

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice, rose to announce allocation priorities of new police officers in Nova Scotia.

Comments were made with Messrs. Deveaux and M. MacDonald.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 934 - Hon. The Premier - recognition of Operation Red Nose and saluting the volunteers for all their selfless efforts.

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

Res. No. 935 - Hon. Ms Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Immigration - thanking war brides.

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

Res. No. 936 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Military Relations - recognizing the long-term consequences on military service personnel assigned to hazardous duties.

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 Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 114. An Act to Amend Chapter 148 of the Revised Statutes, 1989, the Engineering Profession Act

(Hon. Mr. Scott - Minister of Justice)

No. 115. An Act Respecting the Practice of Architecture

(Hon. Mr. Scott - Minister of Justice)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 937 - Mr. Corbett, Cape Breton Centre - congratulations to Janet Morrison on her 30th birthday.

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

Res. No. 938 - Mr. Samson, Leader of the Liberal Party - calling upon government to get rid of the gasoline regulated pricing system.

Res. No. 939 - Hon. The Premier - congratulations to Bridget Wilson on her Royal Agricultural Winter Fair success.

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

Res. No. 940 - Mr. Deveaux, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - recognition of Martin Singh and the Forest Hills Drug Mart, Musquodoboit Harbour, on receipt of the 2006 Department of Health Award of Recognition.

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

Res. No. 941 - Mr. Samson, Leader of the Liberal Party - calling upon government to review gas price regulation.

Res. No. 942 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - congratulations to Alanna Maynard for her dedication and service to St. John Ambulance and to the community.

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

Res. No. 943 - Ms. Massey, Dartmouth East - congratulations to McDonald's restaurant on the opening of a new restaurant on Main Street, Dartmouth.

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

Res. No. 944 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Nicole Foy on winning the 2006 Nova Scotia Golf Association's Ladies Amateur Golf Championships.

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

Res. No. 945 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - congratulations to Courtney Malcolm on being inducted into the Nova Scotia 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. 946 - Mr. Parker, Pictou West - recognition of the Scotsburn 4-H Club for their continued success.

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

Res. No. 947 - Hon. Ms. Casey, Minister of Education - recognition of the volunteers of the New Annan and area unit of the Canadian Cancer Society on their 50th anniversary.

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

Res. No. 948 - Hon. Mr. Baker, Minister of Finance - congratulations to David Allen on receipt of the Nova Scotia Curling Association Joyce Myers Award.

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

Res. No. 949 - Mr. Gosse, Cape Breton Nova - congratulations to Julie Curwin on her athletic performance at the Standard Chartered

Ironman Korea event.

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

Res. No. 950 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - lobbying for a federal initiative to help toddlers and preschoolers with autism.

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

Res. No. 951 - Hon. Mr. Morse, Minister of Natural Resources - congratulations to the Spinney Brothers Bluegrass Band on their international success story.

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

Res. No. 952 - Mr. Preyra, Halifax Citadel - recognition of St. Andrews United Church for promotion of peace and non-violence.

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

Res. No. 953 - Mr. H. David Wilson, Glace Bay - calling upon members to encourage tolerance, respect, dialogue and co-operation for all people on the International Day for Tolerance.

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

Res. No. 954 - Hon. Ms. Bolivar-Getson, Minister of Immigration - congratulations to Mattias Wolter on his athletic success in the Provincial Cross Country Meet.

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

Res. No. 955 - Ms. Conrad, Queens - recognition of the volunteers of Seaside Recreation and Community Centre of Beach Meadows.

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

Res. No. 956 - Ms. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - congratulations to Ian Miller and his team for winning three gold medals in the K-4 races at the Pan-American Championships in Mexico.

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

Res. No. 957 - Mr. Dunn, Pictou Centre - recognition of Mary Grace Webster, youth pastor, on her recent graduation and appointment.

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

Res. No. 958 - Mr. MacKinnon, Pictou East - recognition of the East Pictou Middle School's Junior Boys cross country team on winning the Provincial Cross Country Championship.

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

Res. No. 959 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - recognition of Pearson Peacekeeping Centre's participation in offering courses to assist international participants.

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

Res. No. 960 - Mr. Porter, Hants West - recognition of Cary Hollett and his board members for tirelessly organizing the Belmont Penny Auction.

