

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 2877 – Hon. D. Dexter, Premier – recognizing volunteer firefighters Naamon Barton, Jamie Payzant and David LeBlanc for their dedication and bravery.

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

Res. No. 2878 – Hon. F. Corbett, Deputy Premier, on behalf of Hon. G. Steele, Minister of Finance – endorsing province's Jobs and Building Plan, 2012-2013 Capital Plan.

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

Res. No. 2879 – Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness – congratulating Maureen Summers on her retirement after 15 years of service with the Canadian Cancer Society.

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

Res. No. 2880 – Hon. R. Jennex, Minister of Education – thanking everyone involved in the Artists in Schools program.

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

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

Res. No. 2881 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – wishing best of luck to John MacKinnon and thanking Dr. George Unsworth for his great community work.

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

Res. No. 2882 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Shirley Walsh and the Just Friends ladies' group on helping with the Oxford Food Bank.

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

Res. No. 2883 – V. Conrad, Queens – recognizing Fire Chief Steven Parnell's coordinating efforts with the fire at White Point Beach Lodge.

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

Res. No. 2884 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – recognizing Cape Breton Regional Municipality on their waste reduction.

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

Res. No. 2885 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating three members of the L'Arche Cape Breton community for 25 years of living and working at L'Arche.

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

Res. No. 2886 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – reminding Premier and NDP government they will have to answer for broken promises during next election campaign.

Res. No. 2887 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Rhonda Boudreau and family for Operation Christmas Child Boxes.

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

Res. No. 2888 – J. Boudreau, Guysborough-Sheet Harbour – recognizing the service Mildred Carrigan has given her regional library.

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

notice was waived and the motion carried nem con.

Res. No. 2889 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating Caroline Ross’ dedication to the Amethyst Scottish Dancers troupe.

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

Res. No. 2890 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – thanking the Finney brothers for restoring the Bank of Nova Scotia building.

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

Res. No. 2891 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – reminding the Premier that a promise is a promise.

Res. No. 2892 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating Hansel and Sharon McEvoy on receiving the Tourism Atlantic Technology Award.

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

Res. No. 2893 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – thanking the Canadian Forces in Afghanistan for their sacrifices.

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

Res. No. 2894 – Hon. C. d’Entremont, Argyle – congratulating all recipients of awards from the Argyle Genealogical Society.

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

Res. No. 2895 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – recognizing Marion Inglis as the oldest exhibitor at the Annapolis Valley Exhibition.

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

Res. No. 2896 – Hon. J. Baillie, Cumberland South – congratulating Oxford Regional Education Centre’s Senior Girls Lady Bears on winning

the championship banner.

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

Res. No. 2897 – D. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park – congratulating Megan Beamish on participating in the cycling relay and raising \$5000 for diabetes research.

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

Res. No. 2898 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating Mabou's Red Shoe Pub on receiving the Restaurant of the Year Award.

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

Res. No. 2899 – L. Glavine, Kings West – recognizing Sara Keddy for her involvement and commitment with her Valley community.

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

Res. No. 2900 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – congratulating Larry Kelly on capturing Cape Breton wildlife as a photographer.

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

Res. No. 2901 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East, on behalf of Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – congratulating Clare Organization Representing Persons with Disabilities (CORD) on being nominated for the Excellence in Social Enterprise Award.

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

Res. No. 2902 – K. Bain, Victoria-The Lakes – congratulating volunteers and organizers of Boularderie and Area Food Bank.

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

Res. No. 2903 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis, on behalf of Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – recognizing Insp. Stephen Gloade for protecting our First Nations community.

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

Res. No. 2904 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay, on behalf of Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare – thanking the volunteers of Camp Goodtime and congratulate these nurses on their award.

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

Res. No. 2905 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the Member of Dartmouth East on his achievement as a legislator, author and photographer.

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

Res. No. 2906 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Brian Bowers and Scotty Boudreau on their Customer Service Award.

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

Res. No. 2907 – D. Whalen, Halifax-Clayton Park, on behalf of Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – congratulating Ms. Dockendorff and her students of Springdale Elementary School on their book *What If*.

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

CWH ON BILLS

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

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

The Chairman took the Chair of the Committee.

Madam Deputy 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 without amendment:

No. 100. Municipal Elections Act and Municipal Government Act

No. 106. Libraries Act

No. 109. Safe Body Art Act

No. 114. Consumer Protection Act

No. 115. Labour Standards Code

No. 116. Elections Act

No. 121. Education Act

No. 122. Environment Act

No. 123. Corrections Act

No. 124. Arts Nova Scotia Act

No. 125. Creative Nova Scotia Leadership Council Act

Further, that the committee had met and considered the following bills, which were reported with certain amendments by the Committee on Law Amendments, without further amendments:

No. 55. Medical Act

No. 90. Safe Collection of Scrap Metal Act

No. 96. Pension Benefits Act

No. 102. Trade Union Act

No. 110. Residential Tenancies Act

No. 118. Motor Vehicle Act

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

day.

