

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

The House met at 1:30 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Members' Statements

The following Members provided statements:

The Member for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) recognizing Crystal Murphy and Cassie Manning-Dyke for initiating Action for Happiness Killick Coast.

The Member for Baie Verte - Green Bay (B. Warr) recognizing the late Guy J. Bailey of Baie Verte.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) recognizing the Southern Shore Senior Breakers, winners of the Avalon East Senior Hockey League 2022 Herder Memorial Trophy.

The Member for Lake Melville (P. Trimper) recognizing the contribution and command of LCol Melanie Lake of Churchill Falls, to Operation UNIFIER - the bilateral mission between Ukraine and Canada providing military training for security forces and the National Guard.

The Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) recognizing Randy and Scott Spracklin and their team on the success of the HGTV Canada television show: Rock Solid Builds.

Ministerial Statements

The following Ministers provided statements:

The Minister of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (K. Howell) recognizing Municipal Awareness Week 2022.

The Members for Cape St. Francis (J. Wall) and Torngat Mountains (L. Evans) responded to the statement.

Oral Questions

The House proceeded to Oral Questions.

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Point of Privilege – Ruling

Respecting the point of privilege raised by the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands (E. Joyce) on May 2, the Speaker ruled there was no *prima facie* breach of privilege.

Presenting Reports by Standing and Select Committees

There were no reports by Standing or Select Committees presented.

Tabling of Documents

There were no documents tabled.

Notices of Motion

The Government House Leader (S. Crocker) gave notice they would on tomorrow move the following motion:

THAT this House concur in the report of the Commissioner for Legislative Standards entitled, “The Joyce Report, April 12, 2022”;

AND THAT the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands is directed to submit the required information to the Commissioner for Legislative Standards within 7 business days of the adoption of this resolution;

AND THAT should the information not be submitted, in accordance with paragraph 45(1)(c) of the House of Assembly Act, the Member for Humber - Bay of Islands be suspended from the House of Assembly;

AND THAT the said suspension be without pay and shall continue until such time that the Commissioner for Legislative Standards advises the Speaker that the statutory obligations referred to in the Report have been met.

Answers to Questions for Which Notice Has Been Given

There were no answers to questions for which notice had been given.

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Petitions

The following Members presented petitions:

The Member for Labrador West (J. Brown) regarding affordable housing and assisted living facilities for seniors in Labrador West.

The Member for Terra Nova (L. Parrott) regarding repair and maintenance of provincial roads.

The Member for Bonavista (C. Pardy) regarding improving the crosswalk on Campbell Street, in proximity to the OCI Plant in Bonavista.

The Member for Ferryland (L. O'Driscoll) regarding upgrades to the Witless Bay Line.

The Member for Stephenville - Port au Port (T. Wakeham) regarding funding to ensure safe drinking water for the residents of West Bay.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

The Speaker called orders of the day.

Pursuant to notice and on motion, the following bills were introduced and read the first time:

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Life Insurance Act" (Bill 55);

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Condominium Act, 2009" (Bill 56); and

A bill, "An Act to Amend the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000" (Bill 58).

On motion, it was ordered the above-noted bills be read the second time on tomorrow.

Pursuant to notice, the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved the House not adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Pursuant to notice, the Government House Leader (S. Crocker) moved:

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THAT notwithstanding Standing Order 9, this House shall not adjourn at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 but shall continue to sit for the conduct of government business and, if not earlier adjourned, the Speaker shall adjourn the House at midnight.

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion carried.

Debate continued on the amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

During the debate, the Member for Harbour Main (H. Conway Ottenheimer) moved the following sub-amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion):

THAT the amendment that was previously presented, the non-confidence motion, be amended by changing the period at the end therefor to a comma, and also by adding immediately thereafter the following words: “and that this House also faults the government for its failure to demand or deliver fair financial transfers for Newfoundland and Labrador from the Government of Canada.”

The Deputy Speaker (B. Warr) recessed the proceedings to consider the sub-amendment.

The Deputy Speaker (B. Warr) resumed the Chair and ruled the sub-amendment in order.

Debate commenced on the sub-amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

On motion, the House recessed at 5:25 p.m.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 6:04 p.m.

Pursuant to order and on motion, debate continued and concluded on the sub-amendment to the budget motion (being a non-confidence motion).

The Speaker put the question and declared the motion defeated.

On motion, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 3, at 10 a.m.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.