

### MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**OF** 

# The Honourable the House of Assembly

At a meeting of the House of Assembly at the Worthing Corporate Centre on Tuesday the 17th day of November, 2020, 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)
- 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. 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)
- 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)
- 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)
- 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 Agriculture and Food Security)
- Hon. J. A. King, BSS (Minister in the Prime Minister's Office with Responsibility for Culture and the National Development Commission)
- 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)
- Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (Chairman of Committees)
- 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. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment)
- Mr. N. G. H. Rowe, J.P.
- Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, M.B.A.

#### ABSENT

Mr. G. W. Payne, Q.C., Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment) and Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology. Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

#### MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 27th October, 2020 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker read the following letter:



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Ref. No.: 7

7471/14

November 16, 2020

Mr. Pedro Eastmond Clerk of Parliament Worthing Corporate Centre Worthing Christ Church

Dear Mr. Eastmond

# Taking of the Oath of Allegiance by Ms. Toni Nicole Sherry-Ann Moore, M.P. Consequent on her Election as a Member of the House of Assembly for the Constituency of St. George North

I am to inform you that on Thursday, 12th November, 2020, Her Excellency the Governor-General received from the Returning Officer for the constituency of St. George North, the Writ which has been issued for a by-election in that constituency certifying the election, in the poll held on Wednesday, 11th November, 2020 of Ms. Toni Nicole Sherry-Ann Moore to serve as a member of the House of Assembly for the said constituency of St. George North.

The Oath of Allegiance required by Section 59 of the Constitution and Section 62 of the Representation of the People Act, CAP. 12, was taken by Ms. Toni Nicole Sherry-Ann Moore on Monday, 16th November, 2020, before His Excellency the Acting Governor-General.

Yours faithfully,

Cecile Humphrey (Mrs.) Cabinet Secretary Mr. Speaker spoke and invited Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore to take her place in the Parliament Chambers.

Ms. Moore was escorted to her seat by the Honourables Miss M. A. Mottley and Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw.

Mr. Speaker welcomed Ms. Moore.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke. Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

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

#### MESSAGE FROM HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL

Mr. Speaker read the following message:



#### Ref. No. GG: 2/S. IA Vol. II

10th November, 2020

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I have the honour to inform that I shall be away from office during the period 14th to 21st November, 2020 on vacation leave.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 29(1)(a) of the Constitution, Sir Kenneth Rudolph Hewitt, KA, CBE, BJH, will perform the functions of the Office of Governor-General during my absence.

As The Honourable The House of Assembly will not be meeting prior to the start of my vacation leave, it will not be possible for the usual formal Message to be sent to your Chamber. Will you, therefore, please bring my absence formally to the attention of The Honourable The House of Assembly when next it meets.

> I have the honour to be, Yours faithfully,

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GOVERNOR-GENERAL

His Honour The Speaker of the House of Assembly

### ORDERS OF THE DAY SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. J. A. King, Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

#### **ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. D. D. Marshall, Mr. N. G. H. Rowe was elected Deputy Speaker.

#### GOVERNMENT BUSINESS ORDER NO. 2

On the Order being called for Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid to move the passing of a Resolution to approve in accordance with Section 5 of the *Land Acquisition Act*, Cap. 228, the compulsory acquisition by the Crown of parcels of land situate at Gemswick in the parish of Saint Philip in this Island, owned by Balmoral Investments Limited and leased to Grantley Adams International Airport Inc., for the public purpose, namely enhancing public safety and national security,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic that the following Resolution be passed.

