REPUBLIC OF KENYA

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF LAIKIPIA

THE HANSARD

Wednesday 19th July, 2023

The House met at the Assembly Chambers at 9.00 a.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Lantano Nabaala) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

QUORUM CALL

Speaker: Clerk confirm whether we have quorum.

(Lack of quorum confirmed)

Speaker: I direct that the bell be rung for 10 minutes.

(The bell was rung for one minute)

Speaker: Clerk confirm whether we have quorum.

(Clerk confirmed the achievement of Quorum)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIR

VISIT BY STUDENTS FROM SURVEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Speaker: Hon. Members, I wish to recognize the presence of 35 pupils from Survey Primary School in Laikipia West, Ol Moran ward accompanied by their teachers, Ms. Agnes Anita, Ms. Susan Gitari and Mr. Kimani. Feel welcomed and continue learning as you observe the processes of parliamentary sessions, how they happen in our magnificent County Assembly. You may be seated.

PAPERS

VETTING REPORT OF NANYUKI MUNICIPALITY BOARD MEMBERS

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, I beg to lay a paper on the vetting of the Nanyuki Municipality Board members, that is:

1. Mr. Michael Muriithi Kinguku
2. Mr. David Macharia Kanyoi
3. Ms. Cecilia Muthoni Gichohi
4. Ms. Lucy Muthoni Bolton
5. Ms. Linnet Wairimu Ndung'u
6. Mr. Abdi Sora Guyo

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7. Mr. Peter Wahome Gathigia

(Hon. Simon Kanyutu laid the Paper at the Table)

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kanyutu.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

VETTING REPORT OF NANYUKI MUNICIPALITY BOARD MEMBERS

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Mr. Speaker, I wish to give a notice of motion;

THAT, this Assembly adopts the report by the Transport and Public Works Committee on the vetting of the following nominees to the Municipality Board, dated 11th July, 2023:

1. Mr. Michael Muriithi Kinguku
2. Mr. David Macharia Kanyoi
3. Ms. Cecilia Muthoni Gichohi
4. Ms. Lucy Muthoni Bolton
5. Ms. Linnet Wairimu Ndung'u
6. Mr. Abdi Sora Guyo
7. Mr. Peter Wahome Gathigia

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Kanyutu.

MOTION

VETTING REPORT OF NANYUKI MUNICIPALITY BOARD MEMBERS

Speaker: Hon. Kanyutu, the floor is yours.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I beg to move the following motion;

THAT, this Assembly adopts the report by the Transport and Public Works Committee on the vetting of the following nominees for appointment to the Nanyuki Municipality Board dated 11th July, 2023;

1. Mr. Michael Muriithi Kinguku
2. Mr. David Macharia Kanyoi
3. Ms. Cecilia Muthoni Gichohi
4. Ms. Lucy Muthoni Bolton
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Mr. Speaker, I also welcome the students from Survey who are in our gallery. Survey is beyond Marmanet because past Marmanet, you go to Ol Moran then Sosian. I am sure Survey is in Sosian. I welcome them and I am sure that they have travelled far. Coming from Survey, they must have done much to be here. I have interest in that area because that is the region where my next of kin comes from. So, I am privileged to have my students in the gallery.

Committee Membership

Mr. Speaker, as I move the motion, I am very proud with our Governor because having constituted the Municipality Board, he has tried the much that he can to ensure that he has included all the avenues that we feel should be considered. My committee is constituted of seven members: I am the Chair, Caroline Kihika is my Vice-Chair. I have Parleto Lekopien who is the Member who represents the students at the gallery, and a good friend of mine. He is also a Member of this Committee. We have Hon. Daniel Mugweru who is very vibrant whenever we are having matters pertaining to roads because he is also a contractor. We have Nicholas Mwaniki, the person representing the people of Tigithi, and Mr. Benson Kuria.

Mr. Speaker, we are privileged because Hon. Lekopien and Hon. Kuria are from the area where Survey is. So, they are the people representing the students at the gallery. We also have Hon. Nicholas Lempaira, who is a neighbour to the same ward.

Acknowledgement

I take this opportunity to thank all Members of this Committee for their input and valuable contributions during the vetting exercise. The Committee also takes this opportunity to thank the Offices of the Speaker and that of the Clerk of the County Assembly for the support accorded during the vetting exercise.

Mr. Speaker, we were able to vet all the nominees and did the vetting. As per page 5, you can see the date and time that we vetted these members.

Mr. Michael Muriithi Kinguku – Governor's Appointee

We started with Mr. Muriithi Kinguku who is the Governor's appointee. The nominee appeared before the Committee on Monday, 3rd July, 2023 at 9.00 a.m. and was informed by the Chairperson that, pursuant to Section 7(10) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the public on his suitability. Nobody raised any objection on his appointment.

Self-Introduction and Educational Background

Personal Background

- The nominee stated that he was born on 1st January, 1971 in Nyeri;
- He has never been charged in a court of law;
- His net worth is Kshs. 200 million;
- His current and anticipated source of income will come from his businesses;

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- He has been a resident of Nanyuki for over 25 years; I am sure it is after I had completed my secondary education, that is when he started residing in Nanyuki.
- His business has been in operation for over 25 years.

