

MIN 04/MKT/2024: INTRODUCTION

The Municipal Manager Mr. Boru Golicha called the meeting to an order and introduced the matter and called Mzee Jarso Ginda to lead the members present in prayers .

Presence of all stall owners of Saku Modern Market was confirmed.

MIN 04/MKT/2024: OPENING REMARKS

The Municipal Manager introduced members of the board and the officers present and asked permission from the board chairman to moderate the meeting and gave a brief overview of the establishment of Saku modern market and proceeded to explain the purpose of the meeting as involving the stall owners at Saku modern market in discussing reasons as to why they have not yet occupied the given stalls.

MIN 04/MKT/2024: REASONS FOR NOT OCCUPYING SAKU MODERN MARKET STALLS

The Municipal manager, Mr Boru Golicha explained about the Saku Modern complex which was built in a bid to spur economic growth in Marsabit County. He again reminded the traders of how the 491 stalls project cost 425 million which was modelled from other successful markets in other parts of Kenya are operating wat below capacity. He again reminded the traders that the auditors are questioning the office of Municipality as was behind in the schedule collection of revenue from the Saku modern complex.

He proceeded and reminded the stall owners of the previous discussions over the three years about the market and what the stall owners themselves agreed on the matter that if the stall owners will not occupy the stalls the Marsabit Municipality shall terminate the agreement and repossesses the stalls and be given to another trader to do their business.

Mr Boru also confirmed with the stall owners present in the meeting that the complains about the electricity, proper maintenance and them complain on the rental fees reduced to 1500 of which almost 80% of the stall owners were not complying with the payment.

MIN 04/MKT/2024: DISCUSSION ON THE WAY FORWARD FOR THE STALL OWNERS WHO ARE NOT OCCUPYING THE STALLS.

The saku modern market committee chairman Mr Kache Buno reported that most of stall owners have not occupied the spaces because the stalls are too small for the trades, he also spoke about the structure of the building of market not favorable for especially the cereal traders.

He also suggested that the government to provide more exit doors for the people to freely walk in and out of the market.

Mr Kache also suggested more stairs from the sides for the upper floor to easen the movement of the people.

He also suggested that if possible to redesign the entire building and make the ground floor open market for the cereal traders and the stalls on the first and second flour to make it bigger for the other businesses.