Assembly during the consideration of the Report of the Committee on the Annual Estimates.

I beg to move the following motion as per the notice served with your office;

That an amendment to the report of the budget and appropriations committee on the County Assembly Supplementary Budget Estimates for the FY 2017/2018, that the House does amend under page 18 vote 3110504 under routine and periodical road maintenance to reduce the amount from twenty million shillings (Kshs. 20,000,000) to twelve million shillings (Kshs.12,000,000) and insert thereto a vote 3110504 under the name road improvements and maintenance around the proposed Ol'kalou lands registry, proposed Ol'kalou high court and the county assembly with an allocation of Kshs.8,000,000.

Thank you Mr Speaker.

Mr Speaker this escaped the attention of the budget committee. We had tried to lobby as the County Assembly Service Board to make sure that the county executive allocates money for that road. That is the road starting from the tarmac near the governor's office, the other one at the at the county commissioner's office all the way to the county assembly, and around the

county assembly. They did not allocate money for that. We tried to make sure that we had allocated money from the fuel levy. The county executive did not. The rains will be coming in March or April. We shall have problems accessing the county assembly. The judiciary has blocked the road that has been gravelled and the alternative they provided is poorly done. The one we are using currently is purely 'earth road'. That is a good word from a layman.

(Laughter)

Thank you. He got it right. Eng. Kaiyani can tell us better. Mr Speaker below where we have the routine and periodical road maintenance to reduce the amount from twenty million shillings (Kshs. 20,000,000) we should introduce Kshs. 8 million so that we have road improvement and maintenance around proposed Ol'kalou...

(Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Githabai Hon. Rimui Kaiyani.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you Mr Speaker, I am wondering how the Hon. Member arrived at Kshs. 8 million. Can he expound on that. Is it too much, too little or just enough.

Speaker: Okay, I think it is important. As you move the amendment, the member would like contribute to the motion with requisite information or knowledge.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker I would like to categorically state here that the County Assembly Service Board requested the county executive to do the bills of quantities. They did a bill of quantities worth Kshs7.6 million. That is the BQ they did and it can be an annexure to this. However, you realize that what they gave the county assembly is a priced BQ. We cannot attach a price BQ here that will be used by the county executive to award the said road. It will become public because anything that is tabled here becomes a public document. Even disclosing that it would cost Kshs7.6 million is wrong. This is the Engineers estimate but we know that a contract of Kshs. 5 million can be awarded. We cannot attach the BQ here because the county executive gave us a prized document. With those few remarks...

(Hon. Reuben Gitau rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Shamata Hon. Reuben Gitau?

Hon. Reuben Gitau: Thank you Mr Speaker. Mr Speaker is it in order for the member to reduce the money meant for maintenance of roads in the whole county and allocate the money to one ward?

Speaker: Member for Shamata he cannot be out of order while he is invoking the provisions of Standing Orders to move and amendment. I think it will depend on the members here. They understand the situation of the road to the assembly and they will decide here whether they would want all the Kshs. 20 million to go to their respective wards or they would want a nice road to come to the assembly. That is the simple logic behind it. Member for Gatimu proceed.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker, I call upon a member of the county assembly service board with who we have been pushing this matter with, Hon. Kariuki Muchiri to second.

Speaker: Yes member for Murungaru, Hon. Kariuki Muchiri

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise second the proposed amendment. The mover of the motion has articulated on the issue and the importance of this amendment Mr Speaker. We have been trying to push that money be set aside for road

construction around this assembly, the law courts, Ardhi House out here but we have not succeeded.

We had been promised that money will be provided for in the fuel levy but as far as we the members of the County Assembly Service Board are concerned, we have never been given a schedule of how the fuel levy is going to be allocated. If we do not get monies for these roads here and now, members can imagine how it will be like when the rains come. You can imagine the kind of mud we shall be walking or driving through. The road out here is an 'earth road'². It is not an all-weather road. When the rains come when the roads are not constructed, members vehicle will get stuck, walk in the mud and bring it here. You can see the beautiful carpet we have in this House. It will be muddy. Members might be required to carry an extra pair of shoe or if it comes to the worst, members will wear gumboots. You know the kind of soil we have here.

We have experienced this. Let us think around this issue. Even if we try to share the Kshs. 20 million equally among all the wards, each ward will get about Kshs. 800,000. What road can one make with Kshs. 8,000,000? We would rather leave the Kshs. 12 million as the mover the motion to do a few... can I use the term 'surgeries' when we get back

(Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member from Kiriita Hon. Milkah Ndirangu?

Hon. Wanjiku Ndirangu: Mr Speaker I want to seek clarification. There are three types of roads, the all-weather road, the murram road and a tarmac road. Which of these do they intend to construct. We want to know so that we can see whether it is a sustainable one or we can hold a little longer to get good money so that we can construct a good road.

Speaker: Member for Murungaru proceed.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Mr Speaker. In response to that, we want to do an all-weather road. We gravel. Normally, between the proposed Ardhi House and the law courts it floods. We need to have good culverts around this area to drain the water. It is an all-weather road. All the members and the staff of the assembly will be using it. I urge members to support the amendment. With those few remarks, I second the amendment.

(Question proposed)

Speaker: Yes, member for Weru Hon. Simon Mbogo Mburu.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: Thank you Mr Speaker. During the deliberations on this budget, the roads department lost about Kshs37million. The county executive committee have a reason why they gave maintenance Kshs30million. It was reduced to Kshs. 20 million and now we want to reduce it by Kshs. 8 million. I am very sure that the assembly has its budget. This should be going to the county assembly budget. This is not benefitting *Wanjiku*.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Gatimu?

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker, in as much as I want to support the chairperson of the committee on roads in his concern that the department lost a lot of money, this money is not going away from the roads department. I also want to get from him whether the county assembly is an implementing entity that actually constructs roads.

² Earth road- dry weather road.

Speaker: I think on that, chairperson committee on roads, you are wrong. This road does not belong to the assembly. Actually, it belongs to the county government. The county government is the one implementing the program. It is not under the assembly and for members knowledge, we had requested that the money to be put under the assembly development vote and we were told that is not our road and therefore we cannot construct it ourselves. It is still under the roads department. No money is leaving the roads department.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: Thank you for that correction. When they allocated Kshs. 20 million, there was a purpose and if it is reduced, the remaining amount will not accomplish that purpose. Everyone in this House knows that there was discussion on what will be achieved and the CEC committed himself. If we take away the Kshs. 8 million, the remaining amount will not be useful. We had rather take the Kshs. 20 million and do a tarmac road other than leaving the allocation of Kshs. 12 million that will not be used. I oppose the motion and I hope the other members will also oppose.

We can request the executive to do that road for us. They can get money from the fuel levy and do it because they know members need that road. We cannot twist their arm by allocating the money here since we know that they cannot defend themselves.

Speaker: Yes member for Githioro Hon. Simon Sambigi Mukuriah

Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support this motion. This is for the simple reason that we as Hon. Members must be held with dignity and our working environment must be as such. I would not want to imagine a situation where I will pulling out the chairperson committee on road from the said road when he is stuck. Some things are borne out of necessity. We all know that we are lucky that we can use that road despite the dust. When the rains come, we shall have to get special equipment. We are not going to subject ourselves to the mercy of the Executive. We are passing a budget that is in billions and all we are asking for is Kshs. 8 million for our comfort. I would not shy from supporting such a motion because we are looking at our interests. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: County member from Kiriita Hon. Milkah Ndirangu.

Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to oppose the motion. The reason for opposing the motion is that there was a misrepresentation from Hon. Kieru when he said that this escaped the attention of the committee on budget. One he is not a member of the budget committee. We deliberated on the vote of Kshs. 30 million and we reduced it to Kshs. 20 million. We spent about four hours discussing this issue and we agreed that we reduce that money to twenty million. The Kshs. 10 million was taken to cover the wards that did not have enough money for their projects.

When we come to this House and again want to reduce the amount to Kshs. 12 million, then that money will not serve the purpose it was meant to serve. Just like the chairperson committee on roads said, it would be better if we removed the whole vote other than leaving an amount of money that will not be useful for the kind of work it was intended for. I think that road can wait, it is not a long distance. We are Hon. Members and we deserve to be treated with dignity. This budget will be there for only 6 months. We are soon going to the next financial year budget process. We can get budget for a tarmac road, which will be permanent because these buildings are permanent too. Why should we do an all-weather road yet we are constructing a very modern building here Mr Speaker? Why should we not do a tarmac road that will serve us and other members that will come to this House in future? Let us wait for the next budget; we allocate enough money for a tarmac road. I will be the first person to push for that allocation. For now, I oppose the motion and prefer that we wait for the next budget so that we can allocate enough money for a tarmac road. Thank you.

