

Anguilla House of Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

The Twenty-First Meeting of the Second Session of the Twelfth Anguilla House of Assembly

Date: 6 September 2022

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 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), Mr. José Vanterpool
Hon. Member for Valley South, Ms. Dee-Ann Kentish Rogers
Hon. Member for Valley North, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster
Hon. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie

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

Members Not Present in the Assembly with Reason:

Hon. Attorney General, Mr. Dwight Horsford

Members Not Present in the Assembly without Reason:

Hon. Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

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 Twentieth 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. Kenneth Hodge.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Minutes be accepted as circulated.
- iii) Minutes of Proceedings for the Twentieth Meeting of the Second 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) None.

d) Announcements by the Direction of the Speaker

- i) Welcome was extended to Ms. Anesia Powell, a new member of staff.
- ii) A brief report was given on the 65th Annual Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Canada in which the Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Clerk to the Assembly attended from 18th August to 26th August 2022.

e) Questions

- i) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge put six (6) questions to the Hon. Member for Island Harbour and responses were given.
 - a) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge put one (1) supplemental question to the Hon. Member for Island Harbour and responses were given.

f) Government Statements on Recent Developments

- i) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge asked leave of the Assembly to give a Government statement on a recent development.
- ii) Hon. Speaker allowed the statement under Rule 27.
- iii) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge gave the statement.
- iv) Hon. Speaker opened the floor for any questions on the statement in accordance with Rule 27.
- v) No questions were asked.

g) **Papers**

- i) None.

h) **Reports from Committees**

- i) Hon. Member for Sandy Hill laid the PAC Report of the Anguilla Tourist Board.

i) **Petitions**

- i) None.

j) **Government Notices**

- i) None.

k) **Private Members' Notices**

- i) None.

l) **Motions**

i) **Motion 32/2022-2/12HOA: In the Matter of an Overdraft Facility 2022-2023**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 32/2022-2/12HOA: In the Matter of An Overdraft Facility 2022-2023.
- 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 32/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 32/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

ii) **Motion 33/2022-2/12HOA: Exemption from Customs Duties and Excise Tax on Hybrid and Electric Vehicles Regulations, 2022**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 33/2022-2/12HOA: Exemption from Customs Duties and Excise Tax on Hybrid and Electric Vehicles Regulations, 2022.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie spoke.
- Hon. Member for Valley South spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. José Vanterpool spoke.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge spoke.
- Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 33/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 33/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

iii) **Motion 34/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 34/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022 – Mr. Trivon Smith**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 34/2022-2/12HOA: Customs Duty and Tax Exemption (Motion 34/2022-2/12HOA) Regulations, 2022.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 34/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 34/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

iv) **Motion 35/2022-2/12HOA: Approval of Integrated Tariff (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 2022**

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved Motion 35/2022-2/12HOA: Approval of Integrated Tariff (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 2022.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for Valley North spoke.
- Hon. Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 35/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

Motion 35/2022-2/12HOA was made a Resolution of the House.

m) **Personal Explanations**

- i) None.

n) **Other Business**

I) Government Business

a) A Bill for Excise Tax Act, 2022.

i) First Reading:

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the Bill have its first reading.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge 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, Excise Act, 2022 was read a first time.

II) Private Members' Bills

- i) None.

III) Private Bills

- i) None.

IV) Other Orders of the Day

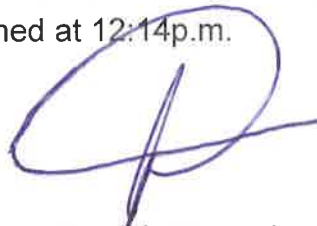
- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour hoped that there would be no natural disasters and thanked God for bringing us thus far without any natural disasters and also for curbing the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. He also continued to encourage those who are not vaccinated to do so.

Hon. Member for Island Harbour acknowledged Mrs. Ursilla Connor who celebrated her 109th birthday and extended condolences to Mr. Ralph Hodge and family on the passing of his mother who was 101 years old. Condolences were also extended to the families who have lost loved ones.

Hon. Member for Island Harbour noted that he asked Her Excellency the Governor to prorogue the House at the next sitting.


o) Adjournment

- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned until Friday, 9th September, 2022 at 10 a.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, 9th September, 2022 at 10 a.m. and the Assembly voted in favour.
- iii) The Assembly was adjourned at 12:14p.m.



Merrick Richardson
Deputy Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 23rd day of September, 2022



Lenox J. Proctor
Clerk of the House of Assembly