



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 13th day of August, 2019, pursuant to the adjournment.

PRESENT

- His Honour A. E. Holder, B.Sc. (Hons.), MSW, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (*Speaker*)
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| Hon. G. W. Payne, Q.C. (<i>Minister of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) | Hon. W. A. Abrahams, LL.B. (<i>Minister of Energy and Water Resources</i>) |
| Hon. R. St. C. Toppin, LL.B. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of International Business and Industry</i>) | Hon. Ms. C. S. V. Husbands, B.A. (Hons.), M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Foreign Trade</i>) |
| Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde, J.P., L.C.P. (<i>Minister of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) | Mr. R. A. Thorne, Q.C., LL.B., L.E.C., Dip. Theology |
| Hon. D. D. Marshall, Q.C., LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs</i>) | Hon. I. A. Weir, M.B.A. (<i>Minister of Agriculture and Food Security</i>) |
| Hon. T. A. Prescod, B.A. (<i>Minister of Environment and National Beautification</i>) | Hon. A. R. Forde, RPh. (<i>Minister of Youth and Community Empowerment</i>) |
| Hon. K. D. Symmonds, B.A., LL.B. (<i>Minister of Tourism and International Transport</i>) | Hon. C. McD. Griffith, B.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Housing, Lands and Rural Development</i>) |
| Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic, MVO, B.A. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Health and Wellness</i>) | Hon. P. R. Phillips (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) |
| Hon. E. G. Hinkson, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C., LL.M. (<i>Minister of Home Affairs</i>) | Hon. J. A. King, BSS (<i>Minister of Creative Economy, Culture and Sports</i>) |
| Hon. D. G. Sutherland, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.B.A. (Dist.) (<i>Minister of Small Business, Entrepreneurship and Commerce</i>) | Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill |
| Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw, LL.B. (Hons.), L.E.C. (<i>Minister of Education, Technological and Vocational Training</i>) | Hon. C. E. Jordan, B.Sc. (Hons.) (<i>Minister of Labour and Social Partnership Relations</i>) |
| Bishop J. J. S. Atherley, J.P., B.A., B.Sc., PgD. (<i>Leader of the Opposition</i>) | Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, B.Sc., M.Sc., M.P.A. (<i>Minister of Maritime Affairs and the Blue Economy</i>) |
| Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid, J.P., B.D.S., F.D.S., F.D.R.C.S., M.Min. (<i>Minister of Transport, Works and Maintenance</i>) | Hon. R. R. Straughn, B.Sc., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Finance</i>) |
| | Hon. Miss M. K-A. Caddle, B.A., M.Sc. (<i>Minister in the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Investment</i>) |
| | Mr. N. G. H. Rowe (<i>Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of People Empowerment and Elder Affairs</i>) |

ABSENT

His Honour G. A. Clarke, J.P., B.Sc., Dip. Ed. (*Deputy Speaker*), 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*) and Dr. S. E. Browne, M.B.B.S. (*Chairman of Committees*).

Mr. Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 10:15 a.m.

Prayers were taken by Rev. Father Mark Harewood.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meetings of Tuesday, 30th July, 2019 and Tuesday, 6th August, 2019 were taken as read and were confirmed on the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde.

PAPERS

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

1. The Annual Report of the Operations of the Barbados Drug Service for Fiscal Year April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017.
2. The Annual Report of the Operations of the Barbados Drug Service for Fiscal Year April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018.
3. The Post Office (Delivery) Regulations, 2019.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

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

Resolution pertaining to Lease of 5,796.7 square metres of Crown Land at the Junction of Pine Gardens and Pine North-South Roads, Pine, St. Michael to the Royal Commonwealth Society (Barbados Branch).

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

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

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**ORDER NO. 6****ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2019**

On the Order being called for Hon. W. A. Abrahams to move the second reading of the Bill entitled an Act to amend the *Electric Light and Power Act, 2013 (Act 2013-21)*,

the Hon. Member spoke and moved, seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde that the Bill be read a second time.

Hon. C. E. Jordan spoke.

SUSPENSION

On the motion of Lt. Col. the Hon. J. D. Bostic seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Sitting was suspended until 3.00 p.m.

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

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at 3.15 p.m.

SUSPENSION

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw spoke and on her motion seconded by Hon. Miss C. Y. Forde the Sitting was suspended until 4.15 p.m.

At 3.16 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the Sitting.

RESUMPTION

On resumption Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at 4.20 p.m.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS (resumed)**ORDER NO. 6 (resumed)**

Hon. R. R. Straughn spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey began to speak.

Mr. Speaker spoke.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey resumed his speech.

Dr. the Hon. W. F. Duguid spoke on a point of order.

Mr. Speaker ruled no point of order.

Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey concluded his speech.

Bishop J. J. S. Atherley spoke.
 Hon. W. A. Abrahams spoke in reply.
 The Bill was read a second time.

**APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN
 OF COMMITTEES**

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. K. D. M. Humphrey, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill was appointed temporary Chairman of Committees for remainder of the Sitting.

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House went into Committee, Mr. G. P. I. Gooding-Edghill in the Chair.

Clauses 1, 2 (as amended) to 9 were called and passed on the separate motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips.

On the motion of Hon. W. A. Abrahams seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips 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. W. A. Abrahams seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Bill was read a third time and passed and the title read and agreed to.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES (recommitted)

The notice of the Resolution given earlier in the Sitting was withdrawn and the following notice substituted:

Resolution to approve in accordance with section 5 of the *Crown Lands (Vesting and Disposal) Act*, Cap. 225, the lease to the Royal Commonwealth Society (Barbados Branch) of a parcel of land, together with the buildings thereon being the property of the Crown, situate at The Pine in the parish of St. Michael in this Island for use as its Headquarters and commercial office.

Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw gave notice of the following:
 Medicinal Cannabis Industry Bill, 2019.

FIRST READINGS OF BILLS

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the Medicinal Cannabis Industry Bill, 2019 was read a first time.

ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Hon. Miss S. J. O. Bradshaw seconded by Hon. P. R. Phillips the House was adjourned to Friday, 30th August, 2019 at 10.00 a.m.

At 6.45 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the Sitting.

BEVERLEY S. GIBBONS
Deputy Clerk of Parliament.

The Minutes were certified correct and confirmed the _____ day of _____, 2019.

Speaker.

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