Anguilla House of Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

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

Date: 23 February 2021

Start Time: 10:00am

Presiding Officer:

Hon. Speaker, Mrs. Barbara Webster-Bourne

Members Present in the Assembly:
Hon. Member for Valley North, Mr. Evans McNiel Rogers
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 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), Mr. José Vanterpool*
Hon. Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley
Hon. Attorney General, Mr. Dwight Horsford

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

Members Absent in the Assembly with reason:
Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie

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 technical difficulties to be resolved. House resumed at 10:16am.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

a) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge moved that the Minutes of Proceedings for the Fifteenth 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 Road North.

b) Minutes of Proceedings for the Fifteenth 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 on behalf of the Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie who will be absent.

b) Apologies were given on behalf of the Member for Sandy Hill and Valley South who will be late.

c) The Hon. Member for Valley North was welcomed back.

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 3/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 2/2021-1/12 HOA) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.

a) Hon Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 3/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 2/2021-1/12 HOA) (Amendment) Regulations, 2021.

b) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.

c) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge spoke.

d) Hon Member for Valley North spoke.

**Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. José Vanterpool and
Hon. Member for Valley South arrived at 10:25am.***

e) Hon Member for Island Harbour responded.

f) Hon Speaker put the question that Motion 3/2021-1/12 HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 3/2021 - 1/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

11.2 **Motion 4/2021-1/12 HOA:** Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 4/2021-1/12 HOA) Regulations, 2021.

a) Hon Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 4/2021-1/12 HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption Regulations, 2021.

b) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.

c) Hon Member for West End spoke.

d) Hon Member for Road South spoke.

Hon. Member for Sandy Hill arrived at 10:44a.m.

e) Hon Member for Island Harbour responded.

f) Hon Speaker put the question that Motion 4/2021-1/12 HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 4/2021 - 1/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

11.3 **Motion 5/2021-1/12 HOA:** Exemption from Import Taxes on Goods for Farmers and Fishermen.

a) Hon Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 5/2021-1/12 HOA: Exemption from Import Taxes on Goods for Farmers and Fishermen.

b) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.

c) Hon Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge spoke.

d) Hon Member for Road South spoke.

e) Hon Member for Island Harbour responded.

f) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge moved that the Motion be amended to repeal and replace Schedule 1.The amendment was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge.

g) Hon. Speaker put the question that the amendment as circulated do stand part of the Motion and the Assembly voted in favour.

f) Hon Speaker put the question that Motion 5/2021-1/12 HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 5/2021 - 1/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House with amendment.

12. Other Business

12.1 Government Business

12.1.1 A Bill for, Reduction of Salaries and Allowances of Ministers Act, 2021

12.1.1.1 A Bill for, Reduction of Salaries and Allowances of Ministers Act, 2021 was read a first time.

12.1.2 A Bill for, Biodiversity and Heritage Conversation (Amendment) Act, 2021

12.1.2.1 A Bill for, Biodiversity and Heritage Conservation (Amendment) Act, 2021 was read a first time.

12.1.3 A Bill for, Education (Amendment) Act, 2021

12.1.3.1 A Bill for, Education (Amendment) Act, 2021 was read a first time.

12.1.4 A Bill for, Anguilla Community College (Amendment) Act, 2021

12.1.4.1 A Bill for, Anguilla Community College (Amendment) Act, 2021 was read a first time.

13. Adjournment

a) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned until Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 10am. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for Valley South.

b) Hon. Speaker put the question that the House stands adjourned until Tuesday 9th March 2021 at 10am and the Assembly voted in favour.

c) The Assembly was adjourned at 11:23am.

Barbara Webster-Bourne
Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this   day of   , 2021

Lenox J. Proctor
Clerk of the House of Assembly