Speaker: Member for Shamata Hon. Reuben Gitau.

Hon. Reuben Gitau: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to oppose this amendment on these grounds, one, Kshs. 8 million will not be enough to do a good road, that is a tarmac road. He is talking about a murrum road and that is equal to what we have.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Gatimu, Hon. Kieru Wambui?

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker as much as we are laymen and we do not understand some of these terminologies, I do not think a murrum road is equal to an 'earth road'. The member could be out of order.

Speaker: I know the member for Shamata and what he does. He knows better. Proceed member for Shamata.

Hon. Reuben Gitau: Thank you Mr Speaker, I am a member of the budget committee and we had allocated about Kshs. 30million for road maintenance. We considered reducing the vote by Kshs. 10million. We know that Kshs. 20million will be enough for roads maintenance for the next six months. Once we reduce this amount to Kshs. 12million, it will not be enough in case there is an urgent need for road maintenance in any of the wards.

Just as Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu has said, we are Hon. Members and we should be treated as so. We can do a letter to KeNHA through the committee on intergovernmental so that we can agree with them to do a good road leading to this Hon. Assembly. Mr Speaker I oppose this amendment because we are not being fair to the roads department.

Speaker: Member for Wanjohi Hon. Isaac Kung'u.

Hon. Isaac Kung'u: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to oppose this motion. I oppose because I am a member of the budget committee. We had serious sessions discussing this budget; at no point did the County Assembly Service Board give us a proposal of what they wanted to do. I feel as if this amendment is an ambush to this House because no member of the budget committee is aware of this.

The member for Murungaru amazes me when he says that we are going to spoil this carpet. *Wanjiku* does not enjoy such privilege as this. The road to my mum's home is in pathetic condition. That does not mean that I do not go home because I am an Hon. member. I wear gumboots and go home. If we talk of the comfort of a member, what about the comfort of *Wanjiku*. What we are supposed to be talking about here is a mechanism to see to it that every ward benefits from this road maintenance fund. If it becomes worse, the rains come, there is an emergency fund, and we shall request the governor to do the road for us. We those few remarks I oppose the motion.

Speaker: Yes, member for Kanjuiri- Ridge Hon. Suleiman Kimani

Hon. Suleiman Kimani: Thank you Mr Speaker I rise to oppose the motion. I oppose this motion but I want to give an alternative. I know that the county government of Nyandarua has graders, lorries and compactors. They would only need about Kshs. 500,000 for fuel. With this they can do a murrum road and we use it for the next six months and then in the next FY, 2018/2019 we get a good budget to do a good road. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Yes member for Geta Hon. Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: Thank you Mr Speaker, I rise to oppose the motion. It seems like the mover of the motion intends to provoke the Committee on Budget. We sat on several occasions to deliberate on the budget, that matter should have been brought to the committee, and probably we would have agreed upon the Kshs. 20 million. I think there is leeway in that department and if the rains come, there is Kshs. 25 million emergency funds. The government can get to that fund and do a passable road during that period.

Speaker: Yes, member for Mirangine, Hon. Samuel Mathu.

Hon. Samuel Mathu: Thank you Mr Speaker sir, I rise to oppose the motion. As Hon. Members, we need to be honest. I do not see how we can negotiate to have each ward allocated about Kshs. 6.5 million and then we come here and allocate Kshs. 8 million to a single road. I oppose.

Speaker: Member for North Kinangop Hon. Edinald Wambugu King'ori

Hon. Wambugu King'ori: Thank you Mr Speaker, when we reduce any amount from this vote is like we have forgotten that we have emergency kitty where we can get funds from and grade road if for instance there is a burial. The member for Murungaru has spoken about the grounded county machinery. This is the only vote head that can be used to repair them and make them work again. The idea of the mover of the motion is very noble but it is not timely. The board should have engaged the committee on budget and I believe it would have taken the idea and provided for this money. I oppose the motion.

Speaker: Yes member for Githabai Hon. Rimui Kaiyani.

Hon. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you Mr Speaker. I have been waiting to contribute to the motion on supplementary budget but it has been high-jacked by this amendment motion. I do not know which one I should start with. Let us begin with the latest.

As the member for North Kinangop has said, the idea is noble. There is no way we can have such noble structures yet they do not have access roads. It is similar to brew a cup of tea in a cup that you have cleaned outside but the inside is left uncleaned. That cup is still dirty. What do I mean? We would not have this structure if we never needed it while we represent Wanjiku. We would not have an assembly built with such an amount of money. We are talking about a road that links us to that infrastructure. It would be illogical to have such an infrastructure worth more than Kshs. 200 million but no road to access it. The idea is noble but to me it looks like a fire-fighting move.

The County Assembly Service Board has been aware that it needed a good road. The committee on budget sat hours with no end scratching their heads, some of us had more hair than we have now, while working on that budget. For anyone to bring an amendment at this late hour is kind of ambush to the committee. To be honest we do not take it kindly. We had all the time and you should have brought it in time. We would have lobbied to see that they have money. The County Assembly Service Board should take full responsibility if we ever get stuck on road that because you knew there was a road to be done but you did not bring it on time. If we get stuck you shall pull us out. If we shall be forced to wear gumboots, you shall carry us on your backs until that road is done. I cannot apologize on that. That is why you are in that office. Do your work and do it well.

As a member for the budget committee, I would say the idea is good but I oppose it anyway because the execution is poor. I am aware that you were lobbying the other side but you forgot to protect yourself. You did not have a plan B. Good planners plan for good times and for the worst-case scenario. What was your contingency? Be good managers and I say that with all due respect because I know that the Speaker is the chairperson of the board. I know of the slang 'wazee wa spika', they should up their game. We probably need to get some young blood in that group so that the 'uzee' is reduced. I oppose the motion but if you bring it tomorrow, I shall support it. Thank you Mr Speaker sir.

Speaker: Maybe you can call the mover.

Hon. Rimui Kaiyani: I call the mover

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr Speaker. I know this motion will pass. I know the silent ones are in agreement with me. I want to make specific issues straight for the record Mr Speaker. One, I do not want to attack the periodical and routine road maintenance because I am neither a member of the budget committee nor a member of the roads committee. I have however witnessed what happens with such block figures. It will happen to some of us when they get to know what happens with the fuel levy. You will support Kshs. 183 million and out

of that some wards will have Kshs. 15 million while you have Kshs. 3 million. I do not know what periodical and routine road maintenance means. In the past, we have seen such block figures and what they have done. They go to one or two wards and others do not benefit. Unless the members of the budget committee are the beneficiaries of the Kshs. 20 million. If there is anything that.

(Hon. Isaac Kung'u rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Wanjohi?

Hon. Isaac Kung'u: Is it in order for the member to insinuate that the members of the budget committee are beneficiaries while we have stated that that we need a policy that gives guidelines on how that money will be used.

Speaker: I agree with the member for Wanjohi and the member for Gatimu knows that he is out of order. You cannot throw aspersions on the character of Hon. Members. Proceed.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: I wish his sentiments are in the report or in the report, it was captured 'all wards' I would be okay and I would not have any issue. If it is left that way, I can single out the members of the committee and how they have responded and supported it... It speaks volumes.

(Consultations and laughter)

I am a member and I am expected to defend my position. The laughter can tell you all. Secondly Mr Speaker, is that we have information and it is in public domain that the national government will be rolling out a program to do tarmac roads in Ol'kalou town. When? We do not know. It was communicated. A letter came to the office of the former governor then, H. E Daniel Waithaka. We were told that this road would be done and the other roads in Ol'kalou town, in Huruma and all government quarters. We have only seen the road leading to public works office being tarmacked. The others have not started. The government funds projects on availability of resources. When the national government decided to do it, I do not know. Saying that we go to KeNHA, it is not KeNHA but KURA and it has given us tarmac roads yet we do not know when they will be done. Hon. Kiaraho brought communication to that effect to the government.