Educational Background

He has done KCPE, KCSE, and holds a diploma in catering management.

Professional Experience

He has worked in the following entities;

- Director – Emess Hotel
- Founding Director – Savannah Sacco.
- Director – Ibis Hotel.
- Welder – Jua Kali industry.
- Meat cutter – Ujamaa village

Mr. Speaker, you know whenever you touch anything pertaining to meat; I was also a professional in that department. So, Mr. Kinguku was able to answer all the questions that we asked and that is how we as Members came to approve him.

David Macharia Kanyoi – Informal Sector

Mr. Speaker, we went on to the second nominee, that is, David Macharia Kanyoi. He has been proposed by the informal sector.

Self-introduction and educational background

Personal Background

- The nominee stated that he was born on 13th March, 1978 in Nanyuki;
- He has never been charged of a court of law;
- His current and anticipated source of income will come from his Garage. From the informal sector, he operates a garage within Nanyuki. So, he is a well-known person in this residence.
- He has been a resident of Nanyuki for 20 years;
- He operates Damaka Garage for over 6 years;

Educational Background

- 2023 – to date:- Bachelor of Theology and Divine Study

  New Life Bible College

  So, on heavenly issues he is there to guide us.

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- 2023 – todate:- Bachelor of Theology and Divine Study

  New Life Bible College
- 2017-2019:- Diploma in Theology - International Accredited Missions Discipleship School of Biblical Studies.
- 2013-2015 Continuous Adult Non-Formal Education

Mr. Speaker, the only funny thing is that he did his form one and two studies in our area, that is, Mwenje Secondary School but discontinued due to lack of fees. However, he never declared that that is the end of the road. That is when he proceeded to continue with a diploma. He bridged so as to ensure that he continues with his education. Imagine he did his KCPE in 1993 at Kundarilla. He then proceeded to secondary school but had no fees. That was not the end of the road, though. He had to find means of how to continue with his education and had to bridge to ensure that he continues.

Professional Experience

He has worked in the following entities;

- 2000 – 2023 KWS extension mechanic.
- 2010 – 2023 Preacher at Gospel Celebration Church Nanyuki.
- 1999 – 2023 Director, Damaka Motor Care Garage.
- 1998 – 2003 Chairman, Goshen Self- Help Group.
- 1996 – 1999 APH Garage as a mechanic.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Kanyoi proved to the committee that he is really capable and can really assist this county to ensure that we move on. When the committee analysed his performance, they gave him 87%. I am sure that is an A if you rate according to how academic rating is done. Mr. Kanyoi really did much.

M/S Cecilia Muthoni Gichohi- Professional Associations

Mr. Speaker, next we had Ms. Cecilia Muthoni Gichohi, from the professional associations. The nominee appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4th July, 2023 at 9.00 a.m. and was informed by the Chairperson that, pursuant to Section 7(10) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the public on her suitability or otherwise for Appointment to the position of a board member of Nanyuki Municipality.

However, by the deadline date of 28th June, 2023 the Committee had not received any submission or memorandum from the public contesting her suitability. The nominee was then orally vetted under oath and responded to questions during the vetting as follows:

Self-Introduction and Educational Background

Personal Background

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- The nominee was born in Nairobi in 1991 but later moved to Nyeri County but she is currently a resident of Nanyuki. I was very lucky to vet somebody who was born in 1991 being a youth. I was happy because our Governor has ensured that even our youth are well represented in the Nanyuki Municipality Board.
- She has never been charged in a Court of Law.
- Her net worth; at her age she is already worth 7 million. This means she is an upcoming youth.
- Her current and anticipated sources of income are from her business.
- She has been a resident of Nanyuki for over six years.
- She has been in business for about six years.

Educational Background

- Post graduate Diploma in Law- from The Kenya School of Law (2015-2016).
- Bachelor of Law Degree- from Kenyatta University (2010 - 2014).
- Attended Naromoru Girls Secondary School (2006-2009).
- Attended St. Lwanga Naromoru Catholic Academy (1998-2005).

Professional Experience

She has worked in the following entities;

- Partner, Muthoni and Muthoni Advocates LLP from February 2018 – to date. I am sure most of the committee members that I am with, some of them I was with in this Assembly from 2018 before this Third Assembly; during the Second Assembly we were with the Members in this Assembly
- Associate, C. M King'ori and Co Advocates from April 2017- February 2018.
- Pupilage, Wachira Maina and co. advocates- January- October, 2013.
- Judicial externship, Office of the Director Public Prosecutions- May – August, 2013.

Mr. Speaker, the lady proved to the committee that on professional background, she is one of the best and she can guide. Mr. Speaker, as per the committee Members analysis they approved her with 88.5%. That was great performance per the committee recommendation.

Lucy Muthoni Bolton

Next, we had Lucy Muthoni Bolton. With her name many people were shocked because they expected someone with a British background but she is an African. She portrayed very good image to the committee on how she can perform to the municipality of Nanyuki. She is a Kenyan Citizen born on 15th April, 1980 in Rumuruti Town, Laikipia County. She has lived in Nanyuki for more than 20 years. The nominee stated that she is worth approximately Kshs. 3,000,000/ which is the value of her plots of land, vehicle and personal household items.

