

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

**PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS**

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy, tabled a petition regarding ending family violence.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party, tabled a petition calling for repairs to the road at Grand River East.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. MacDonell, Hants East, tabled a petition opposing bio-medical waste coming to the Mount Uniacke Business Park.

Pursuant to the order, Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Steele, Halifax Fairview, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage, tabled a petition calling for improvements to roads in the Pugwash Junction area.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South, tabled a petition regarding tuition fees.

**TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS**

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Christie, Minister of Finance, tabled the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission 2004 Annual Report.

**GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 3811 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Bruce MacKinnon on his cartooning success.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3812 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to Valerie White on receipt of an award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

The following bills were introduced by the following Members, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

**No. 198. An Act Respecting the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission**

**(Hon. Mr. Christie - Minister of Finance)**

**No. 199. An Act to Amend Chapter 92 of the Revised Statutes of 1989, the Consumer Protection Act**

**(Mr. Deveaux - Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage)**

**No. 200. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the 1998, the Municipal Government Act**

**(Mr. Glavine - Kings West)**

#### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

Pursuant to the order, the following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 3813 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - urging the Liberals to agree to reduce wait times and improve the state of people's health.

Res. No. 3814 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - The Premier has broken his promise regarding the debt.

Res. No. 3815 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - congratulations to Robert Layton on his firefighter service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3816 - Ms. M. MacDonald, Halifax Needham - congratulations to the Elizabeth Fry Society honourees.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3817 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - congratulations to Jerry Murphy on receipt of a volunteer award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3818 - Mr. Chisholm, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour - supporting the opinions of the Strait Regional School Board.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3819 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - supporting the importance of lighthouses.

Res. No. 3820 - Ms. Raymond, Halifax Atlantic - congratulations to J.L. Illsley on the venture to open a studio theatre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3821 - Mr. MacKinnon, Cape Breton West - congratulations to Larry and Barbara MacPherson on the opening of the Birches at Ben Eoin Inn.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3822 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - urging the province to crack down on the buyers of contraband lobster.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3823 - Ms. More - Dartmouth South-Portland Valley -

congratulations to R.C.L. Somme Branch 31 for its service.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3824 - Mr. Taylor, Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley - remembering the late Doris MacLean.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3825 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - finding a solution respecting the grey seal population.

Res. No. 3826 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking those responsible for establishing a football team at Sir John A MacDonald High School.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3827 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries - congratulations to those doing well in a spelling bee in Argyle.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3828 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to the N.S. Association of Social Workers on their stand regarding VLTs.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3829 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to Matthew Sawchuk on his learning capability.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3830 - Mr. David A. Wilson, Sackville-Cobequid - congratulations to R.C.L. Calais Branch 162 on its holding of the Call to Remembrance competition finals.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days'

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3831 - Mr. Graham, Halifax Citadel - congratulations to Mulgrave Road Theatre on their production.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3832 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Bridgewater and Municipality of the District of Lunenburg and others for their commitment to the development of an EMO plan.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3833 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - acknowledging the contribution of Sydney Steel workers to the war effort.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3834 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognizing Carrie Ramsay and Carol Duplisea for their efforts to obtain traffic signals.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3835 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Health - congratulations to the Grade 5 class of Mrs. Lauren Murphy for their expression of sympathy to Mayerthorpe.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3836 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - acknowledging the opening of the Jennifer Keeping Centre.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3837 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - recognition of Cecil Dean's service during the war.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3838 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Susan Corkum-Greek on receipt of a tourism award.

With the unanimous consent of the House, the usual two days' notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 3839 - Mr. Langille, Colchester North - recognizing the North Shore Business Women in Action.

Res. No. 3840 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - best wishes to Elsie MacNeil on her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Res. No. 3841 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Alan Wetmore on selection as head coach.

Res. No. 3842 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Florence and George Harrison.

Res. No. 3843 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Ashley Avery.

