

Anguilla House of Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

The Twelfth Meeting of the Third Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly

Date: 9 May 2023

Start Time: 10:00a.m.

Presiding Officer:

Hon. Speaker, Mrs. Barbara Webster-Bourne

Members Present in the Assembly:

Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. Kenneth Hodge

Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. Kyle Hodge

Hon. Member for Road North, Mr. Merrick Richardson

Hon. Member for Sandy Hill, Mrs. Cora Richardson Hodge

Hon. Member for West End, Mr. Cardigan Connor

Hon. Member for Valley South, Ms. Dee-Ann Kentish Rogers

Hon. Deputy Governor (Ag.), Mr. Karim Hodge

Hon. Attorney General (Ag.), Ms. Serena Connor

*Denotes a Member arriving after the meeting has been called to Order.

Members Absent in the Assembly with Reason:

Hon. Member for Island Harbour, Dr. Ellis Lorenzo Webster

Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. José Vanterpool

Hon. Member for Road South, Mr. Haydn Hughes

Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie

Hon. Member for Valley North, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster

In Attendance:

Clerk to the House of Assembly, Mr. Lenox Proctor

Clerk of Committees, Ms. Vanisha Proctor

Senior Clerical Officer, Ms. Ronequa Hodge

Clerical Officer (Ag.), Ms. Anesia Powell

Sergeant at Arms, Mr. Carl Ruan

Chaplain, Pastor Victor Hugo Brooks

Order of Business

a) Prayers

- i) Prayers were said by the Chaplain to The Assembly.

b) Confirmation of Minutes

- i) Hon. Member for Road North moved that the Minutes of Proceedings for the Eleventh Meeting of the Third Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly be accepted as circulated. The motion was seconded by the Hon. Member for Valley South.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Minutes be accepted as circulated.
- iii) Minutes of Proceedings for the Eleventh Meeting of the Third Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly was voted in favour by the Assembly without amendment.

c) Oaths of Allegiance to New Members

- i) The following Member was administered the Oath of Allegiance before the Speaker:
 - Hon. Deputy Governor (Ag.), Mr. Karim Hodge.
 - Hon. Attorney General (Ag.), Ms. Serena Connor.

d) Announcements by the Direction of the Speaker

- i) Hon. Speaker gave apologies on behalf of the Hon. Member for Island Harbour, Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie, Hon. Member for Road South, Hon. Member for Valley North and the Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. José Vanterpool.

e) Questions

- i) None.

f) Government Statements on Recent Developments

- i) None.

g) Papers

- i) **Public Utilities Commission Annual Report 2020**
 - Hon. Member for Valley South laid the Public Utilities Commission Annual Report, 2020 on the table.

h) Reports from Committees

- i) None.

i) **Petitions**

i) None.

j) **Government Notices**

i) None.

k) **Private Members' Notices**

i) None.

l) **Motions**

i) **Motion 4/2023-3/12HOA: Customs (Exemption of Customs Duties on Food Items) Regulations, 2023**

- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge (Minister of Finance (Ag.)) moved Motion 4/2023-3/12HOA: Customs (Exemption of Customs Duties on Food Items) Regulations, 2023.
- Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge (Minister of Finance (Ag.)) responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 4/2023-3/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 4/2023-3/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

m) **Personal Explanations**

i) None.

n) **Other Business**

l) **Government Business**

a) **A Bill for Capital Development Fund (Appropriation) Act, 2023**

i) **First Reading:**

- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge, (Minister of Finance (Ag.)), moved that the Bill have its first reading.
- Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a first time and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Capital Development Fund (Appropriation) Act, 2023 was read a first time.

b) A Bill for Bribery Act, 2023.

i) First Reading:

- Hon. Member for Attorney General (Ag.) moved that the Bill have its first reading.
- Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a first time and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Bribery Act, 2023 was read a first time.

c) A Bill for Proceeds of Crime (Amendment) Act, 2023.

i) First Reading:

- Hon. Member for Attorney General (Ag.) moved that the Bill have its first reading.
- Hon. Member for Road North seconded the motion.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a first time and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Proceeds of Crime (Amendment) Act, 2023 was read a first time.

d) A Bill for Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) (Anguilla) (Amendment) Act, 2023.

i) First Reading:

- Hon. Member for Attorney General (Ag.) moved that the Bill have its first reading.
- Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a first time and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Criminal Justice (International Co-operation) (Anguilla) (Amendment) Act, 2023 was read a first time.

II) Private Members' Bills

- i) None.

III) Private Bills

- i) None.

IV) Other Orders of the Day

- i) The following Members extended condolences to all who mourn, namely, Garmon Greenaway, Glenda Joseph, Mabel Gumbs, Leonard Lake, Arlene Richardson, Curlis Gumbs and Georgetta Brooks.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge,
 - Hon. Member for Valley South,
 - Hon. Member for Road North,
 - Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge,
 - Hon. Member for West End,
 - Hon. Member for Sandy Hill and
 - Hon. Speaker.

o) Adjournment

- i) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge, (Minister of Finance (Ag.)), moved that the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023 at 10a.m. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for Road North.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the House stands adjourned until Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023 at 10a.m. and the Assembly voted in favour.
- iii) The Assembly was adjourned at 10:54a.m.



Barbara Webster-Bourne
Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 23rd day of May, 2023



Lenox J. Proctor
Clerk of the House of Assembly