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She holds a Diploma in Tourism and Hospitality from the Kenya Wildlife Service Training Institute. She has also been trained in customer care, reception skills and was a team leader at the Lonrho Hotels Kenya. She has worked in the following entities: -

- Mount Kenya Safari Club 2003-2008 as a Guest relations manager.
- Fina Bank Ltd March 2010- March 2012 as a Direct sales representative.
- Beisa Hotel Ltd July 2013 to date as a General Manager.

Ms. Linnet Wairimu Ndung'u

After the analysis by the Committee, she got 83.5 %. Next Mr. Speaker, we had Ms. Linnet Wairimu Ndung'u who is a government employee. She appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4th July, 2023 at 11.30 a.m. and was informed by the Chairperson that, pursuant to Section 7(10) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee invited submissions from the public on her suitability or otherwise for Appointment to the position of County Executive Committee Member. However, by the deadline date of 28th June, 2023 the Committee had not received any submission or memorandum from the public contesting her suitability.

The nominee was then orally vetted under oath by the Committee and responded to questions during the vetting as follows: -Self-introduction; She is a Kenyan Citizen born on 1st January, 1991 in Laikipia County. She is also another youth.

I was very happy Mr. Speaker; our municipality will now be represented having two youth within municipality. We encourage our upcoming youth that it's the way to go and even leaders are recognizing their performance. Being a youth, her net worth, she is over Kshs. 10,000,000. Her current and source of income will come from her business. She's a proprietor of Nimmohs Homestays. She has been a resident of Nanyuki for 32 years meaning she was born in Nanyuki.

She also did her KCSE at Bishop Gatimu Ngandu Girls High School in 2008. She also holds a Diploma in Business Administration (Human Resource Management) from the Kenya Methodist University. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology (Counselling) from the University of Nairobi. Having her in the board is an asset as a counsellor. You are aware on how we are having issues due to depressions. I am happy we have a counsellor in the board.

She has worked in the following entities: -

- Retriever Limited 23rd May 2014 to 23rd September, 2014 as a receptionist;
- Equity Bank 13th October 2014 to 13th April 2015 as a retail centre agent;
- Pevans East Africa Limited- (Sportpesa) 28th November, 2016- October 2019 as a call center agent and as a Human Resource Assistant; and
- Nimmohs Homestays-as the CEO from 2019 to date.

Mr. Speaker, being a vibrant youth, she got 89.3%. Almost 90%. I am sure the committee recommended she is one of the best nominees in that committee.

Abdi Sora Guyo

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Mr. Speaker, we had another applicant, Abdi Sora Guyo. He was born on 12th December, 1974. He really portrayed good performance in the committee. His net worth is Kshs.19 million. Come next year maybe he shall be Kshs.20 million. He has lived in Nanyuki for over 20 years and in business for more than 16 years and in business for more than 11 years.

On education background he is from Sosian; Went to a primary school in Sosian then joined GG Rumuruti Secondary school. Then went to Mombasa for further training and employment. BSc Applied Accounting- Brooks University meaning in our municipality we have an accountant on anything to do with accounts.

At the moment He works at Borana Conservancy as a general manager. CEO at Oldaiga Conservancy. Has worked at the Borana Ranch. Worked at Kenya wildlife conservancy Association as a director and Agricultural employers' association as a director. He really portrayed good image to the committee.

I was shocked and learnt old is gold. He got 90.7% from the Committee. I also felt proud because having somebody from your age bracket who has been recommended by members in such level, he will be able to improve the municipality to another height. I also recognize others who we are in same age bracket. I can see Hon. Member from Olmoran and Hon. Shuel is almost commenting the same. We will ensure that our municipality move to the next height.

Peter Wahome Gathigia

Mr. Speaker, we had another nominee, Peter Wahome Gathigia. He came having brought from the private sector. The nominee appeared before the Committee on Tuesday, 4th July, 2023 at 2.30 p.m. after lunch. He informed by the Chairperson that, pursuant to Section 7(10) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Committee had invited submissions from the public on his suitability or otherwise for Appointment to the position of a member the Nanyuki Municipality Board.

By the deadline date of 28th June, 2023, the Committee had not received any submission or memorandum from the public contesting his suitability. The nominee was then orally vetted under oath and responded to questions during the vetting as follows: On Self-introduction and educational background, Personal Background; The nominee is the oldest among all nominee having stated that he was born on 31st January, 1962 in Nanyuki before we got independent.

Mr. Speaker, since 1963 he has never been charged in a court of law. He also stated that his net worth was Kshs. 25 million including a home, a farm and a rental house in Nanyuki town. Meaning as you grow old you need to ensure you invest. His current income will come from his rental income and pension. We members also need to push for our pensions. He has some rentals Houses in Nanyuki.

Mr. Wahome has been a resident of Nanyuki for 61 years. I am sure there is no Member here within that age bracket. Even you Mr. Speaker. In the committee we have an elder who can harmonize and call upon whenever there is a crisis.