Thirdly, it is not proper to insinuate that I should not move an amendment. It is provided for in the Standing Orders. This is not an ambush to the budget committee. It is not. If the budget committee is so hands-on, then why allocate a road in my ward an amount in the main budget yet it has been allocated fuel levy money. I have information to that effect.

(Hon. Mbogo Mburu rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it member for Weru Hon. Mbogo Mburu?

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: I think the Hon. Member for Gatimu and my neighbour is not in order to purport to know a road allocated money in fuel levy. May be he should tell us where he got the data on fuel levy allocation because we do not know. He then points a finger at the able budget committee saying that we are wrong.

Speaker: Again, member for Gatimu I would overrule you because it is contradiction in terms. You had indicated while moving the motion that the board had lobbied for the allocation of money under fuel levy but the schedules were not forthcoming. How have you known how the schedule for the fuel levy is? I actually do not understand. Just proceed with the response. That issue never cropped up in the main debate and therefore it cannot come up in the response.

(Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu rises on a point of order)

Yes county member from Kiriita Hon. Milkah Ndirangu.

Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu: Thank you Mr Speaker. Is it in order for the member to say that he has seen double allocation in his ward and he is not taking the money from the double allocation to what he wants us to do?

Speaker: I do not think when a member confirms that he has double allocation he is in any way out of order. That is not being out of order because you are confirming something that is factual. What is it member for Njabini Kiburu Hon. Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr Speaker. Everyone is aware that what Hon. Kieru was trying to move in this House has been rejected. We have other agenda. We need to go to the committee of the Whole House. He is wasting a lot of our time. Can he say that he is okay so that we can move forward?

(Several members rise on points of order)

Speaker: Order members! Member for Njabini Kiburu, you know you are obviously out of order. There is no motion that has been voted on in this House. Secondly, an Hon. members is not capable of wasting time. However much they try, they cannot be able to waste time. They are here on behalf of *Wanjiku. Mheshimiwa* Gachomba you are out of order. Member for Gatimu proceed.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Speaker I will conclude. I know he will support the motion when it comes to secret voting.

(Laughter)

I was actually justifying that I did not ambush the Budget Committee with the amendment because the Standing Orders provide for the amendment. Any member can rise on a point of order to move an amendment.

Mr Speaker, there has been assumptions that the government can use emergency funds to do roads. The said committee or the House needs to get some training on what emergency funds should do. I do not think that the roads can fall under 'emergency' because it is not that it was not foreseen, it was and that is why we want to provide money. We lobbied for this road with the county executive, we were told that the road would be allocated money only to realize yesterday from the executive that that the allocations to that road are not there. What will the county assembly do? The chief officer confirmed yesterday that the county executive has not provided the said road for money when they were allocating the Kshs. 183 Million. I was given that responsibility by the office of the Speaker to follow up on the matter. I talked to the chief officer but he said that he has not provided for the money in the fuel levy. The budget committee has met, finished, and compiled the report. As a member designated to follow up on the matter, it was only fair for me and on behalf of these Hon. Members... you hear them saying that they shall ride on our backs when it will get muddy.

It is not the responsibility of the County Assembly service board to gravel the road that comes to the county assembly. This is the responsibility of the county executive. In fact, they were supposed to do the road without us telling them. We tried as the county assembly but the chief officer confirmed there is no allocation. The County Executive Committee refused to amend the list so that the said roads can be included. It was only fair for me to bring that matter here.

The road cannot just come. We are not just doing a road. It should be seen where the road is coming from. The road is coming from the entry to the county commissioner's offices,

it passes through the judiciary, and lands offices, to the county assembly, round the county assembly premises to the front of the assembly then all the way to the Governor's office entrance and finally the road at the back of the Governor's office. Since that matter appears to attract attention, after a few days there will be members lamenting about the Kshs. 20 Million and how it was used. The members will see who will be the beneficiaries of that. I beg to move knowing that the members will vote for it.

(Question put and negatived)

Speaker: The motion is therefore lost. I would wish to make a comment on that. This is an issue, which I would want to go to the HANSARD. The board proposed funding of this road by the executive because they are responsible. It is none of the responsibility of the board. It is a road belonging to the executive. They agreed that they would fund it, they did the BQs and sent them to us and we were waiting for the grading of the road by the executive only to realise yesterday that that money is not in the budget. It is none of our error. Initially the board had been told that the money would be provided from the fuel levy, we requested for the schedule, it was not forwarded to date and the money is not in the budget. We had to make a last minute effort.

This is the honesty that we have been talking about. When you sit with those with whom you are working with, the two arms of government and agree on something and there is no objection you at least expect that it would be done. It is not acceptable for left hand to be lying to the right hand. That is what has brought us to this. *Mheshimiwa* Kieru you were on the main motion before you introduced the amendment.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: I support the motion and call the mover to respond.

Speaker: The motion mover and the member for Njabini Kiburu, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

(Hon. Members rise)

Are there some more members who want to contribute? I think this is budget and it would be reasonable. Member for Leshau Pondo and the leader of majority Hon. Peter Gathungu Kamau.

Hon. Gathungu Kamau: Thank you Mr Speaker, it would not have been good had we been denied a chance to contribute to this very important matter in this House. Mr Speaker, sir, I support the motion. However, there are a few grey areas that I feel should have been addressed but they have not been addressed. They can be factored in later.

I will start with the four pillars from the Jubilee government. My first one is on health. This is a very important function in this county. When we were giving our irreducible minimums, it only that we felt, we would not push the executive to the corner. However, concerning health for instance, my ward Leshau Pondo and several others were not factored in this budget. In future, health, being one of the four pillars, should be considered as an area which should be considered for allocation.

Mr Speaker I can see that some ambulances have been removed from the budget. Recently in my area, there was a fatal accident where we lost nine (9) lives. Mr Speaker sir the ambulance that we have in Ndaragwa health centre cannot move faster than a bike. We are getting fire extinguishers from Laikipia, the neighbouring county. That should not be the case and this is an area that should be addressed in future budget.

We also have some community health solutions workers (CHS), since I am in the health services committee, I know that the contract of these workers is ending in March. I see a calamity facing us. They have not been factored in the budget. In Leshau Pondo and Kasuku

they are the ones working in the health facilities. I do not know whether these facilities will have to be closed when their contract ends. That is an area that should have been addressed.

(Power outage)

Mr Speaker, sir, issues concerning roads is very sensitive. We are happy we achieved the irreducible minimum...

Speaker: Leader of majority, please hold on. I we have a problem in our hands. Anytime from now we shall be off. The engineers from Nairobi were here because the generator switch had a problem. As of now, I am being told that the generator is running but power is not coming to the assembly. We are using power that is saved within the system, any time we might be in the darkness. Be prepared for that but again we have to pass this budget today as per the Kenya Gazette. I do not know what mechanism we shall apply. The office of the clerk is doing something about it. Proceed.

Hon. Gathungu Kamau: Mr Speaker, sir, I hope the Hansard is picking what we are saying. We would wish that the deliberations we are making here get to the executive so that they can be acted upon. They should not be mere talks, if the feeding programme will not be sustainable, then we will face a death throw. We ensure construction of very standard ECDE classrooms but we fail to ensure construction of standard toilets. Ndogino and Karai ECDE centres in my ward are such examples. In future, we should make sure that standard toilets are built at ECDE centres.

Polytechnics have not been given priority. We cannot afford to have polytechnics with over a hundred students yet they are underequipped. For the technical courses offered in polytechnics in our county to be sustainable, these institutions should be well equipped. Lack of water to the residents of our county has always dominated debates in this House. I acknowledge the idea of sinking boreholes as a source of water to our people. Actually, a borehole was drilled in my ward and it is now a source of water even to the people of Laikipia County. I hope provision of clean water to the people of our county will no longer be a pipe dream.

Rehabilitation of dams has been factored in the budget and I hope this whole project will be implemented. I want to comment about the Emergency Kitty. Recently a fire brought down a building in Nyakio. Over the weekend properties were destroyed by fire in Shamata and Kanyagia. In my ward four apartments were ravaged by fire. In order for the county government to promptly respond to such emergencies, the Emergency Kitty should be increased. Recently the kitty came in handy when a terrible road accident occurred in my ward. The fund should also be prudently managed. Finally Mr Speaker, I support he motion on the supplementary budget.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Shamata, Hon. Reuben Gitau.

Hon. Reuben Gitau: Thank you Mr Speaker. I would like to commend the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, of which I am a member, for coming up with the report. I would also commend the Executive for coming up with a budget that is *Wanjiku*-friendly.

