

COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF BUNGOMA

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Morning Sitting

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The house met at 9:30 a.m.

(Mr. Speaker [Hon. Emmanuel Situma] in the Chair)

PRAYER

PAPERS

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Sudi, you proceed and issue notices accordingly!

Hon. Isaiah Sudi: Hon. Speaker, is it a notice or I table?

Mr. Speaker: Sorry, you table them but now use the microphone! You are far away from the microphone.

Hon. Isaiah Sudi (Deputy Majority Whip): Thank you, Honourable Speaker for giving me this opportunity on behalf of our Majority Leader. I wish to table the following papers;

1. The County Revenue Fund Quarterly report and Financial Statements for the period ended September 30th 2023.
2. First Quarter Financial Statement for Financial Year 2023/2024 for the period ended September 30th 2023.
3. Second Quarter Receiver of Revenue statement for Financial Year 2023/2024 for the period ended December 31st 2023.

(Hon. Isaiah Sudi laid the papers)

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Sudi, I thought you read up to the third document; you never mentioned of the fourth document!

Hon. Isaiah Sudi: I am reading what is...

Mr. Speaker: Now, wind up please!

Hon. Isaiah Sudi: Ho. Speaker, I table the Second Quarter Receiver of Revenue Statement for Financial Year 2023/2024 for the period ended December, 31st 2023.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Sudi. Honourable members, The County Revenue Fund Quarterly Report and Financial statements for the period ending September 30th 2023 and report by ... I commit the same documents to the Committee on Finance then the First Quarter Financial statements for FY 2023/2024 for the period ending September 30th, each sector committee to extract its relevant sector, interrogate and report back to the House accordingly.

We proceed!

Paper number 4,

Mr. Speaker: Before you proceed, I think there is a problem somewhere in the Order Paper. What I am having is not the same as yours. It is okay. I think they mixed the two documents into one. The second quarter receiver of revenue for financial year 2023/2024 for the period ending 31st of December, I commit the same to the Committee on Finance for processing and reporting back to the House accordingly.

Next item,

**REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS ON
THE BUNGOMA COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS TO THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023**

Mr. Speaker: Yes Hon. Catherine Kitui

Hon. Catherine Kitui: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I rise to table a report by the Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on the 4th quarter financial statements for the period ending 30th June, 2023 in respect to the Department of Youth and Sports.

(Hon. Catherine Kitui laid the report on the floor)

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Members, the report by the Sectoral Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on the 4th quarter financial statements for the period ending 30th June, 2023 with respect to the department of Youth and Sports is hereby tabled and becomes the property of the House accordingly.

**REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON HEALTH SERVICES ON THE
BUNGOMA COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
TO THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023**

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Ndasaba

Hon. Dorcas Ndasaba: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I stand to table the report by the Sectoral Committee on Health Services on the Bungoma County Government fourth quarter financial statements to the period ended 30th June, 2023.

(Hon. Dorcas Ndasaba laid the report)

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Members, a report by the Sectoral Committee on Health Services on the Bungoma County Government fourth quarter financial statements to the period ended 30th June, 2023 with respect to the Department of Health and Sanitation is hereby tabled and Honourable Members it becomes the property of the House accordingly.

NOTICES OF MOTION

REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Catherine Kitui, proceed and issue the notice accordingly.

Hon. Catherine Kitui: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to give a Notice of Motion that this House adopts the Report by the Sectoral Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on the Bungoma County Government fourth quarter financial statements for the period ended 30th June, 2023 with respect to the Department of Youth and Sports.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Members, a Notice of Motion has been duly issues by the Sectoral Committee on Youth Affairs and Sports on the Bungoma County Government fourth quarter financial statements for the period ended 30th June, 2023. I direct the table clerks to share this report with the Honourable members as the same will come up on our Order Paper as a Motion in the course of the week or once the same scheduled on our Order Paper by the HBC.

Next,

REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON HEALTH SERVICES ON THE BUNGOMA COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Dorcas Nadasaba proceed.

Hon. Dorcas Ndasaba: Thank you, Mr. Speaker Sir. I stand to issue a Notice of Motion that this House adopts the report by the Sectoral Committee on Health Services on the Bungoma County Government fourth quarter financial statements for the period ended 30th June, 2023 with respect to the Department of Health and Sanitation.

Mr. Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Dorcas. Hon. Members, a notice has been duly issued by the Committee on Health Services on the Bungoma County Government fourth quarter financial statements to the period ended 30th June, 2023 with respect to the department of Health and Sanitation. I equally go ahead to direct the Clerks to this reports to Hon. Members e-mails, the same will be coming up as a motion on our Order Paper in the course of the week or subsequent week once scheduled by the HBC.

MOTIONS

REPORT BY THE SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON ROADS, TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS ON BUNGOMA COUNTY GOVERNMENT 4TH QUARTER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2023

Hon. Joseph Nyongesa: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am seeking for your indulgence because I am looking around and I am only seeing the chairman of Roads. There is not even one member, so I don't know after maybe the Chairperson reading the report who will second it. I am a worried person so your guidance will help this House.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. Majority Leader, you are anticipating debate. Let him move the motion. At the time of calling the seconder, it is up to him and the committee. For me, I don't have issues with that, whether he is going to look for whips to run around to get for him a seconder is none of my problem.