On his education background,

- He did his Certificate Primary Education – Nanyuki DEB Primary in 1974.
- East African Certificate of Education at Nanyuki Secondary School in 1978.

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- Training on Assessment of Informal Settlements in Kenya, Small Towns Development Project (GTZ & MOLG), 2002.
- Hazard Mapping Using Geo-Information Techniques Course, Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development, Nairobi 2019.
- Performance Management Course, Kenya School of Government, Nairobi 2018.
- Final Crafts Certificate om Building Construction, Rift Valley institute of Science and Technology, Nakuru, 1982. For those of us who can remember, that is the time we had our first coup in our country.
- Diploma in Human Resources Management, Kenya Institute of Management, Nairobi 2010. Diploma in Urban Development Studies, Erasmus University, Rotterdam, 2010.

I am sure that Rotterdam is out of this country which means the person has a vast experience which will guide our county to develop.

When the committee analysed his performance, we were very happy with his performance because he missed with only 0.4% to get 90% because he had 89.6%. The Members recognized his experience and the fortunate thing is that he has worked within our county for all that duration. The committee observed the curriculum vitae and heard the oral submission during the interview and had the following observations

Committee Observations;

- The nominees have satisfied the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 on leadership and integrity.
- The nominees have been cleared by the Criminal Investigation Department (CID), Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC), Kenya Revenue Authority on tax compliance, Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) and the Credit Reference Bureau. They are all credit worthy.
- In accordance with Article 78(1) (2) of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, all the nominees are Kenyan citizens and do not hold dual citizenship and are therefore fit to hold office as members of the Nanyuki Municipality Board.
- All the nominees' academic credentials, and experience are impressive and in compliance with Section 7(8) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017.
- The nominees have never been charged in a Court of Law.
- The nominees have never been dismissed from office for contravention of the provisions of Public Officer Ethics Act which deals with the conduct of public officers.
- The nominees have never been adversely mentioned in any investigatory report of County Assembly or any Commission of Inquiry.

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- The nominees exhibited impressive knowledge of topical issues touching on the Municipality and have the requisite abilities, qualifications and experience. Most of them are born and raised in Nanyuki unlike me and I am sure they will ensure that our rail proceeds Meru because I hear that the railway could not proceed by then due to the life that was in Nanyuki. He will guide on how our railway will proceed to Meru. Being in the municipality, he is one of the persons who will assist us

- The committee observed that the composition of the Board considered gender balance, inclusion of youth and the marginalised groups. i.e., the youth and the ladies. Mr. Speaker, As I read through you heard me touch on Guyo who is also in the marginalised group. If there was a voting, probably Guyo could not have gotten a lot of votes but being an appointee of the Governor, we had to approve him so that the marginalised can also feel that they are in our board. He is very ready to assist our municipality to go to the next level.

Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Section 14 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act No.13 of 2011 and Standing Order No. 191 (5) (f), the Committee recommends that this House approves the nomination of the members, for appointment by H.E the Governor as members of the Nanyuki Municipality Board. I beg the Hon. Members to approve these nominees for the continuity of our municipality and to see to it that our municipality moves to the next level.

Having come from West, I am persuading these Members and soon I will persuade the Governor to also approve Nyahururu to become a municipality so that they can go concurrently. Being the Chair of that committee, we will work together to also push for Nyahururu to become a municipality. Because we are in collaboration with the Leader of Minority, I wish him to second the motion.

Hon. Parleto Lekopien: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the students from Survey Primary School being in the chambers to see what the Members do. When we were young, most of us were told that they will be the future leaders. Now that they are here, I would really want to welcome them to the chambers and just to give them a little information, even the Speaker comes from Sosian a place called Maundu ni meri. Luckily, we also have a nominated MCA from Sosian, Mr. Kamala and therefore, the House is full of Sosian people today.

So, feel at home and learn. When I heard the Hon. Member from Marmanet speaking and giving the name of the nominees, actually one of the nominees schooled in Survey. So, the students here have got a great potential. Welcome and enjoy the session and hopefully after the session, we shall interact a bit.

Mr. Speaker, I second the nominee's appointment to the municipality and as the Hon. Member from Marmanet spoke, I would actually want to take this opportunity to thank the committee for the good job they have done. As we all went through the nominees list, from the Governors appointees, the Governor really considered all the sectors from the informal, the professional and the private sectors. Therefore, it means that all the nominees have got potential and it is a great initiative for the municipality of Nanyuki.

When we were looking at the nominees, the Governor did a gender balance and all the nominees have got enough experience. I am sure that my good friend, the Deputy Speaker will be

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so happy to support because it is a great move for Nanyuki to become a municipality. So, I support and as I continue, I have interacted with some of the nominees and some like Mr. Kanyoi (Damaka) has got a garage in Nanyuki where I used to be his good customer. He has got full experience and knowledge and I am sure that as they continue in their work in the municipality, they will deliver services to the people of Nanyuki and Laikipia as well.

So, I am in full support of the municipality of Nanyuki because as soon as the municipality starts working, all the services will improve. I bet that even the revenue of this county will move a notch higher. As I second, I would just want to plead with the Members of this House to stand with us, support the nominees and make sure that we will get service delivery in Nanyuki and Laikipia at large. Thank you.