I am concerned about the feeding programme; I remember the Governor wrote to the chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations requesting that the money for the same be increased to Kshs. 40 million. We did not have a source for the extra Kshs. 10 million. But I commend our Speaker for seeing it worthy to vire eight million shillings from the Assembly's development kitty to the feeding programme vote head. Mr Speaker I sincerely commend you.

We have not hosted investors' forum in our county, yet it is a noble thing to do since I would attract investors into our county. Nonetheless, money for the same has been incorporated in the budget at hand. In future, this money should be increased.

The Governor intends to gazette Lake Olbolossat. You all agree that the said lake is a great resource that can attract many local and international tourists and hence boost the tourism industry a great deal. Gazettement of the lake will turn the county in a great tourist destination.

Finally, I would urge the Executive to ensure prudent absorption of the money in the supplementary budget in the implementation of various projects for the benefit of Wanjiku.

I beg to support. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Central, Hon. Mwangi Maitai.

Hon. Mwangi Maitai: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion without amendments. I commend the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for the good work it has done. The supplementary budget at hand incorporates many things. I remember we agreed in Nairobi on the irreducible minimums for every sector.

Nonetheless, we should in future consider the sizes of wards, population and poverty levels in the wards in preparations of budgets. We can adopt the parameters that the national government uses in allocating funds. In my ward, some projects have to be looked into. Previously, construction of Ndaragwa Bus Park was allocated Kshs.7.5 million. This project would be a revenue generating one. Unfortunately, its allocation was removed from the budget. But I will in future push for its incorporation in the budget. In addition, I had requested the Office of the Clerk to change the name of Muthuri Borehole and Piping Project to Kanyagia Borehole and Piping.

Speaker: The Member for Central, if you are referring to the document you can move to the dispatch box where there is more light.

(Hon. Mwangi Maitai moves to the dispatch box)

Hon. Mwangi Maitai: Thank you Mr Speaker. The budget at hand contains a reasonable allocation for the commemoration of the World Wetland Day, which will be held on 2nd February 2018. Our county government will hold the commemoration at Lake Olbolossat and it will go a long way in boosting the tourism industry.

With those few remarks, I beg to support. Thank you.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Kanjuiri Ridge, Hon. Suleiman Kimani.

Hon. Suleiman Kimani: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion. As a member of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, I would like to make a few comments. Let me start with the projects being commenced in the wards. I would like to urge the Governor not to initiate so many projects whereas there are many stalled projects in the wards that have consumed a lot of money. For example, construction works for dispensaries and polytechnics have not been completed in many wards. Such projects should be completed before others are commenced. Implementation of a project demands many things. For instance, completion of a dispensary calls for employment of nurses and other staff.

Mr Speaker, we have been returning money to the National Treasury yet the same is supposed to be fully utilized in implementation of projects and performance of other activities. Considering that the recurrent expenditure facilitates the government to perform activities geared towards absorbing funds for development expenditure, I urge the Executive to ensure full utilization of the funds in the supplementary budget to avoid money being returned to the National Treasury.

On pending bills, I bring to your attention of a farmers in my ward who supplied murrum for road upgrading yet they have never been paid their Kshs.28,000. They are in possession of relevant documentation including valid LPOs but they have made efforts to get

their money from the county government to no avail. The county government should pay all the pending bills owing to the genuine contractors and suppliers.

I beg to support. Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Yes, the County Member from Magumu, Hon. Salome Kamau.

Hon. Salome Kamau: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion. I thank the Budget and Appropriations Committee for the work well done.

The Member for Murungaru said that he is watching and waiting to see how we are going to upgrade roads; he is not supposed to watch, instead he is to be watched. I we are ready to help in the implementation of the budget. I have noted that under the health sector...

(Hon. Kariuki Muchiri rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it the Member for Murungaru?

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Mr Speaker, is it in order for the county member from Magumu to say that I will be watched? You know Hon. Members do not implement projects. If I do not implement projects, how can I be watched? I will only be watched on my role of oversight and not implementation of projects. Is she really in order to say that I will be watched, and from where?

Speaker: Well, according to the constitutional and statutory mandates, Hon. Members watch more than they are watched. However, if you look at the larger picture, *Wanjiku* does not differentiate between those who implement and those who conduct oversight; so at the end of the day they are put together and watched. I believe that is what the county member from Magumu meant. Proceed the County Member from Magumu.

Hon. Salome Kamau: Thank you Mr Speaker for the clarification. I was saying that I have noted that funds for upgrading health facilities within the county has been put in the supplementary budget. You will realise that there has been many medical cases such as premature deliveries and I hope that the Executive will fully implement the supplementary budget.

Thank you.

Speaker: Yes, the Member for Githabai, Hon. Rimui Kaiyani.

Hon. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you Mr Speaker. May I begin by saying that I am not the mover; I have risen to contribute. I rise to support the motion. I really do not wish to repeat what my fellow Hon. Members have said. I have not heard of a divergent view; they have all been in support. I commend the good work that has been done by the Committee on Budget and Appropriations; had it not been the good history set by the said committee the good work would not have been possible. I also commend this House for the inputs it made to ensure that the 'irreducible minimums' were achieved for every ward. The chairperson of the said committee alluded to Haid Albert See. I wish to refer to this doyen of management's sentiments about budgets; he said, "In their voluminous and complex formats, budgets simultaneously record policies outcomes, cite policy priorities and programme goals and objectives, delineate a government's total service effort and measure its performance, impact and overall effectiveness. Budgeting is partly political, partly economic, partly accounting, and partly administrative." Mr Speaker, this House is political and matters canvassed in this House are mainly political in nature. The pawn that has been evident in individual members' contributions is that every member is pulling to his side because of political repercussions. We are in this House to represent the interests of Wanjiku. With regard to this, it is commendable that the Committee on Budget and Appropriations successfully came up with the voluminous and well balanced document at hand.

I am a very strong proponent of equity. Nevertheless, as we speak applying that word in reference to the supplementary budget is a misnomer. If one says that the budget at hand has

a semblance of equity, I will challenge them. Yes, the budget meets the irreducible minimums but it does not observe the principle of equity. I have heard members talking of pending bills. Rich contractors and suppliers were paid but many thriving contractors were not paid. Many contractors and suppliers from Githabai Ward were not paid. Actually, Githabai Ward has been conspicuously missing under pending bills vote head. Talking of the pending bills, which we were not supposed to discuss, the 'infants' will never catch up with the 'elderly' if the cake is put on the table.

I am supporting this document because I am a member of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. I would beg that in future budgets areas and wads that did not well benefit from the previous regime should be given due consideration. People from these areas can rightfully question whether they are part of Nyandarua. Remember they are taxpayers and need equitable services.

In my ward, there are four major roads, actually spanning more than fourteen kilometres. This should be contrasted with other wards with smaller geographical areas. So, when you allocate the same amount of Kshs.6.5 million for roads upgrading in Githabai Ward as is allocated for roads upgrading in other wards, what do you expect? Of course, you expect roads as thin as the tongue as one Hon. Member has intimated. Surely, resources are not enough but they should be allocated as per the need. This will ensure attainment of cost benefits.

I am strongly in support of the document at hand because it is now time to work. We have done a lot of talking yet *Wanjiku* is waiting for work to be done. We only have five months to implement this budget failure to which money will be returned to the National Treasury and *Wanjiku* will reap no benefit. Remember rains are looming; if we do not implement the budget within the next two months then we should call it off and go home.

I support the motion hoping that after the adoption of this budget work on the ground shall begin. A resolution should be passed on to the Executive that work should begin without further delay. It would be of no use to upgrade roads when rains hit since resources will be wasted.

Contractors who performed should be commended, but those who did not perform and expect to be paid should be identified since they put some leaders in bad books of *Wanjiku*. We will not take our oversight role for granted.

Finally, I support the motion in totality. Thank you.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Gathanji, Hon. Ngumo Ngamau.

Hon. Ngumo Ngamau: Thank you Mr Speaker. I had really longed to contribute. Mr Speaker, some time back we were shown the actual budget in Nairobi. Why has it changed? For instance; the Kshs.1.6 million that was allocated for putting up a market in my ward has been scrapped.

