



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

of the

CAYMAN ISLANDS

REPORT

of the

STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE

**Throne Speech and Budget Address
First Meeting of the 2015/2016
Session of the Legislative Assembly**

Laid upon the Table of this Honourable House this day of , 2015.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Legislative Assembly appointed the Standing Business Committee with the passing on 29th May, 2013 of Government Motion No. 1 and resolved that –

“In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 79, this House appoints a Standing Business Committee charged with deciding the order of business of the House and, in particular –

- (a) to consider the Business Papers of the House;*
- (b) to decide and inform the Clerk the order in which Private Members’ Motions are to be debated on;*
- (c) to decide and to inform the Clerk two clear days before a Question Day the questions to be put down for reply on the Order Paper for that Question Day;*
- (d) to provide a ready means of consultation between Members who are not Members of the Cabinet, and the Leader of Government Business, the Leader of the Opposition, the Presiding Officer and the Clerk;*
- (e) to select a Member to read Prayers on each day of a Meeting of the House other than the State Opening Meeting;*
- (f) to inform the Clerk the order in which Bills shall be set down upon the Order Paper;*

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Standing Business Committee shall comprise five Elected Members;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the quorum for the Committee shall be three Members of the Committee including the Chairman and that the Committee shall meet at such times as called by the Chairman;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Committee review its terms of reference and report any recommendations to this Honourable House.

The Motion was moved by the Deputy Governor the Honourable ex officio Member responsible for the Portfolio of the Civil Service.

2. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE

The following Members are Members of the Committee:

Hon Alden McLaughlin, Jr., MBE, JP, MLA, Premier - Chairman
Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA, Deputy Premier - Member
Mr Winston C Connolly, MLA - Member
Hon W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, LoO – Member
Mr Bernie A Bush, MLA - Member

3. BUSINESS OF THE COMMITTEE

In arranging the business of the House for the Throne Speech and Budget Address – First Meeting of the 2015/2016 Session of the Legislative Assembly, the Committee held two meetings

- Minutes – Monday 11th May, 2015; and
- Minutes – 18th June, 2015.

Nine Business Papers containing the business of the House for the Throne Speech and Budget Address – First Meeting of the 2015/2016 Session of the Legislative Assembly were circulated. The Minutes of proceedings are attached hereto and form part of this Report.

4. REPORT TO THE HOUSE

The Committee agrees that this Report be the Report of the Standing Business Committee to this Honourable House.

Hon Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA
Premier
Third Elected Member for George Town
Chairman

Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA
Deputy Premier
Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport
First Elected Member for Cayman Brac and Little Cayman
Member

Mr Winston C Connolly, MLA
Fifth Elected Member for George Town
Member

Hon W McKeever Bush, OBE, JP, MLA
Leader of the Opposition
First Elected Member for West Bay
Member

Mr Bernie A Bush, MLA
Third Elected Member for West Bay
Member



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

**Meeting
Monday 11th May, 2015**

Minutes of proceedings of the Standing Business Committee's meeting held in the Committee Room on 11th May, 2015 at 12:25 pm to arrange the business of the House for the Throne Speech and Budget Address, First Meeting of the 2015/2016 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly.

Present: Hon Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Premier – Chairman
Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA, Deputy Premier – Member
Mr Winston C Connolly, MLA – Member
Mr Bernie A Bush, MLA - Member

Apologies: Hon W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, LoO - Member

1. Meeting to Order

There being a quorum present, the Chairman brought the meeting to order at 12:25 pm.

2. Consideration of Business

The Committee perused and agreed to the attached Draft Programme for the Throne Speech and Budget Address for the First Meeting of the 2015/2016 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly to be held on the 15th May, 2015. See Appendix I.

The Chairman advised the Committee that he would inform the Clerk of the title of the Policy Statement that he was going to make on Friday 15th May, 2015 on his return to office.

The Committee also considered Business Papers 1 through 4 and agreed to the following:-

Second Sitting – Wednesday 20th May, 2015

Prayers: Clerk to arrange the selection of prayers.

Papers: Government of the Cayman Islands – Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, Financial Statements for Year Ended 30 June 2014.

Questions: The Chairman informed the Honourable Members that when Parliamentary Questions were ready to be answered by the Ministers the Clerk would be notified and they would be placed upon the Order Paper.

Bills: The Committee agreed to the first and second readings of the Appropriation (July 2015 to June 2016) Bill, 2015.

Other Business:

Private Member's Motions:

Private Member's Motion No. 1/2015-2016 -Unconstitutional interference, conspiracy to topple an Elected Government and violation of indigenous population's rights under UN Charter of Human Rights and EU Charter of Human Rights.

The Chairman informed the Committee that a matter was filed before the Courts in relation to the above Private Member's Motion, so it then became sub judice, and would not be dealt with in the Legislative Assembly until the court case was finalized.

