

Anguilla House of Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

The Fourteenth Meeting of the Second Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly

Date: 27 May 2022

Start Time: 11:00a.m.

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 Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. Kyle Hodge
Hon. Member for Road South, Mr. Haydn Hughes
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), Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie*
Hon. Member for Valley North, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster

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

Members Absent in the Assembly with Reason:

Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. José Vanterpool
Hon. Member for Valley South, Ms. Dee-Ann Kentish-Rogers
Hon. Deputy Governor (Ag), Mr. Karim Hodge

Members Absent in the Assembly without Reason:

Hon. Attorney General, Mr. Dwight Horsford

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

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 Thirteenth Meeting of the Second Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly be accepted as circulated. The motion was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Minutes be accepted as circulated.
- iii) Minutes of Proceedings for the Thirteenth Meeting of the Second Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly was voted in favour by the Assembly without amendment.

Hon. Member for Island Harbour arrived at 11:04 am.

c) Oaths of Allegiance to New Members

- i) The following Member was administered the Oath of Allegiance before the Speaker.
 - Hon. Member for Valley North, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster.
- ii) Hon. Speaker congratulated the Member for Valley North and allowed the Member to extend her thanks to the constituents.
 - Hon. Member for Valley North spoke.

d) Election of Deputy Speaker

- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour nominated the Hon. Member for Road North for Deputy Speaker and it was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge.
- ii) The question was put and carried that the Hon. Member for Road North be confirmed as Deputy Speaker.
- iii) Hon. Deputy Speaker was administered the Oath of Allegiance before the Speaker.

e) Announcements by the Direction of the Speaker

- i) Apologies were given for the absence of the Hon. Member for Valley South, Ms. Dee-Ann Kentish-Rogers and the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. José Vanterpool who is off island attending parliamentary business.

Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie arrived at 11:24 am.

- ii) Members of the public were acknowledged. The presence of the past Member for Road North, Mrs. Evalie Bradley and Valley North, Mr. Evans McNeil Rogers were also acknowledged.
- iii) Congratulations were extended to the newly elected Hon. Member for Valley North, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster.

f) Questions

- i) None

g) Government Statements on Recent Developments

i) None

h) Papers

i) Anguilla Community College Estimates of Expenditure and Revenue, 2022

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour laid the Anguilla Community College Estimates of Expenditure and Revenue, 2022.

i) Reports from Committees

i) None.

j) Petitions

i) None.

k) Government Notices

i) None.

l) Private Members' Notices

i) None.

m) Motions

i) Motion 16/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 16/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Taxi Cabs Exemption

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour asked leave of the Assembly to read Motions 17 to 24 together as the Resolutions are similar in nature.
- Hon. Speaker put the question for Motions 17 to 24 to be read together and the Assembly agreed.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour read the text to the Motions and moved Motion 16/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 16/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Taxi Cabs Exemption.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie spoke.
- Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 16/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 16/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

ii) Motion 17/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 17/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Ms. Ingrid Lake / The Parish of St. Mary with St. Augustine & St. Andrew

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 17/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 17/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Ms. Ingrid Lake / The Parish of St. Mary with St. Augustine & St. Andrew.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- No debate.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 17/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 17/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

iii) Motion 18/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 18/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Mr. Keith ‘Stone’ Greaves / Anguilla Amateur Radio

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 18/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 18/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Mr. Keith ‘Stone’ Greaves / Anguilla Amateur Radio.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 18/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 18/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

**Hon. Member for Island Harbour, asked leave of Assembly to read Motion 20 last.
Hon. Speaker put the question for Motion 20 be read last and the Assembly agreed.**

iv) Motion 21/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 21/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Ms. Delisa Mussington / De Wizard

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 21/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 21/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Ms. Delisa Mussington / De Wizard.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- Hon. Member for West End spoke.
- Hon. Member for Road North spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie spoke.
- Hon. Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 21/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 21/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

v) **Motion 22/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 22/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Apostle Elmead Allen / Kingdom Vision Apostolic Church.**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 22/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 22/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Apostle Elmead Allen / Kingdom Vision Apostolic Church.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
- No debate.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 22/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 22/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

vi) **Motion 23/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 23/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Pastor Selina La Blanc / United Pentecostal Church**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 23/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 23/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Pastor Selina La Blanc / United Pentecostal Church.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- No debate.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 23/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 23/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

vii) **Motion 24/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 24/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Crispin Gumbs / Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 24/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 24/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Crispin Gumbs / Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses.
- Hon. Member for Road North seconded the motion.
- No debate.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 24/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 24/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

Hon. Speaker allowed a recess for 45 minutes at 12:52 pm.

House resumed at 1:53 pm.

viii) **Motion 20/2022-2/12HOA: Approval of Goods and Services Tax Regulations, 2022**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 20/2022-2/12HOA: Approval of Goods and Services Tax Regulations, 2022.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- Hon. Member for Road South Spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge spoke.
- Hon. Member for Valley North spoke.
- Hon. Member for West End spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge spoke.
- Hon. Member for Road North spoke.

**Hon. Speaker allowed a recess for 5 minutes to restart the live stream at 6:58 pm.
House resumed at 7:03 pm.**

- Hon. Member for Road North continued.

Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs Marie left with the consent of the Speaker in accordance with Rule 10(2).

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 20/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 20/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

n) Personal Explanations

- i) None.

o) Other Business

I) Government Business

- i) None.

II) Private Members' Bills

- i) None.

Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge left at 8:00 pm.

III) Private Bills

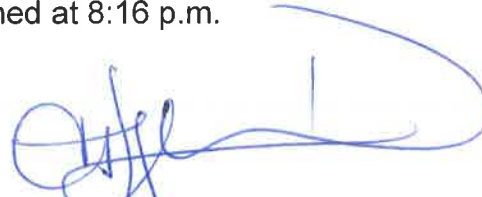
- i) None.

IV) Other Orders of the Day

- i) Hon. Speaker acknowledged 55 years of service and extended Happy Anguilla Day to all. Madame Speaker opened the floor for Members to wish the public Happy Anguilla Day.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge spoke.
 - Hon. Member for Valley North spoke.
 - Hon. Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
 - Hon. Member for Road North spoke.
 - Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
 - Hon. Member for West End spoke.
 - Hon. Member for Island Harbour spoke.

p) Adjournment

- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned *Sine die*. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the House stands adjourned *Sine die* and the Assembly voted in favour.
- iii) The Assembly was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.



Barbara Webster-Bourne
Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 14th day of June, 2022



Lenox J. Proctor
Clerk of the House of Assembly