## **Anguilla House of Assembly**

#### **Minutes of Proceedings**

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

Date: 25 July 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

Hon. Deputy Governor, Mr. Karim Hodge (Ag)

# Members Absent in the Assembly with Reason:

Hon. Member for West End, Mr. Cardigan Connor

## 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

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes a Member arriving after the meeting has been called to Order.

#### **Order of Business**

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

Hon. Member for Sandy Hill arrived at 10:01 a.m.

- b) Confirmation of Minutes
  - i) Hon. Member for Road South moved that the Minutes of Proceedings for the Eighteenth 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 Road North.

Hon. Member for SIWED, José Vanterpool arrived at 10:02 a.m.

- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Minutes be accepted as circulated.
- iii) Minutes of Proceedings for the Eighteenth 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) Oath of Allegiance was taken by the acting Deputy Governor, Mr. Karim Hodge,
- d) Announcements by the Direction of the Speaker
  - i) Apologies were given for the absence of the Hon. Member for West End.
- e) Questions
  - i) None.
- f) Government Statements on Recent Developments
  - i) None.
- g) Papers
  - i) None.
- 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

- I) Government Business
- a) A Bill for Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2022
  - i) Second Reading:
    - Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the Bill has its second reading.
    - Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
    - Hon. Member for Island Harbour gave the objects and reasons for the Bill.
    - Madam Speaker requested and was granted leave of the Assembly to have 15 20 minutes per Member to make contributions to the Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2022.
    - No debate.
    - Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.

## Hon. Member for Valley South arrived at 10:12 a.m.

- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a second time and the Assembly voted in favour.
- A Bill for, Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2022 was read a second time.

#### ii) Committee Stage:

- Under Rule 45 of the House of Assembly (Procedure) Rules the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to consider it clause by clause.
- Committee agreed that clauses 1-3, title and enacting clause stand part of the Bill and reported same to the Assembly.

#### iii) Third Reading:

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.
- Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge seconded the motion.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a third time and passed and the Assembly voted in favour.

# A Bill for, Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 2022, passed without amendment.

#### II) Private Members' Bills

i) None.

#### III) Private Bills

i) None.

#### IV) Other Orders of the Day

i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour extended condolences to the families of Leander (Bull) Bryan (who was honoured in 2020 for his participation in the Anguilla Revolution of 1967) and Rollie (Speedy) Harrigan and to all others who have passed. A speedy recovery was also wished to those who are sick at this time.

# Hon. Speaker granted a recess at 10:19 a.m. as requested by the Clerk.

#### House resumed at 10:46 a.m.

- Hon. Member for Island Harbour requested and was granted leave to amend the Agenda by including Motion 28/2022-2/12HOA – Approval of Financial Administration and Audit (Remission) (Anguilla Summer Festival) Regulations, 2022.
- Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that the Agenda be amended to include Motion 28/2022/2/12HOA and the Assembly voted in favour.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour gave the objects and reasons for the motion.
- Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- Hon. Member for Valley North spoke.
- Hon. Member for Valley South spoke.
- Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- Hon. Member for Island Harbour responded.
- Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 28/2022-2/12HOA become a Resolution of the House and the Assembly voted in favour.

## o) Adjournment

- i) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned until Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 at 2:00p.m. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for Valley South.
- ii) Hon. Speaker put the question that the House stands adjourned until Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 at 2:00p.m. and the Assembly voted in favour.
- iii) The Assembly was adjourned at 11:04a.m.

Barbara Webster-Bourne

Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 27 day of July , 2022

Lenox J. Proctor

Clerk of the House of Assembly