PRIVATE AND LOCAL BILLS

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 129. St. Michael's Polish Association and Benefit Society Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 132. Acadia Recreation Club Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered referred to the Committee on Private and Local Bills.

PUBLIC BILLS FOR THIRD READING

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 72. Timely Medical Certificates Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 81. Identification of Criminals Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of

the following bill:

No. 86. Fair Automobile Insurance (2011) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: D. Whalen and A. MacMaster. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 93. Education Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 94. Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 95. Education Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 98. Fish Harvester Organizations Support Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. C. d'Entremont and H. Theriault. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and

the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bills:

No. 104. Gaming Control Act

No. 108. Perpetuities Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bills were forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bills do pass and the titles be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bills be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 111. Equity Tax Credit Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. Manning MacDonald. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader, moved third reading of the following bill:

No. 112. Community Spirit Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a third time. Ordered that the bill do pass and the title be as read by the Clerk. Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

PUBLIC BILLS FOR SECOND READING

Hon. R. Landry, Minister of Justice, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 126. Police Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. MacMaster and Hon. R. Landry in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. J. MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 128. Public Sector Lobbyists Act

There being no debate, the question was put by Madam Speaker and the bill was forthwith read a second time. Ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. Maureen MacDonald, Minister of Health and Wellness, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 131. Snow Sport Helmet Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: A. Younger, C. Porter and Hon. Maureen MacDonald in Reply. The question being put by Madam Speaker, the bill was forthwith read a second time and ordered referred to the Committee on Law Amendments.

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, moved second reading of the following bill:

No. 133. Bowater Mersey Pulp and Paper Investment (2011) Act

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. S. McNeil, Hon. J. Baillie and V. Conrad, who adjourned debate.

ADJOURNMENT

Madam Speaker adjourned the House to meet Friday, December 9th at 9:00 P.M.

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 5(5)

Madam Speaker interrupted the business having received notices of motion under Rule 5(5). The topic of late debate as submitted by A. MacMaster, Inverness:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly declare that 'promise and commitment' mean the same thing and a reference to one cannot somehow exclude the other.”

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

d'Entremont, Hon D. Peterson-Rafuse and D. Whalen.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 2908 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Doris and Benoit d'Entremont on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Res. No. 2909 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Félix and Barbara d'Eon on their 50th wedding anniversary.

Res. No. 2910 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating Edward A. LeBlanc on his 80th birthday.

Res. No. 2911 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – congratulating George Abel Warner on his 80th birthday.

Res. No. 2912 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – thanking Captain Nicole MacPhee-Meszaros for her dedication in Afghanistan.

Res. No. 2913 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – thanking Sgt. Steve Boyd for his dedication in Afghanistan.

Res. No. 2914 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – thanking Major Steve Ramey for his mission in Afghanistan.

Res. No. 2915 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Ruth Corkum on her snowmobiling achievements.

Res. No. 2916 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating the members of Basin Breakers football team.

Res. No. 2917 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – thanking I.T.S. Construction Inc. for keeping their workers safe.

Res. No. 2918 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – congratulating organizers of “Right Some Good: Ten World Class Chefs, One Extraordinary Foodie Adventure” on this great event.

Res. No. 2919 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Lena Fevens of Goodies Bakery on receiving a Youth Entrepreneur Award.

Res. No. 2920 – Hon. G. Steele, Halifax Fairview – members

approve the province's 2012-2013 Capital Plan tabled on December 9th.

Res. No. 2921 – A. Younger, Dartmouth East – congratulating the Kiwanis Dragon Boat Festival.

Res. No. 2922 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Ty Nickerson on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Coxswain's Swagger Stick Award.

Res. No. 2923 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Tanisha Finlay on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Junior Fellowship Award.

Res. No. 2924 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Megan Swimm on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Music Award.

Res. No. 2925 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Mary Theriault on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Citizenship Award.

Res. No. 2926 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Logan Nickerson on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Seamanship Award.

Res. No. 2927 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Jared Brannen on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Best Junior Male Award.

Res. No. 2928 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Jared Atkinson on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Espirit de Corps Award.

Res. No. 2929 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Faith Richardson on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Best Overall Cadet Award.

Res. No. 2930 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Dustin Newell on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Junior Most Improved Award.

Res. No. 2931 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Chandra Nickerson on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Best Junior Female Award.

Res. No. 2932 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Brett Nickerson on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Commanding Officer's Award.

Res. No. 2933 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Brandon Ensor on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Leadership Award.

Res. No. 2934 – Hon. S. Belliveau, Shelburne – congratulating Sea Cadet Austin Amirault on receiving the 327 Unicorn Corps' Junior Fellowship Award.