

Monday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012

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

The Opposition House Leader (Ms. Jones) raised a point of order with respect to unparliamentary comments made by the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Kennedy) on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The Honourable the Government House Leader withdrew the remarks and apologized to the House.

The Member for Port de Grave (Mr. Littlejohn) made a Statement to recognize Catherine Downey, David Gill and Corey Morgan who received Prime Minister's Awards for Teaching Excellence.

The Member for Signal Hill – Quidi Vidi (Ms. Michael) made a Statement to congratulate the Holy Heart Chamber Choir and the St. Bonaventure's College Jazz Band which won the Rose Bowl in their categories at the Kiwanis Music Festival.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to congratulate Barbara Genge and Judy and Lloyd Hillier who were award winners at the Hospitality Newfoundland and Labrador Tourism Excellence Awards Gala in February.

The Member for St. John's East (Mr. Murphy) made a Statement to congratulate Mrs. Viola Winsor who celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 1.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) made a Statement to congratulate the Gateway Status of Women Council which recently celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Member for St. John's South (Mr. Osborne) made a Statement to congratulate the St. Jude Hotel and the Newfoundland and Labrador Liquor Corporation which were recognized at the 2011 Employer of Distinction ceremony sponsored by the Newfoundland and Labrador Employers' Council.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Kennedy) made a Statement to commemorate the anniversary of the Cougar Flight 491 crash.

The Honourable the Minister of Education (Mr. Jackman) made a Statement to recognize March as Youth Science Month in Newfoundland and Labrador schools.

The Honourable the Minister of Natural Resources (Mr. Kennedy) tabled eight boxes of documents related to the Muskrat Falls project:

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- (a) Responses submitted by Nalcor to Requests for Information (RFT's);
  - (i) from the PUB
  - (ii) Consumer Advocate
  - (iii) MHI
- (b) Public Exhibits;
- (c) Confidential Exhibits that have been redacted;
- (d) Nalcor – Submission to the PUB;
- (e) Final Written Submissions from Nalcor and Consumer Advocate;
- (f) Public Presentations Made to the PUB; and
- (g) Comments and Additional Information

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 Order in Council 2012-055 which authorized the Department of Education to pre-commit funds in the amount of \$1,585,165 in 2012-13 to facilitate the award of a contract to Baraco Atlantic Corporation for construction of site services and building foundations (CPI) for St. Theresa's School.

The Honourable the Speaker (Mr. Wiseman), pursuant to paragraph 19(5)(a) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, tabled the minutes of the meetings of the House of Assembly Management Commission held on March 23, June 7 and December 14, 2011 and *in camera* meetings held on March 30 and May 25, 2011.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance and President of Treasury Board (Mr. Marshall) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce a Bill entitled "An Act To Amend The Liquor Control Act" (Bill No. 11).

The Member for St. John's West (Mr. Crummell) gave notice that he would on tomorrow ask leave to introduce the following Resolution:

**"WHEREAS** the Provincial Government laid out its long-term vision for social housing in 2009 in Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation's ten-year Social Housing Plan for Newfoundland and Labrador entitled "Secure Foundations" and supported this strategy with a significant investment in 2011;

**AND WHEREAS** key investments by the Provincial Government to provide housing assistance to those with the greatest needs include:

- 5,573 rental units province-wide through the NLHC;

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- rent subsidies for people living in 1,732 rental units;
- capital funding for approximately 1,100 new affordable housing properties in the private and supportive living sector in dozens of communities throughout Newfoundland and Labrador;
- financial and training support to 1,026 partner-managed units;
- over \$16 million annually to help close to 3,500 people with low incomes stay in their own homes through the various programs for homeowners such as the Provincial Home Repair Program, the Residential Energy Efficiency Program, and Home Modification Program; and,
- an investment of \$4.8 million per year through the Supportive Living Community Partnership Program to provide operational funding for community-based organizations that create housing supports for people with complex service needs;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that this House expresses its support for the Provincial Government's ten-year Social Housing Plan for Newfoundland and Labrador entitled "Secure Foundations" and the investments it is continuing to make to provide assistance to Newfoundlanders and Labradorians with the greatest housing needs."

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to allow women aged 40-49 to be eligible for breast cancer screening and to allow all women to self refer through Newfoundland and Labrador's screening programme.

The Member for Burgeo – La Poile (Mr. Parsons) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to support the users of Route 470 in their request to obtain cellular phone coverage along Route 470.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Jones) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to do a full investigation into the Burton Winters Tragedy and search and rescue in Labrador and lobby the Federal Government to establish permanent search and rescue capability at 5 Wing Goose Bay.

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

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Revenue Administration Act" (Bill No. 5);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Consumer Protection And Business Practices Act" (Bill No. 6);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Provincial Court Act, 1991" (Bill No. 7);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Family Violence Protection Act" (Bill No. 8);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Municipalities Act, 1999 And The Urban And Rural Planning Act, 2000" (Bill No. 9);

A Bill, "An Act To Amend The Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act" (Bill No. 10).

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

On motion of the Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. Kennedy), the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole on Supply to consider a Certain Resolution and a Bill for the Granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty (Bill No. 2).

The Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. Verge took the Chair of Committee of the Whole on Supply.

The Committee of Supply considered a certain Resolution and Bill No. 2 for the Granting of Interim Supply to Her Majesty.

On motion the Committee rose.

The Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairperson of the Committee (Mr. Kent) reported that the Committee of Supply had considered the matters to them referred and had directed him to report that they had made some progress and asked leave to sit again.

On motion the report of the Committee of Supply was received and adopted and on motion it was ordered that the Committee have leave to sit again on tomorrow.

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It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

**William MacKenzie,**  
Clerk of the House of Assembly.