In addition, many contractors and suppliers from my ward have not been paid their dues owing to them since 2013. What is the difference between equity and equality? The total allocations for implementation of projects in my ward amount to less than Kshs.20 million. Other ward have been allocated as much as Kshs.45 million. A balance should be forged; it is not good for some wards to have less allocations.

We agreed that we shall share Kshs.1.37 million for bursaries. I am made to understand that the two students mentioned will benefit from this money. We are aware that there was some more money to cater for the said students. Why is their money being gotten from the Kshs.1.37 million? The chairperson of the Committee on Education, Culture and Social Services is here and he should seek information on that. I support the motion. Let us implement the budget but I feel that the people of my ward have been short-changed as far as the budget is concerned.

Thank you Mr Speaker.

Speaker: Yes, the Member for Engineer, Hon. Samuel Njatha.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion. Nonetheless, I wish to remember the words of my able chairperson, which I would refer to as the words of a schemer. He told me that the budget has appropriated resources considerably and equitably yet my ward has not been considered in some allocations and that leaves much to be desired. In future, resources should be shared equitably. People from my ward may question why the ward was allocated about Kshs.20 million while other wards were allocated over Kshs.40 million. That should be accorded a lot of thought. We should not be quick to judge and say that contractors and suppliers should be paid bills owing to them. Forensic audit should be conducted on works that were done by some contractors. Actually many projects in my ward should be redone. I do not know where to start.

Engineer town is itself a growing economy. Surprisingly, no money was allocated to boost trade and industry there. With regard to this, I urge the chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations to give Engineer Ward special consideration in future budgets. Thank you Mr Speaker.

[The Speaker leaves the Chair and the Deputy Speaker (Hon. Zachary Njeru) assumes the Chair]

Speaker: Yes, the Member for Charagita, Hon. Wairimu Njane.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion without reservations. I wish to commend the chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations and my fellow members in general for the efforts they put in coming up with the budget at hand. I commend the Executive for factoring in the feeding programme that was passed by this House. I have heard that previously motions were passed by this House but never implemented; but the said programme is in the process of being implemented. This proves the commitment of the Executive in implementing what we pass.

We should allocate money in the coming budget to clear pending bills. If we do not do that we will be frustrating our own people.

I beg to support. Thank you Mr Speaker, Sir.

Speaker: Yes the County Member from Rurii, Hon. Joseph Kariuki.

Hon. Joseph Kariuki: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion. I commend the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for compiling the report at hand.

Mr Speaker, Kshs.70million was approved for construction of Ol'kalou Stadium but the money that has been put in the budget is a meagre Kshs.5 million. The stadium is a county facility and it should be prioritized.

As a Member representing the youth and as the vice chairperson of the Committee on Youth and Sports, I wish to state that the Committee on Youth and Sports will be visiting every ward to identify possible playing grounds for the youth. I have noted that money has been allocated in the budget to facilitate construction of sports grounds in the wards.

Finally, I beg to support the motion hoping that my comment will be accorded the seriousness it deserves.

[The Deputy Speaker leaves the Chair and the Speaker (Hon. Ndegwa Wahome) assumes the Chair]

Speaker: Yes the Member for Mirangine, Hon. Samuel Mathu.

Hon. Samuel Mathu: Thank you Mr Speaker. I am honoured to stand on the floor of this House to support the motion on the supplementary budget. I commend the Speaker for moderating events that culminated to appropriation of money in the supplementary budget. I

also commend the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for coming up with the report at hand. I further commend the Executive for drafting a supplementary budget that upholds the principle of equity.

I will not end my comments without remembering the good work of '*wazee wa Spika*'.

(Laughter)

I thank the Executive for allocating enough money to facilitate implementation of projects towards provision of clean water to the residents of every ward. I recognize the efforts of the Executive to gazette Lake Olbolossat. I cannot forget to acknowledge the Executive for setting aside money for fencing Ol'kalou Arboretum. I thank the Governor for allocating funds for youth empowerment and their capacity building. This way the youth will benefit from the thirty percent tender awarding rule. Thank you.

Speaker: Yes, the Member for Gathaara, Hon. Andrew Kimani.

Hon. Andrew Kimani: Thank you Mr Speaker. I first wish to thank the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for coming up with the report at hand. It may not be the best but it is a good one. I urge the Executive to exercise equality in implementing projects in the wards to avoid a scenario where projects implementation kick off in some wards but the same is delayed in others.

Mr Speaker, my ward has five health facilities including Engineer Hospital which serves clients from the whole county and beyond. Unfortunately, only Kshs.8 million has been allocated for improving health services in the five health facilities. This money should be increased. Remember the mortuary at the Engineer Hospital is not well equipped.

Further, I have observed that the current structure at the Engineer Hospital is such that dead bodies are ferried to the mortuary as patients watch. In fact, a patient collapsed and died after witnessing a dead body being ferried to the mortuary. Mr Speaker, an isolated pavement should be constructed through which dead bodies should be ferried from wards to the mortuary.

The feeding programme will create ready market for our farmers for products such as milk. I urge the Governor to facilitate mechanisms of improving milk prices to the advantage of dairy farmers. It is commendable that money is allocated in the budget for upgrading roads in the wards. Contractors who will be awarded the contracts to upgrade roads in the wards must do excellent work. We have had contractors in the past who did shoddy works.

I support the motion and urge the House to ensure that the amendments made in the budget are implemented.

Speaker: The Member for Karau, Hon. Kenn Mukira.

Hon. Kenn Mukira: Thank you Mr Speaker. I rise to support the motion. However, I wish to raise a concern on purchase of community land in my ward for road reserve. The purchase of the land requires between Kshs.500,000 and Kshs.600,000, yet only Kshs.200,000 has been allocated in the supplementary budget. In future such a matter should be considered a weighty one. Actually, the person from which the land is to be bought has denied the neighbouring community a throughway. Now I will have to request them to wait for another one year for the full payment to be made. The previous budget had allocated money enough to purchase the said land; so the community knew that the land would be bought. Now I will have to sit tem down and give convincing explanation.

Mr Speaker, no money has been allocated in the budget for construction of playing fields in my ward whereas money has been allocated for construction of playing fields in other wards.

The President promised to set aside funds for construction of Ol'kalou Stadium. The Committee on ICT and Intergovernmental Relations should visit Statehouse to solicit for the

funds. If the President fulfils his promise the money set aside for establishment of playing fields will be used to buy more parcels of land for construction of play grounds.

I thought the water sector would get a bigger share, but the roads sector has been allocated the biggest share. In the next budget enough money should be allocated under water sector to help in solving water problems in the county.

I wish to thank the Committee on Budget and Appropriations for heading our grievances and coming up with the report at hand that sets priorities right. I now call the mover to respond.

Speaker: Yes the Member for Njabini Kiburu and the Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. James Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Speaker. I thank the Members for their contributions. Coming up with the report at hand was not a simple task. The concerns of the Members relating to future projects have been recorded. I hope there will be timely absorption of funds allocated in the budget.

I remind my fellow Members that resources are always scarce. The last budget had a deficit of about Kshs.261 million. We had anticipated for Kshs.200 million from KeRRA. Such shortfall create challenges of resource allocation. Continuation of construction works at Ol'kalou Stadium awaits communication from the Executive. However, we hope the national government will disburse the funds for the construction of the stadium as promised.

We will liaise with the Department of Finance and Economic Planning to establish where the Kshs.1.6 million for construction of a market in Gathanji Ward has been transferred to.

Hon. Rimui Kaiyani talked about slow development in some wards as compared with others. I wish to respond that it depended with how Hon. Members in the previous regime championed development in their respective wards based on the interests of the residents. Resources were equally distributed. It would be discouraging if someone sleeps on their job and ends up complaining. I remember an instance where every ward was allocated Kshs.30 million in the budget. It was unfortunate if a Member decided that, their ward allocation be channelled into purchase of tents for village elders.

(Laughter)

I agree with the county Member from Ndaragwa that in future we should allocate money for gender mainstreaming. I believe the Executive will promptly take over the implementation of the budget as passed by this House. The challenge we have is that some officers are paid by the government yet they sleep on their job. I urge them to leave the slumber land and work for the benefit of *Wanjiku*. Otherwise we shall sack them if they fail to deliver. Much has been said. Mine is to once again urge the Executive to ensure that all the funds allocated in the budget has been utilized in the implementation of various projects in the wards. With those remarks, I beg to move. Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

Speaker: Next order.

COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

(Order for Committee read)

[The Speaker (Hon. Ndegwa Wahome) left the Chair]

(The mace is lowered)

IN THE COMMITTEE

[The Chairperson (Hon. Zachary Njeru) took the Chair]

THE NYANDARUA COUNTY 1ST SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR
2017/2018

Chairperson: Hon. Members we are in the Committee of Supply considering the Nyandarua County 1st Supplementary Budget Estimates for Financial Year 2017/2018.

Let us proceed.

1. RECURRENT COUNTY FUNDS

A. COUNTY BURSARY FUND

Yes the Chairperson Committee on Education, Labour, Culture and Social Services, Hon. Simon Sambigi Mukuriah.

Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah: Mr Chairman, I move the motion that the sum of One hundred and Two million shillings (Kshs.102,000,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet the expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of County Bursary Fund.

I call upon my able Vice Chairperson to Second.

Hon. Kariuki Ngaruiya: Thank you Mr Chairperson. I stand to second the motion bearing in mind the importance of bursary for the needy pupils and students in our county. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Yes, the Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: I move the motion that the vote on County Bursary Fund as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be increased by One million, Two Hundred and Fifty Thousands shillings (Kshs.1,250,000).

I call upon Hon. Githinji Mwaniki to second.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on clause as amended proposed)

(Question on clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next.

B. COUNTY EMERGENCY FUND

Yes, Chairperson, Committee on Finance and Economic Planning, Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani.

Hon. Suleiman Kihika: I move the motion that the sum of Twenty Seven million, three hundred and three thousand, five hundred shillings (Kshs.27, 303,500) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet the expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of County Emergency Fund.

I call upon my Vice Chairperson, Hon. Margaret Ireri, to second.

Hon. Margaret Ireri: I second.

(Question proposed)

Yes, the Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: I move the motion, "That the vote on County Emergency Fund as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by Four Million, Three Hundred and Three Thousand and Five Hundred shillings (Kshs.4,303,500). I call upon Hon. Andrew Kamau to second.

Hon. Andrew Kamau: Thank you Mr Chairman, I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on clause as amended proposed)

(Question on clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

C. COUNTY TRADE FUND

Yes, Chairperson of the Trade, Co-operatives, Industrialization and Enterprise Development Committee, Hon. Catherine Wairimu Njane.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: Mr Chairman, I beg to move that the sum of twenty million and ninety thousand shillings (Kshs.20,090,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet the expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of County Trade Fund.

I call upon the Vice Chairperson to second.

Hon. Wanjiru Ndirangu: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

D. COUNTY ASSEMBLY STAFF CAR AND MORTGAGE FUND

Hon. Members, we have a correction in the order paper. It is not Hon. Kariuki Muchiri to move this motion but Hon. Kieru Wambui, who is the C.A.S.B member. Yes Member for Gatimu.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Chairperson, I move the motion that the sum of thirty seven million, three hundred and one thousand shillings (Kshs.37,301,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet the expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of County Assembly Staff Car and Mortgage Fund.

I call upon Hon. Kariuki Muchiri to second.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Mr Chairman, I do second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

E. COUNTY MORTGAGE FUND – EXECUTIVE

Yes, Chairperson, Justice, Legal Affairs and Public Service Committee, Hon. Samuel Kinyanjui Njatha.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: Mr Chairman, I beg to move the motion that the sum of sixty five million, eight hundred and thirteen thousands, three hundred and forty shillings (Kshs.65,813,340) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet the expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of county executive mortgage fund- state and public officers.

I call upon Hon. Samuel Mathu to second.

Hon. Samuel Mathu: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

2. SECTORAL RECURRENT EXPENDITURE

I. GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Yes, the Leader of Majority Party, Hon. Peter Gathungu Kamau.

Hon. Gathungu Kamau: Mr Chairman, I move the motion that the sum of one hundred and Fifty million, Four hundred and eleven thousands, Seven hundred and forty four shillings (Kshs.150,411,744) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Governor's Office and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Mbogo Mburu to second.

(Hon. Mbogo Mburu bows in secondment)

(Question proposed)

Yes the Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. James Kiiru Gachomba.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr Chairman. I move the motion that the vote on Governor's Office as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by one million, nine hundred thousand shillings (Kshs.1,900,000) and the balance of one hundred and Forty eight million, Five hundred and eleven thousand, Seven hundred and forty four shillings (Kshs.148,511,744) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee tabled on the 30th of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Githinji Mwaniki to second.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next.

II. THE COUNTY SECRETARY

Yes, Chairperson, Justice, Legal Affairs and Public Service Committee, Hon. Samuel Kinyanjui Njatha

Hon. Samuel Njatha: I move the motion that the sum of eighteen million, Nine hundred and Thirty Seven thousand, Seven hundred and sixty five shillings (Kshs.18,937,765) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the office of the County Secretary and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018.

I call upon Hon. Suleiman Kihika to second.

Hon. Suleiman Kihika: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

III. COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Yes, Chairperson, Justice, Legal Affairs and Public Service Committee, Hon. Samuel Kinyanjui Njatha.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: I move the motion that the sum of ten million, four hundred and sixty eight thousands, shillings (Kshs.10,468,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the County

Public Service Board and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018.

I call upon Hon. Suleiman Kihika to second.

Hon. Suleiman Kihika: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

IV. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND ICT

Yes, Chairperson, Justice, Legal Affairs and Public Service Committee, Hon. Samuel Kinyanjui Njatha.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: I move the motion that the sum of six eight million, one hundred and fifty nine thousand, eight hundred and seventy shillings (Kshs.68,159,870) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Public Administration and ICT and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018.

I call upon Hon. Suleiman Kihika to second.

Hon. Suleiman Kihika: I second.

(Question proposed)

Yes the Vice Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. John Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I move the motion that the vote of recurrent expenditure in the Department of Public Administration and ICT as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by three million, six hundred and forty five thousand, five hundred and seven (Kshs.3,645,507) and the balance of sixty four million, five hundred and fourteen thousand, three hundred and sixty three shillings (Kshs.64,514,363) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018

I call upon Hon. Reuben Gitau to second.

Hon. Reuben Gitau: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

V. FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

Yes, Chairperson, Committee on Finance and Economic Planning, Hon. Suleiman Kihika Kimani.

Hon. Suleiman Kihika: I move the motion that the sum of three hundred and fifty six million, three hundred thousand, five hundred and fifty two shilling (Kshs.356,300,552) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Finance and Economic Planning and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018.

I call upon Hon. Margaret Ileri to second.

Hon. Margaret Ileri: I second.

(Question proposed)

Yes, the Vice Chairperson, Committee on Budget and Appropriations, Hon. John Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I move the motion that the vote of recurrent expenditure in the Department of Finance and Economic Planning as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by three million, two hundred and fourteen thousands , two hundred and seventy five shillings (3,214,275) and the sum totaling to three hundred and fifty three million, eighty six thousand two hundred and seventy seven shillings (353,086,277) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriations Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018.

I call upon Hon. Wairimu Njane to second.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT, FISHERIES AND IRRIGATION

Chairperson: Yes, Hon. Member, Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries Committee, Hon. Kamau Kariuki.

Hon. Kamau Kariuki: I move the motion; That the sum of eighty two million, six hundred and sixty five shillings (Kshs.82, 000,655) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Agriculture, Livestock And Fisheries and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Joseph Kariuki to second.

Hon. Joseph Kariuki: Chair, I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Hon. Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I move the motion, “That the vote of recurrent expenditure in the Department Agriculture ,Livestock ,Fisheries as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by one million, seven hundred and thirty five thousand, seven hundred and twenty five (Kshs. 1,735,725) and the balance of eighty three million, seven hundred and thirty six thousands, three hundred and ninety shillings (Kshs. 83,736,390) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Isaac Kung’u to second.

Hon. Isaac Kung’u: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Chairperson: Yes, Chairperson Committee on Water, Irrigation, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources, Hon. Samuel Mathu Wainaina.

Hon. Samuel Mathu: I move the motion, “That thirty three million three hundred and thirty five thousand, four hundred thirty shillings (Ksh.33, 335,430), be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June, 2018 in respect of the Department of Water, Environment, Tourism and Natural Resources and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January, 2018. I call Hon. Gaita to second.

