

Monday, April 26th, 2010

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

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Forsey) made a Statement to congratulate Mr. Elmo Waterman on being inducted as an Honourary Firefighter in the Botwood Volunteer Fire Department.

The Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Collins) made a Statement to recognize Mr. Charlie Waye on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

The Member for The Isles of Notre Dame (Mr. Dalley) made a Statement to congratulate Ian Froude as the Canadian Red Cross Youth Humanitarian of the Year.

The Honourable the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs and Minister Responsible for the Volunteer and Non-Profit Sector (Mr. Denine) made a Statement to recognize the recipients of the inaugural year URock Volunteer Awards.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Fitzgerald), pursuant to paragraph 19(5)(a) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, tabled the minutes of the meeting of the House of Assembly Management Commission held on February 17, 2010.

The Opposition House Leader (Mr. Parsons) gave notice on behalf of the Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Dean) that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

“WHEREAS air ambulance service is critical to the health and lives of Newfoundlanders and Labradorians;

AND WHEREAS Government commissioned a consultant to complete a review of air ambulance service in northern Newfoundland and Labrador;

AND WHEREAS this report did not include all regions of the Province or all aspects of the air ambulance service;

AND WHEREAS the consultant and Government did not consult with local stakeholders including air ambulance staff and Labrador-Grenfell health board members during the process and before the decision to move the air ambulance was made;

AND WHEREAS air ambulance staff have identified a number of problems with the consultant's report;

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AND WHEREAS the report only looked at a few aspects of air ambulance service and missed key variables such as geography, weather, services available and staffing levels;

AND WHEREAS there is a CFLCo plane in Churchill Falls owned by the people of the Province that could serve as an air ambulance, but was not considered in this review;

AND WHEREAS a more comprehensive review of the entire air ambulance program would ensure a more effective service for the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this House of Assembly calls on the Provincial Government to place on hold the current decision to move the air ambulance out of St. Anthony until a complete and comprehensive review takes place that includes all regions and aspects of the air ambulance service.”

The Honourable the Minister of Justice & Attorney General (Mr. Collins) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Small Claims Act” (Bill No. 11).

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture & Recreation (Mr. French) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled “An Act To Amend The Grand Concourse Authority Act” (Bill No.12).

The Honourable the Minister of Government Services (Mr. O’Brien) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Bills:

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Consumer Protection And Business Practices Act” (Bill No. 13);

A Bill, “An Act To Amend The Private Investigation And Security Services Act” (Bill No. 14).

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Dean) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling on the House of Assembly to support and maintain the Air Ambulance service in the St. Anthony area.

At 2:23 o’clock in the afternoon having given two warnings the Honourable the Speaker ordered the Public Galleries cleared and suspended the proceedings.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2:33 o’clock in the afternoon.

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The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) presented a Petition calling on the House of Assembly to allow citizens of the Province to build cabins on Kruger lands.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the sub-amendment to the Budget motion "That this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the Government" (the Budget Speech).

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 27th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.