

Tuesday, April 11th, 2006

The House met at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

The Member for Bonavista South (Mr. Fitzgerald) made a Statement to congratulate the Town of Bonavista Fire Department for providing forty years of firefighting services to the Town and surrounding areas.

The Member for Burgeo & LaPoile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to recognize Mr. Peter Skinner of Isle aux Morts who has joined the Ontario Hockey League's Kingston Frontenacs.

The Member for Windsor - Springdale (Mr. Hunter) made a Statement to congratulate Ms. Cherie Wheeler who is the new editor of the *Nor'wester* newspaper which serves the Green Bay area.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Jeremy Parsons of Bay Roberts who is this year's winner of the National Drug Compounding Competition held in Montreal on January 9th.

The Honourable the Minister of Justice & Attorney General (Mr. Marshall) made a Statement to inform the House of a recent visit to Conne River.

The Member for St. John's Centre (Mr. Skinner), as Chair of the Government Services Committee, reported that the Committee had considered the matters to it referred and had passed, without amendment, the following Heads of Expenditure:

**Finance,
Public Service Commission,
Government Services,
Transportation and Works, and
Intergovernmental Affairs Secretariat.**

On motion, the Report was received and on motion debate on the Report was deferred until tomorrow.

The Honourable the Minister of Municipal Affairs (Mr. Jack Byrne) raised a point of order with respect to a Petition presented on April 10th.

The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

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The Member for Grand Falls - Buchans (Ms. Foote) presented a Petition calling on the House to urge Government to provide funding for the necessary road work on the Buchans Highway this summer.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the motion "That This House Approves in General the Budgetary Policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

During the debate the Member for Burgeo & LaPoile (Mr. Parsons) moved an amendment to the Budget motion. The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Ed Byrne) raised a point of order stating that in accordance with the precedents of the House there must be a seconder to the motion.

The Speaker recessed the House in order to consider the matter.

The Speaker resumed the Chair and ruled that the amendment to the Budget motion was out of order because there was no seconder for the motion.

Debate continued on the Budget Speech and on motion debate adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 12th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Elizabeth Murphy,
Clerk Assistant of the House of Assembly.