

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Epstein, Halifax Chebucto, tabled a petition requesting an inquiry into the death of Stephen Giffin.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage, tabled a petition regarding a new high school in Eastern Passage.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Ms. Casey, Minister of Education, tabled the Report to the Community 2006, Nova Scotia Community College.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Dooks, Minister of Energy, rose to announce that EnCana has filed an application for a development plan respecting Deep Panuke.

Comments made with Messrs. Corbett and Samson.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 777 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the Global Microcredit Summit.

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

Res. No. 778 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of the Humanitarian Award presented posthumously to Charles Keating.

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

Res. No. 779 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - recognition of the generosity of Ron Joyce's gift to the IWK Health Centre.

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

Res. No. 780 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - recognizing Sue Uteck on becoming Deputy Mayor of Halifax Regional Municipality.

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

Res. No. 781 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Immigration - recognition of the heroism of David Barry of saving the life of Barbara Dansart.

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

Res. No. 782 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - recognition of the Mining Matters Conference.

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

Res. No. 783 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - congratulations to Carolyn Richards and Phyllis Ball on receiving the 2006 Cape Breton Cancer Symposium Community Award for their efforts.

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

Res. No. 784 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of efforts to promote Cape Breton Island.

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

Res. No. 785 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Environment and Labour - recognition of a septic waste pilot project at Little Dover.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 786 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - recognizing Nova Scotia firefighting crews aiding British Columbia.

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. 94. An Act to Establish the Property Valuation Services Corporation

(Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No. 95. An Act to Amend Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1998, the Municipal Government Act

(Hon. Mr. Muir - Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations)

No. 96. An Act to Repeal Chapter 11 of the Acts of 2005, the Petroleum Products Pricing Act

(Mr. Samson - Richmond)

No. 97. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2000, the Health Authorities Act

(Ms. Massey - Dartmouth East)

No. 98. An Act to Amend Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1995-96, the Revenue Act

(Mr. Paris - Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank)

No. 99. An Act to Amend Chapter 6 of the Acts of 2000, the Health Authorities Act

(Mr. H. David Wilson - Glace Bay)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 787 - Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition - congratulations to Frank MacDonald on his novel "A Forest for Calum".

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

Res. No. 788 - Mr. Samson, Leader of the Liberal Party - congratulations to Charles Keating on receipt of the Humanitarian Award posthumously.

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

Res. No. 789 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - recognition of the Hants Community Hospital on its 30th anniversary and on opening the Gifts for Hope Art Gallery.

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

Res. No. 790 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - expressing sympathy to Doris MacDonald on the loss of her husband, Allan.

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

Res. No. 791 - Mr. M. MacDonald, Cape Breton South - recognizing the generosity of Ron Joyce for his donation to the IWK Health Centre.

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

Res. No. 792 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - warm wishes to Nova Scotia Community College Stellarton on opening their Kinder Kampus.

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

Res. No. 793 - Mr. MacDonell, Hants East - recognition of the opening of the Art Gallery "The Place Near and Far" in Kennetcook.

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

Res. No. 794 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - encouraging government to evaluate exempting Nova Scotia veterans from parking fees.

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

Res. No. 795 - Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health - congratulations to Lori LeBlanc on her work for the Arthritis Society.

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

Res. No. 796 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - recognition of the Boys and Girls Club of East Dartmouth award recipients.

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

Res. No. 797 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - recognizing the service of Trans County Transportation Society.

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

Res. No. 798 - Hon. Mr. MacIsaac, Minister of Transportation and Public Works - congratulations to the St. Francis Xavier University Women's rugby team on capturing the Monilex Trophy.

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

Res. No. 799 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of Marc-Andre MacLeod on receipt of the Wyman Young Award.

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

Res. No. 800 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - calling for support for Bill C-217.

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

Res. No. 801 - Hon. Mr. Goucher, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Heritage - recognition of the music program at Charles P. Allen High School.

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

Res. No. 802 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Kristina Weatherbie on her athletic success and on capturing the Female Athlete of the Week honours.

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

Res. No. 803 - Mr. McNeil, Annapolis - recognizing Merchant Marine Navy veterans.

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

Res. No. 804 - Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations - congratulations to David Piers upon induction into the Colchester County Sport Hall of Fame.

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

Res. No. 805 - Mr. Preyra, Halifax Citadel - recognition of Dr. Muhammad Yunus and his commitment to poverty reduction.

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

Res. No. 806 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - recognition of difficulties some

citizens encounter at self-service gas pumps.

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

Res. No. 807 - Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister of Environment and Labour - commending the Nova Scotia Women's Institute for the "Buy Local Challenge".

