

The House met at 12:00 Noon.

Prayers.

POINT OF ORDER

Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle, rose on a point of order respecting unparliamentary language the member believed was coming from the member for Lunenburg West.

Hon. Madam Deputy Speaker took the matter under advisement.

TABLING REPORTS, REGULATIONS AND OTHER PAPERS

Hon. C. Parker, Minister of Natural Resources, tabled the Ministerial Land Transactions Regulations Annual Report 2011-2012.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTION

Pursuant to the order, the following notice was passed in at the Clerk's table:

Res. No. 1227 – Hon. F. Corbett, Government House Leader – approving the appointment of Richard Temporale by the Governor in Council as Chief Electoral Officer.

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

NOTICES OF MOTION

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

Res. No. 1228 – Hon. C. Parker, Pictou West – congratulating Alma Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary 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. 1229 – L. Glavine, Kings West – condemning the member for Kings South for not standing up for Nova Scotians while NDP government sat idly by as power rates soared in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1230 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – supporting the Nova Scotia wine industry by signalling support of Mr. Albas' bill.

Res. No. 1231 – Hon. Manning MacDonald, Cape Breton South – condemning the member for Pictou West for not standing up for Nova Scotians while NDP government sat idly by as power rates soared in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1232 – L. Preyra, Halifax Citadel-Sable Island – congratulating Nova Scotia-Gambia Association on 27 years of advancing health and education in The Gambia.

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

Res. No. 1233 – E. Orrell, Cape Breton North – directing the government to present a plan to negotiate 50 collective agreements and guarantee no labour-related health care disruptions at the Cape Breton District Health Authority.

Res. No. 1234 – B. Skabar, Cumberland North – congratulating the Canadian Salt Company Limited Mine Rescue Team for their success at the rescue competition.

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

Res. No. 1235 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing the many accomplishments of Chief Frank Beazley on his retirement.

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

Res. No. 1236 – C. Porter, Hants West – directing the government to present a plan regarding no labour-related health care disruptions at Annapolis Valley District Health Authority.

Res. No. 1237 – M. Whynott, Hammonds Plains – Upper Sackville, on behalf of B. Kent, Cole Harbour-Eastern Passage - congratulating Reverend John Ferguson of St. Peters Anglican Church on his 20th ordination anniversary.

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

Res. No. 1238 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – condemning the member for Waverley-Fall River-Beaver Bank for not standing up for Nova Scotians while NDP government sat idly by as power rates soared in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1239 – A. MacMaster, Inverness – congratulating 719 Stora Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron 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. 1240 – P. Birdsall, Lunenburg – recognizing the long history of both Centre Consolidated School and the Lunenburg Academy while welcoming all the new students.

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

Res. No. 1241 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – asking the NDP government to identify education as a priority and make funding decisions on the needs of our students.

Res. No. 1242 – Hon. C. d'Entremont, Argyle – directing the government to present a plan to guarantee there will be no labour-related health care disruptions at South West District Health Authority.

Res. No. 1243 – H. Theriault, Digby-Annapolis – congratulating Sissiboo Investments on their achievements and marking the 28th annual Export Achievements Awards.

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

Res. No. 1244 – A. MacLeod, Cape Breton West – urging the Minister of Economic and Rural Development and Tourism to provide funds to build a monument of the member for Pictou East.

Res. No. 1245 – G. MacLellan, Glace Bay – congratulating 1961 Caledonia Aces team members on induction into the Cape Breton Sports 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. 1246 – Hon. M. Samson, Richmond – condemning the member for Queens for not standing up for Nova Scotians while NDP government sat idly by as power rates soared in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1247 – D. Whalen, Halifax Clayton Park - condemning the member for Truro-Bible Hill for not standing up for Nova Scotians while NDP government sat idly by as power rates soared in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1248 – Hon. W. Gaudet, Clare - condemning the member for Sackville-Cobequid for not standing up for Nova Scotians while NDP government sat idly by as power rates soared in Nova Scotia.

