

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 12th day of February, 2019, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Speaker) His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (Deputy Speaker)
- Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)
- Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of International Business and Industry)
- Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)
- Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (Minister of Environment and National Beautification)
- Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (Minister of Tourism and International Transport)
- Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (Minister of Health and Wellness)
- Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (Minister of Home Affairs)
- Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce)
- Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (Leader of the Opposition)
- Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F. D.R.C.S., M.Min. (Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance)
- Hon.W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Minister of Energy and Water Resources)

- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade)
- 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. A. R. Forde, RPh. (Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)
- Hon. P. R. Phillips (Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance)
- Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports)
- Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations)
- Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Chairman of Committees)
- Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy)
- Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance)
- Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment)
- Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)

ABSENT

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*) and Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training*).

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Friday, 25th January, 2019 and Tuesday, 5th February, 2019 were taken as read and were confirmed on the separate motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 29th January, 2019 were deferred on the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

REPORTS FROM SELECT COMMITTEES

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall who spoke seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the time for the laying of the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the Integrity in Public Life Bill, 2018 was extended until April 30th 2019.

ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill was appointed temporary Chairman of the Standing Finance Committee.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 5

On the Order being called for the House to resolve itself into the Standing Finance Committee to consider the grant of the sum of money for the service of the Island.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall, the House resolved itself into Standing Finance Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2018–2019 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 7, 2018–2019 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE
Supplementary Estimates 2018 – 2019 No. 7

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2018 – 2019 Other	Provision in Supplementary Estimates Nos. 1 – 6 Other	Supplementary Provision Required Other
		Expenditure	Expenditure	Expenditure
HEAD 82 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATIONAL BEAUTIFI- CATION Program 650: Preservation and Conservation of the Terres-		\$	\$	\$
trial and Marine Environment Subprogram 0386: National Conservation Commission Account Code: 316 – Grants to Public Institutions	826500386	24,000,000		282,570

and moved seconded by Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid who spoke that Head 82 stand part.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. J. A. King spoke.

Hon. P. R. Phillips spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall the Chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended to 2.00 p.m.

At 12.25 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to the Standing Finance Committee Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill, temporary Chairman in the Chair.

ORDER NO. 5 (resumed)

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Hon. T. A. Prescod spoke in reply.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair the passing of the Resolution in Committee.

On the separate motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne the Resolution was read a first and second time and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 3

INTERPRETATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2018

On the Order being called for Hon. D. D. Marshall to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Interpretation Act, Cap. 1,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. D. D. Marshall spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne the House went into Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Clause 1 (as amended) to Clause 4 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic 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. D. D. Marshall seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. G. W. Payne the Sitting was suspended until 7.00 p.m.

At 4.45 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall the Sitting was suspended until 7.28 p.m.

At 7.18 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. R. R. Straughn by command laid the following:

- 1. Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure 2019-2020; and
- 2. Schedules of Personal Emoluments 2019-2020.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic gave notice of the following:

Appropriation Bill, 2019.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS (recommitted)

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Appropriation Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)

Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic spoke.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House was adjourned to Monday, 18th February, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 7.31 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the of & $,2019.$ \end{tabular}$

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Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2018 – 2023

MINUTES

Tuesday, 12th February, 2019.

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