



# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## The Honourable the House of Assembly

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At a Hybrid meeting of the House of Assembly at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Monday the 29th day of March, 2021, at 10.00 a.m. pursuant to the adjournment.

### PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)  
His Honour N. G. H. Rowe, J.P. (*Deputy Speaker*)
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| Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of International Business and Industry</i> )                            | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade</i> )                        |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. ( <i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i> )                            | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. ( <i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i> )   |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. ( <i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i> )                 | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Water Resources</i> )   |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. ( <i>Minister of Energy, Small Business and Entrepreneurship</i> )                        | Hon. P. R. Phillips ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security</i> )  |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. ( <i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i> ) | Hon. J. A. King, BSS ( <i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office with Responsibility for Culture and the National Development Commission</i> ) |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. ( <i>Leader of the Opposition</i> )                                      | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) ( <i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector</i> )                            |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. ( <i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i> ) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. ( <i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i> )                                       |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. ( <i>Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs</i> )                             | Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. ( <i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i> ) ( <b>Online</b> )                  |

**ABSENT**

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (*Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service*), Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A., Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (*Minister of Health and Wellness*), Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M., Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (*Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment*), Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology, Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (*Minister of Agriculture and Food Security*), Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (*Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources*), Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Chairman of Committees*), Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (*Minister in the Ministry of Finance*) and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 9th March, 2021 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

The Minutes of the meeting of Monday, 15th March, 2021 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

**MESSAGES FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL**

Mr. Speaker read the following:



GOVERNMENT HOUSE  
BARBADOS

MESSAGE No. 7021

**HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL**

**TO**

**THE HONOURABLE THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

*Her Excellency The Governor-General hereby informs The Honourable The House of Assembly of the following:*

*Section 28A(1) of the Emergency Management Act, C.A.P. 160A states that:*

*Where the Governor-General is satisfied that an emergency has arisen as a result of a person or an animal having a communicable disease or a notifiable disease, the Governor-General may by proclamation, on the advice of the Prime Minister after the Prime Minister has consulted or has been advised by the Chief Medical Officer, declare that a public health emergency exists.*

*Her Excellency hereby informs The Honourable The House of Assembly that in accordance with Section 28A(2) of the said Cap. 160A, she has declared a Public Health Emergency.*

**GOVERNOR-GENERAL**

**Government House  
BARBADOS.**

16<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

**STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS**

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid made a statement on the refurbishment work in progress on the East Wing of the Parliament Buildings.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds made a statement on the Special Feed (FIT) for renewable energy systems between 1MW and 5MW

**ADJOURNMENT**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 4th May, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

At 11.12 a.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C.  
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

Speaker.

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