Res. No. 3844 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to Kevin Estabrooks.

Res. No. 3845 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking Tara Yaschuk.

Res. No. 3846 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking the Minister of Transportation and Public Works for the Prospect Bay Road paving project.

Res. No. 3847 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - thanking the Minister of Transportation and Public Works for the Terence Bay Road paving project.

Res. No. 3848 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Avery Demone.

Res. No. 3849 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Hebbville Academy on their "Alice in Wonderland".

Res. No. 3850 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Matthew Hachey.

Res. No. 3851 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Cusack family.

Res. No. 3852 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Small World Learning Centre.

Res. No. 3853 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - thanking nurses.

Res. No. 3854 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Hebbville Academy.

Res. No. 3855 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Melanie Marlin.

Res. No. 3856 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Bronwen Thomas.

Res. No. 3857 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Kelly Cunningham.

Res. No. 3858 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Laura Whynot.

Res. No. 3859 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Mitch Baker.

Res. No. 3860 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Jennifer Pitman.

Res. No. 3861 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Meghan Jamieson.

Res. No. 3862 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to Justin Taylor.

Res. No. 3863 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to several on receipt of a scholarship.

Res. No. 3864 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to several on receipt of elementary vocal

awards.

Res. No. 3865 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater Elementary School Hand Chime Choir.

Res. No. 3866 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Human Resources - congratulations to the Bridgewater Elementary School Choir for their performance.

Res. No. 3867 - Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Energy - congratulations to municipalities for converting to LED traffic signals.

Res. No. 3868 - Mr. Dooks, Eastern Shore - thanking Roger Belanger for his views of Chezzetcook Inlet.

Res. No. 3869 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to St. Peter's Lions Club for assisting Richmond Villa.

Res. No. 3870 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - recognizing St. Peter's Lions Club for donation to the Dr. Kingston Memorial Clinic.

Res. No. 3871 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - recognizing St. Peter's Lions Club for their donation to the Early Childhood Education Centre.

Res. No. 3872 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - acknowledging the St. Peter's Lions Club.

Res. No. 3873 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to the École Beau-Port junior hockey team.

Res. No. 3874 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to the École Beau-Port junior hockey team.

Res. No. 3875 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to St. Peter's Lions Club for their donation to the Chapel Island Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 3876 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to St. Peter's Lions Club for their contribution to the MacAskill Yacht Club.



Res. No. 3877 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to St. Peter's Lions Club for their donations to L'Ardoise Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 3878 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to St. Peter's Lions Club for their donations to St. Peter's Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 3879 - Mr. Samson, Leader in the House of the Liberal Party - congratulations to St. Peter's Lions Club for their donations to St. Peter's Air Cadets.

Res. No. 3880 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to coordinators of the Parrsboro Spook-a-Rama.

Res. No. 3881 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Barry Patriquin.

Res. No. 3882 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Heather Porteous.

Res. No. 3883 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to the Oxford Guiding Movement.

Res. No. 3884 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Cpl. Linda Bird.

Res. No. 3885 - Hon. The Speaker - congratulations to Steve Christie.

**SUPPLY UNTO HER MAJESTY**

On motion that the House resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Supply, a debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Sampson, Corbett and MacKinnon. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the motion carried nem con.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

On motion, the adjourned debate of the following Resolution was then resumed:

No. E2, relating to the Department of Community Services. Mr. Dexter moved that the Estimates be reduced by \$42,463.42. The debate continued on the Estimates of the Department of Community Services. ADJOURNED.

On motion, the Committee rose and Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair. The Chairman reported that the Committee had made some progress and begged leave to sit again.

### **PUBLIC BILLS**

On motion, the adjourned debate on second reading of the following bill was then resumed:

#### **No. 177. Financial Measures (2005) Act**

The debate resumed with Mr. Sampson and Ms. Massey, who adjourned the debate.

### **MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)**

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5).

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M.