

Monday, May 17th, 2010

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

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Butler) made a Statement to congratulate the 45th graduating class of Ascension Collegiate.

The Member for Mount Pearl North (Mr. Kent) made a Statement to recognize the Provincial Senior Women's Curling Championship winners: Laura Phillips, Diane Ryan, Jeanette Hodder and Marian Dawe.

The Member for Fortune Bay – Cape La Hune (Ms. Perry) made a Statement to commend the community of Conne River for their accomplishments in preserving the culture of the Mi'kmaq people in the Province.

The Member for Baie Verte –Springdale (Mr. Pollard) made a Statement to acknowledge the achievements of the Table Tennis team of the Indian River High School Springdale.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to recognize National Public Works Week.

The Member for Bonavista North (Mr. Harding) gave notice that he would on tomorrow move the following Resolution:

“WHEREAS Newfoundland and Labrador is home to one of the best undeveloped clean, green, renewable energy projects in North America at the Lower Churchill River in Labrador;

AND WHEREAS Ontario, the Maritime Provinces and the North Eastern United States are in need of affordable, clean energy sources;

AND WHEREAS last week's ruling of the Régie de l'énergie in Quebec on a transmission service request by Nalcor Energy once again demonstrates that province's arrogance and discriminatory business practices, in particular their determination to see the Lower Churchill proceed only on their terms;

AND WHEREAS this ruling is deemed by this Province to be completely contrary to the rules of fair, open and competitive access;

AND WHEREAS this Government is determined to proceed with this project in the best interests and for the benefit of the people of Newfoundland and Labrador;

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Newfoundland and Labrador House of Assembly affirms its full support for the approach of Nalcor Energy and the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador to continue plans to develop this extraordinary clean, renewable energy project, including two alternative routes to market, including the Labrador-Island Link, the Maritime route as well as the pursuit of a separate 724 MW transmission service request into the Maritimes and New England.”

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

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Ms. Dunderdale) tabled the 2009 Business and Financial Report and the Consolidated Financial Statements of Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro for the year ended December 31, 2009.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued on the Budget motion.

By leave, the Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Marshall) in accordance with section 26(4) of the **Financial Administration Act**, tabled a copy of the Order in Council 2010-046 which authorized the Department of Human Resources, Labour & Employment to pre-commit funding of \$3,734,900 against its 2011-12 budgetary appropriations to facilitate the completion of Integrated Case Management System implementation.

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

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 18th at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

William MacKenzie,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.