

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

SIAYA COUNTY ASSEMBLY

THE HANSARD

Second County Assembly - First Session

Tuesday, 12th September, 2017

The House met at the County Assembly Chamber at 2.30 p.m.

[The Speaker (Hon. Okode) in the Chair]

PRAYER

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CHAIR

1. OPENING OF SECOND ASSEMBLY
2. DRAFT FINANCE BILL, 2017; PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Hon. Speaker: Hon. Members, feel welcome to your House. I know we haven't been given induction. We are still not sure how to behave and the Speaker is on his feet but all shall be well, just get seated. As you will be advised later, anytime the Speaker is on his feet, the House freezes and no Member should come in; for those are the rules which will guide us in the future.

I want to bring to your attention that Pursuant to provisions of Standing Order no. 13 on notification of opening the Assembly immediately after taking and subscribing to Oath or affirmation of office under Standing Order no.12 (Swearing-in of the Speaker), the Speaker shall notify the Members of the place, date and time of the opening of Assembly.

The date, place and time were communicated to you on the 30th during that event. As you are all aware of Standing Order no. 18 that the Governor shall address the opening of each newly elected Assembly at the conclusion of the Governor's address, the sitting shall stand suspended or adjourned as the Speaker may direct until such a time or to such a day as may be directed by the Speaker. Hon. Members, as anticipated that today, the 12th we would have the Governor open our Assembly, unfortunately we got communication from his office that he is unable to come today.

Therefore, that means our Assembly will be opened by a day chosen by him, which will be 20th of this Month. That should be Wednesday next week, at a time that will be communicated to you. In the meantime, I want to bring to your attention, communication from the office of the Governor, but in regard to our Business today, when we will be done with this communication, we will stand adjourned, until the time that will be communicated, that is tomorrow Afternoon, but the Members will remain in the Chamber to wait for Communication from the Speaker. So this is the Communication:

Draft Finance Bill 2017, public participation.

Pursuant to Article 196, 1FIF of the Constitution of Kenya, and Section 87 of the County Government Act 2012, the Siaya County Government invites the County Assembly Members of the Public, Private Sector Organizations, interested parties and all Stakeholders to submit any representations they need for the Draft Finance Bill 2017. The representations may be made orally, or written memorandum in the following manner:

A written Memorandum may be forwarded to the County Secretary, Siaya County Government, P.O Box 803-40600 Siaya or hand delivered to the Office of the County Secretary to be received on or before 20th September, 2017. Public hearing to be held as from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. in six Sub- Counties on the dates, time and venue as indicated below:

On the 13th of September, 2017, Rarieda between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. at Aram Market. Bondo on the same date, same time at Bondo County Hall.

On the 14th of September, 2017, same time, Alego Usonga at ATC Siaya, Gem, at Yala County Hall.

On the 15th of September, 2017, same time Ugunja, Ugunja County Hall, Ugenya, and Ukwala, Ukwala County Hall.

Kindly bring this information to the Members of the County Assembly. That has been signed by the County Secretary.

For your Information, this is an activity spearheaded by the County Government, and the Membership in this House has just been invited. What the House will do at the appropriate time is that, when they submit to us a bill, we shall commit it to a Committee. That Committee after a Commitment will organize for Public Participation on the same day. That is when it will be the property and the initiative of this House.

I personally know that Members are already complaining that they were not involved, that they were not part of the declarations, but that is the Communication I had to read to you. So I direct the office of the clerks to get copies of this Communication and give all of you, for information and reading. Next Order!

MOTION
ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members, we need to be upstanding for Adjournment. So as I mentioned to you, you will remain in the Chamber and I will be back shortly. There being no other Business, this House adjourns until tomorrow Wednesday, the 13th of September, 2017, at 2.30 p.m.

The House rose at 3.06 p.m.