

COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF SAMBURU



THE HANSARD

Tuesday, 5th August, 2025

The Assembly met at the County Assembly Chambers at 2:30 pm

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan) in Chair

PRAYER

STATEMENTS

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): The Hon. Linus Lekuchula MCA Lodokejek Ward please you have the floor.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon speaker sir, Hon speaker I arise to move the motion pursuant to standing order no.56. I beg to move the following motion that this house debates and approves the report of the committee on public service and administration social welfare, justice and legal affairs on the vetting of the Samburu County Public Service Board selection panel nominees. I call upon Hon Joseph Loloju to second.

Temporary Speaker ,(Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): The Hon members I propose the question that this house deliberates and approves the report of the committee on the Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare Justice and Legal Affairs of the vetting of the County Public Service Board selection panel nominees. The Hon Linus Lekuchula MCA Lodokejek.

MCA Lodokejek Ward (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Hon speaker sir. Hon speaker pursuant to section 58...clause 1,2,and 3 of the County Government Act 2012 ,establishes the County Public Service Board, whenever a vacancy arises in the CPSB section 17 of the County Government general regulations 2020 stipulates the procedures for constitution of selection panel in accordance with section 58 (a) clause...1 of the County Governments act 2020 that provides that when a vacancy arises in the CSPB the Governor shall nominate and with approval of the County Assembly appoints members to a selection panel for the purpose of selecting suitable candidates for the appointment as members of the County Public Service Board. The selection panel under sub section 1 shall consist of the following persons:

1. A chairperson not being a public officer.
2. One person from the private sector.
3. An Advocate of High court of Kenya who is a member of the Law Society of Kenya.
4. An Accountant who is a member of the institute of the certified public accountants of Kenya (ICPAK).
- 5 .One person from association representing workers.

Hon Speaker following to nomination of the County Public Service Board selection panel by His Excellency the Governor in accordance with section 58 1of the county government amendment Act 2020 and pursuant to section 8 clause 1(a) of the county government Act 2012, the following persons were nominated:

1. Tom Lolosoli-Chairperson.
2. Solomon Lempere-Member Advocate of High Court of Kenya.
3. Dorcars Lekisanyal-Member Accountant, Member of ICPAK
4. William Lengoiyap-Member representative of workers
5. Florence Lesoloiya-Member of private sector.

Hon. Speaker, the nomination of the five persons was conferred to the Speaker through a letter of reference CGS/OOC/CPSB/SP/Volume 1/002/2025, dated 15th July 2025. The nominees' curriculum vitae and other testimonials were enclosed in the letter. On 16th July 2025, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 7(1) of the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, the Speaker reported the receipt of the notification to the County Assembly on the nomination of the County Public Service Board Selection Panel nominees.

In accordance with Section 58A(1) of the County Governments' (Amendment) Act, 2020, Section 8(1)(a) of the County Governments' Act, 2012, and Standing Order No. 212(4)(f) of the County Assembly of Samburu Standing Orders, the names of the nominees were referred to the Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Justice and Legal Affairs for vetting and reporting to the House within 14 days. Consequently, and in accordance with Section 7(4) of the County Assembly Approval Act, 2017, the Clerk of the County Assembly placed a public notice on 23rd July 2025, inviting the public to submit memoranda by way of written statements on oath or affidavit on the suitability, or otherwise, of each nominee. The public notice indicated that the submissions were to be received by Tuesday, 29th July 2025, at 5.00 p.m. By close of the submission period, the Committee did not receive any memoranda touching on the suitability, or otherwise, of any nominee.

The nominees appeared before the Committee as scheduled on Wednesday, 30th July 2025, for approval hearings in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010, the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, and the County Assembly of Samburu Standing Orders, on their suitability for appointment to the Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel, to recruit the members of the board. Pursuant to Section 58A(1)(2)(3) of the County Governments Act, 2020, and Section 8(1)(a), the Committee observed that the following nominees met the integrity threshold, demonstrated knowledge of topical, administrative and technical issues touching the position they have been nominated for, and had the requisite abilities, academic qualifications and professional experience to be approved for appointment:

1. Tom Lolosoli – Chairperson Nominee, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel. Recruiting the members to the Samburu County Service Board.
2. Florence Lesoloyia – Member Nominee, representing the private sector, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel. Recruiting the members to the Samburu County Service Board
3. Solomon Lempere – Member Nominee, Advocate of the High Court of Kenya, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel. Recruiting the members to the Samburu County Service Board
4. Dorcas Lekisanyal – Member Nominee, Accountant, representative of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK), Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel. Recruiting the members to the Samburu County Service Board
5. William Lengoyiap – Member Nominee, representing workers, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel. Recruiting the members to the Samburu County Service Board

Having conducted the approval hearings for the nominees in accordance with the Constitution, the County Governments Act, the Public Appointments (County Assemblies Approval) Act, 2017, and Standing Order No. 212(4)(f), the Committee recommends that this Assembly approves the nomination of Tom Lolosoli for appointment as Chairperson, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel, in recruiting the members to the Samburu County Public Service Board by His Excellency Governor.

