

Anguilla House of Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

The Fifteenth Meeting of the First Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly

Date: 9 February 2021

Start Time: 10:00am

Presiding Officer:

Hon. Speaker, Mrs. Barbara Webster-Bourne

Members Present in the Assembly:

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

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

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

Hon. Member for Road South, Mr. Haydn Hughes

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

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

Hon. Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

Hon. Attorney General, Mr. Dwight Horsford*

Member Absent in the Assembly with Reason:

Hon. Member for Valley North, Mr. Evans McNeil Rogers

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

In Attendance:

Clerk to the House of Assembly, Mr. Lenox Proctor

Sergeant at Arms, Mr. Carl Ruan

Chaplain, Pastor Victor Hugo Brooks

Order of Business

1. Prayers

- a) Prayers were said by the Chaplain to the Assembly.

The Meeting was called to Order at 10am and the Hon. Speaker allowed a brief recess to allow the Technicians to resolve technical issues. House resumed at 10:09am.

Hon. Attorney General arrived at 10:09am.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

- a) Hon. Member for Road South moved that the Minutes of Proceedings for the Fourteenth Meeting of the First Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly be accepted as circulated. The motion was seconded by the Hon. Member for Valley South.
- b) Minutes of Proceedings for the Fourteenth Meeting of the First Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly was confirmed by the Assembly without amendment.

3. Oaths of Allegiance to New Members

- a) None.

4. Announcements by the Direction of the Speaker

- a) Apologies were given for the Hon. Member for Valley North and Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge.

5. Papers

- a) None.

6. Reports from Committees

- a) None.

7. Petitions

- a) None.

8. Government Notices

- a) None.

9. Unofficial Notices

- a) None.

10. Questions

- a) None.

11. Motions

11.1 Motion 1/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 1/2021-1/12 HOA) Regulations, 2021.

- a) Hon Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 1/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption Regulations, 2021.
- b) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- c) Hon Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- c) Hon Member for Road South spoke.
- c) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge spoke.
- c) Hon Member for West End spoke.
- d) Hon Member for Island Harbour responded.

- e) Hon Speaker put the question that Motion 1/2021-1/12 HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 1/2021 - 1/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

11.2 Motion 2/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 2/2021-1/12 HOA) Regulations, 2021.

- a) Hon Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 2/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption Regulations, 2021.
- b) Hon Member for Road South seconded the motion.
- c) Hon Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- c) Hon Member for Road South spoke.
- c) Hon Member for West End spoke.
- d) Hon Member for Island Harbour responded.
- e) Hon Speaker put the question that Motion 2/2021-1/12 HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 2/2021 - 1/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

12. Other Business

12.1 Government Business

12.1.1 A Bill for, Customs (Amendment) Act, 2021

12.1.1.1 Second Reading:

- a) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the Bill have its second reading.
- b) Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Member for Island Harbour gave the objects and reasons for the Bill.
- d) Hon. Member for Valley South spoke.
- e) Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- f) Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- g) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a second time and the Assembly voted in favour.

12.1.1.2 Committee Phase:

- a) Under Rule 54 of the Legislative Assembly Rules of Procedure the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to consider it clause by clause.
- b) Committee agreed that clauses 1, 2 as amended and 3, the title and the enacting clause stand part of the Bill and reported same to the Assembly.

12.1.1.3 Third Reading:

- a) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.
- b) Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a third time and passed and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Customs (Amendment) Act, 2021 passed with amendment.

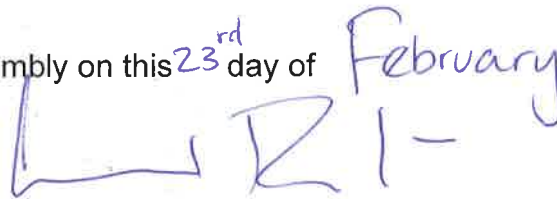
13. Adjournment

- a) Hon Member for Sandy Hill asked leave of the Assembly to give condolences for persons who passed recently before adjournment.
- b) Hon. Speaker allowed Members to speak in moratorium.
- c) Hon. Member for Sandy Hill gave condolences to the families of the late Bernice Rogers and Ambrose Richardson.
- d) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. José Vanterpool also gave condolences to the families who have lost loved ones.
- e) Hon. Member for Road North gave condolences to the family of the late Joyce Lewis Richardson.
- f) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge gave condolences to the families of the late Melonie Richardson and Tr. Eudora Hughes).
- g) Hon. Member for Road South also gave condolences to the family of the late Tr. Eudora Hughes and all others who passed.
- h) Hon. Member for Island Harbour spoke and also gave condolences to the family and friends of the late Dr. Herbert Tony Stoddard and all others who passed and asked leave of the Assembly to observe a moment of silence.
- i) Hon. Speaker allowed the request.
- j) A moment of silence was observed by the Assembly.
- k) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday 23rd February 2021 at 10am. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie.
- l) Hon. Speaker put the question that the House stands adjourned until Tuesday 23rd February 2021 at 10am and the Assembly voted in favour.
- m) The Assembly was adjourned at 12:45pm.



Barbara Webster-Bourne
Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 23rd day of February, 2021



Lenox J. Proctor
Clerk of the House of Assembly