

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 9th day of May, 2023, at 10.00 o'clock 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)

- Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)
- Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.
- Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (Senior Minister) (Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade)
- 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 Housing, Lands and Maintenance)
- Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Deputy Prime Minister) (Senior Minister) (Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources)
- Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (Senior Minister in the Prime Minister's Office)
- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Minister of Home Affairs and Information)
- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Business Development)

- Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology
- Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security)
- Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. (Minister of Environment and National Beautification)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment)
- Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (Chairman of Committees)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (*Minister of Labour,* Social Security and the Third Sector)
- Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)
- Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs)
- Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc.
- Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.
- Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)
- Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Water Resources)
- Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (*Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology*)
- Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P. (*Minister of State in the Office* of the Attorney General)
- Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs

ABSENT

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. (Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions), Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (Minister of Tourism and International Transport) and Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness).

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 2nd May, 2023 were deferred on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

PAPERS

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by command laid the following:

- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados Tourism Authority for the seventeenth month period ended August 31, 2014.
- Annual Reports and Audited Financial Statements of the Barbados Tourism Marketing Inc. for the years 2015 to 2020.

Hon. Miss K. S. McConney by command laid:

• Audited Statement of Acounts of the Board of Management of the Lodge School for the year ended March 2021.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Barbados Optional Savings Bonds Plus (Offer to the Public) (Amendment) Bill, 2023 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 12

BARBADOS OPTIONAL SAVINGS BONDS PLUS (OFFER TO THE PUBLIC) (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023

On the Order being called for Hon. R. R. Straughn to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Barbados Optional Savings Bonds Plus (Offer to the Public) Act, 2022 (Act 2022-13) the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 2 were called and passed without debate on the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Chairman reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds the Sitting was suspended at 12.45 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. C. E. Jordan by command laid:

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Declaration of Mission Barbados.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS (recommitted)

Hon. D. D. Marshall made a Ministerial Statement on the matter of the involvement of the Barbados Police Service in the apprehension of Mr. Brent Louis Thomas, a Trinidad and Tobago national in Barbados on the 5th October, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 16th May, 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

At 3.30 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2023.

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Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

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