

**MINUTES OF THE FIRST ORDINARY MEETING OF THE FIRST SESSION OF
THE FOURTH ASSEMBLY OF THE NKWANTA NORTH DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 23RD JUNE, 2022 AT THE NEW ASSEMBLY BLOCK**

MEMBERS PRESENT FOR THE MEETING

SN	NAMES	ELECTORAL AREA	NUMBER OF DAYS
1	HON. GREGORY BABA GBANDI	P M	1
2	HON. WILLIAM KIDIGNANG NAWUGMA	DCE	1
3	HON. MANIIN SIMON	KPASSA WEST	1
4	HON. GODSON TETTEH	KABONWULE	1
5	HON. MAGAN KOFI JONAS	AZUA/KOFI AKURA	1
6	HON. KONYAN BINGAN GEORGE	SIBI NORTH	1
7	HON. MOHAMMED OSMAN	KPASSA EAST	1
8	HON. KILADINI ISAAC	NABU	1
9	HON. OBED LIMBEY	KPASSA WEST	1
10	HON. TAWOR NGENDAN FRANCIS	KABRE	1
11	HON. BINYANDAM ERNEST	PIBILLA	1
12	HON. NTIKI GEORGE	KPASSA NORTH WEST	1
13	HON. YAJOL AMOS	OGYIRI	1
14	HON. JAGRI NAJABU JOHN	DAMANKO EAST	1
15	HON. KITABIK ISAAC	ABUNYANYA	1
16	HON. GMAKAM JOHN G	TINJASE	1
17	HON. TABANTI ABRAHAM	SIBI SOUTH	1
18	HON. KWABENA JOHN	GOVERNMENT APPOINTEE	1
19	HON. THERESA	GOVERNMENT APPOINTEE	1
20	HON. FREEMAN W. AHU	GOVERNMENT APPOINTEE	1
21	HON. KADIL OBRENYA	GOVERNMENT APPOINTEE	1

22	HON. JOHN NANKAN	GOVERNMENT APPOINTEE	1
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MEMBERS ABSENT

JEOPHERY AHEDOR

HON. JOHN OTI BLESS

STATUS

BUDGET ANALYST

MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

SN	NAME	DEPARTMENT	NUMBER OF DAYS
1	SEVLO AGYEI	DCD	1
2	STEPHEN BAABUL	DFO	1
3	DARE JOSHUA	DPPO	1
4	ATIGEDEWE GLORIA	ADIIB	1
5	FUSEINI NURUDEEN	NCCE	1
6	SOLOMON JAKAINGNAN	DEHO	1
7	DOMINIC JAGRI	DIO	1
8	DRAH EVELYN	HRM	1
9	THOMAS MUNGANI	DPO	1
10	LAZARUS KUTIAMEY	IA	1
11	SAMUEL PAINTSIL	ADIIB	1
12	SEI E. DAVID	NADMO	1
13	NANJA MATHEW TACHIN	DSO	1
14	BRIGHT NKROW	SWCD	1
15	ALEX DEKU	WORKS	1
16	WULLINYAN N JOHN	NFED	1
17	KRAMPA K. S JUDE	FC-TIDD	1
18	ALBERT N. WAJA	NIA	1

SN	DELIBERATION	ACTION
1.0	OPENING PRAYER The meeting was called to order by the presiding member Hon. Baba at 10:30 after which the opening prayer was said by Theresa at 10:30	
1.1	PRESIDING MEMBER' OPENING REMARKS In his opening remarks he welcomed all and sundry who were present for the meeting and craved their indulgence to assist him to steer the meeting to a	

