

Wednesday, May 3rd, 2017

The House met at 10:00 o'clock in the morning pursuant to adjournment.

Pursuant to order and on motion debate continued and concluded on the sub-amendment to the Budget motion.

The Speaker put the question on the motion.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Paul Davis, Mr. Hutchings, Mr. Kent, Mr. Brazil, Ms. Perry, Mr. Petten, Ms. Michael, Mr. Lane.

Against: Mr. Andrew Parsons, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Haggie, Mr. Hawkins, Ms. Cathy Bennett, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Trimper, Mr. Warr, Ms. Dempster, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Mitchelmore, Mr. Letto, Ms. Haley, Mr. Holloway, Ms. Pam Parsons, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Reid, Mr. Dean, Mr. King.

The Speaker declared the sub-amendment defeated.

Debate continued on the amendment to the Budget motion (being a non-confidence motion) and on motion debate was adjourned for further debate on tomorrow.

Pursuant to Standing Order 9(1)(b) the sitting was suspended at 12:07 p.m. The Speaker resumed the Chair at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Speaker (Mr. Osborne) made a Statement to clarify comments he had made on May 2nd regarding Members' references in the House of Assembly to former Members.

The Member for Conception Bay East – Bell Island (Mr. Brazil) made a Statement to congratulate award recipients honoured at the 2017 Best of Portugal Cove – St. Philips Community Awards ceremony.

The Member for Placentia West – Bellevue (Mr. Browne) made a Statement to pay tribute to the late Gordon Lomond.

The Member for Virginia Waters – Pleasantville (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to congratulate Joshua Smith Ford and Kayleigh Richards who were chosen to participate in the Dreams Take Flight programme.

Wednesday, May 3rd, 2017

The Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis) made a Statement to recognize the accomplishments of Ian Chaytor as a soccer player, coach and administrator.

The Member for Exploits (Mr. Dean) made a Statement to congratulate the Grand Falls-Windsor Cataracts for winning the Allan Cup.

The Member for Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair (Ms. Dempster) made a Statement to recognize the 30th anniversary of the Labrador Straits Historical Development Corporation.

The Honourable the Minister of Advanced Education and Skills (Mr. Byrne) made a Statement to inform the House about the Transitions to Work Pilot Programme.

The Honourable the Minister of Transportation and Works (Mr. Hawkins) made a Statement to inform the House about the Provincial Government pilot project for night time road construction.

The Honourable the Minister of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation (Mr. Mitchelmore) made a Statement to congratulate "Come From Away" which has garnered seven Tony Award nominations.

Pursuant to notice and on motion debate commenced and concluded on the following Resolution standing in the name of the Member for Topsail – Paradise (Mr. Davis):

"BE IT RESOLVED that this House condemns the Government for maintaining all but one of the 300 tax and fee increases they imposed on people in last year's budget while failing to be forthright and accountable in disclosing information, and while failing to nurture the conditions for economic growth across Newfoundland and Labrador".

The Speaker put the question on the Resolution.

The House divided.

There appeared in favour of the motion: Mr. Paul Davis, Mr. Hutchings, Mr. Kent, Ms. Perry, Mr. Kevin Parsons, Mr. Petten, Ms. Michael, Ms. Rogers, Mr. Lane.

Against: Mr. Andrew Parsons, Mr. Joyce, Mr. Byrne, Mr. Haggie, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Crocker, Ms. Cathy Bennett, Mr. Kirby, Mr. Trimper, Mr. Warr, Ms. Dempster, Mr. Browne, Ms. Gambin-Walsh, Mr. Edmunds, Mr. Letto, Ms. Haley, Mr. Bernard Davis,

Wednesday, May 3rd, 2017

Mr. Derek Bennett, Mr. Holloway, Ms. Parsley, Ms. Pam Parsons, Mr. Bragg, Mr. Finn, Mr. Reid, Mr. Dean, Mr. King.

The Speaker declared the Resolution defeated.

The Speaker then adjourned the House until Thursday, at 1:30 p.m., pursuant to Standing Order 9.

Sandra Barnes,
Clerk of the House of Assembly.