RESOLVED that Parliament in accordance with section 5 of the *Land Acquisition Act*, Cap. 228 approve the compulsory acquisition by the Crown of the parcels of land situate at Gemswick in the parish of Saint Philip in this Island and more particularly described in the *Schedules* hereto for the public purpose, namely enhancing public safety and national security.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE

ALL THAT land the property of Balmoral Investments Limited situate at Gemswick in the parish of Saint Philip in this Island containing by admeasurement 13.110 hectares or thereabouts (inclusive of 0.003 hectares (25.3 square metres) in road) Abutting and Bounding on lands now or formerly of The Maria Holder Memorial Trust (The Maria Holder Nursery School Olbury) on the Lot 15 on lands now or late of Clairmonte Yarde (Lot 14) on lands now or late of Henderson Rowe (Lot 10) on lands now or late of Susan Patterson (Lot 9) on lands now or late of Lucy Chalon (Lot 8) on lands now or late of Albertine Callender (Lot 7) on lands now or late of Osbourne Brathwaite (Lot 6) on lands now or late of Ermento Callender (Lot 5) on lands now or late of Myrtle Callender (Lot 4) on lands now or late of Gregory Jackman (Lot 3) on the Lot 2 on lands now or late of Eric Hinds (Lot 1) on a road which leads to Seaview Drive in one direction and to Aerowoods Development in the other direction on (Lot 6) on lands now or formerly of Massy Properties (Barbados) Ltd. (Drainage Reserve) on lands now or late of Edmund Parris (Lot 8) on lands now or formerly of Grantley Adams International Airport Inc. (Grantley Adams International Airport) on a road on lands now or late of Janis Clarke (Lot 20) on lands now or late of Rhonda Rollins (Lot 19) on lands now or late of Marcus Brathwaite (Lot 18) on lands now or late of Uriel Clarke (Lot 17) on lands now or late of Albert Mapp (Lot 16) on lands now or late of Basil Clarke (Lot 21) on a public road known as Highway N which leads to Grantley Adams International Airport in one direction and to St. Martins in the other direction or however else the same may abut and bound as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 7th day of July, 2020 by Samuel N. Taylor, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 23rd day of July, 2020 as Plan No. 791/2020.

#### SECOND SCHEDULE

ALL THAT land the property of Balmoral Investments Limited situate at Gemswick in the parish of Saint Philip in this Island containing by admeasurement 5.667 hectares or thereabouts (inclusive of 0.171 hectares in Right of Way) Abutting and Bounding on lands now or formerly of other lands of Massy Properties (Barbados) Ltd. on lands now or late of Angela Howard (Lot A1) on lands now or late of Mary Forde (Lot A2) on lands now or formerly of Odrict Greaves on lands now or formerly of Milton Brathwaite on lands now or formerly of Paragon Holdings Ltd. on lands now or Grantley Adams International Airport Inc. (Grantley Adams International Airport) on lands now or late of Paula Gall (Lot 13) on a road which leads to Rock Hall and on lands now or late of Sasha Grant (Lot 14) or however else the same may abut and bound as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 7th day of July, 2020 by Samuel N. Taylor, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 23rd day of July, 2020 as Plan No. 791/2020.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Mr. E. G. Hinkson spoke.

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

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke in reply.

The Resolution was passed.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following:

Resolution to grant the sum of FORTY-NINE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS from the Consolidated Fund and to place it at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2020-2021 as shown in Supplementary Estimates No. 7, 2020-2021.

# GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed) ORDER NO. 3

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. Symmonds the House resolved itself into Standing Finance Committee, Dr. S. E. Browne in the Chair.

Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the sum of FORTY-NINE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS be granted from the Consolidated Fund and be placed at the disposal of the Government to supplement the Estimates 2020-2021 as shown in the Supplementary Estimates No. 7, 2020-2021 which form the Schedule to this Resolution.

