

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 23rd day of January, 2018, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

His Honour M. A. Carrington, Q.C., B.A., LL.B. (Speaker) Her Honour Mrs. M-J. M. Thompson, B.A., M.Sc. (Ph. Ed.) (Deputy Speaker)

Mr. G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed.

Mr. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.)

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman (Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development)

Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P.

Hon. R. D. Jones, J.P., B.A. (Hons.), M.A. Ed. (Minister of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation)

Mr. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. Hon. M. A. Lashley, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister

of Transport and Works)

Hon. R. L. Sealy, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Minister of Tourism and International Transport)

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce, M.Sc., C. Eng. (Minister of Health) (Leader of the House)

Mr. J. D. Paul, B.Sc. (Chairman of Committees)

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe, Dip. Theology, B.A., M.Ed., Ed.D. (Minister of Environment and Drainage)

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.) (Attorney General and Minister of Home Affairs)

Hon. S. A. Lashley, GCM, B.Sc., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth)

Hon. C. P. Sinckler, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs)

Mr. T. A. Prescod, B.A.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.)

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.)

ABSENT

Rt. Hon. O. S. Arthur, M.Sc. (Econ.), Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (Leader of the Opposition), Dr. the Hon. D. C. Estwick, B.Sc., M.B., B.S., (Minister of Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and Water Resource Management), Rt. Hon. F. J. Stuart, Q.C., B.A., LL.M. (Prime Minister, Minister of National Security, The Public Service and Urban Development), Hon. S. D. Blackett, J.P. (Minister of Social Care, Constituency Empowerment and Community Development), Hon. D. O'N. Inniss, B.Sc., M.B.A. (Minister of Industry, International Business, Commerce and Small Business Development), Mr. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B, Lt. Col. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) and Dr. M. M. Agard, J.P., B.Sc., M.Sc., D.D.S.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair at 10.45 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday 16th January, 2018 were deferred on the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

PAPERS

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

Barbados National Insurance Board Report on the Audit of the Accounts of the National Insurance Fund for the year ended December 31, 2005.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDER NO. 21

POLICE (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called for Hon. A. D. Brathwaite to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the Police Act to increase the statutory powers granted to the Commissioner and the Force to protect the life and property of the citizens of Barbados, to ensure peace and public order under the Act with the use of cordons and curfews, and to provide for related matters,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce that the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. D. D. Marshall spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite the Sitting was suspended until 2.30 p.m.

At 12.56 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 21 (resumed)

Hon. S. A. Lashley spoke.

Hon. M. A. Lashley spoke.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite began his reply.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite concluded his reply.

The Bill was read a second time.

On the motion of Hon. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clause 1 (as amended), was called and passed on the motion of Hon. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones.

Clause 2 was called.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke and on his motion seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones Clause 2 was passed. Clause 3 was called.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke and on his motion seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones Clause 3 was passed. Clause 4 was called.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke and on his motion seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones Clause 4 was passed. Clause 5 was called and passed on the motion of Hon. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones.

On the motion of Hon. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones 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. A. D. Brathwaite seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 24

On the Order being called the House resolved itself into Committee of Supply Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair on the motion of Hon. R. D. Jones seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite.

A SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2017-2018 NO. 8 – \$1,130,825

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2017–2018 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 8, 2017–2018 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE
Supplementary Estimates 2017 – 2018 No. 8

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2017 – 2018	Provision in Supplementary Esti- mates Nos.1–7	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 21 – MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS Program 127: Revenue & Non Bank Regulatory Management Subprogram 0130: Special Projects – Financials Account Code: 226 – Pro- fessional Services	211270130	\$ 0	\$	\$ 1,130,825

and moved seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that Head 21 stand part.

Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Hon. A. D. Brathwaite spoke.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler spoke in reply.

Head 21 was passed.

B SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2017-2018 NO. 9 – \$300,000.00

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2017–2018 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 9, 2017–2018 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE
Supplementary Estimates 2017 – 2018 No. 9

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2017 – 2018	Provision in Supplementary Esti- mates Nos.1–8	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
HEAD 73 – MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND DRAINAGE Program 650: Preservation and Conservation of the Terrestrial and Marine Environment Subprogram 0555: Natural Heritage Department Account Code: 102 – Other Personal Emoluments	736500555	\$ 38,911	\$	\$ 300,000

and moved seconded by Hon. A. D. Brathwaite that Head 73 stand part.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland began to speak.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland resumed his speech.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Mr. D. G. Sutherland concluded his speech.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler began to speak.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler resumed his speech.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Chairman ruled no point of order.

Hon. C. P. Sinckler concluded his speech.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. L. Sealy Mr. Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker and asked leave to sit again. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and reported accordingly.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe the Sitting was suspended until 6.10 p.m.

At 5.55 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Committee of Supply.

HEAD 73 (resumed)

Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. J. D. E. Boyce spoke.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson began to speak.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Chairman spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson resumed his speech.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson resumed his speech.

Hon. D. St. E. Kellman spoke on a point of order.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson concluded his speech.

Hon. R. D. Jones spoke.

Dr. the Hon. D. S. Lowe began his reply.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke on a point of order.

Dr the Hon. D. S. Lowe concluded his reply.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker the passing of the Resolutions in Committee of Supply.

On the separate motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the Resolutions were read a first and second time and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 18

NATIONAL INSURANCE AND SOCIAL SECURITY (VALIDATION OF BENEFITS AND CONTRIBUTIONS) BILL, 2017

On the Order being called Hon. C. P. Sinckler to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to validate the payment of increased benefits and the collection of increased contributions under the National Insurance and Social Security Act,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Hon. S. A. Lashley that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the House went into Committee, Mr. J. D. Paul in the Chair.

Clauses 1 (as amended) to 2 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce.

On the motion of Hon. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce 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. C. P. Sinckler seconded by Hon. J. D. E. Boyce the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

NOTICES OF QUESTIONS (recommitted)

Miss C. Y. Forde gave notice of the following Questions:

- 1. Question re the PSV Permit status updates and the future plans of the Transport Authority.
- 2. Question re the Endless Possibilities Project.
- 3. Question re the ISEE Bridge Pilot Project and the IDB initiative termed SHSD.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed) ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. J. D. E. Boyce seconded by Hon. R. D. Jones the House was adjourned to Friday, 2nd February, 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

At 8.05 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2018.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS BRIDGETOWN.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF 2013 – 2018

MINUTES

Tuesday, 23rd January, 2018.

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