3. **Other Business**

The Committee agreed that no other business would be dealt with other than the two Reports agreed to, and Parliamentary Questions when received from the Ministries, until the conclusion of the debate on the Throne Speech and Budget Address, and the completion of Finance Committee.

The Chairman informed the Committee that it would meet again to consider the other business of the House after the conclusion of Finance Committee.

4. **Confirmation/Ratification of Reports and Minutes**

Report of the Standing Business Committee – Fifth Meeting of the 2014/2015 Session of the Legislative Assembly.

- Minutes – 13th April, 2015; and
- Round Robin – Thursday 16th April, 2015.

The above Report and Minutes were moved by the Fifth Elected Member for George Town for confirmation/ratification.

The Committee agreed to the confirmation/ratification of the above Report and Minutes.

It was also agreed by the Committee to have the Report placed upon the Order Paper for Wednesday 20th May, 2015.

5. **Adjournment**

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 12:38 pm.

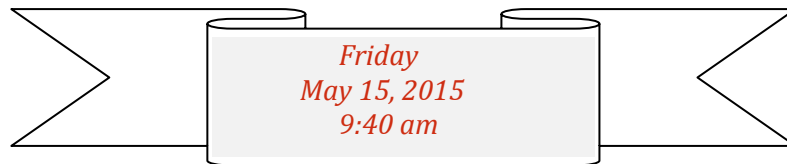
APPENDIX I



THRONE SPEECH AND BUDGET ADDRESS

FIRST MEETING OF THE 2015-2016 SESSION OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUILDING
33 Fort Street, George Town
GRAND CAYMAN



**HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S REPRESENTATIVE
Her Excellency the Governor
Mrs. Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB**

THE SPEAKER

Honourable Juliana Y O'Connor-Connolly, JP, MLA
Second Elected Member for Cayman Brac and Little Cayman

THE PREMIER

Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA
Premier
Minister of Home Affairs, Health and Culture
Third Elected Member for George Town

**MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE
CABINET**

Honourable Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA
Deputy Premier
Minister of District Administration, Tourism and Transport
First Elected Member for Cayman Brac and Little Cayman

Honourable D Kurt Tibbetts, OBE, JP, MLA
Minister of Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing and Infrastructure
First Elected Member for George Town

Honourable Marco S Archer, JP, MLA
Minister of Finance and Economic Development
Fourth Elected Member for George Town

Honourable Osbourne V Bodden, JP, MLA
Minister of Community Affairs, Youth and Sports
Second Elected Member for Bodden Town

Honourable G Wayne Panton, JP, MLA
Minister of Financial Services, Commerce and Environment
Third Elected Member for Bodden Town

Honourable Tara A Rivers, JP, MLA
Minister of Education, Employment and Gender Affairs
Second Elected Member for West Bay

Honourable Franz I Manderson, Cert., Hon, JP
Deputy Governor, ex officio Member
responsible for the Civil Service

Honourable Samuel W Bulgin, QC, JP
Attorney General ex officio Member
responsible for Legal Affairs

ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Government Backbench

Mr Anthony S Eden, OBE, JP, MLA
Deputy Speaker
First Elected Member for Bodden Town

Mr Roy M McTaggart, JP, MLA
Second Elected Member for George Town

Mr Winston C Connolly, Jr, MLA
Fifth Elected Member for George Town

Mr Joseph X Hew, MLA
Sixth Elected Member for George Town

Mr Alva H Suckoo, MLA
Fourth Elected Member for Bodden Town

The Opposition

Honourable W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, MLA
Leader of the Opposition
First Elected Member for West Bay

Mr Bernie A Bush, MLA
Deputy Leader of the Opposition
Third Elected Member for West Bay

Capt A Eugene Ebanks, JP, MLA
Fourth Elected Member for West Bay

Independent Members

Mr D Ezzard Miller, MLA
Elected Member for North Side

Mr V Arden McLean, JP, MLA
Elected Member for East End

PROGRAMME

- 9:25 am** Members of the Legislative Assembly arrive.
Members of the public arrive.
- 9:30 am** Pastor Marquis McLaughlin, JP - Officiating Minister arrives.
- 9:35 am** Guard of Honour in position.
All Ministers and Members of the Legislative Assembly and the general public seated.
- 9:37 am** Arrival of the Chief Justice, the Honourable Anthony Smellie, QC, JP. and Mrs Smellie
- 9:40 am** **SPEAKER'S PROCESSION** (*All rise*)
The Serjeant-at-Arms (bearing the Mace).
The Honourable Speaker followed by the Clerk and Deputy Clerk.
The Honourable Speaker proceeds to the Chair and bows to the right and to the left.