Hon. Simotwo, you proceed and move your motion, the House commences its sittings at 9:30 a.m. and will rise at noon; in between here whether we will have members coming in and going out is not an issue to me. Let's proceed.

Hon. Franklin Simotwo: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to move a report by sectoral Committee on Roads, Transport, Infrastructure and Public Works on the fourth quarter financial statement for the period ended 30th June, 2023.

Introduction

Pursuant to section 166(4) of the PFM Act 2012, the County Treasury is mandated to prepare quarterly reports on all county departments and submit the same to the County Assembly not later than 30 days of the succeeding month after the end of each quarter. It is in this regard that the County Executive Committee Member for Finance and Economic Planning submitted the Bungoma County quarterly report and financial statements for the period ended 30th June, 2023.

The report was subsequently tabled in this House on 26th October, 2023. The Hon Speaker directed that the report be committed to all sector committees for legislative processing and reporting.

The quarterly reports and financial statements presents budget execution status covering the period 1st April, 2023 to 30th June, 2023 with comparative actual achievements and budget amounts for the previous financial year. Further, it contains the revenue performance both locally generated and an equitable share from the National Government.

Finally, the Committee has herein comprehensively considered the Bungoma County quarterly report and financial statements for the period ended 30th June, 2023 and presents this as the committee report for consideration by this House.

Mandate of the Committee

The mandate of the Committee is derived from the County Assembly of Bungoma Standing Order 217 (5) and matters assigned under the Second Schedule which shall be exercised within the limits contemplated under Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010.

The functions of a Sectoral Committee shall be to;

- (a) Investigate, inquire into, and report on all matters relating to the mandate, management, activities, administration, operations and estimates of the assigned departments;
- (b) Consider quarterly reports of the assigned departments and report to the House within twenty one sitting days upon being laid.
- (c) Study the programme and policy objectives of departments and the effectiveness of the implementation;
- (d) Study and review all County legislation referred to it;
- (e) Study, access and analyse the relative success of the departments as measured by the results obtained as compared with their stated objectives;
- (f) 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;
- (g) To vet and report on all appointments where the constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve, except those under Standing Order 208 (Committee on Appointments); and
- (h) Make reports and recommendations to the County Assembly as often as possible, including recommendation of proposed legislation.

Terms of reference

In order to comprehensively review the quarterly report on financial statement as committed to the committee, the committee set out a specific approach in which it clearly spelled out specific terms of reference to guide its operations. The terms of reference in regard to the analysis were as follows;

1. Establish compliance with Section 164 (4) of the PFMA 2012 on submission of financial reports
2. Establish receipts and payments during the quarter ended 30th June 2023
3. To establish the budget utilization for both development and recurrent expenditures of the department
4. TO examine the details, nature and behaviour of the expenditures for the quarter

5. Identify any significant details or information in reports that might be of material importance to the honourable members.

Acknowledgements

It is now my privilege and pleasure on behalf of the honourable members on the Sectoral Committee on Roads, Transport, Infrastructure and Public Works to convey my gratitude to all members of the committee for the valuable input through its proceedings. The committee equally extends appreciations to its members for taking their time out of their busy schedules to participate robustly during the interrogation and scrutiny of this quarterly report on the financial statements. The committee also appreciates the Office of the Hon. Speaker and the Clerk of the County Assembly for providing conducive atmosphere to prepare this report. I further extend my appreciation to the County Executive department of Roads and County Assembly members of staff who worked tirelessly to facilitate the production of this report.

It is therefore my privilege on behalf of the honourable members of the Committee on Roads, Transport, Infrastructure and Public Works to table this report for consideration and adoption. The report is signed by Hon. Frankline Simotwo, Chairperson - Committee on Roads and Public Works.

Chapter Two

Guiding principles in the examination of Bungoma County Government fourth quarter report financial statements.

In execution of the mandate...

Mr. Speaker Sir: What is the issue Leader of Majority?

Hon. Joseph Nyongesa: *(On a point of information)* thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have gone through my gadgets since yesterday and the report that was sent is for Agriculture Committee. We are yet to receive a report for Roads Committee. Therefore, some of us are strained to follow what the chairperson is reading. The Agriculture report was sent twice, if members can check their gadgets they can also agree with me. I seek for your indulgence and our staff should be sure of what they are sending to us.

Hon. Aggrey Mulongo: Mr. Speaker, I don't have anything on my gadgets.

Mr. Speaker: If you say that there is nothing on your gadgets then it means you don't even have the report by the Agriculture Committee?

Hon. Aggrey Mulongo: I have the Agriculture Committee report which was send yesterday but for the report that is being moved it is not there.

Hon. Angeline Rugut: I don't have a report by the Roads Committee.

Hon. Jack Wambulwa: Hon. Speaker, I only have a report by the Agriculture Committee.

Mr. Speaker: I want us to confirm before we adjourn because some people must be punished for this mess. Hon. Florence, what do you have on your gadget?

Hon. Florence Juma: Hon. Speaker, I don't have the Roads Committee report on my gadget.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker: Members, I think the gadgets are meant to support you to follow up on reports when they are moved. In the absence of the report on your gadgets, we cannot ask you to follow on a report that is being moved by Hon. Simotwo.

Therefore, we are moved to adjourn this sitting and the same report should come up at 2.30 p.m.

In the meantime, the entire team of the Table Clerks should come to my office. The House adjourns.

House rose at 10.00 a.m.