	<p>successful end. He reiterated the need for members to see themselves as one family who were voted for by their electorates to bring them development. He noted that the Assembly's work was not do and die affairs but rather sharing of ideas</p>	
1.2	<p>AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA FOR THE MEETING Hon.Obed Limbey moved a motion that the agenda for the meeting should be amended to include open floor for the public to interact with the DCE after his sessional Address. The motion was seconded by Hon. Kiladini Isaac</p>	
1.3	<p>EXCERPS FROM THE HON. DISTRICT CHIEF EXECUTIVES'S SITUATION ADRESS</p>	
1.4	<p>ADMINISTRATION The DCE indicated that he had enjoyed the cooperation and collaboration from chiefs, Hon. Members and staff of the Assembly since he assumed office. He went further to state that he would operate the open door administration to give meaning to efficiency, openness, transparency and accountability which were the bedrock of democracy He added that the staffing of the Assembly currently stood at 91 made up of 73 mechanized and 18 internally recruited staff</p>	
2.0	<p>GOOD GOVERNANCE He indicated that two town hall and three community engagements meetings had already been organized at Tinjase, Damanko, Obunja, Lacha, Mama Akura and Sibi respectively. He added that the area councils will also receive maximum attention under my leadership to enable them better serve the people. Continuing, he added that the Assembly will also provide adequate resources to the NCCE and NADMO to strengthen them to intensify outreach programs to sensitize the public on the availability of covid-19 vaccine etc</p>	
2.1	<p>SECURITY SITUATION HE indicated that the impasse between Ewes and Konkombas at Mola No. 1 and 2 over a percel of land and the deadlock over the funeral rites of the late chief of Abunyanya Ubor Nakonja Bejijah II were few pockets of security concerns that nearly disturbed the peace in the District. He added that the District had the privilege of hosting the inspector General of Police who was on official tour of the Oti Region</p>	
2.2	<p>THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME He added that the national Health insurance scheme office was commissioned to serve the people in the District</p>	
2.3	<p>ABUNYANYA CHPS COMPOUND He indicated that the Assembly in its efforts to make health facility available to the people and also to fill the infrastructure gaps that exist within the health sector in the District and to promote the attainment of the united nation's sustainable development Goal three which states 'to ensure healthy lives and promote well- being for all people at all ages'.</p>	