PRAYERS

- The Honourable Speaker requests the Minister to say prayers.
The Honourable Speaker says "Please be seated" (*All sit*).

PROCLAMATION

- The Clerk reads the Proclamation summoning the new Session of the Legislative Assembly.

READING BY THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER OF MESSAGES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTION FOR THE SUSPENSION OF THE HOUSE

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Minister of Home Affairs, Health and Culture proposes -

"That this Honourable House do rise to await the arrival of Her Excellency the Governor Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB to receive a gracious Message from the Throne".

The Question is proposed and put.

The Honourable Speaker suspends the House to meet Her Excellency the Governor.

All rise as the Honourable Speaker, preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms and followed by the Premier and the Clerks proceeds to the forecourt of the Building to meet Her Excellency the Governor.

INSPECTION OF THE GUARD OF HONOUR

- 9:45 am** Arrival of Her Excellency the Governor (*Met by the Honourable Speaker*)
The Honourable Speaker, the Premier, the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk and Serjeant-at-Arms in attendance, stand at the top of the steps to watch the Inspection of the Guard of Honour.

9:56 am The Honourable Speaker and Clerk escort Her Excellency the Governor and the Governor's Aide-de-Camp inside the Building.

PROCESSION

The Serjeant-at-Arms
The Honourable Speaker
Her Excellency the Governor
The Aide-de-Camp
The Honourable Premier
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
The Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Proceed to the main doors of the Chamber.

The Governor's Aide-de-Camp gives three knocks on the door.

The doors are opened by Officers of the Legislative Department.

As the doors open, the Serjeant-at-Arms heads the Procession and announces: "*Her Excellency the Governor*".

As the Procession enters the Chamber, ALL STAND.

The Serjeant-at-Arms places the Mace in the lower cradle.

Her Excellency the Governor proceeds to the left and upon reaching the Speaker's dais, takes the Speaker's Chair. The Honourable Speaker takes a seat to the right of Her Excellency and the Aide-de-Camp to the left.

Her Excellency the Governor bows to the right and the left and says "*Please be seated*". Her Excellency takes her seat.

The Honourable Speaker invites Her Excellency the Governor, to address the House.

THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Her Excellency the Governor delivers the Throne Speech, which is handed to her by the Aide-de-Camp. At the conclusion, the Aide-de-Camp approaches Her Excellency the Governor, bows, and receives a copy of the Speech, bows again and moving backward, turns and gives the copy to the Deputy Clerk to be laid on the Table.

Her Excellency the Governor (*all rise*), bows to the right and to the left.

The Serjeant-at-Arms approaches the Table.

DEPARTURE OF HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

Procession departs in the following order:

Serjeant-at-Arms
The Honourable Speaker
Her Excellency the Governor
Aide-de-Camp
The Honourable Chief Justice
Mrs Smellie
Pastor Marquis McLaughlin, JP

THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER RE-ENTERS

The Serjeant-at-Arms announces: “*Madam Speaker*” (All stand).

The Honourable Speaker re-enters the Chamber preceded by the Serjeant-at-Arms who lays the Mace in the upper cradle.

RESUMPTION OF THE SITTING OF THE ASSEMBLY

The Honourable Speaker bows to the right and the left and takes the Chair.

The Honourable Speaker calls the House to order.

MOTION OF THANKS TO HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

The Father of the House and Leader of the Opposition
Hon W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, moves -

“BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable Legislative Assembly record its grateful thanks to Her Excellency the Governor, Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB for the Address delivered at this Sitting”.

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION TO DEFER DEBATE ON THE THRONE SPEECH

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP Minister of Home Affairs, Health and Culture, moves-

“BE IT RESOLVED that the debate on the Address delivered by Her Excellency the Governor, Mrs Helen Marjorie Kilpatrick, CB be deferred until Wednesday 20th May, 2015”.

The Question is proposed and put.

PRESENTATION OF PAPERS AND OF REPORTS

The Annual Plan and Estimates for the Government of the Cayman Islands for the Financial Year ending 30 June, 2016 together with the Annual Budget Statements for Ministries and Portfolios for the Financial Year ending 30 June 2016, Purchase Agreements for Statutory Authorities, Government Companies and Non-Governmental Output Suppliers for the Year ending 30 June 2016, and Ownership Agreements for Statutory Authorities and Government Companies for the Year ending 30 June 2016.

To be laid upon the Table by the Honourable Marco Archer, Minister of Finance and Economic Development.

STATEMENTS BY HONOURABLE MINISTERS AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

Policy Statement “Toward a Better Tomorrow”

By the Premier, the Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP Minister of Home Affairs, Health and Culture.

