



**House of Assembly
Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Minutes of the House of Assembly
Resource Committee**

Date: May 6, 2026

Location: House of Assembly Chamber

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Mark Butt, Member for Lewisporte - Twillingate (Chair)

Michael King, Member for Burgeo - La Poile (substituted for Fred Hutton, Member for Conception Bay East - Bell Island)

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

Keith Russell, Member for Lake Melville

Joseph Power, Member for Labrador West

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

Bernard Davis, Member for Virginia Waters - Pleasantville (substituted for Elvis Loveless, Member for Fortune Bay - Cape La Hune)

Other:

David Hamlyn, Official Opposition Caucus

Meghan Parsons, Official Opposition Caucus

Steven Kent, Third Party Caucus

House of Assembly Service:

Kimberley Hammond, Clerk of Committee (A)

Witnesses Appearing:

Department of Jobs, Growth and Rural Development

Lin Paddock, Minister

Heather Tizzard, Deputy Minister

Dan Brake, ADM Industry and Economic Development Branch

Seamus Breen, ADM Employment and Labour Market Development Branch

Aisling Gogal, ADM Immigration

Julian Ludmer, ADM Business and Innovation Branch

Megan Nesbitt, ADM Corporate Services

Peter Andrews, Departmental Controller

Allison King, Director of Communications

Cayla McKenna, Executive Assistant to the Minister

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

On motion, the Minutes of May 5, 2026 were adopted as circulated.

The Committee recessed proceedings at 7:02 p.m. and resumed at 7:12 p.m.

The Committee reviewed and passed, without amendment, the Estimates of the Department of Jobs, Growth and Rural Development.

On motion, the Committee adjourned at 8:40 p.m. to Thursday, May 7, 2026, at 6 p.m. to review the Estimates of the Department of Environment, Conservation and Climate Change.

Mark Butt
Chair

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Kimberley Hammond
Clerk of Committee (A)