Two, approves the nomination of Florence Lesoloyia for appointment as a member representing the private sector, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel, in recruiting members of the Samburu County Public Service Board by His Excellency Governor.

Approves the nomination of Solomon Lempere for appointment as a member representing Advocates of High Court of Kenya, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel, integrating the members to the Samburu County Public Service Board by His Excellency Governor.

Approves the nomination of Dorcas Lekisanyal for appointment as a member, accountant, representative of the Institute of Certified Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK), Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel, integrating the members to the Samburu County Public Service Board by His Excellency Governor.

Approves the nomination of William Lengoyiap as a member representing the workers, Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel, integrating the members to the Samburu County Public Service Board by His Excellency Governor.

I take this opportunity to thank all members of the Committee for their input and valuable contribution and time during approval hearings and report writing. The Committee also takes this opportunity to thank the Office of the Speaker and Office of the Clerk of the County Assembly of Samburu for their technical support accorded to the Committee during this exercise. On behalf of the Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Justice and Legal Affairs, and pursuant to the provision of Section 9(2) of the Public Appointments County Assembly's Approval Act, 2017, I thank the Committee on Public Service and Administration for their input and valuable contribution and time during approval hearings and report.

On Prohibition of Standing Order No. 212(4)(F), it is my pleasant duty to present to the House the report of the Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Justice and Legal Affairs of the Approval Hearings of the Nominees for Appointment to the position of Samburu County Service Board Selection Panel in Recruiting the Members of the Samburu County Public Service Board. The Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Justice and Legal Affairs is one of the sectoral committees established under Standing

Order No. 212(4)(F), which provides that the Committee shall vet and report on all appointments where the Constitution or any law requires the County Assembly to approve.

I am going to read the committee recommendations so that I can give the members to contribute. Having conducted approval hearings for the nominees pursuant to Article 179(2)(b) of the Constitution of Kenya, Section 7 of the Public Appointments, County Assemblies of Samburu Standing Orders No. 212(4)(F), the committee recommends that the Assembly approves the nomination of Tom Lolosoli for appointment as a person, approves the nomination of Florence Lesoloyia for appointment as a member representing the private sector in Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel to recruit members of the Samburu County Public Service Board, approves the nomination of Solomon Lempere for appointment as a member representing High Court of Kenya.

As an advocate in Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel to recruit the members of the Samburu County Public Service Board, approves the nomination of Dorcas Lekisanyal for appointment as a member, representing the Institute of Certified Accountants of Kenya, ICPAK, as an accountant in the Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel to recruit the members of the Samburu County Public Service Board, approves the nomination of William Lengoyiap for appointment as a member, representing workers in the Samburu County Public Service Board Selection Panel to recruit the members of the Samburu County Public Service Board.

Thank you, Hon. Speaker, sir. I beg the Honorable Members to support the report and approve for better services to people of Samburu County.

Temporary Speaker (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Very well, Hon. Lekuchula, Member for Loodokejek Ward. Members, you are at liberty to interrogate and deliberate on the matter before we put the question, Hon. Lawrence.

MCA Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Mr. Speaker, while I appreciate the report for the work ahead, we have got many identities. We have got women as identity, we have got men as identity, we have got age as identity, and we have got communities as identity. When I say it is one identity, one community and yet we need inclusiveness. By the Constitution, Article 100, we need at least consideration of marginalized communities.

How do we promote other communities or other identities? My concern is this: it is discriminatory, because when I go back to see the President we do not access services, other communities do not access services because the service board are the ones to examine and shortlist and if other communities are not there the business will go as a whole. I have a concern and it is not because of the qualifications of those appointed, they have all the rights and qualifications. The area that I am concerned with is about inclusiveness or promotion of other identities; it has gone as a threat. Back at home or in your communities we have fought on why they are not accessing opportunities. We are here to represent them and we are their voices. This House must consider it. All the processes has been followed about memorandum and so on but we have some ignorant people somewhere but I do not think that the Governor is ignorant, you will see promotion of inclusiveness and that is why I have a concern and I keep quiet. Thank you Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Very well Hon. Lawrence Lorunyei the MCA Nachola Ward, Hon. Lekuchula.

MCA Lodokejek Ward, (Hon. Lekuchula David): Thank you Mr. Speaker. The concern that my Hon. Brother Hon. Lorunyei has we cannot deny that maybe he has a very good concern to the people that he represents but we as the Committee to this House when the nominees were presented to this House by H.E the Governor we went as per the letter we received, by the names that we are supposed to vet, we cannot pick any member out of the selected candidates, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Specially Elected MCA, (Hon. Osman Dube): Mheshimiwa Spika ninaunga kamati mkono. Lempere ni mtu mwenye ujuzi mwingi na anaelewa kazi. Najua hivi kwa sababu ya miaka tano tulikuwa pamoja na anaweza fanya haki, Dorcas pia amefanya kazi katika board na anaelewa mambo mengi na ninaunga mkono, asante.

