

Tuesday, April 16th, 2013

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

The Honourable the Government House Leader (Mr. King) raised a point of privilege concerning the alleged use of social media by a Member of the House of Assembly.

The Speaker (Mr. Wiseman) suspended the proceedings at 1:46 o'clock in the afternoon to consider the point of privilege.

The Speaker resumed the Chair at 4:23 o'clock in the afternoon and ruled that there was no point of privilege but that there had been a contempt. The Speaker requested three times that the Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) apologize. The Member declined. The Speaker named the Member for St. John's Centre (Ms. Rogers) and requested that the Sergeant-at-Arms escort Ms. Rogers from the Chamber.

The Member for Lewisporte (Mr. Verge) made a Statement to recognize the volunteer firefighters in his District.

The Member for Humber Valley (Mr. Ball) made a Statement to commend Mr. Clarence White who has received the Newfoundland and Labrador Teachers' Association Special Recognition Award.

The Member for St. Barbe (Mr. Bennett) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Howard Joseph Lavers.

The Member for Kilbride (Mr. Dinn) made a Statement to recognize the St. Kevin's Junior High School Girls' Cross Country Running Team, winners of the regional championships in Placentia in October.

The Member for Terra Nova (Mr. Collins) made a Statement to recognize Mr. David Saunders, advocate for the arts and the preservation of the Province's heritage.

The Member for Port au Port (Mr. Cornect) made a Statement to congratulate the Stephenville Lions Club on their Diamond Anniversary.

The Honourable the Minister of Environment and Conservation (Mr. Hedderson) made a Statement to inform the House that Government had entered into an agreement with the Nunatsiavut government to help combat climate change in northern Labrador.

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The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to inform the House about decisions taken to strengthen the transportation network in the Province.

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 reverse the damaging decision to students and reinstate the Adult Basic Education programming at the College of the North Atlantic.

The Member for St. John's North (Mr. Kirby) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to reverse the damaging decision to students and reinstate the Adult Basic Education programming at the College of the North Atlantic.

The Member for Torngat Mountains (Mr. Edmunds) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to identify the needs of all levels of long-term care in Labrador and to re-open the Paddon Seniors Nursing Home, located in Happy Valley-Goose Bay to provide all levels of health care.

The Member for The Straits – White Bay North (Mr. Mitchelmore) presented a Petition from certain residents of the Province calling upon the House of Assembly to urge Government to commit bridge funding in its 2013 Budget to help preserve the RED Boards in Newfoundland and Labrador.

It was moved and seconded that when the House rose it would adjourn until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 17th at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

On motion the House then adjourned accordingly.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.