(Question proposed)

Hon. Daniel Mugweru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise to make my contribution as I support the appointment of the members as listed by the Chairperson. Before I make my contribution, I also wish to welcome the students from Sosian ward, Survey Primary School who happens to be represented by Hon. Lekopien who happens to be our Minority Leader in this House. So, he is among the team that leads the County Assembly of Laikipia.

Secondly, also having produced the Hon. Speaker of this House, I am sure that you can see that his attire has got colours from that region. Mr. Speaker, they also happen to produce another gentleman here, Hon. Bishop Kamala to be in this House. As the Hon. Chair had said, I am a Member of this committee and came across all these nominees who will lead Nanyuki Municipality.

Nanyuki Municipality is my town and my city as the representative of the people of Umande. Nanyuki Town neighbours Umande and is also the biggest town that I can celebrate. For it to rise to a municipality, it is our joy and happiness. H.E the Governor appointed a few members to lead that municipality.

As we were vetting these members, the Governor was able to look at so many issues. One, he considered the young people, the elderly, the gender, the businessmen and professionals and the people who holds the economy of Nanyuki. Therefore, the Governor looked at it in all angles. The first and the second oldest, Mr. Michael Muriithi Kinguku, he has been a prominent business man in this town. His family owns the Ibis Hotel and the Emess and other businesses in this town. Those were the oldest hotels in this town of Nanyuki.

Having considered someone who has grown in this Nanyuki Town, they have grown together and that can be the best thing that happened to this municipality. Therefore, Mr. Muriithi Kinguku is one of the people who will be able to help the municipality grow. Mr. Muriithi Kinguku is one of the people who will be able to help the municipality grow.

Mr. Speaker, the friend of the Minority leader, Mr. David Macharia Kanyoi who happens to be a very close friend to Hon. Lekopien and has been closely working with him, was also proposed to be a member of this board of municipality. He owns a garage in this town and most of the people in this town have come across him in one way or the other. We believe that him being somebody who has done business in this town and also a pastor in this town, we really support his appointment.

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Why I said that the Governor considered the gender and the youth, you know the youth have been complaining that they have been left behind, we have got an advocate in this town who is Ms. Cecelia Muthoni Gichohi who also scored very high and we believe that she is going to help this board to give the best as we expect.

If all these Members of the Board work together in unity and we as the Assembly offer them support, they are going to speed up the growth of the Municipality. The young people who are here are the ones who scored highest. They are very young at the age of 30's and their net worth is over seven million shillings. I remember when I was at that age, I did not know what was a million neither had I seen it but I knew it had six zeros. These young girls like Ms. Cecelia are worth seven million and we expect them do good work for this town.

\We have Ms. Lucy Muthoni Bolton born in Rumuruti where you come from, that is Sosian Ward. She has worked here and understands the growth of this town. Since she became mature, I do not know at what age maturity starts, she has been a resident of this town. I am sure this young lady will help the Board to come up with a strategy to help the people of Laikipia to celebrate.

The other young lady Ms. Linnet Wairimu Ndung'u is a business lady in the town at Nimmohs Homestays. As Hon. Kanyutu has said if you are to recommend anyone for a place to stay in Nanyuki, you should recommend Nimmohs Homestays. She does the best and has the best in this town for private houses and family accommodation. At the age of 32 and owning a business in this town, if she is given a chance, she will help the Board to reap fruits for this town.

We have Mr. Abdi Sora Guyo who happens to be the general manager of Borana Conservancy. He is also the CEO Oldaiga Conservancy. I have closely worked with him because Oldaiga is partly in Umande Ward. I have a polling station in the middle of that farm. Being born and growing up in Sosian he came to Nanyuki many years ago and settled here. He has the passion irrespective of his position at Borana and Oldaiga Conservancy he felt he need to help this town grow. This are the people to watch because they are the ones who will help us in making this town better.

They say old is gold. We have Mr. Peter Wahome Gathigia and he is the man to watch in this Board. I think he was put here strategically to advice and give professional opinion. I am sure if this Board fails, it would be frustrating because we have someone with vast experience and has worked for the Municipality previously when we had Local Government. He has also worked here as an Urban Planner. He is the man to watch and I believe that the Governor appointed him for to give advice to the Board.

If you look at Mr. Wahome's background, he has a Diploma in development studies. That is what we are yearning for and the reason we are having this Board. He has also a Diploma in Human Resource and final class certificate in building construction. Among the things that will happen in this town is constructing new buildings and demolishing the ones constructed on wrong areas.

Mr. Wahome is conversant in terms of mapping and planning because it is his field and being retired, he is not tired to help this town. If any mess comes here, we are going to look at him because it is his background and he understands it better. The plans and whatever is in this town, he was part of it. We believe in him and believe if he does his best, then we shall have the best Municipality.

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As a committee we found these members suitable to be the Board of Nanyuki Municipality. We also feel that all of them should be approved. When I look at the Hon. Members, I can foretell that they will approve these members. If approved, we urge them as a House to get a person to lead them as a chairperson. We can do so well in approving them as the Assembly but they fail to choose the suitable Chairperson. If all of them are approved, let them choose the best and the elite to lead them. I support and believe the Hon. Members will also support the Board members to lead the Nanyuki Municipality.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Mugweru the representative of Umande Ward. I want to give this opportunity to Hon. Lempaira.