Hon. Justus Gaita: Chair, I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Hon. Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I move the motion, “That the vote of recurrent expenditure in the Department of Water, Environment , Tourism and Natural Resources as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by six hundred thousand shillings(600,000) and the balance of Kshs sum thirty two million, seven hundred and thirty five thousand , four hundred and thirty shillings (Ksh. 32,735,430) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Isaac Kung’u to second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIALIZATION TRADE AND COOPERATIVES

Chairperson: Yes, Chairperson, Trade, Co-Operatives, Industrialization and Enterprise Development Committee, Hon. Wairimu Njane.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: I move the motion, "That the sum of forty four million, eight hundred and fifty five thousands, five hundred and twenty three shillings (Kshs.44, 855,523), be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Industrialization Trade and Cooperatives and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Joseph Kariuki to second.

Hon. Joseph Kariuki: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS, SPORTS, TOURISM AND WILDLIFE

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Youth Affairs, Sports, Tourism and Wildlife Committee, Hon. Samuel Rimui Kaiyani.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: I move the motion, "That the sum of thirty five million eighty two thousand and three hundred and fifty one (35,082,351) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Youth Affairs, Sports, Tourism and Wildlife and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Wanjiku Muhoho to second.

Hon. Wanjiku Muhoho: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Education Labour, Culture and Social Services Committee, Hon. Simon Sambigi Mukuria.

Hon. Sambigi Mukuria: I move the motion, "That the sum ninety two millions, six hundred and eight thousands, nine hundred and forty shillings (Kshs. 92, 608,940) be issued

from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Education, Culture and Social Services and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call my able vice, Hon. Geoffrey Kariuki to second.

Hon. Geoffrey Kariuki: Thank you Chairman, I stand to second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Hon. Githinji Mwaniki.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I move the motion, “That the vote of recurrent expenditure in the Department of Education, Culture and Social Services as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by two million six hundred thousand shillings (2,600,000) and the balance of ninety million, eight thousand, nine hundred and forty shillings (90,008,940) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Mbogo Mburu to second.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Health Services Committee, Hon. Sammy Ngumo Ngamau.

Hon. Ngumo Ngamau: I move the motion, “That the sum of four hundred and twenty eight million, eight thousand and thirteen shillings (428,008,013) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Health and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Wairimu Njane to second.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: Chair, I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING

Chairperson: Yes, Chairperson, Lands, Housing and Physical Planning Committee, Hon. Kariuki Muchiri.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Thank you Chairman. I beg to move, “That the sum of thirty million, three thousand nine hundred and sixty seven shillings, (Kshs. 30,300,967) be issued

from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Lands, Physical Planning and Housing and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Sambigi Mukuria to second.

Hon. Sambigi Mukuria: Chairman, I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT, ENERGY AND PUBLIC WORKS

Chairperson: Yes, Chairperson Public Works, Roads and Transport Committee, Hon. Simon Mbogo Mburu.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: Thank you Chairperson. I move the motion, "That the sum of sixty million, seven hundred and fifty nine thousand, seven hundred and twenty one shillings (60,859,721) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Transport, Energy and Public Works and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Ngumo Ngamau to second.

Hon. Ngumo Ngamau: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Loud consultations)

Chairperson: Members please let us consult in lower tones so that we can tackle the remaining bit. Yes Chairperson Budget and Appropriation Committee.

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: I move the motion, "That the vote of recurrent expenditure in the department of Transport, Energy and Public Works as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by twenty two million shillings (100,000) and the balance of Kshs sixty million, seven hundred and fifty nine thousand, seven hundred and twenty one shillings (60,759,721) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Rimui Kaiyani to second.

Hon. Rimui Kaiyani: Thank you Chair, I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Chairperson: Yes Hon. Kieru Wambui, County Assembly Service Board Member.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Chairman, I move the motion, “That the sum of five hundred and fifty million, one hundred thirty seven thousand, five hundred and forty shillings (550,137,540) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the County Assembly and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018 and call upon Hon. Kariuki Muchiri to second.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: Mr Chairman, I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson Budget and Appropriation Committee

Hon. Githinji Mwaniki: Thank you Mr Chairperson. I move the motion, “That the vote of recurrent expenditure in the County Assembly of five hundred and fifty five million, one hundred thirty seven thousand, five hundred and forty one shillings (555,137,541) as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018 be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix II of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Kihika Kimani to second.

Hon. Suleiman Kimani: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND ICT

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Justice Legal Affairs and Public Service Committee, Hon. Samuel Kinyanjui Njatha.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: Thank you Chairperson. I move the motion, “That the sum of One Billion, Eight hundred and Ninety Two million, Five Hundred thousand shillings (1,892,500,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet recurrent expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the compensation to employees and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Suleiman Kimani to second.

Hon. Suleiman Kimani: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

PART 2

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND ICT

Chairperson: Yes, Hon. Samuel Kinyanjui Njatha.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: I move the motion, “That the sum of Eleven Million, Three Hundred Thousand Shillings (11,300,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Public Administration and ICT to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. John Githinji to second.

Hon. John Githinji: Thank you Chair, I do second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Hon. John Githinji.

Hon. John Githinji: I move the motion, “That the vote of development expenditure in the Department of Public Administration and ICT as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by Three Million, Six Forty Five Thousand, Five Hundred And Seven Shillings (Kshs. 3,645,507) and the balance of Kshs. Seven Million , Six Hundred And Fifty Four Thousand ,Four Hundred And Ninety Three Shillings (Kshs 7,654,493) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Wairimu Njane to second.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: Chair, I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK AND FISHERIES

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries Committee, Hon. Andrew Kamau Kariuki.

Hon. Kamau Kariuki: I move the motion, “That the sum of One Hundred Fifty Five Million, Four Hundred And Fifty Seven Thousands, (Kshs.155, 457,000) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Githinji Mburu to second.

Hon. Githinji Mburu: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER, ENVIRONMENT, TOURISM AND NATURAL
RESOURCES

Chairperson: Yes Designated Member, Water, Irrigation, Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Committee, Hon. Kieru Wambui.

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Chair. On behalf of the Chairman, I move the motion, "That the sum of Two Hundred And Thirty Million, Seven Hundred And Eighty Thousand, Eight Hundred And Seventy Eight Shillings (230,780,878) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Water, Environment, Tourism and Natural Resources and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Njatha to second.

Hon. Samuel Njatha: I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes, Chairperson, Budget and Appropriation Committee.

Hon. John Githinji: I move the motion, "That the vote of development expenditure in the Department of Water, Environment, Tourism and Natural Resources as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be increased by Fifteen Million, Five Hundred And Fifty Nine Thousands, Three Hundred And Ten Shillings (Kshs. 15,559,310) and the totalling sum of , Two Hundred And Forty Six Million, Three Eight Thousand One Hundred And Eighty Seven Shillings (Kshs. 246,380,187) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani to second.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIALIZATION, TRADE AND CO-OPERATIVE.

Chairperson: Yes, Chairperson, Trade, Cooperatives, Industrialization and Enterprise Development Committee, Hon. Wairimu Njane.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: I move the motion, "That the sum of Forty Five Million, Three Hundred And Fifty Five Thousand And Five Hundred And Eleven Shillings (Kshs. 45,355,511) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during

the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Industrialization, Trade and Cooperatives and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Kariuki Muchiri to second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH, SPORTS AND THE ARTS

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Youth Affairs, Sports, Tourism and Wildlife Committee, Hon. Eng. Samuel Rimui Kaiyani.

Hon. Eng. Rimui Kaiyani: I move the motion, “That the sum of sixty eight million, nine hundred and sixty three thousand, eight hundred and sixty five shillings (Kshs. 68,963,865) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Youth, Sports and the Arts and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Hussein Kassana to second.

(Hon. Hussein Kassana bows in secondment)

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Hon. John Githinji.

Hon. John Githinji: I move the motion, “That the vote of development expenditure in the Department of Youth, Sports and the Arts as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by One Million Shilling, (Kshs.1,000,000) and the totalling sum of Sixty Seven Million, Nine Hundred And Sixty Three Thousand Eight Hundred And Sixty Five Shillings (Kshs. 67,963,865) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Suleiman Kimani to second.

Hon. Suleiman Kimani: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next Order.

DEPARTMENT EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Education, Culture and Social Services, Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah.

Hon. Sambigi Mukuriah: Thank you Mr Chairperson. I move the motion, “That the sum of One Thirty Seven Million, Fourteen Thousand, Nine Hundred And Seventy Eight Shillings (Kshs. 137,014,978) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Education, Culture and Social Services and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Mbogo to second.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes, Hon. John Githinji.

