

Votes and Proceedings

FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

June 7, 2024

The Assembly commenced sitting at 10:03 a.m. with the Honourable Shane Thompson, Speaker, presiding.

Members' Attendance

Present: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Honourable Member for Hay River South, Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Honourable Member for Kam Lake, Member for Mackenzie Delta, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nunakput, Member for Range Lake, Member for Sahtu, Honourable Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South.

Absent: Member for Inuvik Boot Lake.

Ministers' Statements

49-20(1) The Minister of Environment and Climate Change made a statement regarding the 2024 wildfire season.

50-20(1) The Minister of Education, Culture and Employment made a statement regarding immigration.

Members' Statements

260-20(1) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding plastic waste management.

261-20(1) The Member for Sahtu made a statement regarding the 2024 Marine Transportation Services season impacts on businesses.

262-20(1) The Member for Dehcho made a statement about supporting economic development of Dehcho communities.

- 263-20(1) The Member for Range Lake made a statement regarding recreational land leasing.
- 264-20(1) The Member for Mackenzie Delta made a statement regarding the condition and maintenance of Elders' homes.
- 265-20(1) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding the *Waste Management and the Waste Reduction and Resource Recovery Act*
- 266-20(1) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding the Longshadow Music Festival.
- 267-20(1) The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh made a statement regarding culturally significant sites near the Taltson Hydro Project.
- 268-20(1) The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding the Indigenous Child Welfare Final Settlement Agreement.
- 269-20(1) The Member for Yellowknife Centre made a statement regarding the Yellowknife Day Shelter.
- 270-20(1) The Honourable Member for Nahendeh made a statement regarding the Village of Fort Simpson receiving the Canadian Biomass Community Project of the Year Award.

Acknowledgements

- 4-20(1) The Member for Sahtu acknowledged Rocky Norwegian and community members in the evacuation of Tulita during 1995 wildfires.

Tabling of Documents

- 113-20(1) Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 187-20(1): Costs to Access Land Titles and Red-Tape Reduction. Tabled by the Minister of Justice.
- 114-20(1) Follow-up Letter for Oral Question 203-20(1): RCMP Response to Addictions Related Calls. Tabled by the Minister of Justice.

Motions

- 32-20(1) Increasing RCMP Response in Hay River

Moved by the Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh:

NOW THEREFORE I MOVE, seconded by the Member for Dehcho, that the Government of the Northwest Territories reinstate the Royal Canadian Mounted Police canine unit in Hay River;

AND FURTHER, that the Government of the Northwest Territories and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police collaborate and respond specifically to the rise in crime in Hay River;

AND FURTHERMORE, that the Government of the Northwest Territories provide a response to this motion within 120 days.

The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Member for Mackenzie Delta, Member for Monfwi, Member for Range Lake, Member for Sahtu, Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North. (10)

Members against: None. (0)

Members abstaining: Honourable Member for Hay River North, Honourable Member for Hay River South, Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Honourable Member for Kam Lake, Honourable Member for Nunakput, Honourable Member for Thebacha, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South. (7)

The motion was CARRIED.

Notices of Motion for First Reading of Bills

Bill 7: *Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2024*
Notice given by the Minister of Justice

Bill 8: *An Act to Amend the Student Financial Assistance Act*
Notice given by the Member for Yellowknife Centre

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Chair, the Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Tabled Document 93-20(1): 2024-2025 Main Estimates, and reported progress with three motions carried.

Committee Motion 27-20(1)

The Member for Dehcho moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this committee defer further consideration of the Main Estimates for the Legislative Assembly at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 28-20(1)

The Member for Dehcho moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this committee defer further consideration of the Main Estimates for the Department of Environment and Climate Change at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 29-20(1)

The Member for Dehcho moved the following motion:

I MOVE that this committee defer further consideration of the Main Estimates for the Department of Municipal and Community Affairs at this time.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River South, moved concurrence of the report of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was CARRIED.

Third Reading of Bills

Bill 2: *Missing Persons Act*

The Honourable Member for Hay River North, seconded by the Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, moved that Bill 2, *Missing Persons Act*, be read for the third time and requested a recorded vote.

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

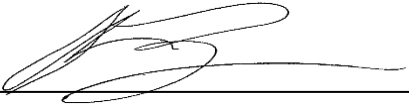
Members for: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Honourable Member for Hay River South, Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Honourable Member for Kam Lake, Member for Mackenzie Delta, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nunakput, Member for Range Lake, Member for Sahtu, Honourable Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South. (17)

Members against: None. (0)

Members abstaining: None. (0)

The motion was CARRIED.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 2:50 p.m.



Hon. Shane Thompson
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Glen Rutland
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly