

House of Assembly Newfoundland and Labrador

Minutes of the House of Assembly Resource Committee

Date: April 23, 2024 Location: House of Assembly Chamber Time: 9 a.m.

Committee Members Present:

Lucy Stoyles, Member for Mount Pearl North, Chair (A) Craig Pardy, Member for Bonavista (Vice-Chair) Paul Pike, Member for Burin - Grand Bank (substituted for Perry Trimper, Member for Lake Melville) Pleaman Forsey, Member for Exploits Pam Parsons, Member for Harbour Grace - Port de Grave (substituted for Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Member for Placentia - St. Mary's) Jim Dinn, Member for St. John's Centre (substituted for Jordan Brown, Member for Labrador West) Siobhan Coady, Member for St. John's West (substituted for Scott Reid, Member for St. George's -Humber, Chair)

Other:

Daniel Blackmore, Official Opposition Caucus Dave Hamlyn, Government Members' Caucus Steven Kent, Third Party Caucus

House of Assembly Service: Gerrie Smith, Clerk of Committee (A)

Witnesses Appearing:

Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture Elvis Loveless, Minister Jamie Chippett, Deputy Minister Blair Adams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Wildlife, Forestry and Resource Enforcement Steve Balsom, Assistant Deputy Minister, Agriculture, Animal Health, Crown Lands and GIS and Mapping Bren Hanlon, Assistant Deputy Minister, Licensing, Seafood/Aquaculture/Sustainable Fisheries Dr. Daryl Whalen, Director of Aquatic Animal Health Erin Shea, Director of Communications Paul Baldwin, Executive Assistant to Minister Phil Ivimey, Departmental Comptroller

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

The Committee agreed to allow unaffiliated Members present to participate in the proceedings in the following manner: a 10-minute allocation per member at the end of the head of expenditure.

On motion, the Minutes of April 17, 2024 were adopted as circulated.

The Committee recessed proceedings at 10:34 a.m. and resumed at 10:45 a.m.

The Committee reviewed and passed, without amendment, the Estimates of the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture.

On motion, the Committee adjourned at 12:05 p.m. to Monday, April 29, 2024 at 9 a.m. to review the Estimates of the Department of Industry, Energy and Technology.

Lucy Stoyles Chair (A)

Gerrie Smith Clerk of Committee (A)