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HANSARD OFFICIAL REPORT

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The House met at 9:30 a.m.

(Mr. Deputy Speaker [Hon. Stephen Wamalwa] in the Chair)

PRAYER

PAPERS

REPORT BY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON GENDER AND CULTURE ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2021

Hon. Jack Kawa: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I want to table the report by the Committee on Gender and Culture on the Bungoma County Government quarterly report and Financial Statements for the period ended September 30th 2020/2021 in respect to the department of Gender and Culture

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kawa. The report having been laid properly, it becomes the property of this House forming part of business to be considered.

NOTICE OF MOTION

REPORT BY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON GENDER AND CULTURE ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2021

Hon. Jack Kawa: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Once again on behalf of the Committee on Gender and Culture, I give a notice that this House adopts a report by the sector Committee on Gender and Culture, Bungoma County, First quarter Financial Statement ended 30th September, 2021 in respect to the department of Gender and Culture.

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kawa. Honourable members, a notice of motion having been issued, I now direct that the same be circulated to Honourable members for their perusal.

MOTIONS

REPORT BY SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND SANITATION ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY FIRST QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED SEPTEMBER 30TH 2021

Hon. Chrispinus Wamusai (Chair, Housing): Thank you, Honorable Speaker. I am on my feet to move a report by the Committee on Housing and Sanitation on the Bungoma County Government first quarter report and financial statement as at 30th September, 2021 in respect to Housing and Sanitation.

Preamble

Mr. Speaker Sir, it is my pleasure and duty to present the Bungoma County Government quarterly report and financial statements on the first quarterly financial report as at 30th September 2021. This was tabled in the County assembly of Bungoma and stood committed to each of the sectorial committee for their interrogation, input and recommendation through a report to this honorable House.

Committee Mandate

The sectorial Committee on Housing and Sanitation was constituted pursuant to the provisions of our Standing Order 196 of the County Assembly of Bungoma and executes its mandate in accordance with standing order 196 (5) which provides as follows:

That the Committee shall:

- (a) Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments;
- (b) Study the programme and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- (c) Study and review all county legislation referred to it;
- (d) Study, assess and analyze the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- (e) Investigate and inquire into all matters relating to the assigned departments as they may deem necessary, and as may be referred to them by the County Assembly;
- (f) To vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 185 (Committee on Appointments); and

(g) Make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

Committee Membership

The Housing and Sanitation Committee as currently constituted comprises of the following members;

1.	Hon. Wamusai Simiyu	Chairperson
2.	Hon. Eunice Kirui	Vice Chairperson
3.	Hon. Rose Imbega	Member
4.	Hon. Winnie Nyambok	Member
5.	Hon. Joseph Juma	Member
6.	Hon. Anthony Lusenaka	Member
7.	Hon. Joram Wanjala	Member
8.	Hon. Sophia Marumbu	Member
9.	Hon. Sospeter Nyongesa	Member
10.	Hon. Everton Nganga	Member
11.	Hon. Jack Kawa	Member
12.	Hon. Milliah masungu	Member
13.	Hon. Franklin Simotwo	Member
14.	Hon. Jane Cheperenger	Member
15.	Hon. Nathaniel Aseneka	Member

Terms of reference

During the committee sittings it was unanimously resolved that the committee embarks on the interrogation of the financial reports for financial year ended September 30th 2021 as had been submitted by the County Treasury with the following guiding principles. The schedule for the interrogation adopted by the committee was that from the liaison committee for all sectorial committees. The committee set out to interrogate the following:

Department exchequer releases for eth first quarter both recurrent and development

Implementation reports in relation to the approved procurement and work plans for the first quarter FY 2021/22

The budget execution by programs and sub programs for first quarter FY 2021/22

The implementation reports as per the approved PBB and itemized FY 2021/22 budget

The CEF project implementation status in the department FY 2021/22

The status of outstanding imprest and pending accounts payable.

Acknowledgement

I take this opportunity to thank the office of the Speaker and Clerk of County Assembly for the logistical support accorded to the committee as it executed its mandate. My gratitude also goes to the members of the committee for dedicating their time to examine the Bungoma County First Quarter Financial statements FY 2021/22

It is therefore my pleasant duty and privilege on behalf of the Sectoral committee on housing and sanitation to table this report on the County Assembly deliberations and adoption.

Report is signed by Hon. Chrispinus Wamusai Simiyu, Chairperson, Committee on Housing and Sanitation

Mr. Speaker, I will seek for your indulgence from there, part two and three is the general information cutting across all the departments. You will allow me go to part four.

