



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Tuesday, the 13th day of June, 2017, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*)

Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.	Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (<i>Minister of Health</i>) (<i>Leader of the House</i>)
Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.)	Hon. S. D. Blackett (<i>Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development</i>)
Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>)	Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>)
Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>)	Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs</i>)
Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.	Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth</i>)
Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed. (<i>Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation</i>)	Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development</i>)
Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.	Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs</i>)
Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Transport and Works</i>)	Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A.
Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>)	Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B.
Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development</i>)	Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.)
	Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.
	Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)
	Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., MSc. (Ph.Ed.) (*Deputy Speaker*), Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.), Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S. (*Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Water Resource Management*), Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (*Minister of Environment and Drainage*) and Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S. (*on leave*).
Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by The Speaker.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 30th May, 2017 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

The Speaker announced that he was honoured to welcome to Parliament, Students of the University of the West Indies presently attached to the Chief Parliamentary Counsel's Office.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the day's Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament in accordance with section 5 of the *Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act*, Cap. 225 approve the vesting in the National Housing Corporation of the parcel of land, the property of the Crown, situate at the former site of the District "E" Police Station, Station Hill in the parish of Saint Peter in this Island and more particularly described in the *Schedule* hereto for housing development.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT land situate at Station Hill in the parish of Saint Peter (District "E" Police Station), in this Island containing by admeasurement 5930 square metres or thereabouts Abutting and Bounding on a public road called Highway No.1 on lands now or late of Agnes Clement on lands of the Barbados Government (Maurice Byer Polyclinic) on lands being the Lot numbered 76 (Heywoods Park) on lands being the Lot numbered 77 (Heywoods Park) on lands being the Lot numbered 78 on lands now or late of Emil Albrecht being the Lot numbered 7 on lands now or late of Keith Griffith being the Lot numbered 6 on lands now or late of Gola S. Bovell being the Lot numbered 5 on lands now or late of Smith Chandler and on a road which leads to Coleridge and Parry Secondary School in one direction and to Highway No.1 in the other direction or however else the same may abut and bound as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 14th day of February, 2003 by Nigel S. A. Lucas, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 19th day of February, 2003 as Plan No. 176/2003.

and moved seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce that the Resolution do now pass.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds began to speak.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds resumed his speech.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds resumed his speech.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds concluded his speech.

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart spoke.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS (recommitted)

Mr. E. G. Hinkson gave notice of the following questions:

To ask the Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs:

1. Is the Minister aware that:
 - (a) Plans are presently being made to close the Weston Fire Station, Weston, St. James?
 - (b) Any such closure will mean that there will be no fire stations in any of the Northern parishes viz. Saint James, Saint Peter, Saint Lucy, Saint Andrew or Saint Joseph?
2. If the Minister is aware of such plans, will the Minister state:-
 - (a) When such closure is expected to take place?
 - (b) Whether there are presently any plans to repair, refurbish and/or renovate this fire station?
 - (c) If there are such plans, how long is it expected that these repairs, refurbishments and/or renovations will take to be completed and the fire station re-opened?
 - (d) What arrangements, if any, are there to service those parishes, districts and communities which are presently being serviced in emergencies and otherwise by fire officers, trucks and other equipment stationed at this fire station?
 - (e) What plans, if any, are there for the future of this site in the event that there are no such plans to repair, refurbish and/or renovate and subsequently to re-open the fire station?

Notice of this Question was given on 11th May, 2017.

**GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (recommitted)
SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended to 2.30 p.m.

At 12.05 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss began to speak.

Mr. K. D. Symmonds spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Hon. D. O'N. Inniss concluded his speech.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. S. D. Blackett spoke.

Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.

Mr. T. A. Prescod spoke.

Mr. G. A. Clarke began to speak.

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart spoke on a point of elucidation.

Mr. G. A. Clarke concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended to 6.15 p.m.

At 6.00 p.m. the Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker in the Chair.

MOTIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE (recommitted)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke and moved seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones that the Member for Christ Church West, Dr. M. M. Agard leave from the House of Assembly be extended for a further period of three months from this date.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Hon. R. D. Jones spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke in reply.

The Resolution was passed.

ORDER NO. 15

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke on the following Resolution:

WHEREAS by virtue of section 2(1) of the *Treasury Bills and Tax Certificates Act*, Cap. 106, the Minister may, under the authority of a resolution of Parliament, raise in Barbados, sums not exceeding the amount specified in the resolution by the issue of

- (a) treasury bills; and
- (b) tax reserve certificates and tax refund certificates;

AND WHEREAS by virtue of section 2(2) of the Act, the Minister may also raise monies by the issue of treasury bills for the purpose of paying off, at maturity, bills already issued and outstanding;

BE IT RESOLVED that Parliament approve the amount of 4.75 billion dollars as the amount to be raised by the issue of treasury bills, tax reserve certificates and tax refund certificates, in accordance with the Act.

and moved seconded by Hon. D. O'N. Inniss that the Resolution do now pass.

Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

The Resolution was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke and moved seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that the House be adjourned to Tuesday, 11th July, 2017 at 10.00 a.m.

At 8.10 p.m. the Speaker adjourned the House.

RICHARD P. BYER
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Speaker.

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