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MINUTES OF KITENGELA MUNICIPAL CITIZEN QUARTELY FORA HELD ON 15TH MARCH 2024 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES

Members present

- 1. Hon. Julius Ole Ntayia Kitengela Municipality Board Chairperson
- 2. Josephine Nashipae Kitengela Municipality Manager
- 3. Kametoi Kisoso Chair HR & Adm.
- 4. Mr. Nzioka Environment & Water & Sanitation
- 5. Felix Muneria Technical Committee
- 6. Timothy Njuguna-Board member
- 7. Citizen Fora committee members
- 8. Kitengela Municipality Mazingira unit officers
- 9. Hon. Marush MCA Oloosirkon/Sholinke ward
- 10. Hon. Matuyia -MCA Kitengela ward
- 11. Veronicah Ogeli- CPO
- 12. Rosemary Leteina
- 13. Ezekiel Lemarpe
- 14. Benson Tanyasi
- 15. Micheal Abande
- 16. Raphael Kiki
- 17. Stake holders

Absent with Apologies

- 1. James Mbugua- Board member
- 2. Peninah Pesi Vice Chairperson
- 3. Planner Elizabeth
- 4. Musa Leyian- Procurement officer

Agendas

- 1. Min1/2024 Introduction
- 2. Min2/2024 Presentation of the Approved budget for the FY 2024/2025
- 3. Min3/2024 Effective Waste Management/ Presentation of the Municipal solid waste policy
- 4. Min4/2024 Citizen's engagement and role of the county assembly
- 5. Min5/2024-A.O.B

Min1/2024 – Introduction

The meeting started with a word of prayer by Veronicah Ogeli the municipal citizen participation officer. Briefly, municipal manager welcomed all stake holders appreciating for turning up in good numbers. She opened the session and assured all to be free to air their issues, as well as inputs. Minutes of the previous meeting were read out by the municipal CPO. The municipal manager confirmed and seconded by Felix Muneria.

Min2/2024— Presentation of the Approved budget for the FY 2024/2025

A representation of different stakeholders in different sectors of the three wards that make up the municipality were present. The forum provided a good opportunity to engage residents on the approved budget for the FY 2024/2025. The approved budget was presented to the citizens as they also proposed priority projects that needed to be undertaken. In this regard, most of them proposed that stalled/incomplete projects be prioritized instead of starting new ones leaving the incomplete hanging.

A citizen questioned on the status of long stalled Kitengela market. Kitengela ward MCA responded with an update that sufficient funds have been reallocated in the supplementary budget. He assured residents that the market is on track for completion as it is expected to boost local commerce and provide a vibrant marketplace for consumers and traders. The municipal manager informed the residents of the planned reconnection of water services from the Northern collector tunnel. The first phase will focus on the CBD and surrounding and as elaborate plan for the larger municipal area is being negotiated.

Min3/2024 – Effective Waste Management/ Presentation of the Municipal Draft Solid Waste Policy

On the effectiveness of waste management, the Environment officer Ezekiel Lemarpe presented the municipal draft Solid Waste Management Policy and read it briefly to the residents. The policy is a guideline on waste management within the municipality. He briefed residents on issues of waste management that the municipality has a mazingira unit team responsible for collecting waste, cleaning drainages, as well as doing inspections to curb illegal dumping within

our town. The mazingira team has been of help to achieve the Governors legacy goals agenda of livable towns. This is an agenda that the community appreciated and vowed to help the team in keeping the town clean.

Various institutions were urged to join the clean up campaigns and support in terms of material provision and when need be assistance as part of CSR.

Min4/2024 – Citizen's engagement and role of county assembly

The manager reminded the citizens of their role in oversight and stated that, active participation and valuable feedback is very essentials in ensuring development is achieved. Residents were given an opportunity for an open dialogue to air their views and inputs. Residents raised concerns on urgent need for more resources to complete the stalled Kitengela market however the area Mca assured them of completion strategies in place. Residents also raised concerns on waste management issue as the town is badly littered. This concern was taken up by the manager as she assured residents that waste will be managed by her office. She added that several bin tracks will be placed in different places within the turn to curb poor littering. In addition, town clean ups will be done regularly to keep the town clean and livable. It was agreed that all citizens be responsible for the cleanliness of their environment.

The area MCA assured residents that the priority projects for Kitengela and Oloosirkon/Sholinke wards will be allocated in the supplementary budget.

Min5/2024- A.O.B

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 2pm with a word of prayer from Kametoi Kisoso.