Hon. Nicholas Lempaira: Thank you Mr. Speaker. As a Member of the Transport Committee, I want to support the Report and approval of the said members of the Municipality Board. I also want to congratulate the Governor for considering the gender and age balance for the Board. I would like to advice on ethnicity. Next time we should consider ethnic balance between the board members and other respective sectors. This will bring out a true reflection of Laikipia County.

I also want to appreciate the students and teachers from Survey school for visiting the Assembly to learn. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Hon. Antony Theuri: Asante Sana Bwana Spika, Kwa nafasi hii. Nikijitambulisha kwa wanafunzi wetu, jina langu ni Anthony Theuri Wambui. Nawakilisha Wadi ya Nanyuki na mimi pia ni Naibu wa Spika ambaye ametoka Sosian na tuna muenzi.

Naanza kwa kuipa heko kamati ambayo inaongozwa na rafiki yangu Mheshimiwa Simon Kanyutu. Karibu nimuite mchungaji, labda alikuwa mchungaji. Katika Bunge hili tunaitambua kazi yake. Yeye ni mmoja wa viongozi wakongwe katika uongozi. Nasikia yeye bado ni kijana wa miaka karibu hamsini. Kama yeye ni kijana wa miaka hamsini, basi mimi ni mtoto sana.

Amekuwa ni kiongozi kutoka kuwa madiwani na yuko muhula wa pili kama MCA. Katika utendakazi, yeye amekomaa. Sijawahi kuisoma Ripoti kama hio. Amewasilisha vizuri na hakuna mtu anayeweza kuipinga. Kwa maisha ingine, Mheshimiwa angekuwa wakili mzuri sana. Amewapaka mafuta hadi wakapendeza kabisa. Amewapeleka soko na mwisho wa Bunge hii, watakuwa wamenunuliwa wote.

Nashukuru kwa sababu watu hawa wanaletwa katika manispaa yangu. Karibu asilimia tisini na tisa ya watu hawa ni watu ambao nimekaa na wao. Bwana Kinguku ameajiri watu wengi sana na anaelewa biashara sana. Damaka ambaye ni makanika kama mimi, tumetafuta riziki pamoja. Kama ingezidisha miaka ingine miwili, ningekuwa nimefungua kanisa. Tulisoma theolojia pamoja. Mimi nikapendezwa na mambo ya dunia. Wachungaji wanatuambia mbinguni tutatembelea kwenye barabara za dhahabu. Mimi nikaamua kutengeneza za lami hapa kabla tufike za mbinguni. Duniani maisha ni magumu na lazima tutetee watu wote

Kama hawataishi maisha mazuri duniani, hata mbinguni itakuwa ni shida. Damaka alienda kuhubiri na mimi nikajiunga na siasa. Ni kapatana na waheshimiwa kama Lempaira, Salim na hawa wengine wote. Hili kanisa letu la Bunge linaendelea vizuri kabisa.

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Namshukuru Gavana wetu kwa kuwakumbuka vijana wetu. Naona kuna vijana ambao ni matajiri kuliko MCA's. Bwana Spika, itakubidi uzidi kututetea. Jambo hili ni la kutia moyo. Nina uhakika watasaidia manispaa yetu wakiwa ndilo kundi la kwanza.

Naungana na Mheshimiwa Mugweru ya kuwachagua mwenyekiti, muweka hazina na hatibu wazuri. Mahitaji na pesa ni mingi. Pesa ambayo nagawa hapa Bunge haiwezi tosha. Waheshimiwa Lekopien, Umija, Bishop na wengine wote hukuwa wa Nanyuki kila jioni. Shida zao zote wanaleta Nanyuki. Wakija, mimi ndiye mkubwa wao. Hata choo wanaleta hapa na mnafahamu maji taka yetu ni shida. Maji wanatumia yetu. Magonjwa yao yote wanaleta hapa.

Ikifika wakati wa kugawa pesa, sipati inayofaa. Mungu naye sio athumani wala kimani, amenibariki na manispaa. Mimi nitakuwa mdosi wao. Wakigawa milioni ishirini kila Wadi, mimi nitapata Zaidi ya milioni mia nne. Kutoka leo, waniite mdosi mdogo kwa sababu mimi ndiye nitakae wapanga.

Bila kusahau Mheshimiwa Lempaira ameongea vyema na kuahidi kupitisha mswada huu. Wakati ujao, tuangalie sana mambo ya kabila. Sijui vyema maana ya jina hilo na sitaki kutafsiri vibaya. Jambo hilo tutatilia maanani. Bodi hii haitaishi kama Methusela. Nitamshika Mheshimiwa Nicholas mkono na kumpeleka kwa Gavana ili amsikize. Tungependa kusikia majina kama Lepit au Onyango. Mimi sio mkabila. Jina langu ni Wambui. Sisi Waafrika hujiita majina ya baba. Unaweza pata mimi pia ni wa kutoka Sosian.