<p>2.4</p> <p>3.0</p> <p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>3.4</p> <p>4.0</p> <p>4.1</p>	<p>PIBILLA WATER PROJECT He added that the pibilla to commission a mechanized borehole to enable the people have access to portable drinking water. He took the opportunity to commend the Regional Minister through whose effort the project saw the light of day.</p> <p>DAMANKO W.C TOILET FACILITRY He added that in keeping with Assembly’s commitment to ensure that open defecation is eradicated to improve the sanitary conditions in the District to achieve the sustainable development goal six which demand clean water and good sanitation for every household.</p> <p>AGENDA II He indicated that the Assembly was asked to cede a portion of its land for the project. He added that the contractor has reported to site and work was ongoing</p> <p>ROAD The DCE said t5he Assembly in its 2022 budget had planned to reshape and undertake sport improvement on selected roads in the District. He further indicated that the Assembly has identified hippopotamus in the oti river at chaala and the Assembly budgeted to construct a 4km of the road leading to the sanctuary to facilitate tourism</p> <p>GREEN GHANA PROJECT The DCE stated that the Green Ghana project was an initiative under the ministry of lands and natural resources in collaboration with the forestry commission to plant 20million trees in a day throughout the country. He stated that the District had the opportunity to host the regional</p> <p>PROMOTION OF CLIMATE CHANGE He indicated that the Assembly is irrevocably committed to the establishment of solid and efficient machinery for good climate change activities as contained in the 2022-2025 medium term development plan of the Assembly</p> <p>DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES He indicated that the District development facility was instituted to provide additional resources to metropolitan, municipal and District Assemblies that meet the necessary requirement under the District performance and Assessmwent tool organized by the ministry of local Government Decentralization and Rural Development periodically for development. He announced to the house that the Assembly was able to pass the 2021 DPAT assessment with performance score of 87% marks.</p> <p>GHANA SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAMME The DCE said the Ghana school feeding programme is one of the government programmes initiated to ensure that pupils stay in school and also build the local economy. He added that the programme expanded from 22 public beneficiary school in 2017 to39 in the District.</p>	
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4.2	<p>SUPPORT TO PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY</p> <p>He stated that the government quest to alleviate poverty among people with disabilities and to increase their participation in socio economic activities introduced 2% allocation of the District Assemblies Common Fund for person with disability in the MMDCA across the country.He added that the disability Fund Management Committee of the Assembly received and processed a total of 49 implication from person with disability for support.</p>	
4.3	<p>INTERACTION OF DCE WITH THE PUBLIC (OPEN FORUM)</p> <p>KOYA indicated that the wor4king environment in the registry was not conducive and called on the DCE to take immediate action to address the issue. He also went further to find out when will the committee set up to authentic the work of the contractor working on the Kpassa Mamakura main road begin its work</p> <p>He also raised the issue of movement of cattles and illegal parking of cargo cars on our road</p> <p>Assistant head master for administration KPESTECH Moses noted with concern the uncompleted community day school at Damanko and pleaded with the Assembly to follow up with contractor to come to site to complete it to ease pressure on kpestech. He also raised the issue of dangerous nature of the evening market and noise making in Kpassa township.</p> <p>In respect to the cars being park along the road the DCD said the Assembly had a meeting with the wood sellers and transport union and the issue was came up for discussed and the DCE indicated that such misbehavior would not be accepted.</p> <p>With regard to the proposed committee to monitor the work being executed by the Chinese company DCD said EXECO agreed the meeting should be recalled as soon as possible.</p> <p>On the movement of the evening market DCD appealed to the public to support the Assembly to move the traders to the newsite</p> <p>Hon Kiladini Isaac</p>	
4.4	<p>ALLEGED FINANCI AOL MALFEASANCE AT THE DISTRICT ASSEMBLY</p> <p>Hon. Kiladini Isaac raised an issue of money from communication masks meant for the Assembly being diverted into the personal account of Mr. worlanyo former physical planning officer of the District Assembly.</p> <p>DCD in addressing the issue said the Assembly instituted measures in place to block the leakages in our IGF and the measures were being implemented the DFO came up with bank statement and a letter head of the Assembly and under it town and country planning department to open a bank account with the ADB Kpassa bank. He added that management met, discussed the issue and realized that the such officer was with the different Assembly and the leadership of that institution should be inform of what the Assembly had identify and that management want to mweet the officer.</p> <p>At the meeting he concede of engaging in such illegality and agreed to refund all the monies due the Assembly and payment plan was put in place</p>	

