



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Parliament Buildings on Monday, the 15th day of June, 2015, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (*Speaker*)
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| Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.) | Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng.
(<i>Minister of Health</i>) (<i>Leader of the House</i>) |
| Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C. | Hon. S. D. Blackett (<i>Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development</i>) |
| Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. | Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) | Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (<i>Minister of Environment and Drainage</i>) |
| Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) | Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.)
(<i>Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs</i>) |
| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Hon. S. A. Lashley, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C.
(<i>Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth</i>) |
| Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. | Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development</i>) |
| Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed.,
(<i>Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation</i>) | Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S.
(<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries, and Water Resource Management</i>) | Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A. |
| Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. | Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. |
| Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Transport and Works</i>) | Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) |
| Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) | Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. |
| Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M.
(<i>Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development</i>) | Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S. |
| | Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) |
| | Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.) |

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 4.00 p.m.
Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 12th May, 2015 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced the absence for the day of Her Honour the Deputy Speaker due to illness. Mr. Speaker also announced the death of the sister of the Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart and extended condolences to the Right Honourable Member.

PAPERS

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce by command laid the following:

Barbados National Insurance Board Report on the Audit of the Accounts of the Unemployment Fund 2006-2009.

Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart by command laid the following:

1. Immigration (Biometrics) Regulations, 2015.
2. Barbados Economic and Social Report 2014.
3. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (3S (Barbados), SRL) Order, 2015.
4. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Caribbean Evangelistic Fellowship) Order, 2015.
5. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Colony Club (Barbados) Limited) Order, 2015.
6. Duties, Taxes and Other Payments (Exemption) (Diamonds International Limited) Order, 2015.
7. Mortgage Insurance Order, 2015.
8. Financial Statement and Budgetary Proposals 2015.

Hon. R. L. Sealy by command laid the following:

The Air Transport Licensing Authority Annual Report 2011-2012.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 16

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND BUDGETARY PROPOSALS – YEAR 2015

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke and moved the following Resolution seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones who reserved the right to speak:

WHEREAS the Financial Statement and Budgetary Proposals, 2015 delivered by the Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs is made against the background of the continuation of an unfavourable external economic environment, notwithstanding that there has been some improvement in the fiscal performance of the Barbados economy during the April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 as compared to the corresponding 2014 period;

AND WHEREAS the overall objective to reduce the fiscal deficit to below 2.0% by 2020/21 through a selected set of policies to be implemented over a reasonable time-frame still remains to be realised;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Barbados, through the Financial Statement and Budgetary Proposals, 2015 remains committed to realising this overall objective by instituting measures to reduce the fiscal deficit and promote sustained economic growth whilst providing support to the relevant economic sectors and continuing to address the country's social development investment;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House notes the Financial Statement and Budgetary Proposals, 2015 delivered by the Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House approves the measures and policies outlined in the Financial Statement and Budgetary Proposals, 2015.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended until Tuesday, 16th June, 2015 at 4.00 p.m.

At 8.10 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION (Tuesday, 16th June, 2015)

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley withdrew certain remarks and concluded her speech.

Hon. R. L. Sealy spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Sitting was suspended until 9.30 p.m.

At 8.32 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Mr. R. St. C. Toppin spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. G. A. Clarke spoke.

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended at 11.47 p.m. to Wednesday, 17th June, 2015 at 9.00 a.m.

RESUMPTION (Wednesday, 17th June, 2015)

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Mr. D. G. Sutherland began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland concluded his speech.

Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson spoke.

Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic spoke.

Hon. S. D. Blackett spoke.

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Mr. J. D. Paul spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson withdrew certain remarks which were ordered to be struck from the record and concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick the Sitting was suspended until 2.00 p.m.

At 12.35 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.
 Mr. G. W. Payne spoke.
 Hon. D. O’N. Inniss began to speak.
 Mr. G. W. Payne spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. D. O’N. Inniss resumed his speech.
 Mr. Speaker vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy Speaker.
 Hon. D. O’N. Inniss resumed and concluded his speech.
 Dr. M. M. Agard began to speak.
 Madam Deputy Speaker spoke.
 Dr. M. M. Agard withdrew certain remarks and concluded her speech.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
 Hon. A. D. Brathwaite began to speak.
 Mr. Speaker spoke.
 Hon. A. D. Brathwaite withdrew certain remarks and resumed his speech.
 Mr. G. A. Clarke spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. A. D. Brathwaite concluded his speech.
 Mr. T. A. Prescod began to speak.
 Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke on a point of order.
 Mr. T. A. Prescod resumed his speech.
 Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke when Mr. Prescod gave way.
 Mr. T. A. Prescod concluded his speech.
 Hon. R. D. Jones spoke.
 Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw began to speak.
 Mr. Speaker vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy Speaker.
 Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw resumed her speech.
 Hon. D. O’N. Inniss spoke on a point of order.
 Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw concluded her speech.
 Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe began to speak.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
 Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe concluded his speech.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended until 8.15 p.m.

At 7.21 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 16 (resumed)

Mr. K. D. Symmonds spoke.
 Hon. M. A. Lashley began to speak.
 Mr. D. D. Marshall spoke on a point of order.
 Mr. Speaker spoke.
 Hon. M. A. Lashley concluded his speech.
 Mr. D. D. Marshall spoke.
 Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur spoke.
 Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick spoke.
 Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart spoke.
 Mr. Speaker vacated the Chair in favour of the Deputy Speaker.
 Hon. C. P. Sinckler began his reply.
 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. C. P. Sinckler resumed his reply.
 Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. C. P. Sinckler resumed his reply.
 Mr. K. D. Symmonds spoke on a point of order.
 Hon. C. P. Sinckler resumed his reply and gave way.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
Hon. C. P. Sinckler concluded his reply.
The Resolution was passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke and moved seconded by Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart that the House be adjourned to Tuesday, 23rd June, 2015 at 10.00 a.m.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

The motion was passed.

At 1.28 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2015.

Speaker.

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