



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable The Senate

The Senate met in the Senate Chamber, Parliament Buildings on Wednesday, the 2nd day of August, 2017 at 11.00 o'clock a.m.

PRESENT

Her Honour Senator Miss Kerryann F. Ifill, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.B.A. (*President*)
His Honour Senator the Very Reverend H. E. Crichlow, G.C.M., B.A. (Hons.) Dunelm (*Deputy President*)
Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean, B.Sc. (Hons.), M.A., M.B.A. (*Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade*)(*Leader of the Senate*)
Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo, M.B., B.S. (*Minister of Labour, Social Security and Human Resource Development*)
Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce, B.Sc. (Econ.), M.B.A. (Fin.), CMA, F.C.A. (*Minister in the Office of the Prime Minister*)
Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd, B.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister*)
Senator J. Ince, J.P., BB.A., M.B.A., DIP (Mgmt.) (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs*)
Senator R. A. Hunte, J.P.
Senator Rev. Dr. D. L. Durant, D. D. (Hon.)
Senator A. R. Worrell, B.A. (Hons.)
Senator Miss V. A. G. De Peiza, B.Sc. (Hons.), LL.M. (Merit)
Senator Dr. J. X. Walcott, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. (Edin.), J.P.
Senator W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Hons.)
Senator Sir Roy Trotman, K.A., M.A.
Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael, K.A., L.V.O., Q.C., B.Sc. (Econ.), M.A., Ph.D.
Senator A. A. Adams, J.P., B.A., Ed. Cert., M.Sc. Ed.
Senator J. A. Watson
and
Senator Carol Lady Haynes, GM, BCH, M.B., B.S., Hon. DSc.

ABSENT

Senators Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, CIM, Dip. Mng., M.B.A. (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and International Transport*), H. A. Husbands, M.L.I.R., B.Sc. (Public Administration) (Hons.), Ed. Cert. (U.W.I.) (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation*) and Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser, K.A., G.C.M., B.Sc., M.B., B.S., Ph.D., FACP, FRCP.

EXCUSES

Senators Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner, CIM, Dip. Mng., M.B.A. (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Tourism and International Transport*), H. A. Husbands, M.L.I.R., B.Sc. (Public Administration) (Hons.), Ed. Cert. (U.W.I.) (*Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation*) and Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser, K.A., G.C.M., B.Sc., M.B., B.S., Ph.D., FACP, FRCP.

Prayers were led by Rev. Canon Errington Massiah.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HER HONOUR THE PRESIDENT

Madam President announced that she was in receipt of an excuse for absence from Senator Prof. Emeritus Sir Henry Fraser and an excuse for lateness from Senator Mrs. V. I. Sandiford-Garner.

Madam President also announced that she was in receipt of the Minutes of Wednesday, 14th June, 2017 and Wednesday, 19th July, 2017.

There being no errors or amendments the Minutes were confirmed.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean by command laid the following:

1. Police Complaints Authority Annual Report, 2016.
2. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (University of the West Indies) (Errol Barrow Centre For Creative Imagination Film Club) Order, 2017.
3. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Barbados Tourism Marketing Inc.) Order, 2017.
4. National Housing Corporation Thirty-eighth Annual Report 2010-2011.
5. Loan Contract No. 3843/OC-BA between the Government of Barbados and the Inter-American Development Bank – Deployment of Cleaner Fuels and Renewable Energies in Barbados June 14, 2017.
6. Registration Department Reports on Vital Statistics and Registrations 2014 and 2015.
7. Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Accountant General for the Financial Year 2015 to 2016.

MOTIONS RELATING TO THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean Standing Order 45(2) was suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Value Added Tax (Amendment) Bill was read a first time.

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 2

OFFSHORE PETROLEUM (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Offshore Petroleum Act,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator J. A. Watson spoke.

Senator R. A. Hunte spoke.

Senator A. A. Adams spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended until 2.15 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 2 (resumed)

Senator A. R. Worrell spoke.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke.

Senator Dr. Sir Trevor Carmichael spoke.

Senator J. Ince spoke.

Senator W. A. Abrahams began to speak.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke on a point of order.

Senator W. A. Abrahams concluded his speech.

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo spoke.

Senator the Hon. D. W. Boyce spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Deputy President reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Madam President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Sitting was suspended to 5.30 p.m.

At 5.10 p.m. Madam President suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Madam President resumed the Chair.

PUBLIC BUSINESS (resumed)

ORDER NO. 3

VALUE ADDED TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Senator J. Ince to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Value Added Tax Act,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved that the Bill be read a second time.

Senator Sir Roy Trotman spoke.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Senator the Hon. P. M. T. Todd spoke.

Senator J. Ince spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Senate resolved itself into Committee, the Deputy President in the Chair.

Clauses 1 to 6 and the Schedule were called and passed on the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean.

On the motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean Mr. Deputy President reported the passing of the Bill in Committee to Madam President who resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

On the separate motion of Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 1

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE VESTING OF LAND AT STATION HILL, ST. PETER IN THE NATIONAL HOUSING CORPORATION FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo 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.

APPROVED by the House of Assembly the 13th day of June, 2017.

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 that the Resolution be approved.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Senator Dr. the Hon. E. R. Byer Suckoo spoke in reply.

The Resolution was approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator the Hon. Miss M. P. O. McClean spoke and moved that the Senate be adjourned *sine die*.

Senator W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Senator Sir Roy Trotman spoke.

Madam President spoke.

The motion was passed.

At 6.53 p.m. Madam President adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES

Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the
, 2017.

day of

President.

SENATE CHAMBERS
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS
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SENATE

FIRST SESSION OF 2013 – 2018

MINUTES

Wednesday, 2nd August, 2017.