5.0	<p>Explaining further that within the period of 2019-2020 four telecommunication masks were mounted in our District Jato Kpakplen, Damanko, kpassa west and kpassa east and the rate for permit was 12,000 Ghana Cedis per masks. The facilitation fees of the masks telecommunication was 10,00.00</p> <p>He was quick to indicate that the permit fees for the masks in Kpassa west and east were paid into the Assembly account but the facilitation fees was paid to him.</p> <p>With respect to the Damanko and Jato Kplenkplen he indicated that Mr. Worlanyo diverted the permit and facilitation fees were diverted his personel account.</p> <p>Hon. Kiladini Isaac wanted to know who is at the District Assembly issued the receipt to the telecommunication companies and also the payment plan instituted to retrieve our money.</p> <p>In his response DFO stated that he manufactured the receipt and issued to the telecommunication companies. He went further to state that an amount of 187103.00 Ghana ceidis was paid into the account which was created by him. He was quick to state that the Assembly had able to retrieved 23,000 Ghana Cedis from him</p> <p>Hon. Theresa called for proper investigation to ascertain to get to the root cause of the issue to know the actual amount as stake before negotiating with him.</p> <p>Hon. Obed Limbey suggested that the issue should be referred to appropriate committee of the Assembly to do more investigation.</p> <p>The house by consensus resolved that management should go on with the process to retrieve the money from him and the payment plan should be made known to honourable members</p> <p>CHAIRMEN OF VARIOUS SUB-COMMITTEES</p> <p>By consensus the following Hon. Members were elected to chair the various Subcommittees.</p> <p>AGRIC SUBCOMMITTEE HON OBRENYA KADIL</p> <p>WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE HON. MOHAMMED OSMAN</p> <p>FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION HON. OBED LIMBEY</p> <p>JUSTICE AND SECURITY HON. GBILIBUL GMAKAM</p> <p>ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE HON. KWABENA JOHN</p> <p>DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE HON.KILADINI ISAAC</p> <p>SOCIAL SUBCOMMITTEE</p>	MAGT
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	HON.SIMON MANIIN	
5.1	COMPOSITION OF EXECO	
	Hon. Obrenya Kadil the chairman of the Agric Subcommittee was elected to add the chairmen of the statutory subcommittee who were automatic members. Hon.tabanti Abraham and theresa were also elected to represent hon. Members at EXECO	
5.2	READING AND CORRECTION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES	
	The house went through the previous minutes and made all the necessary corrections after which Hon. Obrenya Kadil moved a motion for the discussion of the minutes and was seconded by Hon. Freeman Worlasi	
5.3	MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES	
5.4	VARIATION REPORT ON THE DISTRICT ASSEMBLY'S BURNT PICK UP	
	DCD presented the report on the variation of the ssembly burnt pick up. The report indicated that the cost of the vehicle after being varied was GHC33,000.00	
	PM indicated that the variation report came before the audit committee and members were not satisfied and had petitioned the Ghana Police service for the correction to be effected	
	The house reiterated the need for management to pursue the issue vigorous to ensure that the burnt vehicle is replaced	MAGT
6.0	MEDICAL SCREENING FOR FOOD VENDORS	
	The Environmental and Sanitation Sub-committee failed to discussed the medical screening for food vendor exercise carried out at the last meeting. The house therefore tasked them to include the issue in their next meeting and inform the house according.	
6.1	PRESENTATION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEE REPORT	
	The DCE presented the Executive Committee report as follow:	
	1.The committee set up to inspect and authenticate the design of the ongoing Kpassa-Damanko road being executed by China Gem International Company to ensure quality Assurance to failed to meet, EXECO tasked the Assembly to convey another meeting as soon as possible.	
	2. The Executive Committee resolved that the Regional Director of the Community Water and Sanitation Agency should be invited to brief the house on the status and activities of the Kpassa-Damanko water system.	
	3.On the issue of frequent power fluctuation in the District, EXECO resolved that the Public Relations officer of the Northern Electricity Company of	

	<p>Ghana should be invited to brief Hon. Members on the status of electricity supply in the District.</p> <p>4.The committee resolved that the District Operation Assistant of Zoomlion should be invited to brief the General Assembly on sanitation situation in the District</p>	
6.2	<p>ACCEPTANCE OF THE DISTRICT CHIEF EXECUTIVE’S SESSIONAL ADDRESS AND EXECO REPORT FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION</p> <p>Hon. Obed Limbey moved a motion for the acceptance of the DCE’S Sessional Address and EXECO Report for discussion and was seconded by Hon John Jagri</p> <p>The committee set up to inspect and authenticate the design of the ongoing Kpassa-Damanko road being executed by China Gem International Company to ensure quality Assurance to failed to meet, EXECO tasked the Assembly to convey another meeting as soon as possible.</p> <p>After lengthy deliberation on the issue the house reaffirmed the resolved passed at EXECO</p>	MAGT
6.3	<p>DIGITIZE NUMBER PLATE</p> <p>Hon. Kiladi Isaac indicated that most of the communities did not have the digitise number plate and wanted to know when would the Assembly issued the communities with the number plate. He also wanted to find out if the bylaws have been gazetted</p> <p>DCD in his responds to the bylaws indicated that the Assembly had submitted them to the Oti Regional Coordinating Council and the processes are ongoing to be gazetted.</p> <p>In respect of the digitise address DCD said the exercise was carried out by the office of the vice president and the Assembly was only recipient of the plate that were brought in. He assured the house that the Assembly would ensure that the rest of the communities were provided when the plates are brought to the Assembly.</p>	
6.4	<p>PRESIDING MEMBER CLOSING REMARKS</p>	

