

ASUTIFI SOUTH DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
PUBLIC RELATIONS AND COMPLAINTS
COMMITTEE REPORT

INTRODUCTION:

The Public Relations and Complaints Committee (PRCC) met on Thursday, 5th September, 2019 at the District Assembly's Conference Hall, Bronikrom-Hwidiem to discuss and resolve a matters between Hon. Kwabena Asante (complainant); and Mr Samuel Agyei Boahen (DEHO) and his station Officers at Dadiesoaba. The complaint is about using some persons alleged to thieves to impound stray animals at Dadiesoaba.

RESOLUTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

After several minutes of thoroughly exhaustive deliberations on the matter by members of the PRCC, the following resolutions and recommendations were made:

- That, all matters or complaints or issues that relates to or concerns a member of the Assembly or staff of the Assembly should be first and foremost referred to PRCC for resolution. This is to exhaust all internal mechanisms of conflict resolution before a dissatisfied party proceeds to court if he/she wishes.
- That, all Public Officers or staff of the Assembly should respect and honor the invitation of PRCC which is a legally constituted and mandated by an Act of Parliament. Refusal to honor PRCC invitations is tantamount to contempt and appropriate sanctions shall be instituted for the good of the district.
- That, all Assembly members should respect the work of Assembly staff and report any issue to the Hon. DCE or the District Co-ordinating Director for appropriate instruction or directive to be given and not to resort to inciting the general public against them. Hon. Kwabena Asante was condemned for obstructing a lawful duty of the Environmental Health Officers, inciting the public against them and also tearing notice from the law court in their presence.

- That, Assembly members and Assembly staff should investigate information or any matter thoroughly before going to the FM station or the Information Center to announce to the public. Hon. Kwabena Asante was advised to crosscheck his facts before announcing on the Information Centre when he announced that he saw thieves stealing peoples' animals meanwhile they were people engaged by the Environmental Health Officers. However, he was commended for quickly going back to retract it.
- DEHO was charged to crosscheck revenue accrued from the sale of impounded animals to ensure it is paid appropriately into Assembly coffers and duly recorded.



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CHAIRMAN:
(OPPONG BERKO ABRAHAM)
HON. PRSINDING MEMBER
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