

The House met at 2:00 P.M.

Prayers.

PRESENTING AND READING PETITIONS

C. Porter, Hants West, tabled a petition regarding pedestrian injuries and requesting a four-way stop and a reduction in traffic speeds in Falmouth.

STATEMENTS BY MINISTERS

Hon. B. Estabrooks, Minister of Energy, rose to announce that the government is introducing a Bill extending the moratorium on exploratory oil and gas drilling on George's Bank indefinitely.

Comments were made by A. Younger and Hon. C. d'Entremont.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1863 - Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of Hon. D. Dexter, Premier - recognizing Melanie Renn on being the 2nd annual grand prize winner of the Ultimate Dream Job Contest on Take Our Kids to Work Day.

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

Res. No. 1864 - Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health Promotion and Protection - acknowledging Movember and moustaches grown for prostate cancer awareness.

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

Res. No. 1865 - Hon. M. More, Minister of Labour and Workforce Development - thanking employers who agreed to mentor students on Take Our Kids to Work Day.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1866 - Hon. M. More, Minister of Education - congratulating Dr. Alexander MacLeod on being a 2010 Giller Prize nominee.

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. 82. An Act Respecting a Moratorium on Petroleum Activity on Georges Bank

(Hon. B. Estabrooks - Minister of Energy)

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1867 - D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - extending our appreciation to the volunteers who reminded us of important issues around cancer care.

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

Res. No. 1868 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - recognizing Mark Sparrow, Marlene Usher, Kirk MacRae and George Unsworth for their dedication and commitment to Cape Breton University.

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

Res. No. 1869 - J. Morton, Kings North - thanking the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers Association and commending the association for promoting the growth of the apple industry.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 1870 - A. Younger, Dartmouth East - recognizing Pan-Canadian Paralympic School Week.

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

Res. No. 1871 - Hon. C. Clarke, Cape Breton North - congratulating Barry Waldman and staff for the Educational Program Innovations and Charity Society (EPIC) on capturing first place at the Donner Awards.

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

Res. No. 1872 - Z. Churchill, Yarmouth - congratulating Matthew and Jason Doucette, owners of Xona Games on their achievements.

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

Res. No. 1873 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Marcia Jeffers on receiving the Council of the Federation Literacy Award.

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

Res. No. 1874 - L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill - thanking Gordon Poole for his dedication to his community.

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

Res. No. 1875 - H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis - asking the government to build a part of the 100-Series in western Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1876 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating Tommy Muise on being named Driver of the Year by CSAP.

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

Res. No. 1877 - L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island - recognizing the importance of National Cancer Day of Action.

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

Res. No. 1878 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - congratulating Dr. Robert van den Hoogen on being appointed Dean of Science at St. F.X. University.

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

Res. No. 1879 - M. Smith, Antigonish - congratulating Festival Antigonish on receiving funding.

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

Res. No. 1880 - C. Porter, Hants West - commending Justin Clark on receiving the prestigious Weston award.

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

Res. No. 1881 - M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville - congratulating organizers of the Haunted Hollow in Hammonds Plains.

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

Res. No. 1882 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - calling on the NDP government to ensure certainty in the natural resources sector that honours and benefits this vital sector of our economy.

Res. No. 1883 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - congratulating the Lunenburg Farmers' Market on receiving the Spirit of Nova Scotia Local Food Award.

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

Res. No. 1884 - K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes - congratulating Sarah

Quann on receiving top honours at the Geographers Conference in Newfoundland.

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

Res. No. 1885 - Hon. R. Jennex, Kings South - thanking staff, performers and volunteers of the Deep Roots Music Festival.

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

Res. No. 1886 - Hon. C. Clarke, Cape Breton North - congratulating Constable P. Ratchford, his staff, volunteers and supporters on the renovations at Clifford Street Youth Centre.

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

Res. No. 1887 - P. Birdsall, Lunenburg - recognizing the importance of investing in transition homes and women's centres being increased.

Res. No. 1888 - Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North - congratulating Danielle Hayward on being the first place winner at the Ada Mingo Memorial Teen Writing Competition.

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

Res. No. 1889 - Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle - congratulating the Pubnico area on the completion of the A. M. Clark Medical Centre.

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

Res. No. 1890 - A. MacMaster, Inverness - congratulating Bill Dunphy and Inez Forbes on being recipients of the Atlantic Canada Newspaper Association Silver Quill Award.

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

Res. No. 1891 - C. Porter, Hants West - recognizing the officers and staff's dedication to the Windsor Nursery School on 50 years of operation.

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

Res. No. 1892 - A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West - applauding the winners of the E-Spirit Ambassadors Special Achievement Award.

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

POINT OF PRIVILEGE

Hon. M. Samson, Richmond, rose on a point of privilege concerning the government denying any work had been done by the previous government to build one correctional facility rather than the two facilities proposed. A leaked document stated the former government provided tangible capital fiscal asset was approved. Hon. M. Samson asked for a review to determine whether Hon. The Premier and the Minister of Justice have misled the House.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

Hon. M. Samson, Richmond, rose on another point of privilege asking the Minister of Justice to table in the House two documents leaked to the press. The Member asked the Speaker to review whether the Minister of Justice's actions constitute a prima facie breach of privilege of the members of this House.

Hon. The Speaker took the matter under advisement.

OPPOSITION MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Opposition House Leader, called the following bill:

No. 73. The Forests Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: L. Glavine, Hon. J. MacDonell, A. MacLeod and A. Younger. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

Hon. Manning MacDonald, Opposition House Leader, called the following bill:

No. 77. Tax Review (2010-11) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen Hon. G. Steele, A. MacMaster and Hon. S. McNeil. The debate was deemed to be adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Thursday, November 4th at 2:00 P.M.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Mr. Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains-Upper Sackville:

"Therefore be it resolved that all members of the House of Assembly join me in honouring those who serve in our Canadian Armed Forces, past and present, their families and loved ones, for the dedication, loyalty and perseverance they exhibit in protecting Canada and preserving democracy and peace throughout the world."

A debate ensued during which the following took part: M. Whynott, Hon. Manning MacDonald and A. MacLeod.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

The following notices were passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1893 - K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove - congratulating Prof. Alexander MacLeod on being short listed for the Giller Awards for his book *Light Lifting*.