

Anguilla House of Assembly

Minutes of Proceedings

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

Date: 20 April 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 McNeil Rogers

Hon. Member for Island Harbour, Dr. Ellis Lorenzo 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. Member for Single Island Wide Electoral District (SIWED), Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie

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. 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

1. Prayers

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

2. Confirmation of Minutes

a) It was moved that the Minutes of Proceedings for the Eighteenth 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 Valley South.

b) Minutes of Proceedings for the Eighteenth 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 for the Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kenneth Hodge who is currently out of office.
- b) Hon. Speaker announced the schedule for the week of activities commemorating the 45th Anniversary of the Assembly.

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 7/2021-1/12HOA: Amendment of Motion 6/2021-1/12HOA Establishment of Select Committee To Consider Petitions Of Concerned Citizens

- a) Hon. Member for Road North moved the motion.
- b) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mrs. Quincia Gumbs-Marie seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Member for Road North explained the motion.
No debate
- d) Hon. Member for Road North responded.
- e) Hon. Speaker put the question that Motion 7/2021-1/HOA become a resolution of the Assembly and Members voted in favour.

Motion 7/2021-1/12HOA: Amendment of Motion 6/2021 -1/12HOA Establishment of Select Committee To Consider Petitions of Concerned Citizens passed without amendment.

12. Other Business

12.1 Government Business

12.1.1 A Bill for, Recording of Court Proceedings (Amendment) Act, 2021

12.1.1.1 Second Reading:

- a) Hon. Attorney General moved that the Bill have its second reading.
- b) Hon. Attorney General gave the objects and reasons for the Bill.
- c) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
No debate
- d) Hon. Attorney General responded.
- e) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a second time and the Assembly voted in favour.

12.1.1.2 Committee Phase:

- a) Under Rule 54 of the Legislative Assembly Rules of Procedure the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to consider it clause by clause.
- b) Committee agreed that clauses 1-3, the title and the enacting clause stand part of the Bill and reported the same to the Assembly.
- c) The Hon. Attorney General reported to the Assembly that the Bill had passed through committee without amendment and was ready for its third reading.

12.1.1.3 Third Reading:

- a) Hon. Attorney General moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.
- b) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a third time and passed and the Assembly voted in favour.

**A Bill for, Recording of Court Proceedings (Amendment) Act, 2021
passed without amendment.**

12.1.2 A Bill for, Resort Residence Annual Levy Act, 2021

12.1.2.1 Second Reading:

- a) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge moved that the Bill be read a second time.
- b) Hon. Member for Valley South seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge read the Bill.
- d) Hon. Member for Island Harbour spoke.
- e) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge responded.
- f) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a second time and the Assembly voted in favour.

12.1.2.2 Committee Phase:

- a) Under Rule 54 of the Legislative Assembly Rules of Procedure the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to consider it clause by clause.

- b) Committee agreed that clauses 1-21 with amendments to clauses 1, 7(1), 13(3), 14(1), 15(1)(b), the title and enacting clause stand part of the Bill and reported same to the Assembly.

12.1.2.3 Third Reading:

- a) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.
- b) Hon. Member for Road South seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a third time and passed and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Resort Residence Annual Levy Act, 2021, passed with amendment.

12.1.3 A Bill for, Child Justice Act, 2021

12.1.3.1 Second Reading:

- a) Hon. Member for Valley South moved that the Bill have its second reading.
- b) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Member for Valley South gave the objects and reasons for the Bill.
- d) Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- e) Hon. Member for Valley South responded.
- f) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a second time and the Assembly voted in favour.

12.1.3.2 Committee Phase:

- a) Under Rule 54 of the Legislative Assembly Rules of Procedure the Bill was referred to a Committee of the Whole House to consider it clause by clause.
- b) Committee agreed that clauses 1-85 with amendments to clauses 5, 47, 70, 81 and 85, Schedules 1-4, the title and the enacting clause stand part of the Bill and reported same to the Assembly.

12.1.3.3 Third Reading:

- a) Hon. Member for Valley South moved that the Bill be read a third time and passed.
- b) Hon. Member for SIWED, Mr. Kyle Hodge seconded the motion.
- c) Hon. Speaker put the question that the Bill be read a third time and passed and the Assembly voted in favour.

A Bill for, Child Justice Act, 2021, passed with amendment.

12.1.4 A Bill for, Eastern Caribbean Central Bank Agreement (Amendment) Act, 2021

- 12.1.4.1** A Bill for, Eastern Caribbean Central Bank Agreement (Amendment) Act, 2021 was read a first time.

13. Adjournment

- a) Hon. Member for Island Harbour expressed solidarity with the people of St. Vincent; wished former Chief Minister Hubert Benjamin Hughes the best during the course of his illness; congratulated the Hon. Member for Sandy Hill on her being elected as Leader of

the Anguilla United Front party and to the Hon. Member for West End on him being elected as Deputy Leader.

- b) Hon. Speaker allowed Members to extend congratulations and to stand in solidarity with the people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines.
- c) Hon. Speaker spoke.
- d) Hon. Member for Valley South spoke.
- e) Hon. Member for Sandy Hill spoke.
- f) Ho. Member for West End spoke.
- g) Hon. Member for Road South spoke.
- h) Hon. Member for Island Harbour moved that the meeting be adjourned until Friday, 30th April 2021 at 2pm. It was seconded by the Hon. Member for SIVED, Mr. Kyle Hodge.
- i) Hon. Speaker put the question and the Assembly voted in favour.
- j) The Assembly was adjourned at 12:12pm.



Barbara Webster-Bourne
Speaker

Confirmed in the House of Assembly on this 25th day of May, 2021



Lenox J. Proctor
Clerk of the House of Assembly