



**House of Assembly
Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Minutes of the House of Assembly
Government Services Committee**

Date: May 21, 2026

Location: House of Assembly Chamber

Time: 9 a.m.

Committee Members Present:

Jeff Dwyer, Member for Placentia West - Bellevue (Chair)

Riley Balsom, Member for Carbonear - Trinity - Bay de Verde

Jim McKenna, Member for Fogo Island - Cape Freels

Mark Butt, Member for Lewisporte - Twillingate

Sarah Stoodley, Member for Mount Scio (substituted for Lucy Stoyles, Member for Mount Pearl North)

Sheilagh O'Leary, Member for St. John's East - Quidi Vidi

Jamie Korab, Member for Waterford Valley

Other:

Emma Kannenberg, Official Opposition Caucus

Meghan Parsons, Official Opposition Caucus

Scott Fleming, Third Party Caucus

House of Assembly Service:

Emily Gushue, Clerk of Committee (A)

Witnesses Appearing:

Department of Government Services

Mike Goosney, Minister

John Cowan, Deputy Minister

Gail Boland, Assistant Deputy Minister, Digital Government and Services

Loyola Power, Assistant Deputy Minister, Regulatory Affairs

Dennis Strickland, Assistant Deputy Minister, Labour

Tina Newhook, Director of Communications

Jennifer Torrville, Departmental Controller

Craig Drover, Executive Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

On motion, the Minutes of May 20, 2026 were adopted as circulated.

The Committee recessed proceedings at 10:31 a.m. and resumed at 10:45 a.m.

The Committee reviewed and passed, without amendment, the Estimates of the Department of Government Services.

On motion, the Committee adjourned at 11:22 a.m. to Friday, May 22, 2026, at 9 a.m. to review the Estimates of the Department of Finance, the Public Service Commission and Consolidated Fund Services.

Jeff Dwyer
Chair

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emily Gushue".

Emily Gushue
Clerk of Committee (A)