



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Lloyd Erskine Sandiford Centre on Tuesday the 15th day of September, 2020 pursuant to proclamation dated the 7th day of September 2020.

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*)
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| Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C. | Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs</i>) |
| 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 M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i>) |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | 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>) |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) | Hon. J. A. King, BSS (<i>Minister in the Prime Minister's Office with Responsibility for Culture and the National Development Commission</i>) |
| Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. | Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector</i>) |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) | Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</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. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| | Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i>) |
| | Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J. P. |

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 9.30 a.m.
Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

PROCLAMATION

The Clerk of Parliament read to the House the following by Her Excellency the Governor-General.



By Her Excellency Dame Sandra Prunella Mason, Dame Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Dame of St. Andrew, Queen's Counsel, Governor-General of Barbados.

S. MASON
Governor-General

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS it is provided by section 60(1) of the *Constitution* that each session of Parliament shall be held at such place and commence at such time as the Governor-General may appoint:

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that a session of Parliament shall be held at the Lloyd Erskine Sandiford Centre, Two Mile Hill, Saint Michael, commencing on the 15th day of September, 2020:

NOW THEREFORE by virtue and in exercise of the power and authority in me vested, I, Dame Sandra Prunella Mason, Dame Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Dame of St. Andrew, Queen's Counsel, Governor-General of Barbados, **DO HEREBY APPOINT** the Lloyd Erskine Sandiford Centre, Two Mile Hill, Saint Michael as the place at which a session of Parliament shall be held and 10:00 in the morning on Tuesday, 15th day of September, 2020, as the time at which the said session shall commence.

Given under my hand and the Public Seal of Barbados, this 7th day of September, 2020, and in the sixty-ninth year of Her Majesty's Reign.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was suspended to resume at pleasure for the purpose of receiving the address of Her Excellency the Governor-General.

SUMMONS FROM GOVERNOR-GENERAL

The House received from the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate the summons of the Governor-General for its attendance on Her Excellency in the Other Place.

The Members of the Honourable the House led by His Honour the Speaker proceeded to the Senate Chamber and took their places.

After the address by Her Excellency the Governor-General the Members of the Honourable the House retired from the Senate Chamber.

RESUMPTION (12.45 p.m.)

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced that he had received a copy of the Speech from the Throne from Her Excellency the Governor-General.

REPORT OF THE SPEECH OF HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Throne Speech was taken as read.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH OF HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Mr. E. G. Hinkson read the following Resolution:

WHEREAS on the occasion of the opening of the current Session of this Parliament on 15th September, 2020, this Honourable House was informed of Government's programme for the session;

AND WHEREAS that the programme is designed to continue improving the economic and social life of the country;

BE IT RESOLVED that this House endorses the programme as presented and pledges to support the Government in the effective implementation of it.

ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Standing Orders of the House were adopted as the Standing Orders for the Second Session.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

APPOINTMENT TO MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the following existing members were reappointed to serve on the Management Commission:

1. Hon. C. E. Jordan.
2. Dr. S. E. Browne.
3. Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.
4. Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF PRIVILEGES

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the following existing members were reappointed to serve on the Committee of Privileges:

1. Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic.
2. Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.
3. Mr. N. G. H. Rowe.
4. Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.
5. His Honour G. A. Clarke.
6. Bishop J. J. S. Atherley.

APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the following existing members were reappointed to serve on the Committee of Public Accounts:

1. Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands.
2. Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle.
3. Hon. C. E. Jordan.
4. Dr. S. E. Browne.
5. Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.
6. Hon. K. D. Symmonds.

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the following existing members were reappointed to serve on the Standing Orders Committee:

1. Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C.
2. Hon. R. St. C. Toppin.
3. Hon. K. D. Symmonds.
4. Hon. W. A. Abrahams.
5. Bishop J. J. S. Atherley.
6. Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw.
7. Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic.
8. His Honour G. A. Clarke.
9. Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C.

APPOINTMENT TO LIBRARY COMMITTEE

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the following existing members were reappointed to serve on the Library Committee:

1. His Honour A. E. Holder.
2. Hon. A. R. Forde.
3. Hon. R. R. Straughn.
4. Hon. J. A. King.
5. Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill.
6. Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following Resolution:-

Resolution to approve in accordance with Section 5 of the *Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act*, Cap. 225, the lease to The Maria Holder Memorial Trust of certain parcels of land, the properties of the Crown, and more particularly described in the *First* and *Second Schedules* to the Resolution on the terms and conditions set out in the *Third Schedule* to the Resolution for the purpose of the construction of nursery schools.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke and moved seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the House be adjourned until Tuesday, 22nd September, 2020 at 10:00 hours in the forenoon at Worthing Corporate Centre.

The motion was passed.

At 12.55 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

BEVERLEY S. GIBBONS
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2020.

Speaker.

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