Hon. John Githinji: I move the motion, “That the vote of development expenditure in the Department of Education ,Culture, and Social Services as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by Six Million, Five Hundred Shilling (Kshs.6,500,000) and the totalling sum of One Thirty Million , Five Hundred And Fourteen Thousands And Nine Hundred And Seventy Eight Shillings (Kshs130,514,978) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Gachomba to second.

Hon. James Gachomba: I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next Order.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Health Services Committee, Hon. Sammy Ngumo Ngamau.

Hon. Ngumo Ngamau: I move the motion, “That the sum of One Eighty Seven Million, Two Hundred And Four Thousands Six Hundred And Two Shillings (Kshs.187, 204,602) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Health and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Kamau Kariuki to second.

Hon. Kamau Kariuki: I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Hon. Mbogo Mburu.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: I move the motion, “That the vote of development expenditure in the Department of Health Services as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th

day of January 2018, be reduced by Six Fifty Thousand Shillings (650,000) and the totaling sum of One Eighty Six Million, Five Hundred And Fifty Four Thousand And Six Hundred And Two shilling (Kshs.186,554,602) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Wairimu Njane to second.

Hon. Wairimu Njane: Chair, I second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

(Hon Zachary Njeru leaves the chair)

(Hon. Kenn Mukira assumes the Chair)

Chairperson: Next Order.

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PHYSICAL PLANNING AND HOUSING

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson Lands, Housing and Physical Planning Committee, Hon. Kariuki Muchiri.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: I move the motion, “That the sum of One Fifty Two Million, Six Hundred And Ninety Five Thousand, Four Hundred And Ninety Seven Shilling (Kshs. 152,695,497) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Lands, Physical Planning and Housing and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I wish to call Hon. Margaret Ireri to second.

Hon. Margaret Ireri: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next order.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT, ENERGY AND PUBLIC WORKS

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, Public Works, Roads and Transport Committee, Hon. Simon Mbogo Mburu.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: I move the motion, “That the sum of Seven Hundred And Forty Nine Million, Two Ninety Four Thousand, Eight Hundred And Thirty Two Shillings (Kshs.749, 294,811) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the Department of Transport,

Energy and Public Works and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Justus Gaita to second.

Hon. Justus Gaita: I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson Budget and Appropriation Committee.

Hon. John Githinji: I move the motion, “That the vote of development expenditure in the department of Transport, Energy and Public Works as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be increased by Three Million , Three Hundred And Ninety Nine Thousands, Six Hundred And Ninety Eight Shillings (3,399,698) and balance of a sum totalling to Seven Hundred And Fifty Two Million , Six Hundred And Ninety Four Thousand, Five Hundred And Nine shillings (Ksh752,694,509)be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix I of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Wairimu Njane to second.

(Question on amendment proposed)

(Question on amendment put and agreed to)

(Question on the clause as amended proposed)

(Question on the clause as amended put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next Order.

COUNTY ASSEMBLY

Chairperson: Yes Member of the CASB Hon. Kieru Wambui

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Mr Chairman, I seek your indulgence as the clerk confirms the figures for me.

Chairperson: That is alright.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui consults with the clerk-at- the- table)

Hon. Kieru Wambui: I move the motion, “That the sum of Two Hundred And Fifty Three Million, Four Hundred And Two Thousand, Four Hundred And Sixty Shillings (Kshs. 253,402,460) be issued from the County Revenue Fund to meet development expenditure during the year ending 30th June 2018 in respect of the County Assembly and to be utilized in accordance with the itemization of the estimates tabled on 15th day of January 2018. I call Hon. Kariuki Muchiri to second.

Hon. Kariuki Muchiri: I second.

(Question proposed)

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson or Designated Member, Budget and Appropriation Committee.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: I move the motion, "That the vote of development expenditure in the County Assembly as proposed in the budget estimates tabled on the 15th day of January 2018, be reduced by Eight Million Shillings (8,000,000) and the totalling sum of Kshs Two Hundred And Forty Four Million, Eight Hundred And Sixty Two Thousand , Four Hundred And Sixty shillings (Kshs.244,862,460) be utilized in accordance with the itemization contained in appendix II of the report of the Budget and Appropriation Committee tabled on the 30th day of January 2018. I call upon Hon. Githinji Mburu to second.

Hon. Githinji Mburu: I second.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Chairperson: Next Order.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY

Chairperson: Yes Chairperson, or Designated Member, Budget and Appropriation Committee.

Hon. Mbogo Mburu: Mr Chairperson, I beg to move the motion that the considerations of the Supplementary Budget by the Committee of Supply be reported to the House.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

(The House resumes)

(The mace is raised)

[The Speaker, (Hon. Wahome Ndegwa) assumes the Chair]

Speaker: The Chairperson, Committee of Supply, I think that there is somewhere that there is an error but then proceed with the motion because we cannot go through all this literature. You have already adopted the report with amendments and we cannot again read through what you have resolved. Just read, 'I beg to move' and then I will go to the last page whereby I will propose and put the question.

Hon. Zachary Njeru: Thank you Mr Speaker. I beg to move that the Assembly does agree with the report of Committee of Supply on the County Supplementary Budget estimates for the 2017/2018 financial year. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

(Question put and agreed to)

Speaker: The supplementary budget as amended in the Committee of Supply and as reported to the Assembly, is duly adopted as a report of this House. The same shall be duly communicated to the CEC Member for Finance and Economic Planning so that she can

appropriately move to prepare and submit to this Assembly the appropriation bill for the necessary action. We are hoping that this can be delivered to us, duly gazetted, by Friday so that we are able to gazette Monday as the day to enact the Nyandarua County 1st Supplementary Appropriation law. With that, we have been able to dispense the business that was slated for today under the gazette notice for the two special sittings. I thank the members for their patience and for thoroughly looking at this document. I think this has been one of the most interrogated documents in the history of this County. I thank members for that and hope in future it will even be more heightened so that we give the best to *Wanjiku*.

Next order.

(Hon. Kieru Wambui rises on a point of order)

What is it Member for Gatimu?

Hon. Kieru Wambui: There were some issues and corrections in the itemized annexures of the said report and it is paramount that you communicate that members do file the same with the clerkship so that it is corrected with respect to various projects in their respective wards.

Speaker: I think that communication was made and it is not opening a Pandora's Box. Under Standing Order No. 139, I am only allowed to correct errors on the face of the record. A clear error like for example we have a project in Magumu-Mutonyora and it is indicated to be in Nyakio. I am allowed to correct that. There is also a road in North Kinangop, which has been allocated money twice. Definitely, we shall be able to move those other monies to where the Hon. Member would want. There are those type of errors but the Speaker cannot change anything that is not a correction of an obvious error. So as you write, ensure that we are only correcting errors on the face of it.

There was also the case of Magumu. The minimum that was supposed to be allocated to the 'big three' i.e. the ECD, Water and Roads. ECD was only allocated Kshs.1,000,000 and not the minimum Kshs.2,000,000. I believe that our team in conjunction with the CECM will be able to get that Kshs.1,000,000 because it is against the policy and consensus that was built here. So, we expect that that one will be corrected.

There are other members I know who lost some money which was there when the budget was being tabled. In the note that I will do to forward to H.E. the Governor and the CECM for Finance and Economic Planning, we shall highlight those particulars because there is a shortfall of money. Although they had been factored, we also appreciate that Kshs.261 million was lost in terms of shareable revenue and local revenue collections. Therefore, we might not be able to put the members where they would want to be put. There was the cases for Gathanji ward and Kipipiri ward. For those ones, we will make very firm recommendations that as we start the budget cycle for FY 2018/2019, they will be given priority, and it is only five months away.

I expect that you will move very fast because the appropriation law must be done by tomorrow. Actually, the CECM had told me that once we are through, we allow her to start doing the appropriation bill as they await for resolutions so that by Friday, they are able to gazette the law and we shall be able to gazette the special sitting.

Very well, next order.

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: Very well Hon. Members, pursuant to our calendar, we shall adjourn and resume on Tuesday the 13th day of February 2018 at 2.30 pm but in an intervening time we

might by notice be invited for a special sitting because of the urgency of the matter at hand which is 1st County Supplementary Budget. We therefore rise.

(The House rose at 9.55 pm)