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

Res. No. 808 - Ms. Conrad, Queens - recognition of the athletic success of Graham Muise on his triathlon accomplishments.

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

Res. No. 809 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Sue Uteck on becoming Deputy Mayor of Halifax Regional Municipality.

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

Res. No. 810 - Ms. More, Dartmouth South-Portland Valley - congratulations to Barbara Hart on receipt of the Joseph Howe Fellowship Award.

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

Res. No. 811 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - recognition of the service of Reg Knight.

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

Res. No. 812 - Mr. MacKinnon, Pictou East - recognition of the North Nova Education Centre's intermediate boys cross-country team for winning the provincial cross-country championships.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 813 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Eric, Wanda and Jason Martell of Inside-Out Cleaning Services Inc. on receipt fo the Lunenburg County Business Excellence Award.

Res. No. 814 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - congratulations to Arol and Marilyn Wentzell of Wentzell's Bottle Recycling on receipt of the 2006 Entrepreneurial Achievement Award.

Res. No. 815 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - congratulations to EAD Composites Atlantic on receipt of the Lunenburg County Business Excellence Innovator Award.

Res. No. 816 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - recognizing Aisha Kirumira on representing the Piziquid Aquatic Club.

Res. No. 817 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - recognizing Erin Beazley on her success in the 2006 Canadian Sprint Canoeing Championship.

Res. No. 818 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - recognizing Melissa Lunn on her success in the 2006 Canadian Sprint Canoeing Championship.

Res. No. 819 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - wishing Margie Lamb, Cheryl Murphy, Vicky Parker and Marie Sanford an enjoyable retirement as teachers from Somerset and District Elementary School.

Res. No. 820 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - thanking those beautifying the grounds at Tantallon Elementary School.

Res. No. 821 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - best wishes to Christmas tree producers and exporters.

Res. No. 822 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to Stuart Whidden at the Atlantic Canada Danone Nations Cup.

Res. No. 823 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to members of the William Black United Church on its 185th anniversary.

Res. No. 824 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service -

wishing success to teachers Gary Pico, Erin Gore, Greg Jollymore and Bryan Mitchell.

Res. No. 825 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to fishers in Lunenburg, Queens and Shelburne Counties.

Res. No. 826 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to Tantallon Tigers on winning championships.

Res. No. 827 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - thanking volunteers at Shoreham Village.

Res. No. 828 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to Carmon Schwartz on receipt of the Citizen of the Year Award.

Res. No. 829 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to Dwight Sanders on his nomination for the Export Achievement Award.

Res. No. 830 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - wishing success to Ms. Armstrong's Grade 3/4 class.

Res. No. 831 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to St. Margaret's Bay Sailing Club for hosting the Annual Regatta.

Res. No. 832 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to the New Ross Masters soccer team for winning the provincial championship.

Res. No. 833 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to the Girls Night Out organizing committee for fundraising success.

Res. No. 834 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to Jenna Currie, Samantha Kohut and Shannon Chapman for success at the 2006 International Children Games.

Res. No. 835 - Hon. Ms. Streach, Minister of Community Service - congratulations to Big Bike for Stroke riders in Tantallon.

PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 77. Atlantic Baptist Churches Convention Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 85. An Act Respecting the Transfer of Assets and Liabilities of the Nova Scotia Freemasons' Home to the Masonic Foundation of Nova Scotia

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Samson, Richmond, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 88. Richmond Stora Enso Taxation Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

CWH ON BILLS

On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

The Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported that the Committee had met and considered the following bills and recommended the same to the favourable consideration of the House, each with certain amendments:

No. 28. New Minas Water Commission Act

No. 29. An Act to Incorporate the Temple Sons of Israel, Sydney

No. 41. Kingston Food Bank Act

The foregoing bills were ordered to be read a third time on a future day.

PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 15. Municipal Government Act

The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Ms. Casey, Minister of Education, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 67. Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. Estabrooks, Epstein, Ms. M. MacDonald, Messrs. Gosse, Colwell, Corbett and Hon. Ms. Casey in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Pursuant to the order, Hon. Mr. Muir, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 84. Wind Turbine Facilities Municipal Taxation Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. Corbett,

Ms. Whalen, Messrs. Epstein, Colwell, Ms. Conrad, Messrs. Parker, MacKinnon and Hon. Mr. Muir in Reply. The question being put by Mr. Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

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

No. 5. Degree Granting Act

The debate resumed with Ms. M. MacDonald and Mr. Epstein, who adjourned 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 Friday, November 10th at 9:00 A.M.