Bunge hili na kabineti inajaa watu wa Sosian. Ingekuwa kuna uchaguzi leo, kura mnazo mfukoni. Hata mimi leo niitwe mtu wa Sosian. Nanyuki ni yenu na mimi ni wenu. Kujeni tupitishe mswada huu. Nanyuki ni kama sebule. Hata kama nyumbani kuna shida, sebule inapangwa na kusafishwa vizuri. Kujeni tu pambe Nanyuki ambayo ni sebule ya Laikipia. Tupe pesa na kuishikilia. Ningewaomba wenzangu tupitishe mswada huu. Tusaidiane pia kufuatilia kwa sababu pesa hii ni yenu. Asante sana.

Hon. George Karuiru: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Before I give my input, I would like to welcome the students from survey who happen to be my neighbours. One of the Hon. Members said that we have more than three Honourable Members Led by you, Hon. Lekopien and Hon. Kamala.

We have the CO for Water from Sosian. This time Sosian has been considered despite them missing a person in the Municipality Board. It is well with their staff and the teachers. We have many schools and this year we have experienced very few schools coming to visit this Honourable House. If they go with that model of the Survey School, we are going to get more leaders so that when we retire from politics, we shall have people who have studied here, having followed what we do and invade and actually they are equal to task.

I encourage them to continue following and I know it starts from the headteachers. All head teachers should be encouraged to bring their students here so that they learn the proceedings of the Assembly. Secondly Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the committee that did this vetting. I found the able chairman, Hon. Simon Kanyutu from Marmanet Ward who also happens to be my neighbouring MCA being eloquent in narration of the vetting committee report.

Mr. Speaker, for the record purposes, I would like to rectify Hon. Simon Kanyutu because he said that I was in Ngandu Girls. I am a male and I actually went to Karima Boys-Othaya. I

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would like him to have more history on me so that in case he would write, he cannot confuse the committee.

According to the tabled report, I cannot add anything else because the ethnicity of the committee on infrastructure and how they did the vetting clearly indicates that we have the team vetted being equal to task. I know the honesty of the whole team led by the Chairperson Hon. Kanyutu. Mr. Speaker, we must know making a municipality. Nakuru, Nairobi and Kisumu were municipalities. They came rising. Nanyuki town, despite it being on the edge, I must appreciate those who made Rumuruti the headquarters of Laikipia County.

We should at least manage and have a database so that Nanyuki rises, not from where it was but because it was a headquarter rising to a municipality; it means a lot to our county. When times comes and we shall be old as Honourable Members plus you Mr. Speaker, we will have the formulation that during our time, we passed the board and Nanyuki will rise to a city one time. Everybody in Kenya would love to come.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to urge you because I know the board or anything that is brought to the Assembly and the committee does the vetting, you also get a sitting. I know through this; we will be having quarterly reports from the board. As Honourable Members plus you Mr. Speaker, we need to sit with this Board so that they also give us their work plan so that we know this formulation.

We did not just pass them to be out there but when we unite, they will tell us the modalities which we shall support. Once this has been brought and I do not get some of these guys, I know Ibis hotel where I hear people saying Kinguku. But I am familiar with David Macharia but we do not know each other. For us to build this county, we must all unite. We must be able to know that while we need to see the Chair of the Municipality of Nanyuki, we know the office and the modalities.

Honourable Members sometimes are approached by the people we vet when there are problems. However, if we are united, we sit down, hear their workplans and they stand for us to guide them, there will be no crisis. We are expecting a lot of money and we are seeing vibrancy from the Governors. They are trying to raise their small towns to municipalities because there is a particular fee that is given by the World Bank.

Mr. Speaker, I support the report and I adopt. I also urge Honourable Members to support this report so that Nanyuki can go on growing because I know in times to come, it will be Sipili that will be a municipality whereas Sipili and Ol Moran are one of my towns. I cannot be jealous and say that the Deputy Speaker, Hon. Anthony Theuri is now far from me. The next time we shall be pushing for Sipili to be a municipality, Hon. Anthony Theuri will support me. Thank you, I support.

Hon. Salim Edung: Bwana Spika, nashukuru kwa kunipatia hii nafasi. Kwanza natambua wanafunzi ambao wako hapo kutoka Survey, Wadi ya Sosian. Karibuni katika Bunge hili ili mpate kuelewa yale ambayo yanaendelea katika Bunge hili. Napongeza Mwenyekiti wa Kamati ya Usafiri na miundombinu, Mheshimiwa Simon Kanyutu kwa kuleta mswada katika Bunge hili ili Wabunge wenzangu waunge mkono kwa sababu tunajua ya kwamba Bunge hili ni Bunge la sheria na la kuangalia maslahi ya wananchi.

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Ni pongezi Bwana Spika, kwa kunipatia hii nafasi pamoja na Wabunge wenzangu. Ni heri tuungane mikono tuunge mkono hawa ndugu zetu ambao wameletwa hapa ili watekeleze wajibu wao. Pili, Manispaa ya Nanyuki, tunapoweka watu kama hawa ambao tumetaja, tumeangalia makaratasi yao kwa umakini na tumeangalia tukaona wanafaa. Nawapatia asilimia mia moja katika kazi ambayo ilifanyiwa katika Bunge hili.

