

KERICHO COUNTY ASSEMBLY

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(The House met at 9.30 a.m)

[Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono) in the Chair]

PRAYERS

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Let's Proceed

NOTICE OF MOTION

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Leader of Majority!

Hon. Hezron Ngetich (Leader of Majority, Member for Chilchila Ward): Thank you Honorable Speaker for giving me this opportunity so that I table a motion concerning County Public Service Management.

Aware that, the County Public Service Board is responsible for appointing positions in the department of Finance and Public Service Management.

Noting that this House approved a budget for recruitment of staff to the Finance department in the financial year 2021/2022.

Concerned that the department advertised for positions internally contrary to section 66 of the County Government Act 2012 which states that; if a public office is to be filled, the County Public Service Board shall invite through advertisement and other modes of communication so as to reach as wide population of potential applicants as possible and especially persons who for any reasons have been or may be disadvantaged.

I therefore urge this honorable house to resolve that;

1. The internal advertisement for various positions in the department of finance and public services management by the Public Service Management be suspended.
2. The County Public Service Board members and the County Executive Committee Member in charge of public service management appear before the committee of the Whole House within 7 days from the passage of this motion on a date to be communicated to shed light on the said issues. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Next Order!

**STATEMENT FROM HON. WILLIAM SOI (MEMBER FOR
CHEMOSOT WARD)**

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): The Hon. William Soi you had a statement! Still want my copy!

Hon. William Soi (Member for Chemosot Ward): Thank you Honorable speaker for giving me this chance to present this statement. Pursuant to Section 9 of the County Government Act, 2012 and Kericho County Assembly Standing Order number 48(2)(c), I wish to seek a statement from the committee on Roads, Public Works and Transport on the following issues:-

- i. That on 23rd January the County received a letter for vetting of Mr. Johnstone Rono having been appointed by His Excellency the Governor to the position of chief Officer Public works, Roads and Transport and vetting was done on May 2020 for

approval/disapproval but since then the committee report has never seen the light of the day to determine the fate of the said officers. I therefore seek clarification from the committee; the then delay has denied the officer an opportunity to serve the county if this appointment will be approved. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Thank you. Committee on Public Works Roads and Transport vice chair is there; vice chair unfortunately I can't see you.

Hon. Haron Rotich (Member for Seretut/Cheptororiet ward): You can see me Sir!

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Yes, the honourable Philip Rono!

Hon. Philip Rono (Member for Kamasian Ward): The Vice Chair cannot actually stand before you when he is not well dressed Mr. Speaker.

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): I didn't even see him unfortunately.

Hon. Philip Rono (Member for Kamasian Ward): I have seen him.

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): I can't see him because he is improperly dressed!

Hon. William Soi (Member for Chemosot ward): This is an honourable House Honourable member!

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Order! Order! The honourable Haron Rotich I don't want to show you the way but you could just step out. I know that there must be a member of Public Works, Roads and Transport.

Hon. Philip Rono (Member for Kamasian Ward) : They are many.

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Yes, the honourable Philip Rono you are a member. Do you have this report ready? The honourable William Soi is asking about the vetting of somebody by the name Johnstone Rono, did you vet him?

Hon. Philip Rono (Member for Kamasian Ward): Thank you very much Mr. Speaker, maybe point of information Mr. Speaker is actually that the position of the Chief Officers has been fully filled. We have ten positions of the same and we have ten chief officers. That aside, the report was ready maybe we will do it when honourable chair is available.

Hon. Edith Kaptich (Nominated Member representing Women): Point of order Mr. Speaker!

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): The honourable Edith Kaptich!

Hon. Edith Kaptich (Nominated Member representing Women): Point of order!

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): Yes.

Hon. Edith Kaptich (Nominated Member representing Women): Thank you Mr. Speaker for giving me this opportunity that I can give out my point of order. The honourable member representing the people of Kamasian ward is lying to this house that the said department has the position fully filled. Thank you.

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): You are properly informed honourable Philip Rono what we were asking for is a report. This is a directive that you bring the report tomorrow at 9:30am since it has been ready for a very long time.

(Adjournment)

The Speaker (Hon. Dominic Rono): There being no other business, the House is adjourned till 2.30pm this afternoon.

(The house rose at 9:50am)