

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 16th 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) (Online)
- 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)
- 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. 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)
- 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. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (Minister of Tourism and International Transport)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour, Social Security and the Third Sector)
- Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness)
- Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder 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. C. A. Lane, J.P. (Minister of State in the Office of the Attorney General)
- Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs

ABSENT

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. 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), Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs) and Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology).

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 25th April, 2023 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Miss C. Y. Forde.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday 9th May, 2023 were deferred on the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Miss C. Y. Forde.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker acknowledged the presence of Representatives from UNICEF, BADMC, Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs and the Permanent Secretary from Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security.

ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 7 CHILD PROTECTION BILL, 2023

On the Order being called for Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to make provision for the reform of the law on the care and protection of children, the Hon. Member began to speak and gave way.

Further consideration of the Bill was postponed.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall the Sitting was suspended to $1.45\ p.m.$

At 12.47 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 10

THREE HOUSES SPRING BILL, 2023

On the Order being called for Hon. I. A. Weir to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the management and control of the spring known as Three Houses Spring, the Hon. Member sought and obtained leave to introduce Nos. 10 and 11 in a cognate debate.

The Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. C. A. Lane that the Bill be read a second time.

Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne spoke.

Hon. I. A. Weir spoke in reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

Clause 3 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith. Clauses 4 and 5 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. A. R. Forde.

Clause 6 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith.

Clause 7 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

Clause 8 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith.

Clause 9 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

Clauses 10 and 11 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith.

Clause 12 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

Clauses 13 and 14 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith.

Clause 15 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

Clause 16 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. C. McD. Griffith.

First, Second and Third Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

On the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey 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. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 11

BARBADOS AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND MARKETING CORPORATION (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023

On the Order being called for Hon. I. A. Weir to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Barbados Agricultural Development and Marketing Corporation Act, Cap. 254, the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House went into Committee, Mr. P. R. Phillips in the Chair.

Clauses 1 and 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey.

On the motion of Hon. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey 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. I. A. Weir seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, the House be adjourned until Tuesday, 23rd May, 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

At 3.20 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

BEVERLEY S. GIBBONS, J.P. Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2023.

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Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.