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

Res. No. 961 - Mr. Estabrooks, Timberlea-Prospect - congratulations to all involved in the opening of Paula's Place, a tribute to Paula Gallant.

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

Res. No. 962 - Mr. Gaudet, Clare - congratulations to Nicole Foy on her success in the 2006 Jackie Forest Ladies Invitational Tournament at

the Clare Golf and Country Club.

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 bill was introduced by the following Member, read a first and ordered to be read a second time on a future day:

No. 116. An Act Respecting the Appointment and Duties of a Commissioner to Ensure the Fair Access to Regulated Professions

(Ms. Whalen - Halifax Clayton Park)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 963 - Mr. Glavine, Kings West - encouraging the Government of Canada to investigate benefit reductions applied to Veterans of the Military and RCMP in regard to the Canada Pension Plan.

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

Res. No. 964 - Mr. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - calling upon the government to assist Digby concerning the wharf.

Res. No. 965 - Mr. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - recognition of Jack Poteri for contributions to his community by managing and maintaining the Centennial Arena.

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

Res. No. 966 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to River Hebert Elementary on recognizing National Child Day.

Res. No. 967 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Jeremy Rushton on one year of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter

with the Wentworth Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 968 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Darren Patriquin on five years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Wentworth Volunteer Fire Department

Res. No. 969 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Jennifer Rushton on one year of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Wentworth Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 970 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Dale Patriquin on 30 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Wentworth Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 971 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Stephen Chapman on 20 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Westchester Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 972 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Alex Gullens on 5 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Westchester Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 973 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Edwin Jones on 1 year of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Westchester Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 974 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Barry Rushton on 15 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Westchester Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 975 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Forrest Merlin on 5 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Westchester Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 976 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Chris Layte on 5 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 977 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Allison Ellis on 10 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 978 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations

to Ken Hickman on 10 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 979 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Truman Rushton on 10 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 980 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Dean Emmerson on 45 years of volunteering as a volunteer firefighter with the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department.

Res. No. 981 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Oxford Volunteer Fire Department for protecting its community for over 102 years.

Res. No. 982 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to Raelene Wilson on being named Baseball Nova Scotia's Minor Female Player of the Year.

Res. No. 983 - Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice - congratulations to the Bay of Fundy Tourism Partnership as the winner of a prestigious national award for sustainable tourism.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, Mr. Dexter, Leader of the Opposition, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 80. Canadian Forces Reservists Civilian Employment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Mr. M. MacDonald, Hon. Mr. Scott, Messrs. David A. Wilson, Glavine, Hon. Mr. Parent, Mr. Deveaux and Mr. Dexter 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, Mr. McNeil, Annapolis, moved second reading of the second reading of the following bill:

No. 78. Order of Nova Scotia Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. The

Premier, Messrs. Preyra, Samson and Mr. McNeil 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, Mr. Colwell, Preston, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 83. Labour Standards Code

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Parent, Mr. Deveaux and Mr. Colwell 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, Mr. Colwell, Preston, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 86. Motor Vehicle Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Mr. Barnet, Messrs. Parker, Porter, Ms. Massey, Ms. Conrad, Mr. David A. Wilson, Hon. Mr. d'Entremont and Mr. Colwell 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.

PUBLIC BILLS

Pursuant to the order, the Hon. Mr. d'Entremont, Minister of Health, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 107. Midwifery Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Messrs. David A. Wilson, H. David Wilson, Ms. M. MacDonald, Ms. Conrad, Mr. MacKinnon, Ms. Raymond, Messrs. MacDonell, Preyra and Hon. Mr. d'Entremont 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, the Hon. Mr. Parent, Minister Environment and Labour, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 113. Environment Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Ms. Raymond and Mr. Colwell, who adjourned the debate.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

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

PUBLIC BILLS

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

No. 113. Environment Act

The debate continued with Mr. Colwell, Ms. Massey, Mr. MacKinnon, Ms. More, Ms. Conrad and Hon. Mr. Parent 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.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The Hon. Mr. Scott, Minister of Justice, reported as Chairman of the Committee on Law Amendments, 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. 5. Degree Granting Act

No. 67. Apprenticeship and Trades Qualifications Act

No. 89. Provincial Court Act

No. 91. Trade Union Act

The following bills were ordered referred to the Committee of the Whole House on Bills.

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, November 17th at 9:00 A.M.