

# Votes and Proceedings Procès-verbal

No. 73

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#### SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

## March 31, 2021

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:30 pm, with the Honourable Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker, presiding.

## Ministers' Statements

152-19(2)	The Minister of Infrastructure provided an update on the 2021 winter road season and community fuel resupply.
153-19(2)	The Minister of Education, Culture and Employment made a statement regarding Rendez-vous de la Francophonie.
154-19(2)	The Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs made a statement regarding additional funding for community governments.

## Members' Statements

694-19(2)	The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh made a statement regarding recent housing announcements.
695-19(2)	The Member for Nunakput made a statement wishing everyone a happy Easter and a safe spring.
696-19(2)	The Member for Deh Cho made a statement reflecting on the budget review process.
697-19(2)	The Member for Thebacha delivered an Easter message of appreciation.
698-19(2)	The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding public access to petroleum rights information.

The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding student and graduate employment in the public sector.

The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding fire response services on the Ingraham Trail.

The Member for Hay River South made a statement regarding illicit drug use and trade in communities.

The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding the death of of young people from addictions and available treatment.

The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding the Mackenzie Valley and Trans Canada highways.

#### Returns to Oral Questions

638-19(2) The Minister of Health and Social Services provided a return to Oral Question 638-19(2) asked by the Member for Nunakput regarding medevac services.

#### Written Questions

29-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake asked a question of the Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation regarding vacancy rates in housing programs.

#### Returns to Written Questions

25-19(2) The Clerk tabled a return to Written Question 25-19(2) from the Minister of Health and Social Services to the Member for Nunakput regarding medevacs in Nunakput.

### **Tabling of Documents**

374-19(2)	Inter-activity Transfers Exceeding \$250,000 (April 1 to December 31, 2020). Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
375-19(2)	Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 509-19(2): Mental Health. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.
376-19(2)	Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 518-19(2): eHealth System and Online Patient Portal. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services.

377-19(2) Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 590-19(2): Mental Health Concerns in Small Communities. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services. 378-19(2) Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 677-19(2): Independent Living for Seniors. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services. 379-19(2) Health and Social Services Breakdown of Air Ambulance Transports as of March 2021. Tabled by the Minister of Health and Social Services. 380-19(2) Plain Language Summary for Bill 24: An Act to Amend the Revolving Funds Act. Tabled by the Minister of Infrastructure. 381-19(2) 2021-2022 Corporate Plan -Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation and Northwest Territories Power Corporation. Tabled by the Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Power Corporation. 382-19(2) Letter dated March 30, 2021 from Northwest Territories Hydro Corporation and Northwest Territories Power Corporation President and CEO to Minister Archie regarding 2020-2021 Capital Spending Budget. Tabled by the Minister responsible for Northwest Territories Power Corporation. Plain Language Summary for Bill 25: An Act to Amend the 383-19(2) Education Act. Tabled by the Minister of Education, Culture and Employment. 384-19(2) Northwest Territories Housing Corporation 2021-22 Consolidated Operating Budget. Tabled by the Minister responsible for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation. 385-19(2) 2010-2011 Call for Bids - Central Mackenzie Valley. Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake. 386-19(2) 2010-2011 Call for Nominations - Central Mackenzie Valley. Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake. 387-19(2) Summary of Members' Absences for the Period October 15, 2020 to February 2, 2021. Tabled by the Speaker.

#### **Motions**

32-19(2) Extended Adjournment of the House to May 27, 2021

Moved by the Member for Yellowknife North.

NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River North, that, notwithstanding Rule 4, when this House adjourns on Wednesday, March 31, 2021, it shall be adjourned until Thursday, May 27, 2021;

AND FURTHER, that any time prior to May 27, 2021, 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.

33-19(2) Appointment of Members to the Human Rights Adjudication Panel.

Moved by the Member for Kam Lake.

NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Sahtu, that Mr. Sheldon Toner of Yellowknife, Northwest Territories be recommended to the Commissioner of the Northwest Territories for appointment as a member of the Human Rights Adjudication Panel, effective immediately for a term of four years;

AND FURTHER, that Lou Sebert of Fort Smith, Northwest Territories and Jay Sengupta of Hamilton, Ontario be recommended to the Commissioner of the Northwest Territories for appointment as members of the Human Rights Adjudication Panel, effective immediately for a term of four years.

The motion was CARRIED.

#### Assent

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

Bill 3: An Act to Amend the Public Highways Act

Bill 12: An Act to Amend the Apprenticeship, Trades and Occupational

Certification Act

Bill 13: An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act

Bill 14: An Act to Amend the Securities Act

Bill 16: An Act to Amend the Income Tax Act

Bill 20: An Act to Amend the Employment Standards Act

Bill 26: Supplementary Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures), No. 3,

2020-2021

Bill 27: Supplementary Appropriation Act (Infrastructure Expenditures),

No. 3, 2020-2021

Bill 28: Appropriation Act (Operations Expenditures) 2021-2022

The Speaker adjourned the House at 3:25 pm.

Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Acting Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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