



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 6th day of June, 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*)

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| Hon. Miss M. A. Mottley, S.C., LL.B. (<i>Prime Minister; Minister of Finance, Economic Affairs, Culture, Security, Public Service, CARICOM and the Development Commissions</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, Rph. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) |
| Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister of Youth, Sports and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, S.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Mr. P. R. Phillips, J.P. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>) |
| Mr. T. A. Prescod, J.P., B.A. | Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (<i>Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Wellness</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Senior Minister</i>) (<i>Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |
| Mr. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Maintenance</i>) | Ms. M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. |
| Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs and Information</i>) | Hon. Miss K. S. McConney (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) |
| Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture, Food and Nutritional Security</i>) | Dr. R. O. Springer, J.P., Ph.D. (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Water Resources</i>) |
| | Hon. D. I. Ishmael, M.B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister of Industry, Innovation, Science and Technology</i>) |
| | Hon. C. A. Lane, J.P. (<i>Minister of State in the Office of the Attorney General</i>) |
| | Mr. C. D. L. Gibbs |

ABSENT

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*), Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (*Minister of State in the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Business Development*), Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology, 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*) and Ms. T. N. S-A. Moore, J.P., M.B.A.

PRAYERS

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 23rd May, 2023 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

The Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday, 30th May, 2023 were deferred on the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY HIS HONOUR THE SPEAKER

Mr. Speaker announced that he was in receipt of a request from the Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) for the nomination and appointment of a Member of Parliament to be its representative at the OACPS PA and OACPS – EU Joint JPA meeting to be held in Brussels from June 18 to 28, 2023.

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael, Mr. E. G. Hinkson was appointed Parliament's representative to the Brussels' meeting.

PAPERS

Hon. R. R. Straughn by command laid:

- Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Central Bank of Barbados for the year ended December 31, 2022.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

Hon. D. D. Marshall gave notice of the following:

1. Supreme Court of Judicature (Amendment) Bill, 2023.
2. Resolution to approve in accordance with section 5 of the *Land Acquisition Act*, Cap. 228, the compulsory acquisition by the State of the parcel of land situate at Harrison's Plantation in the parish of Saint Lucy in this Island for a public purpose, namely, education, economic and tourism development.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Supreme Court of Judicature (Amendment) Bill, 2023 was read a first time.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS**

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael Standing Orders 6, 16, 18, 20, 23, 42(5), 43 and 44 were suspended for the remainder of the Sitting.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 9****COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF LAND AT HARRISON'S PLANTATION, ST. LUCY**

Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke on the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that Parliament in accordance with section 5 of the *Land Acquisition Act*, Cap. 228 approve the compulsory acquisition by the State of the parcel of land situate at Harrison's Plantation in the parish of Saint Lucy in this Island and more particularly described in the *Schedule* to this Resolution for a public purpose, namely, education, economic and tourism development.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT land situate at Harrison's Plantation in the parish of Saint Lucy in this Island containing by admeasurement 36 517.3 square metres (3.65173 hectares) Abutting and Bounding on lands now or late of Arlington Griffith (Lot 24) on lands now or formerly of Massy Properties Barbados Limited (Lot 23) on lands now or late of Maria-Rene Aileen Cumberbatch (Lot 22) on lands now or late of Gleeson Carlos Roach (Lot 21) on lands now or late of Neville Ricardo Mason (Lot 20) on lands now or late of Troy Noland Belgrave (Lot 19) on lands now or late of Philmore Medford Brome (Lot 18) on lands now or formerly of W. R. Investments Inc. on lands now or formerly of Barbados Tourism Investment Inc. and on a public road which leads to H.M.P. Harrison's Point in one direction and to Highway 1B in another direction or however else the same may abut and bound as shown and delineated on a Plan certified on the 4th day of May, 2023 by Alex R. Chandler, Land Surveyor and recorded in the Lands and Surveys Department on the 5th day of May, 2023 as Plan No. 740/2023,

and moved seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael that the Resolution be approved.

Mr. P. R. Phillips spoke.
 Dr. the Hon. S. E. Browne spoke.
 Hon. K. D. Symmonds spoke.
 Hon. Miss K. S. McConney spoke.
 Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey spoke.
 Ms. M. K-A. Caddle spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. D. I. Ishmael the Sitting was suspended at 1.37 p.m. until 2.50 p.m.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

ORDER NO. 9 (resumed)

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.
 Hon. D. G. Sutherland spoke in reply.
 The Resolution was passed.

PAPERS (recommitted)

Hon. R. R. Straughn by command laid:

- The Barbados Optional Savings Bonds Plus (Offer to the Public) Act, 2022; and
- The Barbados Optional Savings Bonds Plus (Offer to the Public) (Monetary Value of Bonds) (No. II) Order, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. D. D. Marshall seconded by Hon. W. A. Abrahams the House was adjourned to Tuesday, 27th June, 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

At 3.27 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

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

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2023.

Speaker.

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