



**House of Assembly
Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Minutes of the House of Assembly
Management Commission**

Date: December 20, 2024

Location: Videoconference

Time: 1 p.m.

Members Present:

Hon. Derek Bennett, Speaker (Chair)

Hon. John Hogan, Government House Leader

Barry Petten, Opposition House Leader

Hon. Lisa Dempster, MHA (LIB), Cartwright - L'anse au Clair

Jim Dinn, MHA (NDP), St. John's Centre

Jamie Korab, MHA (LIB), Waterford Valley

Craig Pardy, MHA (PC), Bonavista

Kim Hawley George, Clerk of the House of Assembly/Secretary to the Commission (A)

Other

Bobbi Russell, Principal Clerk of Committees/Director of Policy

Gerrie Smith, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel (A)

Wanda Lee Mercer, Chief Financial Officer

The Commission, at an *in camera* meeting, directed additional funding be allocated for the specific purpose of preparing for the extraordinary sitting of the House of Assembly in relation to the Memorandum of Understanding between Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro and Hydro-Québec only, using a proration of annual variable (per private Member) funding as follows:

- \$25,400 to Government caucus;
- \$88,900 to Official Opposition caucus;
- \$12,700 to Third Party caucus; and
- \$6,400 to each of the unaffiliated Members.

The Commission further directed that this decision will not create a precedent or constrain the Commission in future funding matters respecting caucuses and unaffiliated Members.

The Chair delivered a casting vote in favour of the above-noted motion and the motion carried.

The Commission, at an *in camera* meeting, approved use of the \$15,000 allocated for an automobile allowance and related receipts for both the Leaders of the Official Opposition and Third Party for the purpose of offsetting the additional funding requirements directed.

The Commission, at an *in camera* meeting, approved the following transfer of funds:

From:

1.1.04.09 Members' Resources – Allowances and Assistance	\$112,100
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To:

1.1.06.01 Government Members Caucus – Salaries	\$25,400
1.1.07.01 Official Opposition Caucus – Salaries	\$73,900
1.1.04.01 Members' Resources – Salaries	\$12,800

Adjournment: 1:54 p.m.

Derek Bennett
Speaker (Chair)



Kim Hawley George
Clerk of the House of Assembly/Secretary to the Commission (A)