

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a hybrid meeting of the House of Assembly at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Friday the 3rd day of December, 2021, at 10.00 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)
- Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (Minister of International Business and Industry)
- Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, Q.C., LL.B. (Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment, Minister of National Security and the Civil Service)
- Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs)
- Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs)
- Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A.
- Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (Minister of Energy, Small Business and Entrepreneurship)
- Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (Minister of Health and Wellness)
- Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M.
- Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment)
- Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training)
- Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (Leader of the Opposition)

- Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (Minister of Home Affairs, Information and Public Affairs)
- Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade)
- Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (Minister of Agriculture and Food Security)
- Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (Minister of Environment and National Beautification)
- Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Water Resources)
- Hon. P. R. Phillips (Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Maintenance)
- Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister in the Prime Minister's Office)
- Hon. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill (Minister of Transport, Works and Water Resources)
- Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations and the Third Sector)
- Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy)
- Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Finance)
- Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment)
- Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

ABSENT

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M. Min. (Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance) and Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Chairman of Committees).

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Wednesday, 20th October, 2021 and Tuesday, 23rd November, 2021 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. C. E. Jordan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker read the following:



His Honour Arthur Holder MP His Honour Senator Reginald Farley Parliament of Barbados Bridgetown, St Michael BARBADOS

Dear Mr Speaker, Mr President,

Re: Transition to a republic

I write to share with you both my very good wishes to you and your members on the occasion of Barbados' transition to a republic.

Becoming a republic is a significant step in a country's post-colonial journey and an exciting constitutional development. It is heartening to know you will also remain an active part of the Commonwealth family of nations.

With best wishes for this momentous new era in Barbadian history.

Yours sincerely,

Joy Burch MLA

Speaker, Legislative Assembly for the Australian Capital Territory Acting CPA Small Branches Chair

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PAPERS

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw by command laid the following:

Annual Report of the Barbados Port Inc. for the Year Ended March 31, 2020.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Fair Credit Reporting Bill, 2021 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw 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. 11

On the Order being called

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke on the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable House approve the Report of the Joint Select Committee on the National Vending Bill, 2021 laid in the Honourable the House of Assembly on the 23rd November, 2021,

and moved seconded by Hon. A. R. Forde that the Resolution be approved.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the Sitting was suspended to 2.25 p.m.

At 1.12 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 11 (resumed)

Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore spoke.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Mr. T. A. Prescod spoke.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Hon. P. R. Phillips spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

Hon. A. R. Forde spoke.

Hon. Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke in reply.

The Resolution was passed.

APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore was appointed Temporary Chairman of Committees.

ORDER NO. 4

NATIONAL VENDING BILL, 2021 (resumed)

On the Order being called for Hon. K. D. Symmonds to resume the debate on the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the regulation of vending in Barbados, the protection of the rights of vendors and matters related thereto,

the Hon. Member moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time.

The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into

Committee, on recommittal Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore in the Chair.

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams Clause 17 (as amended) was passed.

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams Clause 31 (as amended) was passed.

On the motion of Hon. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams 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. K. D. Symmonds seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

ORDER NO. 4 (resumed)

FACILITATION OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME TRAFFIC BILL, 2021 (resumed)

On the Order being called for Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey to resume the debate on the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to provide for the implementation of the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic to make provision for the electronic transmission and exchange of information in order to facilitate and expedite the clearance of international maritime traffic and to provide for related purposes,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams that the Bill be read a second time. The motion was passed.

On the motion of Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House went into Committee, Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore in the Chair.

Part 1 (Clauses 1 to 4); Part 2 (Clauses 5 to 8); Part 3 (Clauses 9 to 23); Part 4 (Clauses 24 to 26); Part 5 (Causes 27 to 33); Part 6 (Clauses 34 to 36); Part 7 Clause 37; Part 8 (Clauses 38 to 42) and the First to the Tenth Schedules were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams.

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

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 7th December, 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

At 8.42 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

N. R. JONES, Q.C. Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2021.

day of

Speaker.

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Friday, 3rd Decembber, 2021.

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