

## Anguilla House of Assembly

### Minutes of Proceedings

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

**Date:** 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024

**Start Time:** 10:00a.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 Sandy Hill, Mrs. Cora Richardson Hodge  
Hon. Member for West End, Mr. Cardigan Connor  
Hon. Member for Road North, Mr. Merrick Richardson  
Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. Kenneth Hodge  
Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mr. José Vanterpool  
Hon. Member for Valley North, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster\*  
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. Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

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

### Members Not Present in the Assembly with Reason:

Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie  
Hon. Attorney General, Mr. Dwight Horsford

### In Attendance:

Clerk to the House of Assembly, Mr. Lenox Proctor  
Clerk of Committees, Ms. Vanisha Proctor  
Executive Secretary, Ms. Ronequa Hodge  
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) Minutes of Proceedings of the Thirteenth Meeting of the Fourth Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly.**

- Hon. Member for SIWED Mr. Kenneth Hodge moved that the Minutes of Proceedings for the Thirteenth Meeting of the Fourth Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly be accepted as circulated. The motion was seconded by the Hon. Member for Road North.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Minutes be accepted as circulated.
- Minutes of Proceedings for the Thirteenth Meeting of the Fourth Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly was voted in favour by the Assembly without amendment.

**Hon. Member for Valley North arrived at 10:05a.m.**

**ii) Minutes of Proceedings of the Special Sitting of the Fourth Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly to Pay Tribute to Mr. Evans Harrigan.**

- Hon. Member for Road North moved that the Minutes of Proceedings of the Special Sitting of the Fourth Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly to Pay Tribute to Mr. Evans Harrigan be accepted as circulated. The motion was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Minutes be accepted as circulated.
- Minutes of Proceedings for the Special Siting of the Fourth Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly to Pay Tribute to Mr. Evans Harrigan was voted in favour by the Assembly without amendment.

**c) Oaths of Allegiance to New Members**

- i) None.

**Hon. Member for Road South arrived at 10:07a.m.**

**d) Announcements by the Direction of the Speaker**

- i) Apologies were given with reason on behalf of the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gums-Marie and Hon. Attorney General.
- ii) Hon. Speaker recognized the presence of the students and teachers of the Valley Primary School and the Albena Lake Hodge Comprehensive School who are visiting the Assembly as part of the House of Assembly's Educational Program "Understanding Democracy".

**e) Questions**

- i) None.

**f) Government Statements on Recent Developments**

- i) None.

**g) Papers**

- i) H.E. The Governor's Response to the Report of the Gun Crime and Violence Committee**
  - Hon. Member for Island Harbour laid the H.E. The Governor's Response to the Report of the Gun Crime and Violence Committee.
- ii) Report of the Chief Auditor and Government of Anguilla Accounts 2017**
  - Hon. Member for Island Harbour laid the Report of the Chief Auditor and Government of Anguilla Accounts 2017.

**h) Reports from Committees**

- i) None.

**i) Petitions**

- i) None.

**j) Government Notices**

- i) None.

**k) Private Members' Notices**

- i) None.

**l) Motions**

- i) None.

**m) Personal Explanations**

- i) None.

**n) Other Business**

**l) Government Business**

**a) A Bill for Integration of Registry Into Financial Services Commission (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, 2024.**

**i) First Reading:**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour 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, Integration of Registry Into Financial Services Commission (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act, 2024 was read a first time.**

**b) A Bill for Digital Assets Business (Amendment) Act, 2024.**

**i) First Reading:**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour 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, Digital Assets Business (Amendment) Act, 2024 was read a first time.**

**c) A Bill for Insurance (Amendment) Act, 2024.**

**i) First Reading:**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour 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, Insurance (Amendment) Act, 2024 was read a first time.**

**II) Private Members' Bills**

- i) None.

**III) Private Bills**

- i) None.

**IV) Other Orders of the Day**

- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour remembers Mr. John Calvin Lake a.k.a "Pow" and noted that his funeral is coming up on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2024. The Member extended condolences to the family of Mrs. Harriet Hodge. The Member beg leave of the House that the students in the gallery ask questions live.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the students who are present in the gallery be given the opportunity to ask their questions live to Members of the Assembly following the adjournment. Members voted in favour.

**o) Adjournment**

- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned until Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 10:00a.m. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the House stands adjourned until Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 10:00a.m. and the Assembly voted in favour.
- iii) The Assembly was adjourned at 10:23a.m.



Barbara Webster-Bourne  
*Speaker*

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2024



Lenox J. Proctor  
*Clerk of the House of Assembly*