SCHEDULE Supplementary Estimates 2020 – 2021 No. 7

Supplementary Estimates 2020 – 2021 No. 7							
HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2020 – 2021	Provision in Supplementary Esti- mates Nos. 1-6	Supplementary Provision Required			
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure			
		\$	\$	\$			
HEAD 11 - MINISTRY OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE Program 082: Implementation of Personnel Condition of Service Subprogram 0086: People Resourcing and Compliance Account Code: 752 - Machinery and Equipment	110820086	10,000		106,000			
HEAD 13 - PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE Program 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services Subprogram 0593: Household Survival Program	130400593						
Account Code: 314 - Grants to Individuals	130400393	10,000,000		10,000,000			
Program 166: Rural Development Subprogram 0181: Rural Development Commission Account Code: 416 - Grants to Public Institutions Program 631: Urban	131660181	3,500,000		5,000,000			
Development Subprogram 0534: Urban Development Commission Account Code: 416 - Grants to Public Institutions	136310534	5,000,000		7,500,000			

# SCHEDULE – Cont'd Supplementary Estimates 2020 – 2021 No. 7 – Cont'd

HEAD	Code Number	Provision in Approved Estimates 2020 – 2021	Provision in Supplementary Esti- mates Nos. 1-6	Supplementary Provision Required
		Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure	Other Expenditure
		\$	\$	\$
HEAD 27 - MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTER- NATIONAL TRANSPORT Program 333: International Transport Subprogram 7065: General Management & Coordination Services Account Code: 316 - Grants to Public Institutions	273337065	0		5,001,129
HEAD 33 - MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, INFORMATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS Program 243: Corrective and Rehabilitative Services Subprogram 0252: Prisons Department Account Code: 211 - Maintenance of Property	332430252	1,260,666		2,252,239
HEAD 81- MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, WORKS AND WATER RESOURCES Program 518: Barbados Water Authority Subprogram 0542: Barbados Water Authority Account Code: 416 - Grants to Public Institutions	815180542			19,873,560
HEAD 87 - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECH- NOLOGICAL AND VOCA- TIONAL TRAINING Program 040: Direction & Policy Formulation Services Subprogram 7100: General Management & Coordination Services Account Code: 102 - Other Personal Emoluments	870407100	2,063,312		133,000

and moved seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that Head 13 Prime Minister's Office in the sum of \$22,500,000 stand part.

Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde spoke.

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. J. A. King Madam Chairman reported progress to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair and asked leave to sit again.

#### **SUSPENSION**

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Sitting was suspended at 12.53 p.m. to 2.05 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House reverted to Standing Finance Committee.

#### **HEAD 13 (resumed)**

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.

Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands spoke.

Mr. T. A. Prescod spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.

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

Head 13 was passed.

#### HEAD 11 - MINISTRY OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE - \$106,000

On the motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn who spoke seconded by Hon. J. A. King Head 11 was passed.

# HEAD 27 – MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT – \$5,001,129

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke and moved seconded by Hon. J. A. King that Head 27 stand part.

Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.

Head 27 was passed.

## HEAD 33 – MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS, INFORMATION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS – \$2,252,239

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams who spoke seconded by Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle Head 33 was passed.

# HEAD 81 – MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT, WORKS AND WATER RESOURCES – \$19,873,561

On the motion of Hon. C. McD. Griffith who spoke seconded by Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic Head 84 was passed.

# HEAD 87 – MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING – \$133,000

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips Head 87 was passed.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Chairman reported to Mr. Speaker who resumed the Chair, the passing of the Resolution in Standing Finance Committee.

On the separate motion of Hon. R. R. Straughn seconded by the Hon. J. A. King the Resolution was read a first and second time and agreed to.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER (recommitted)

Mr. Speaker announced that there was a vacancy on the Standing Order Committee occasioned by the resignation of the former member His Honour G. A. Clarke.

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. J. A. King, His Honour N. G. H. Rowe was elected to the Committee.

#### **GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)**

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of:

Central Bank of Barbados Bill, 2020.

#### FIRST READINGS OF BILLS (recommitted)

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. R. R. Straughn the Central Bank of Barbados Bill, 2020 was read a first time.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw who spoke seconded by Hon. J. A. King the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 1st December, 2020 at 10.00 a.m.

At 5.05 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the , 2020.

day of

Speaker.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY WORTHING CORPORATE CENTRE WORTHING CHRIST CHURCH

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