

#### THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF THARAKA NITHI

# THIRD ASSEMBLY - (SECOND SESSION)

#### **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AT 9.30 A.M

- 1. The House (County Assembly) assembled at thirty minutes past nine O'clock.
- **2.** The proceedings were opened with prayer said by the Hon. Speaker.
- 3. Communication from Chair;

The chair gave the following communication:-

# "Honorable Members,

As you are aware, during the last sitting through an adjournment motion the House adjourned to resume on 28th February, 2023.

However, on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 I received a request for a special Sitting vide letter Ref: TN/CA/D.MAJL/VOL.I/01 appended the signatures of Honourable Members.

Thereafter, I also received a request for a special sitting vide letter REF: TNCA/LMAJP/001/2023 by the Leader of the Majority Party.

# Honourable Members,

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 40(2) I was satisfied that the business proposed to be transacted is urgent.

Pursuant to the provisions of standing order 40 (3) of the County Assembly and acting on the request of the Majority and Minority Party I gave notice, Vide Kenya Gazette notice No.2074 of 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023, to all Members of the County Assembly and the public of this Special Sitting held today Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 in the Assembly Chamber, Kathwana, at 9.30 a.m.

The specified business to be transacted during the special sitting is:

- Approval of the Tharaka Nithi County Executive and County Assembly Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023; and
- ii. Tharaka Nithi County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2023.

#### Honorable Members,

This is to bring to your attention that in accordance to Standing Order Number 40 (4) of the County Assembly of Tharaka Nithi Standing Orders, the business specified shall be the only business to be transacted before the County Assembly following which the Assembly shall stand adjourned.

#### Honorable Members,

Am in receipt of a letter REF: TN/CA/TSP/WHIP/01 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2023 from The Service Party seeking to be recognized as the second largest party in the assembly and thus capable of constituting the Minority leadership in the Assembly as provided for under section 10 of the County Government Act, 2012 and Part V of the Tharaka Nithi County Assembly Standing Orders providing for the Political Leadership in the Assembly.

# Honorable Members,

The Office of the Registrar of political parties vide the letter Ref: RPP/ORG/43VOLL.II(79) advised on invoking the cited laws, information and The Tharaka Nithi County Assembly Standing Orders to arrive at the Majority and Minority political party or coalition of parties in the assembly.

The United Democratic Alliance (UDA) and the Service Party (TSP) are constituent parties of the Kenya Kwanza Alliance and there is no caveat in the Coalition agreement that bars the Members of TSP being the party with the second largest membership in Tharaka Nithi County Assembly from forming the Minority Party Leadership as provided for under Section 10 of the County Government Act 2012 and Standing order 28 of the Tharaka Nithi County Assembly Standing Orders.

On this note, am in receipt of annex MLTNCA 1 titled signatures to the statement on the service party forming minority leadership in the County Assembly of the Tharaka Nithi. The Annex is duly signed by the Members of the United Democratic Party.

#### Honorable Members,

Having received the written decision of the Service Party together with the Confirmed and duly signed minutes of the meeting at which the decision of having TSP be recognized as the Minority Party from the Minority Whip.

It is my singular honor to announce the Minority Party Leadership in the Assembly as Follows;

i. Hon. Kiriko Jacob Murimi Ndeke -Leader of Minority Party

- ii. Hon. Lucy Muthoni Ndiga -Deputy Leader of Minority Party
- iii. Hon. Purity Wanja M'Rithaa Minority Party Whip
- iv. Hon. Nevert Nwiga -Deputy Minority Party Whip

I urge members to discharge their duties with passion and dedication.

# Honourable Members,

It is worth noting, that the above changes may affect our committees as currently constituted due to the provisions of our standing orders and thus the Committee on Selection may have to be reconstituted and subsequently reconstitute the other committees to take into account the new changes.

It is my wish that in the spirit of fairness, unity and cooperation the reconstituted committees will take into account and consider the interest of independent candidates.

Honorable members I wish you all the best as you continue to fulfill your constitutional mandate.

I thank you."

#### 4. PAPERS LAID

The following paper was laid on the Table of the House;

 The Report of the Select Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations on the Tharaka Nithi County Assembly and County Executive Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023.

#### 5. NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notice of motions was issued:-

1. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE,

BUDGET AND APPRORIATIONS ON THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY AND THE

COUNTY EXECUTIVE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET (I) FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/2023.

(Hon. Muchiri Godfrey Murithi, MCA \_ Chairperson Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

THAT; Pursuant to the provisions of Section 135 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and Standing Order 253, the County Assembly adopts the report of the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations on the County Assembly and County Executive Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023 and approves the County Assembly Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023 without amendments and the County Executive Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023 with amendments.

6. MOTION - ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMMITTEE ON FINANCE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS ON THE COUNTY ASSEMBLY AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET (I) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022/2023

(Hon. Muchiri Godfrey Murithi, MCA \_ Chairperson Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

Order Read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

Question put and agreed to.

# RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT; Pursuant to the provisions of Section 135 of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012 and Standing Order 253, the County Assembly adopts the report of the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations on the County Assembly and County Executive Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023 and approves the County Assembly Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023 without amendments and the County Executive Supplementary Budget (I) for the Financial Year 2022/2023 with amendments.

# 7. PROCEDURAL MOTION - REDUCTION OF PUBLICATION PERIOD OF THE THARAKA NITHI COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2023

Order Read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

Question put and agreed to.

# RESOLVED ACCORDINGLY

THAT; pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 149(5) this County Assembly resolves to reduce the publication period of the Tharaka Nithi County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2023 from 7days to 4days.

# 8. MOTION - THE THARAKA NITHI COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2023

(First Reading)

The Tharaka Nithi County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2023 having been read a first time was committed to the Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations.

# 9. <u>MOTION - THE THARAKANITHI COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY</u> APPROPRIATION BILL, 2023

(Hon. Muchiri Godfrey Murithi- Select Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

(Second reading)

Order for the second reading Read;

Motion made and Question proposed;

That; the Tharaka Nithi County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2023 be now read a Second Time.

(Chairperson, Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

Debate arising;

Question put and agreed to.

Thereupon, the House Resolved into a Committee of the Whole.

# 10. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

<u>Clause 2</u> - <u>agreed to</u>

Schedule - agreed to

<u>Title</u> - <u>agreed to</u>

<u>Clause 1</u> - <u>agreed to</u>

Motion made and question proposed;

That the Committee do Report to the County Assembly its consideration of The Tharaka Nithi County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2023 and its approval thereof without amendments.

(Chairperson, Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

Question put and agreed to.

# 11. HOUSE RESUMED - Hon. Speaker on the Chair

# THE THARAKA NITHI COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL, 2023

Bill reported without amendments;

Motion made and Question proposed;

That, the Assembly do agree with the Committee of the Whole in it consideration of the Tharaka Nithi County Appropriation Bill, 2023.

(Chairperson, Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

Question put and agreed to.

Motion made and Question proposed -

THAT, the Tharaka Nithi County Supplementary Appropriation Bill, 2023 be now read a Third Time.

(Chairperson, Committee on Finance, Budget and Appropriations)

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read a Third Time and passed.

# **12. COUNTY ASSEMBLY ROSE** - at thirty minutes past twelve O'clock.

#### **MEMORANDUM**

The Speaker will take the Chair on

Tuesday, February 28th, 2023 at 9.30 a.m.