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The Assembly met at the Assembly Chamber (P.C.E.A Building) at 3.30 p.m.

The Deputy Speaker, Hon. Wambugu King'ori, in the Chair.

Prayer

QUORUM CALL AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE SITTING

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

Speaker: First order

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

NYANDARUA ANNUAL BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2016/2017

Hon. Members, I wish to communicate that we have a report by the Committee on Budget and Appropriations on the annual budget estimates for financial year 2016/2017. The report has appendices. Appendix one is on the Nyandarua Annual Budget Estimates for the financial year 2016/2017. You might have found that you do not have that document in your pigeon hole. This means that this report is not complete. I want to get your reaction on the same now that this is a very important report awaited by this Hon. House for it to approve on behalf of the County Government of Nyandarua.

Yes the Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr Speaker. We are still asking for more time. The time we have had is not enough. This has especially been delayed by the late submission of priority projects by some of the Hon. Members. This report must have their priority projects annexed along with the estimates of FY 2016/2017 so that we can make comparative analysis.

I am therefore seeking leave on behalf of the Committee that we be allowed to submit the report tomorrow, Tuesday 28th June, 2016 at 9.00 a.m.; the document will be ready by that time.

Speaker: Very well Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations.

Yes Hon. Kimani Njiraini

Hon. Kimani Njiraini: Now this one seems like the hide and seek game. Twenty five of us have been elected to represent people from the twenty five wards and it is unfortunate that we do not have the passion to work for the people that gave us the chance to be in this House. Every Member was told to bring his list of priority ward development projects to the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. But we are making it so hard for the Chairperson of this Committee.

Our problem was ward development and this thing was in the media. The money that has been allocated towards these projects is about Kshs. 25 million and it is not meant to go to Kimani Njiraini as a person. It is meant for development. That is why I brought a list of all my priority projects. We need more money for development, even if it is Kshs. 100 million. After we approve the budget the Executive will implement the projects. If it was trouble to get projects worth Kshs. 25 million, what if it was Kshs. 50 million?

Speaker: Yes Hon. Daniel Kibebo

Hon. Daniel Kibebo: Thank you Mr Speaker, I appreciate what the Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations has said. We received short messages that said that we submit lists of priority ward development projects to the Committee. Most of the Members did what they were supposed to do. Those who did not submit their list of priority projects should be given time to do the same. We should not fight in the House but we need a comprehensive document. I agree with the Member for Njabini Kiburu that we sit at nine tomorrow but due to the commitments in our wards I ask that the sitting be at ten O'clock in the morning tomorrow.

Speaker: Yes Hon. Mumba Gichini

Hon. Mumba Gichini: Thank you Mr Speaker. I support that we adjourn until tomorrow. Some of us submitted their list of priority projects but they were omitted. I submitted mine on Sunday but only two projects are appearing.

Speaker: Yes Hon. Dorcas Kihara

Hon. Dorcas Kihara: Mr Speaker, this budget is of concern to us because we represent the people. The report has been circulated a few minutes ago but it does not have the annexures. We need to get the annexures so that we can deliberate on it. As it is now we cannot deliberate on it.

(Consultations)

Speaker: Order Members! There is a Member on the floor. Please consult in lower voices.

Hon. Dorcas Kihara: If we go ahead and debate on the report as it is then we shall not be able to see the proposed development projects in the County that have been allocated funds. This is the last budget in this term that we are supposed to approve and whose implementation we should oversee. I support the opinion of the Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations so that we can support the report from a point of knowledge.

Speaker: Yes Member for Mirangine, Hon. David Ndirangu

Hon. David Ndirangu (Mirangine): Thank you Mr Speaker. Budget is very sensitive because it is meant to improve the lives of people. That is why we are asking that you allow us to discuss the report on the budget estimates tomorrow.

Thank you.

Speaker: Yes Member for Kipipiri and the Deputy Leader of Majority, Hon. Michael Kirumba

Hon. Michael Kirumba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mine is to support the motion. While I was seated I could see some Members submitting details of the projects they want to be implemented in their wards. Some specially elected Members have not presented a schedule of the same.

The Committee on Budget and Appropriations burnt midnight oil to come up with the report on whose motion we are debating.

(Consultations)

Speaker: Order Members! Order Members!

Proceed Hon. Michael Kirumba

Hon. Michael Kirumba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. In part (a) of page 17 of the report the Committee talks of accuracy and preciseness of figures. Yet the report lacks appendix 1. Mr. Speaker...

(Hon. Beth Wahito rises on a point of order)

Speaker: What is it Hon. Beth Wahito?

Hon. Beth Wahito: The discussion going on is very important; nonetheless, most of the Members are not concentrating. It is as if we came here to joke.

All of us were supposed to submit schedules of our priority projects by yesterday. The Committee on Budget and Appropriations sat at Sweet Lake Hotel, Naivasha waiting for members to submit schedules of their priority projects they want implemented in their wards. Yet some members did not present the same. Those Members who did not are the ones who are consulting loudly. I cannot understand what they are discussing. We have to be serious in discussing the 2016/2017 budget. As Hon. Members we know how we are supposed to consult. The Members who have not submitted schedules of their priority projects are frustrating the Committee on Budget and Appropriations. Once again, let us be serious.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: The observation by Hon. Beth Wahito is very valid. So, Hon. Members, try as much as possible to lower your voices in your consultations.

Proceed Hon. Michael Kirumba

Hon. Michael Kirumba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. In future people will learn from the records what this House did with regard to the financial year 2016/2017 budget. If one does not wish to listen to the person contributing on the floor then they should desist from criticism.

Mr. Speaker, as I said the report lacks appendix 1, and this may prompt some members to rise on points of order.

Members who have not submitted schedules of their priority projects should do it. But in a class there is always the first and the last.

The Committee secretariat should put together all the addenda to the report by tomorrow. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Yes Member for Gatimu, Hon. Kieru Wambui

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr. Speaker. We should adjourn until tomorrow at 9 O'clock in the morning because what we are doing now is null and void. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (c), I move that this House does sit tomorrow at 9 O'clock in the morning, which is another sitting other than the normal sitting. I call upon the Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Appropriations to second.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to...

Speaker: No, that is not the procedure Hon. James Gachomba. Hon. Kieru Wambui, considering that this is a House of rules and procedures, you should have adhered to the set procedure in moving the motion of adjournment.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Pursuant to Standing Order No. 30 (3) (b) which states that "... the House may resolve to meet at any other time on a sitting day", I beg to move a motion that this House does sit tomorrow at 10 O'clock in the morning which is a time other than the normal sitting time. I call upon Hon. James Gachomba to second.

Thank you.

Speaker: Hon. James Gachomba, you can now second

Hon. James Gachomba: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I rise to second the motion by Hon. Kieru Wambui that this House adjourns until tomorrow at 10.00 a.m. This will allow the

Committee on Budget and Appropriations to come up with a complete report on the budget estimates.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Kimani Njiraini: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Views of Members in this House should be respected. What I say in this House concerning the people of Kaimbaga should be respected. Hon. Beth Wahito said that the Committee on Budget and Appropriations is being frustrated by some Members who have not submitted lists of their priority projects; that is true. There should not be a repeat of the same. Let the Members who have submitted schedules of their proposed projects be known. Projects for Members who have not submitted the same should be put under the Governor's Office vote.

Speaker: Hon. Members it has been directed that projects for Members who have not submitted the same should be put under the Governor's Office vote. There is no need of knowing Members who have submitted lists of their priority projects and those who have not.

Yes Hon. Kamau Ngotho

Hon. Kamau Ngotho: Mr. Speaker, I do not know whether the following information has reached your office: I believe that there is no Member that has not submitted a list of the priority projects for their ward. Even at school there students who would finish assignments in an hour, others in one day, other would even be sent out of class to finish the same. We cannot be the same. But the most important thing is to finish the assignment.

Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Speaker: Yes Hon. Kinyanjui Gachari

Hon. Kinyanjui Gachari: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Lists of the submitted priority projects should be read on the floor of this House to establish whether all Members have submitted the same. I have brought mine.

(Consultations)

I call the mover to respond

Speaker: Yes Hon. Kieru Wambui

Hon. Kieru Wambui: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I thank the Members for supporting the motion. I do not know what made some Members think that the motion was prompted by the fact that some Members have not submitted a list of priority projects for their wards.

Nonetheless, I beg to move.

Thank you.

(Question put and agreed to)

Speaker: Now this House stands adjourned to tomorrow, Tuesday, the 28th day of June, 2016 at 10.00 a.m.

(The House rose at 4.01p.m.)