Departmental expenditure analysis

Departmental releases for first quarter both recurrent and development.

In the current financial year 2021/2022 the directorate of Housing has an approved annual budget of 86,619,019 comprising of 26,443,443 for recurrent and 60,175,650 for development expenditure programmes. The directorate of sanitation on the other hand had an approved annual budget of 19,689,869 comprising of 1,718,438 for recurrent and 17,672, 438 for development expenditure programmes. Approved procurement and work plans for first quarter financial year 2020/2021.

The department for Housing and directorate of sanitation provided the Committee with their work plans for the first quarter from 1st July 2021 to 30th June, 2022 for comparison purposes which the Committee did undertake and for subsequent oversight. Find attached annexures.

Budget execution and sub programmes for the 1st quarter 2020/2021. The department of Housing submitted a total expenditure on recurrent of 1,903, 159 being money spent on general administration, planning and support services specifically on Human Resource Management.

This figure gives an Implementation of 24%. Therefore no expenditures on the field under review.

Project implementation status report for financial year 201/2022 as at 31st January 2022

The department of Housing had a total of 8 projects of which 6 had the site handed over to the contractor. One contract had been awarded and one project KISP grant, Slum upgrading at *Mandizini* in Bungoma Town and Chwele *land Matope* was under planning stage with the donor.

All the projects had a subtotal contracted amount of Ksh. 9,631,064. The department of sanitation had a total of 19 projects all of which were at the sourcing and evaluation stage as at 30th September, 2021 but most of them at the procurement level, contract signing and one *Daraja ya Mungu* has been handed over.

The status of the outstanding imprests

Both directorates of sanitation had submitted to the Committee that there were no outstanding imprest holders in the department in the first quarter under review.

Pending account payable

The department of Housing submitted that it had an outstanding pending Bill amounting to Ksh. 961, 403. The contractors were MAILENA KENYA LIMITED with a contract sum of Ksh. 3,912,719 for construction of County Houses but the department had paid a total of Ksh. 3.8614 M and were remaining with Ksh. 66,579 unpaid. The second contractor is Ms FRACHO Company given a contract to renovate County Houses with a contract sum of Ksh. 894, 824 which had not been paid. Find the attached annexures

Committee Observations and Recommendations

Committee observations

1. The County Treasury did not indicate how much the department received as revenue, exchequer releases to implement its programmes in the first quarter of the financial year 2020-2021
2. The budget executed programs and sub-programs of the submitted documents from the treasury indicate that the department spent a total of Kshs. 1, 911, 885 in the period under review. This monies were Kshs. 1, 344, 085 spent on salaries while Kshs. 570, 800 spent on other operations of the department.
3. Most of the programs and sub-programs were at zero implementation status as at 30th September, 2021.
4. The department of Housing reported no expenditure on development as at 30th September, 2021.
5. The department of Housing had pending bills amounting to Kshs 961, 403

Committee recommendations

1. That the department should expedite and implement most of the programmes and sub-programmes before the end of the financial year as had been budgeted for.
2. That the department of Housing should initiate the implementation of projects as soon as the budget is uploaded to avert re-allocation of funds and escalating pending bills.
3. That the department of Housing should pay all the pending bills amounting to Kshs. 961, 403 in compliance with Sec. 156 (4) (d) of the Public Finance Management Act 2012 and the status report submitted to the assembly within 60 days from the adoption of this report.

Conclusion

I beg this Honourable House to adopt this report together with its recommendations for upward implementation by the County executive.

The report is dully signed and on this basis I want to call upon Hon. Sophie Marumbu to second the report as I urge the House to adopt the report. Thank you Hon. Speaker.

Hon. Sophie Marumbu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First, I want to thank my Chairperson for going through the report. I also congratulate him for being elected the Chairperson of Housing Committee and for reading his first report. Secondly, I rise to second the report with its recommendations.

Deputy Speaker: Honourable members, a report having been moved and dully seconded, I now propose a question that this House adopts a report by the Sectoral Committee on Housing and Sanitation on the Bungoma County first quarter financial statements ended 30th September, 2021 in respect to the department of Housing and Sanitation, I propose;

(Question proposed)

There being no contribution, I put the question for Honorable members to decide. Honorable Members I put question that this House adopts a report by the Sectoral Committee on Housing and Sanitation on the Bungoma County first quarter financial statements ended 30th September, 2021.

(Question put and agreed to)

The ayes have it.

(Applause)

The report is adopted together with its recommendations.

Honourable members, there being no other item on the Order Paper, we adjourn to 2:30 p.m. this afternoon.

(House Adjourns)