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Bills:

First Reading: The Appropriation (July 2015 to June 2016) Bill, 2015

Second Reading: The Appropriation (July 2015 to June 2016) Bill, 2015

BUDGET ADDRESS

To be delivered by the Honourable Marco Archer,
Minister of Finance and Economic Development

MOTION FOR THE DEFERRAL OF DEBATE ON THE BUDGET ADDRESS

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home Affairs,
Health and Culture moves -

“BE IT RESOLVED that the debate on the Budget Address be deferred until Wednesday 20th May, 2015.

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION FOR THE THRONE SPEECH, THE POLICY STATEMENT AND THE BUDGET ADDRESS TO BE DEBATED SIMULTANEOUSLY

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP,
Minister of Home Affairs, Health and Culture moves -

*“BE IT RESOLVED that the Throne Speech, the Policy Statement and the Budget Address be debated
simultaneously on Wednesday 20th May, 2015”.*

The Question is proposed and put.

MOTION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT

The Premier, Honourable Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, Minister of Home Affairs, Health and
Culture moves the motion for the Adjournment of the House.

The Question is proposed and put.

PROCESSION

The Serjeant-at-Arms (*bearing the Mace*).
The Speaker.

(All stand)

OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

Mrs. Zena Merren-Chin
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Mrs. Sharon K. Smith, JP
Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

Mr J. Kim Evans
Serjeant-at-Arms



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

STANDING BUSINESS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Meeting Thursday 18th June, 2015

Minutes of proceedings of the Standing Business Committee's meeting held in the Committee Room on 18th June, 2015 at 3:40 pm to arrange the business of the House for the Throne Speech and Budget Address, First Meeting of the 2015/2016 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly.

Present: Hon Alden McLaughlin, MBE, JP, MLA, Premier – Chairman
Hon Moses I Kirkconnell, JP, MLA, Deputy Premier – Member
Mr Winston C Connolly, MLA – Member
Hon W McKeeva Bush, OBE, JP, LoO - Member

Absent: Mr Bernie A Bush, MLA – Member

1. **Meeting to Order**

There being a quorum present, the Chairman brought the meeting to order at 3:40 pm.

2. **Consideration of Business**

The Committee considered Business Papers 1 through 8 for the First Meeting of the 2015/2016 Session of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly, and agreed to the following:-

Eighth Sitting – Friday 19th June, 2015

Prayers: Clerk to arrange the selection of prayers.

Papers: (i) Report of the Standing Finance Committee on The Appropriation (July 2015 to June 2016) Bill, 2015
(ii) Water Authority of the Cayman Islands Financial Statements ending 30th June, 2014
(iii) National Road Authority Financial Statements ending 30th June, 2014
(iv) Electricity Regulatory Authority Financial Statements ending 30th June, 2014
(v) Information and Communication Technology Authority Financial Statements ending 30th June, 2014

Questions: The Chairman informed the Honourable Members that when Parliamentary Questions were ready to be answered by the Ministers the Clerk would be notified and they would be placed upon the Order Paper.

Govt. Business:

Bills: The Committee agreed to the third reading of the Appropriation (July 2015 to June 2016) Bill, 2015.

The Committee also agreed to the first and second readings, committee, report and third readings, (with the suspension of Standing Order 47 to all allow three readings in one day) of the following Bills:-

- The Film Exhibition Control Bill, 2015; and
- The Land Holding Companies Share Transfer Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2015.

The Committee agreed to the deferral of The National Roads Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2015 to the next Meeting of the Legislative Assembly, as it did not meet the required twenty-one (21) days according to the Cayman Islands Constitution Order 2009, Section 77(2).

Motions:

- (i) Government Motion No. 1/2015-2016
Amendment to The Development Plan 1997
Proposed Rezoning: Bodden Town, Block 44B, Parcel 23 – Rosaly Swann Bass – Bodden Town, Block 44B, Parcel 420 – Crown -
- (ii) Government Motion No. 2/2015-2016
Amendment to The Development Plan 1997
Proposed Rezoning: Proposed Rezoning: West Bay Beach North, Block 17A Parcel 9, Danny Soto, Investor Nominees Ltd., Randy Soto, Deputy Ltd

Other Business:

Private Member's Motions:

- **Private Member's Motion No. 2/2015-2016** – Amendment to the Anti-Corruption Law (2014 Revision)

The Honourable Leader of the Opposition recommended to the Committee that Private Member's Motion No. 2/2015-2016 – Amendment to the Anti - Corruption Law be deferred and dealt with at the next Meeting of the Legislative Assembly.

The Committee agreed to the Leader of the Opposition's recommendation, that Private Member's Motion No. 2/2015-2016 – Amendment to the Anti-Corruption Law be deferred and dealt with at the next meeting of the Legislative Assembly.

3. **Adjournment**

There being no other business the meeting adjourned at 3:51 pm.