



**House of Assembly
Newfoundland and Labrador**

**Minutes of the House of Assembly
Management Commission**

Date: September 27, 2018

Location: House of Assembly Chamber

Time: 3:55 pm

Members Present:

Hon. Perry Trimper, Speaker (Chair)
Mr. Mark Browne, MHA (Lib) Placentia West-Bellevue
Hon. Siobhan Coady, MHA (Lib), St. John's West
Mr. Paul Davis, MHA (PC), Topsail-Paradise
Mr. Keith Hutchings, Opposition House Leader
Hon. Andrew Parsons, Government House Leader
Ms. Sandra Barnes, Clerk of the House of Assembly

Other

Ms. Bobbi Russell, Policy & Communications Officer

Regrets

Ms. Lorraine Michael, MHA (NDP), St. John's East-Quidi Vidi

CM 2018-032 The Minutes of the Management Commission meeting held on May 30, 2018 were approved as read.

CM 2018-033 The Commission approved the following meeting schedule for Fall 2018:

- Wednesday, November 7
- Wednesday, November 21
- Wednesday, December 5

As required under the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Speaker reported rulings on allowance use for the period ended September 24, 2018. The expenditure of \$78.00 for the Member for Placentia-St. Mary's was rejected for payment because it was not submitted within 60 days of being made; however, it was a permitted expense and complied with all other provisions of the *Members' Resources and Allowances Rules*.

Pursuant to paragraph 23(8)(c) of the *House of Assembly, Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the 11th Report of the Audit Committee was provided to the Commission for review.

The report of all budget transfers processed during the period of April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 were provided to the Commission for review.

CM 2018-034 The Commission approved the following transfer of funds:

From:

Subdivision 1.1.04.09 Members' Resources – Allowances and Assistance
\$ 25,000

To:

Subdivision 3.1.01.02 Office of the Chief Electoral Officer – Professional Services
\$ 25,000

The financial reports for the Legislature for the periods April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018; and April 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018 were provided to the Commission for review. The Members' Accountability and Disclosure Reports were provided for the same periods.

CM 2018-035 Pursuant to subsections 15(5) and 20(7) of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Commission approved the following proposed amendment, subject to final wording by the Office of the Legislative Counsel:

Section 22 of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act* is amended by adding immediately after subsection (2) the following:

(2.1) A member shall attend or otherwise avail of the orientation and training programs referred to in subsections (1) and (2).

CM 2018-036 The Commission approved the audited financial information for April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 for the House of Assembly and its Statutory Offices as recommended by the Audit Committee.

Pursuant to subsection 32(3) of the *Auditor General Act*, the audited financial information for the Office of the Auditor General for the fiscal year ended 31 March 2018 was provided to the Commission for review.

CM 2018-037 Pursuant to subsection 43(2) of the *House of Assembly, Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, the Commission appointed the Auditor General as auditor of the House of Assembly and Statutory Offices for the year ending 31 March 2018.

The Caucus Operational Funding Expenditure Reports for the period April 1, 2017- March 31, 2018 for the Office of the Speaker; Government Members' Caucus; Official Opposition Caucus; Third Party Caucus; and the Independent Member were submitted to the Commission for review.

Adjournment: 4:19 pm

Hon. Perry Trimper, MHA
Speaker (Chair)


Sandra Barnes
Clerk and Secretary to the Commission