

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

No. 81

Tuesday 24 February 2015

1. MEETING

The Assembly met at 10am. The Speaker, the Honourable Kezia Purick took the Chair.

2. PRAYERS

3. CHIEF MINISTER'S STATEMENT

Mr Giles (Chief Minister) made a statement regarding the passing of Mr Frank McGuinness, former Auditor-General of the Northern Territory.

4. NO CONFIDENCE OF THE ASSEMBLY

Ms Lawrie (Leader of Opposition) pursuant to notice, moved – That this Assembly express 'that the Government no longer possesses the confidence of the Assembly'.

Debate ensued.

Debate suspended.

Suspension of sittings: The sitting of the Assembly was suspended between 12 noon and 2.00pm.

5. NO CONFIDENCE OF THE ASSEMBLY – MOTION NOT AGREED TO

Resumption of debate on the question – That this Assembly express 'that the Government no longer possesses the confidence of the Assembly'.

Debate resumed.

Question – put

The Assembly divided:

Ayes - 10

Ms Fyles
Mr Gunner
Ms Lawrie
Mr McCarthy
Ms Manison
Ms Moss
Mr Vowles
Ms Walker
Ms Anderson
Ms Lee

Noes - 13

Mr Barrett
Mr Chandler
Mr Conlan
Mr Elferink
Mrs Finocchiaro
Mr Giles
Mr Higgins
Mr Kurrupuwu
Mrs Price
Ms Purick
Mr Styles
Mr Tollner
Mr Westra van Holthe

Motion not agreed to.

6. NOTICES

The following notices were given:

1. Mr McCarthy (Member for Barkly) will move on the next General Business day - that this Assembly call on the Member for Braitling to resign as Chief Minister.

2. Ms Lawrie (Member for Karama) will move on the next General Business day - that this Legislative Assembly calls on the Northern Territory Government to immediately establish an interagency Taskforce of Police, Health and Children and Families to report in six weeks on actions that can be taken to tackle the ice epidemic.

And that this Legislative Assembly calls on the Northern Territory Government to incorporate an ice room in the existing Emergency Department construction at Royal Darwin Hospital.

3. Ms Fyles (Member for Nightcliff) will move on the next General Business day - that this Assembly recognises the Community is calling on the CLP Government to listen and rule out the development of a man-made island in our harbour.
4. Mrs Price (Minister for Local Government and Regions) will present on the next sitting day a bill entitled – Local Government Legislation Amendment Bill 2015 (Serial 116).

7. QUESTIONS

- 5.34 Ms Lawrie to Chief Minister
- 5.35 Mr Barrett to Chief Minister
- 5.38 Mr Vowles to Chief Minister
- 5.42 Mr Kurrupuwu to Chief Minister
- 5.45 Mr McCarthy to Chief Minister
- 5.46 Mr Conlan to Minister for Transport
- 5.49 Mr McCarthy to Minister for Transport
- 5.50 Mr Barrett to Minister for Business
- 5.53 Ms Anderson to Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services
- 5.57 Mrs Finocchiaro to Minister for Women's Policy
- 5.01 Ms Manison to Chief Minister
- 5.04 Mrs Finocchiaro to Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 5.08 Ms Fyles to Chief Minister
- 5.09 Mr Kurrupuwu to Minister for Education
- 5.13 Ms Moss to Chief Minister
- 5.15 Mr Barrett to Minister for Primary Industry and Fisheries
- 5.19 Mr Wood to Minister Lands and Planning
- 5.22 Mrs Finocchiaro to Minister for Mental Health Services
- 5.26 Mr Gunner to Chief Minister
- 5.29 Mr Kurrupuwu to Minister for Primary Industry and Fisheries

Mr Elferink (Leader of Government Business) asked that further questions be placed on the Written Question Paper.

8. FEBRUARY 2015 AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Mr Elferink (Leader of Government Business) pursuant to Notice, moved – That the paper be printed.

Leave was granted for Mr Elferink to continue his remarks at a later time.

9. INFORMATION AMENDMENT BILL 2014 (SERIAL 101) – BILL AGREED TO

Resumption of debate on the question - That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question - put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

On the motion of Mr Elferink (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice), by leave, the Bill was read a third time and was passed to be a proposed law.

10. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – A NEW DIRECTION FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING – MOTION TO NOTE

Mr Styles (Minister for Employment and Training) made a statement regarding changes to better support the needs and expectations of business and industry.

Mr Styles moved – That the Assembly take note of the Statement.

On the motion of Mr McCarthy (Member for Barkly) debate was adjourned.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr Elferink (Leader of Government Business) moved - That the Assembly do now adjourn.

Paper Tabled: Mr Gunner (Member for Fannie Bay), by leave, laid upon the Table –

1. Media Release, Planning Minister Excluded from Planning Process, City of Palmerston, dated 18 February 2015 (Paper 1248); and
2. Letter, City of Palmerston, Attention Ben Dornier and Ricki Bruhn, re Town Planning and the application of FD Zoning, from Tony Morgan, Partner, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers, Ryan Sanders Associate, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers, dated 3 February 2015 (Paper 1249).

The Assembly adjourned at 6.59pm until Wednesday 25 February 2015 at 10.00am.

PAPERS

No papers were deemed to have been Tabled on 24 February 2015.

ATTENDANCE

All Members attended the sittings.

MICHAEL TATHAM
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly