MACHAKOS COUNTY ASSEMBLY

OFFICIAL REPORT

Thursday, 10th July, 2014

The House met at 2.40 p.m.

[The Speaker (Mr. Mung'ata) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

Hon. Speaker: Yes, Hon. Sammy Nduva. Notice of motion. Sorry, the motion. Proceed. Yes Hon. Sammy Nduva proceed.

MOTIONS

COUNTY ASSEMBLY STRATEGIC PLAN 2013/18

(Hon. Nduva on 09.07.2014)

(Resumption of Debate on the Motion tabled on 09.07.2014)

Hon. Nduva: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir. Mr. Speaker, Sir that pursuant to Standing Order number 191 section 5 (g) on sectoral committees, I beg to move a motion on Machakos County Assembly's strategy plan. Mr. Speaker, Sir, aware that this motion, I tabled in this Hon. House yesterday and it was seconded, Mr. Speaker, Sir, members requested to be given more time to look at the document and you directed that this motion should be discussed today. Mr. Speaker, Sir, I request through your Chair that the motion to be discussed by the Members today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. We can quickly enter into the motion. Can I hear contributions that I hope members went through the motion, they said it is a vital document, I do not know the Chairperson Budget committee is here. He promised to go through the document. It is important that we remember that this is a document that we all made together and if members are contented with it, you can now indicate. Yes, Hon. Katela.

Hon. Katela: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I think this is the concern some of us raised yesterday because most of those who said we postpone the issue are not in. I think Mr. Speaker, Sir, according to me and speaking on behalf of Muthetheni people, if I am contented, Muthetheni is

contented. I think we should just pass this document and we stop wasting a lot of time and we move to other things hoping that my colleagues will support me. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. Any other point? Yes. Do we hear the mover first or we hear other comments? Let us get other comments. Yes, Hon. Veronica

Hon. (Ms.) V. Mbithe: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir and the whole House at large. I stand here in support of this motion that we pass this document. I see the amendments have already been done like the front page, the picture is very clear and that was one among the things that members talked about, the amendments so if the rest of the House will back me I want to propose this document beforeadoption. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, let us hear Hon. Cecilia

Hon. (Ms.) Sereka: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir and the House at large. My view is we pass this document because this is our document and we need this document like yesterday. It has been here for some time Mr. Speaker, Sir, and I hope my fellow Hon. Members will support me we pass this document and we move on. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. I think we need this document like yesterday.

Hon. Kavuu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I stand now to support the adoption of this document and Mr. Speaker, I am surprised because when I look at the House, I see that the Members who raised the questions yesterday they are not in the House today. Maybe, Mr. Speaker, some of them do not understand what the document means. I also therefore request Members to adopt this document, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Sir.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. Yes Mheshimiwa Minority Leader.

Minority Leader (Hon. Kasoa): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We Members had time to go through this document, so this is the time the Assembly should have a strategic plan. So, I will urge members to adopt it now. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, very much.

Hon. A. Wambua: Mr. Speaker, I remember yesterday you gave this House time to study this document and as we have gone through it, I propose we approve this document because all the amendments we said yesterday, actually, have already been done. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Kimata, I saw your hand up please.

Hon. Kimata: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for giving me this chance to contribute about this strategic plan. I think this strategic plan is for betterment for the people of Machakos so I urge the fellow MCAs to adopt and approve this motion. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. Yes we can hear Mheshimiwa there.

Hon. R. Mutuku: Mr. Speaker, Sir, the strategic plan is a road map for us to plan ahead, for us to move ahead. Mr. Speaker, Sir, any further delay is delaying us to plan for the future and we are preparing ourselves to pay. So, Mr. Speaker, Sir, the members who were opposing the adoption of this document are not present today here. Mr. Speaker, Sir, I support that you adopt the strategic plan today so that you can plan for the future for this House to succeed. Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you, thank you very much. Yes, Hon. Munyaka.

Hon. Nzeki: Thank you Mr. Speaker, Sir. I stand in support of the document but I urge the management or the Clerk and his staff to check because we are trying to cut the cost of expenses, next time we cover the two pages not one page. You see we are wasting a lot money and we should be using only one page to cover two pages. Thank you very much.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you. That is a good utility point. Clerk you hear that?

Hon. Muli: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, even yesterday there was at the mood of passing this document---

Hon. Speaker: Yes.

Hon. Muli: Mr. Speaker, I quoted even yesterday, the Hon. Members who were opposing this document to be discussed, they are not serious and they want to sabotage the work of this House. I congratulate you for instructions yesterday you gave us and sure enough, if we are serious like Hon. from Ndithini, who had read this document totally to see what was inside and he had confessed that this document was fine and the Hon. Members did not support me because they were against. Today, they are not in this House. Mr. Speaker, this document is good. I think only the complaint was the pictures which were on the cover page were not clear and now it can also appear well. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I support the adoption of the document. Thank you.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. I think it has been said properly. We now know those who are opposing.

Hon. (Ms.) R. Nduku: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand here to support this strategic plan and also to pick out chapter four which is, according to me, it touches me a lot as far as out duties and tasks are concerned. When we look at strategic objectives, the 12 points which are laid out in this strategic plan, they are very key to us as the Members of the CountyAssembly and also you have summarized them in matrix. Then I do not see anything which can make this document not to be approved in this House. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Speaker: Thank you very much. It appears that the mood of the House is that the document be passed but we cannot do this without hearing the Deputy Leader for Majority.

Hon. Kasimu: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, we want first of all to congratulate the team that was led by Chairperson, planning committee that led to the House having the strategic plan before us. We can see they have a good work. Having gone through this document and having been in all the committees that were planning, we want to say they have done good work. Mr. Speaker, we want the House to know that there are Members who were present here yesterday and they are inclined to sabotaging the business of this House. So, the leadership of the House and the rest of us as Members should be aware that there are angels of doom in our midst who do not wish well and they have nothing good to offer to this Assembly.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sir. Once again, it is good work and I support that we adopt the strategic plan of this Machakos County Assembly. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

(Question put and agreed to)

Hon. Speaker: Proceed, Clerk. The motion for Hon. Nathaniel Nganga, the Deputy Speaker? Then in the absence of the mover then the motion is deferred. Clerk, proceed.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Speaker: There being no further business then the House adjourns until next week. Thank you very much and have a good afternoon.

The House rose at 2.56 p.m.