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### MINUTES FOR CITIZEN FORA HELD KAPKWEN ON 14 TH AUGUST 2019

### **Preliminary**

The meeting was called in order by Joseph Kebeney and an opening prayer was made by Rev. Stanley Cheruiyot who is the chairperson of Kapkwen market.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1 Relocation of traders from trading on the Roadside
- 2 Development of Kapkwen Market
- 3 Improvement to bitumen standards of Bomet university Chebirir road
- 4 Security

## Min 1: Relocation of traders from trading on the Roadside

Mr. Joseph Kebeney raised his concern over inconveniences to traffic by traders who normally display their goods on the shoulders of Kisii- Nairobi highway. The deputy county commissioner, Mr. Metto also strongly condemned the act by the traders despite several pleas to relocate from the roadside have not been able to heed the advisory. The traders from Kapkwen market gave their observation that most of those who display their commodities on the road side are itinerant traders who move from one open market to the other. They called on both the

county government of Bornet, Bornet municipality and national government security agencies to enforce the prohibition of trading on the roadside.

It was resolved that all motorists including ambulances trying to save lives should no longer be inconvenienced by unnecessary traffic snarl-ups once they reach Kapkwen on a market day.

MIN 01/03/2020: Development of Kapkwen Market; the public led by the Koech and Omollo, both being members of the cattle auction urged the county department of lands and urban planning to fast track on the payment of balances for the purchase of land meant for Kapkwen market. Benard who is the seller, expressed his dissatisfaction over the delay in settling the balances. The chief officer Mr. Kebeney replied that the balances would soon be cleared to enable a contractor to carry out development of the market.

The market committees requested for a meeting with Bomet municipality to present their input in the design layout of the Kapkwen market. According to them, the sellers of similar commodities should be designated to be designated to sell on a zoned site within the designed market.

The DCC Mr. Metto told the participants that the relocation of the trades from the roads sides is about safety of the traders and road users and that it has go nothing to do with politics but about lives of the people which should be protected at all cost.

# MIN 03/03/2020: Improvement of Chebirir University Road to Bitumen Standards

The request by residents to open up a link road to Bomet university through Chebirir. The road would provide an alternative road that links up the main road after Bomet CBD.

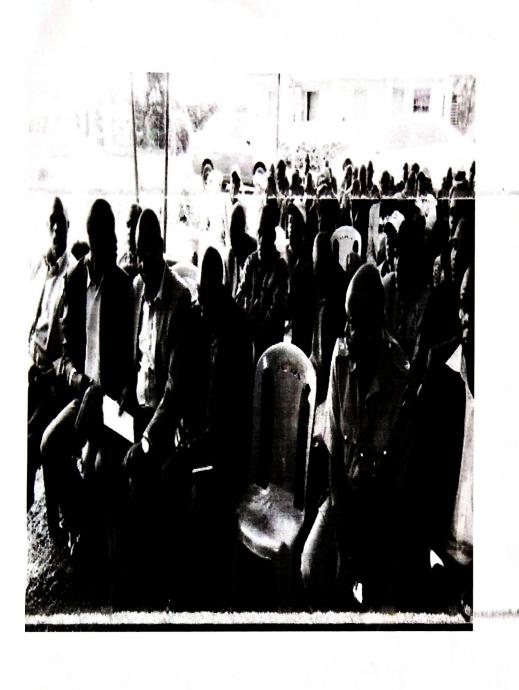
- The road when completed would greatly decongest Bomet CBD.
- Other vehicles without any business in Bomet town will use it as an alternative route.
- The road will open up Chebirir for expansion of Bomet town

The total stretch of the road is approximately 3.8 kilometers. Its construction will to be carried out in phases.

Min 4/9/2019: Security: the participants raised their concerns over security issues especially related to the theft of motor vehicles, specifically Probox vehicles. It was approximated that 32 vehicles were stollen in Bomet town over a period of one year. It was noted that this is a disturbing trend which scares away potential investors from putting up their investment in Bomet town. The statistics makes Bomet as having the highest incidences of car theft in Kenya.

The DCC Mr. Metto requested the participant who may be having any information which can lead to the arrest of the culprits to report to the relevant government agencies. The public were also asked to report any suspicious characters so that they can be investigated.





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