Res. No. 1249 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove – congratulating the United Church Women for 50 years of good work.

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

Res. No. 1250 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Chief Terrance Paul on being inducted into the Nova Scotia Business 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. 1251 – Hon. K. Casey, Colchester North – asking the member for Pictou East to stand up for Nova Scotians and calling on NDP government to take action against continued power rate increases.

Res. No. 1252 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston - condemning the member for Pictou Centre for not standing up for Nova Scotians and calling upon the NDP government to take action against power rate increases.

Res. No. 1253 – K. Regan, Bedford-Birch Cove, on behalf of A. Younger, Dartmouth East – asking the member for Timberlea-Prospect to stand up for Nova Scotians and calling upon the NDP government to take action against power rate increases.

Res. No. 1254 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating marathon runner Denise Robson on being inducted into the Yarmouth Sports 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. 1255 – Z. Churchill, Yarmouth – congratulating Yarmouth McDonald’s Junior A baseball team on being inducted into the Yarmouth Town and County Sports Heritage Association’s Hall of Fame.

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.

Madam Deputy 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, without amendments:

No. 81. Gaming Control Act

**No. 82. Nova Scotia Association of Health Organizations
Incorporation Act**

**No. 84. Dalhousie University-Nova Scotia Agricultural
College Merger Act**

No. 87. Good Forestry Management on Crown Land Act

No. 88. Maritime Link Act

No. 90. Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition Commission Act

And the following bill, which was reported with certain amendments by the Committee on Law Amendments to the Committee of the Whole House, without further amendments:

No. 86. NewPage Port Hawkesbury Pension Plans Act

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Speaker adjourned the House to meet Wednesday, May 16th 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 A. MacMaster, Inverness:

“Therefore be it resolved that all members of this House of Assembly urge the NDP government to take concrete action to prevent cancelled surgeries, tests and procedures caused by strike or the threat of labour disruption in the health care field.”

A debate ensued during which the following took part: Hon. J. Baillie, L. Preyra and D. Whalen.

NOTICES OF MOTION UNDER RULE 32

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

Res. No. 1256 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – congratulating the Cole Harbour Bantam A hockey team on their season.

Res. No. 1257 – Hon. D. Dexter, Cole Harbour – congratulating the Cole Harbour Pee Wee AA team on their season.

Res. No. 1258 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating Emily Tucker on receiving the Frosh Leader of the Year and Emerging Leader Awards and wishing her success at Mount Saint Vincent University.

Res. No. 1259 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – applauding Jane Archibald on her successful career in music and congratulations on winning a Juno Award for Classical Album of the Year.

Res. No. 1260 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating John Tucker and Jeff Russell on their research and winning first place in the mini Dragon’s Den competition.

Res. No. 1261 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating Lorne MacDougall on receiving the Lifetime Achievement Award.

Res. No. 1262 – L. Zann, Truro-Bible Hill – congratulating Bible Hill Garden Club on their 65th anniversary.

Res. No. 1263 – Hon. K. Colwell, Preston – recognizing the accomplishments of Lillian Godding.

Res. No. 1264 – L. Glavine, Kings West – congratulating Ruth Foster on her 35 years as a cosmetologist.

Res. No. 1265 – Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Jeannine Arsenault.

Res. No. 1266 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating the Schizophrenia Society for posthumously nominating Brian Malay for his efforts in inspiring others.

Res. No. 1267 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Lorene Atkinson.

Res. No. 1268 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominees Angela and Danielle Hamilton.

Res. No. 1269 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Adam Pelley.

Res. No. 1270 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Joel Maxwell.

Res. No. 1271 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Michael Smith.

Res. No. 1272 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Michelle Gardiner.

Res. No. 1273 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Lyne Brun.

Res. No. 1274 - Hon. S. McNeil, Annapolis – congratulating Inspiring Lives Award nominee Heather Frenette.