

Votes and Proceedings

SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

March 16, 2020

The Assembly commenced sitting at 10:03 am, with the Honourable Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker, presiding.

Ministers' Statements

- 38-19(2) The Premier made a statement regarding COVID-19 preparedness.
- 39-19(2) The Minister of Health and Social Services provided a COVID-19 update.

Members' Statements

- 185-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement about working together to contain COVID-19.
- 186-19(2) The Member for Hay River South made a statement regarding COVID-19 and support for community members.
- 187-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife Centre made a statement regarding COVID-19 and support for tourism.
- 188-19(2) The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes made a statement regarding COVID-19 and what it means to self-isolate.
- 189-19(2) The Member for Nunakput made a statement regarding high wind and power outages in Nunakput.
- 190-19(2) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh made a statement regarding COVID-19 response plans in the Northwest Territories.
- 191-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding a five-year review of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act*.

192-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding COVID-19 and capacity to address the pandemic.

193-19(2) The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding community impacts of COVID-19.

Written Questions

9-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake asked a question of the Minister of Infrastructure regarding contracts for work related to the Slave Geological Province Road.

10-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake asked a question of the Minister of Lands regarding Pointed Mountain gas field compliance and reclamation.

11-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake asked a question of the Minister of Lands regarding *Commissioner's Land Act* security deposits.

Tabling of Documents

61-19(2) Interim Estimates (Operations Expenditures), April 1 to June 30, 2020. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.

62-19(2) Letter from President of Northwest Territories Power Corporation to Minister regarding 2019-20 Capital Spending Budget. Tabled by the Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Power Corporation.

63-19(2) 2020-21 Corporate Plan – Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation and Northwest Territories Power Corporation. Tabled by the Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Power Corporation.

Notices of Motion

7-19(2) Extended Adjournment of the House to May 26, 2020

Notice given by the Member for Yellowknife North.

Motions

7-19(2) Extended Adjournment of the House to May 26, 2020

Moved by the Member for Yellowknife North.

I MOVE, seconded by the honourable Member for Hay River North, that, notwithstanding Rule 4, when this House adjourns on Monday, March 16, 2020, it shall be adjourned until Tuesday, May 26, 2020;

AND FURTHER, that any time prior to May 26, 2020, if the Speaker is satisfied, after consultation with the Executive Council and Members of the Legislative Assembly, that the public interest requires that the House should meet at an earlier time during the adjournment, or at a time later than the scheduled resumption of the House, the Speaker may give notice and thereupon the House shall meet at the time stated in such notice and shall transact its business as if it had been duly adjourned to that time.

The motion was CARRIED.

First Reading of Bills

Bill 4: *Supplementary Appropriation Act (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 1, 2020-2020*

Introduced by Minister of Finance.

Second Reading of Bills

Bill 4: *Supplementary Appropriation Act (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 1, 2020-2020*

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

Mrs. Semmler reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Tabled Document 61-19(2), Interim Estimates (Operations Expenditures), April 1 to June 30, 2020, that consideration of Tabled Document 61-19(2) is concluded, that the House concurred in those estimates and that an appropriation bill based thereon be introduced without delay.

Committee Motion 11-19(2)

Moved by the Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh:

I MOVE that consideration of Tabled Document 61-19(2), Interim Estimates (Operations Expenditures), April 1-June 30, 2020 be now concluded and that Tabled Document 61-19(2) be reported and recommended as ready for further consideration in formal Session through the form of an appropriation bill.

The motion was CARRIED.

First Reading (Reversion)

Bill 5: *Interim Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures), 2020-2021*

Introduced by Minister of Finance.

Second Reading (Reversion)

Bill 5: *Interim Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures), 2020-2021*

Third Reading of Bills

Bill 4: *Supplementary Appropriation Act (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 1, 2020-2020*

The Minister of Finance requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Mr. Simpson, Mr. Jacobson, Ms. Cleveland, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lafferty, Honourable S. Thompson, Honourable C. Wawzonek, Honourable P. Chinna, Honourable C. Cochrane, Honourable D. Thom, Honourable R. J. Simpson. (11)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: Ms. Green, Mr. Norn, Mr. O'Reilly. (3)

The motion was CARRIED.

Bill 5: *Interim Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures), 2020-2021*

The Minister of Finance requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Mrs. Semmler, Ms. Green, Mr. Simpson, Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Norn, Mr. O'Reilly, Ms. Cleveland, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Lafferty, Honourable S. Thompson, Honourable C. Wawzonek, Honourable P. Chinna, Honourable C. Cochrane, Honourable D. Thom, Honourable R. J. Simpson. (15)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

The motion was CARRIED.


Assent

The Commissioner of the Northwest Territories assented to the following Bills:

Bill 4: *Supplementary Appropriation Act (Infrastructure Expenditures),
No. 1, 2020-2020*

Bill 5: *Interim Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures), 2020-2021*

The Speaker adjourned the House at 1:18 pm.



Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Tim Mercer
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