Waliangalia masomo yao, kazi ambayo wamefanya na tukaona kwamba hawa watu wanapokuja ili waendeleze hii kazi, hii kazi itakuwa nzuri katika Manispaa ya Nanyuki. Mbeleni hakukuwa Manispaa ya Nanyuki. Kwa sasa, tumeiwakilisha na tunaunga mkono na inaonyesha kwamba Kaunti ya Laikipia itakuwa na fedha nyingi. Naomba wenzangu waunge mkono kwa sababu faida yote ambayo itakuwa Nanyuki ni faida katika Kaunti. Bwana Spika, naunga mkono na naruhusu wenzangu kuchangia. Asanteni sana.

Hon. Benson Kuria: Asante sana, Mheshimiwa Spika kwa sababu ya hii nafasi ambayo umeweza kunikabidhi siku ya leo. Zaidi ya yote nashukuru mwenyezi Mungu kwa sababu najua ya kwamba bila yeye hatungekuwa hapa. Kabla niingie katika mdahalo kwa Bunge letu, ningependa kusema ya kwamba leo tuko na baraka kwa sababu waliotoka katika Wadi ya Sosian, tuko na baraka kwa sababu tumeweza kutembelewa na wanafunzi kutoka Shule ya Msingi ya Survey. Nawakaribisha katika Bunge letu kwa sababu ni Bunge ambayo inatunga sheria kwa ajili ya jimbo la Laikipia na wananchi wa Laikipia kwa jumla.

Waalimu ambao wameungana na wao, pia nimewakaribisha katika Bunge hili. Mheshimiwa Spika, najua ili uweze kufika Nanyuki saa tatu, ni lazima uwe umefunga kuku mguu. Najua walitoka hapo saa kumi na nusu ili waweze kufika hapa. Hii ni kumaanisha ya kwamba hawajakunywa hata chai. Tuko pamoja na tukitoka hapa tutawasiliana na tutakuwa pamoja na nyinyi. Mimi ni mwanakamati wa Kamati ya Usafiri ambayo inaongozwa na Mwenyekiti, Mheshimiwa Kanyutu.

Naunga ripoti mkono nikijua ya kwamba katika luwaza ya 2030, Manispaa ya Nanyuki iko na mabadiliko makubwa ambayo yatakuwepo na najua ya kwamba Naibu Spika atajivunia asili mia kwa mia. Nikiunga mkono, najua ya kwamba Manispaa ya Nanyuki na jimbo la Laikipia kuelekea Rumuruti, Sipili, Kinamba, Ol Jabet, Karandi, Muthengera yatakuwa na mirandi mingi kwa sababu Luwaza ya 2030 italeta mabadiliko katika jimbo hili letu.

Asante, Mheshimiwa Spika. Najua umetoka Sosian na najua wewe na Mheshimiwa Parleto Lekopien wa Sosian ambaye ni kiongozi wa walio wachache katika Bunge letu na nawashukuru kwa sababu tunafanya kazi vizuri na tunafanya kwa umoja. Asante sana.

Speaker: Thank you, Hon. Benson. I now invite the mover of the motion to reply.

Hon. Simon Kanyutu: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I commend the Hon. Members for their contributions. I am happy for their responses and I am sure they will pass this motion. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the Honourable Member who decided to get a grip on your attire. I never knew that you are in red whereas I have a red tie. That is the attire that we usually use when we go to the Northern part. I appreciate and I am sure we shall work together.

I am happy for the constitution of the Board. People are happy except one Member who contested on the ethnicity. I don't know why he is not around because recently I had an issue where a student passed on from Ndururumo High School. I was at the Nyahururu Morgue where the

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postmortem was being done. In the morgue there was no ethnicity. It was one tribe in that morgue. I am happy he is back because sometimes we try to balance the ethnicity yet it fails.

Hon. Member, I was saying recently I had a chance to be in Nyahururu Morgue to do a postmortem for a student who had passed on. In that morgue, ethnicity was not balanced. It was just a single community that were witnessing in that morgue. So, sometimes it fails to balance but we accept. In future we shall see to it that in every sector, everything balances. Mr. Speaker, I am happy for the old student from Karima Boys.

Mr. Speaker, he is a good volleyballer and in Giakanja is popularly known for volleyball. That is why I contradict, so it is not in bad faith. When making the eulogy, I will be very specific and ensure that I state clearly where you schooled, how you performed because you are a good performer. Mr. Speaker, he will be ahead and that is why I am specific that I will ensure that it is stated clearly. He has said that he would want nothing that contradicts. When making the Eulogy, I will ensure that I state clearly that he is from Karima Boys and a good volleyballer.

Even up to date with his age, he is still a good volleyballer. Mr. Speaker, I beg Hon Members to pass the motion so that we have the board in existence for our municipality. Mr. Speaker, I call upon all the Members and I persuade them to pass these members for continuity. Very soon we are coming up with the Nyahururu Municipality. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

(Question put and agreed to)

ADJOURNMENT

Speaker: The sittings of this House now stand adjourned until later today Wednesday, 19th July, 2023 at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 10.28 a.m.

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