MCA Maralal Ward, (Hon. Loloju Joseph): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. As per the report itself it is 100% sure, I fully support despite the Hon. Lorunyei pettiness of the kind of tribalism...

Please mayor, we do not use uncoothed, please withdraw the word actually. It is demeaning the status of the Member. Please withdraw and apologize.

MCA Maralal Ward, (Hon. Loloju Joseph): I withdraw Mr. Speaker Sir.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Thank you.

So having said so, Mr. Speaker I am left with nothing because I wanted to hit him down the scrotum but I withdraw. I support.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Hon. Members we should debate with decorum but having withdrawn and apologize to the House and in particular the Member next time you are on my radar for such language, thank you.

MCA Maralal Ward, (Hon. Loloju Joseph): Thank you Mr. Speaker Sir. Then my good brother my friend Nkishili...

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Let them continue. I want to apologize. He is a good friend of mine and sincerely from the bottom of my heart I apologize and withdraw.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Thank you so much. Hon. Jane Nakinyi.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Nakinyi Jane): Thank you Mr. Speaker for this opportunity and I also thank the Committee for the work they have done. I support it but though but as Hon. Lorunyei has said This is not the first time that we have commented that the community has not been represented especially the Minority tribe and people with disability is not well represented so I urge next time the Committee before even you go through this thing and also the Executive they should consider that this is not the first time that the report has come here we see that it is not balanced especially in Minority and Disability. We know in part of gender it is inclusive but the other part of minority it is not well represented, thank you Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Very well Hon. Nakinyi. Hon. Silapia.

Specially Elected Member, (Hon. Lenamatiyo Silapia): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I also stand to support the report as it is and also to respect the concerns of the Hon. Member for Nachola Ward. Hon. Nakinyi has referred that the Committee look at the issue of the minority, it is genuine but at which level will the Committee see urgent, it should be coming from the appointee, the Committee has received the names, the County Assembly and they have no authority to include

whoever who is missing. On the matter, let us consult from above to see whether the minority will be concluded but we respect the concerns, it is so very genuine.

I saw the name of our former Speaker Lempere and also the former CEC for Finance and also Roads, the former CEC for roads who is Dorcas Lekisanyal has been working of the Public Service Board of Samburu in the last regime and has that capacity to hold that office within the timeline that has been given and also our former Speaker he qualified with the whole legal requirement and I support, thank you.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Thank you Hon. Silapia. I think I am impressed with the kind of debate that is brought to the floor of the House; allow me to appreciate Hon. Silapia because the Committee's mandate is vetting not even interviewing; the Executive the appointing authority is guided also just look at the report page three paragraph three that the select panels section 1 shall consist of the following one is a person should represent this and that, I think those are the guidelines that guides the Executive but nevertheless as a Committee just as Hon. Silapia said before such we need to have a concern of Hon. Lawrence but of course there shall be because I do not think that maybe with such qualification as stipulated we can miss also the minorities, this is superb, I think we are growing as a House, Hon. Lorunyei thank you so much we are growing as a House.

MCA Nachola Ward, (Hon. Lorunyei Lawrence): Mr. Speaker, this House is in power as Article say that the supreme power belongs to the people and they delegate to representatives When things are not right we have the right of referring back so that the process be followed, I am not saying that they are not qualified, the applicants have all the terms and conditions but inclusivity and promotions of other communities or regional balance we have the power to reverse because we have no power to ourselves but they can correct it, that was my concern.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Thank you and noted. Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah.

MCA Elbarta Ward, (Hon. Leitoro Jeremiah): Thank you Mr. Speaker. I take this opportunity to support the report of the Hon. Committee and in a special way I thank the Committee for a wonderful done job. The concerns raised by the Hon. Member for Nachola Ward it is indeed as you have ruled these positions are clearly stipulated and as you mentioned in page three but next time as the appointing authority we do such consideration because I can attest I know we have

minorities in our County and I can even confirm from the social media pages that there have been a lot of discussion pertaining when these nominees are perceived to come from one community it will bring issues that are not inclusive. However, the nominees are competent people and we are sure they are going to do a wonderful job with that I want to thank you Mr. Speaker.

Temporary Speaker, (Hon. Lemoosa Jonathan): Thank you and very well Hon. Leitoro. Reading from the mood of the House allow me to put the question which is that this House debates and approves the report of the Committee on Public Service and Administration, Social Welfare, Justice and Legal Affairs for the vetting of the County Public Service Board Selection Panel nominees.

(Question put and passed)

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Members the time being 8 minutes past three o'clock and there being no other business this Assembly now adjourns until Wednesday 6th August 2025 at 9:30 am, thank you.