

## Votes and Proceedings

### SECOND SESSION OF THE NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

February 14, 2023

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:32 pm, with the Honourable Frederick Blake Jr., Speaker, presiding.

#### Members' Attendance

Present: Member for Deh Cho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Member for Hay River South, Honourable Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Member for Kam Lake, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nahendeh, Member for Nunakput, Honourable Member for Range Lake, Honourable Member for Sahtu, Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh, Honourable Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South.

#### Ministers' Statements

- 305-19(2) The Minister of Infrastructure made a statement regarding federally funded infrastructure projects.
- 306-19(2) The Minister of Health and Social Services made a statement regarding the introduction of the Office of Client Experience and an update on the Indigenous Patient Advocates.
- 307-19(2) The Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs made a statement regarding Arctic Winter Games 2023 and Canada Winter Games 2023.

#### Members' Statements

- 1349-19(2) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding a reduction in reindeer grazing land withdrawal.

- 1350-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake made a statement regarding Government of the Northwest Territories apprenticeships and the Schools North Apprenticeship Program.
- 1351-19(2) The Member for Hay River South regarding remediation of the Hay River Harbour.
- 1352-19(2) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding the municipal funding gap.
- 1353-19(2) The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes made a statement regarding Indigenous Patient Advocates.
- 1354-19(2) The Member for Thebacha made a statement regarding housing renewal initiatives and a seniors' housing strategy.
- 1355-19(2) The Member for Nunakput made a statement regarding the Arctic Council.
- 1356-19(2) The Member for Deh Cho made a statement regarding systemic racism in small health centres.
- 1357-19(2) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh made a statement regarding the housing crisis.
- 1358-19(2) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding supplementary health benefits.
- 1359-19(2) The Honourable Member for Nahendeh delivered a eulogy for Millie Kuliktana.

#### Returns to Oral Questions

- 1326-19(2) The Minister of Health and Social Services provided a return to Oral Question 1326-19(2) asked by the Member for Monfwi regarding Non-Insured Health Benefits for addictions services.

#### Reports of Standing and Special Committees

- 40-19(2) Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on Bill 61: *An Act to Amend the Ombud Act*

### Reports of Committees on the Review of Bills

- Bill 57-19(2) The Member for Kam Lake reported that the Standing Committee on Social Development had reviewed Bill 57, *Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2022*, and that Bill 57 was ready for consideration in Committee of the Whole.
- Bill 61-19(2) The Member for Thebacha reported that the Standing Committee on Government Operations had reviewed Bill 61, *An Act to Amend the Ombud Act*, and that Bill 61 was ready for consideration in Committee of the Whole as amended and reprinted.

### Point of Order

The Member for Great Slave rose on a point of order against the Honourable Member for Nahendeh. The Speaker advised he would review the matter before delivering a ruling.

### Written Questions

- 58-19(2) The Member for Monfwi asked a question of the Minister of Infrastructure regarding the replacement of the Frank Channel Bridge.

### Tabling of Documents

- 830-19(2) Report on the Staff Retention Policy for 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
- 831-19(2) Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 1274-19(2): Aurora College University Campus Accessibility. Tabled by the Minister of Education Culture, and Employment.
- 832-19(2) Canadian Press Article dated February 20, 2014 entitled "Conservatives eye Arctic reindeer reserve for oil and gas". Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake.
- 833-19(2) Yukon Government Carbon Price Rebate Act Schedule 1 of SY 2019, c.8. Tabled by the Member for Frame Lake.

### Notices of Motion

- 72-19(2) Appointment of the Clerk of the Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly.
- Notice given by the Member for Kam Lake.

73-19(2) Extended Adjournment of the House to February 27, 2023.

Notice given by the Member for Thebacha.

### Motions

72-19(2) Appointment of the Clerk of the Northwest Territories Legislative Assembly

The Member for Kam Lake sought unanimous consent to deal with Motion 72-19(2) immediately. Consent was granted.

Moved by the Member for Kam Lake:

NOW THEREFORE, I MOVE, seconded by the Honourable Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, that the Legislative Assembly recommends the appointment of Mr. Glen Rutland as Clerk of the Legislative Assembly by the Commissioner of the Northwest Territories as recommended by the Board of Management of the Legislative Assembly;

AND FURTHER, that this appointment take effect on April 1, 2023.

The motion was CARRIED.

### Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Chair, the Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Tabled Document 813-19(2): 2023-2024 Main Estimates, and reported progress.

The Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River North, moved concurrence of the report of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was CARRIED.

### Speaker's Ruling

The Speaker provided his ruling on the point of order raised by the Member for Great Slave against the Honourable Member for Yellowknife Centre. The Speaker found there was no point of order.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 6:00 pm.



Hon. Frederick Blake Jr.  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Tim Mercer  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly