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Hon. Ranj Pillai	Porter Creek South	Minister of Economic Development; Tourism and Culture; Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation; Yukon Liquor Corporation and the Yukon Lottery Commission
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Yukon Party

Currie Dixon	Leader of the Official Opposition Copperbelt North	Scott Kent	Official Opposition House Leader Copperbelt South
Brad Cathers	Lake Laberge	Patti McLeod	Watson Lake
Yvonne Clarke	Porter Creek Centre	Geraldine Van Bibber	Porter Creek North
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Tuesday, May 11, 2021

This being the day appointed for the opening of the First Session of the Thirty-fifth Wholly-Elected Legislative Assembly of Yukon for the dispatch of business and the oaths having been already administered to the Members of the Legislative Assembly, the Members took their seats in the House.

Proclamation

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Dan Cable, read the Proclamation as follows:

“TO THE MEMBERS of the Legislative Assembly of Yukon, and to all others whom this may concern:

GREETINGS

A PROCLAMATION

(*Yukon Act (Canada)*)

KNOW YE THAT under and by virtue of the power vested in the Commissioner of Yukon under the *Yukon Act (Canada)*, the Legislative Assembly of Yukon is summoned to meet for dispatch of business in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Yukon Government Administration Building, Whitehorse, Yukon, on May 11, 2021 at the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon.

ALL OF WHICH all persons concerned are required to take notice and to govern themselves accordingly.

GIVEN UNDER my hand and seal of Yukon, at Whitehorse, Yukon, May 4, 2021.

Angélique Bernard

Commissioner of Yukon”

Report on Members Elected

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly reported on the Members elected to the Yukon Legislative Assembly as follows:

“Honourable Members, the following letter, dated April 20, 2021, was sent by the Chief Electoral Officer of Yukon to the Commissioner of Yukon, the Hon. Angélique Bernard:

‘Dear Commissioner:

As required by section 308 of the Elections Act, I am pleased to advise you that the returns of the writ for the general election of members to the Yukon Legislative Assembly, held April 12, 2021, have been received.

The date of the return of the writ was set as April 19, 2021 when the writ was issued on March 12, 2021.

The returning officers have certified in their return of the writ that the members duly elected for their electoral district by having received the largest number of ballots lawfully cast, and in the case of Vuntut Gwitchin, elected following the drawing of the lots, are:

Copperbelt North, Currie Dixon;
Copperbelt South, Scott Kent;
Klondike, Sandy Silver;
Kluane, Wade Istchenko;
Lake Laberge, Brad Cathers;
Mayo - Tatchun, Jeremy Harper;
Mount Lorne - Southern Lakes, John Streicker;
Mountainview, Jeanie McLean (Dendys);
Pelly - Nisutlin, Stacey Hassard;
Porter Creek Centre, Yvonne Clarke;
Porter Creek North, Geraldine Van Bibber;
Porter Creek South, Ranj Pillai;
Riverdale North, Nils Clarke;
Riverdale South, Tracy McPhee;
Takhini - Kopper King, Kate White;
Vuntut Gwitchin, Annie Blake;
Watson Lake, Patti McLeod;
Whitehorse Centre, Emily Tredger;
Whitehorse West, Richard Mostyn;

In the event the return of the writ date is required in accordance with the *Yukon Act* section 11(1), the date of the return of the writ is April 19, 2021. The *Yukon Act* states that ‘no Legislative Assembly shall continue for longer than five years after the date of the return of the writ for a general election, but the Commissioner may dissolve it before then.’

Sincerely,

H. Maxwell Harvey

Chief Electoral Officer“

Clerk advises House that Commissioner will not deliver Speech from the Throne until Speaker is elected

The Commissioner, the Hon. Angélique Bernard, entered the Chamber and took the Chair. The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly then stated:

“I am commanded by the Commissioner, in her capacity as Lieutenant Governor, to state that she does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Assembly of this Territory until the Speaker of this Assembly shall have been chosen according to law, but today, at a subsequent hour, she will declare the causes of the calling of this Assembly.”

The Commissioner then retired from the Chamber.

ELECTION OF SPEAKER

The Clerk addressed the House:

“Honourable members, nominations are invited for the Office of Speaker of this Assembly.”

Motion No. 1 – Election of Jeremy Harper as Speaker

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier and seconded by Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, and Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party:

THAT Jeremy Harper, Member for Mayo-Tatchun, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

The Clerk, having scanned the House for further nominations, repeated the motion and called for a vote. He then stated:

“The ayes have it, and Jeremy Harper, Member for Mayo-Tatchun, is, by direction of this Assembly, duly elected as Speaker of the Yukon Legislative Assembly.”

SPEAKER’S ADDRESS TO THE ASSEMBLY

The Speaker retired from the Chamber, donned his robe and re-entered the Chamber.

Standing on the Dais, the Speaker thanked the Assembly as follows:

“I just want to recognize the chiefs in the gallery: Grand Chief Peter Johnston, Chief Roberta Joseph, Acting Chief Morris Morrison, and Deputy Chief Maria Benoit.

First of all, it is an honour and privilege to be elected into this role by my colleagues. I would also like to thank the people of the Mayo-Tatchun riding for giving me the opportunity to be their representative in the Legislative Assembly. I would like to express my thanks to the Assembly for the honour of being the 26th Speaker.

The importance of the Speaker’s role is to ensure that the business of the Legislative Assembly is conducted in an independent, fair, and respectful manner. To that end, it is the Speaker’s duty to be impartial and to treat all members equally and without favour. This high standard must be met in order to maintain the confidence and respect of the Legislative Assembly, and I commit today to carry on this tradition.

To the honourable members, I ask that you conduct yourselves with passion, honour, and respect for one another.

As well, I will follow my traditions of my Northern Tutchone ancestors, which are sharing, caring, teaching, and respect in everything that I do as the Speaker and as the elected MLA representing the Mayo-Tatchun riding. These are the standards by which I live.

I have lived in the Yukon all my life and I am of Northern Tutchone heritage on my mother’s side and Southern Tutchone heritage on my father’s side. My ancestors have lived here for generations and generations, and by following their teachings and principles, I hope to improve the lifestyle and quality of life for future generations of Yukoners.

To my wife, Shari Wrixon, and our two dogs, Remie and Duke, thank you for your unconditional support and love through my life’s journey. Thank you to my friends and family for your unconditional love and support.”

The Speaker then took his seat and addressed the Clerk as follows:

“Mr. Clerk, will you please advise the Commissioner, in her capacity as Lieutenant Governor, that the Assembly is now prepared to hear the Speech from the Throne.”

The Commissioner returned to the Chamber and took the Chair.

SPEAKER’S ADDRESS TO THE COMMISSIONER

The Speaker then said:

“Madam Commissioner, the Members of the Legislative Assembly have elected me to be their Speaker and I recognize the important duties now given to me. If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time make a mistake, the fault is mine and not that of the Assembly, whose servant I am. At this time, so that all members of the Assembly can best carry out their duty to Yukon, to their country and to the Queen, I would claim for them their undoubted rights and privileges, especially freedom of

speech in their debates, access to your person when necessary and your favourable consideration of their proceedings.”

RESPONSE BY THE COMMISSIONER

The Commissioner then said:

“Thank you, Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to declare to you that I believe in the duty of the Assembly and, not doubting that the Assembly’s proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and care, I grant and allow the Assembly’s constitutional privileges. I assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to me and that the Assembly’s proceedings, words and actions will receive from me favourable consideration.”

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

The Commissioner then delivered the Speech from the Throne as follows:

“Honourable members, friends, and fellow Yukoners, we are gathered today on the traditional territories of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta’an Kwäch’än Council. It is an honour to address this Assembly whose members represent the great people of the Yukon residing on the traditional territories of 14 distinct First Nations with whom we share this land.

This Assembly has represented the will of Yukoners for over 40 years, ever since the territory achieved responsible government. Many individuals have made important contributions to the governance of our territory during that time. This includes two of my esteemed predecessors, former Yukon Commissioners Art Pearson and Doug Bell. Sadly, both of them passed away recently – Mr. Pearson in December and Mr. Bell in April.

Both were directly involved in one of the most significant transitions in the territory’s history. Mr. Pearson was a scientist and environmentalist. He became Commissioner in 1976, at a time when members were advocating for more responsibilities to be placed in the hands of elected officials. Mr. Pearson later went into business and became president of the Chamber of Commerce. He also created the Yukon Lotteries Commission and was involved in the establishment of the Yukon Science Institute.

Mr. Bell served as Whitehorse city councillor before becoming Deputy Commissioner under Mr. Pearson. In 1979, as the territory’s Administrator and later as Commissioner, Mr. Bell oversaw the transition to the territory’s first wholly elected Cabinet, forever transforming governance in the territory. Mr. Bell was committed to accountable government and later joined the fourth estate as the publisher of the *Yukon News*. A passionate writer who took great joy in serving his community, Mr. Bell was appointed to the Order of Canada and awarded the Order of Yukon in recognition of this life of service.

Yukoners across the territory were also saddened to learn of the recent passing of Darius Elias and Archie Lang. Both were respected members of this Assembly. Mr. Elias faithfully represented the Vuntut Gwitchin people of Old Crow for 10 years. His service to his community and dedication to the land began in his youth and carried on throughout his life. Mr. Elias was a fierce and articulate advocate for the Porcupine caribou herd and travelled extensively to educate the world about its critical habitat and cultural importance to the Gwich'in people.

Mr. Lang represented Porter Creek Centre for nearly a decade, serving as a Cabinet minister in several portfolios. A great champion of the Yukon, Mr. Lang operated several businesses throughout the territory focused on tourism and hospitality. Mr. Lang's encyclopaedic knowledge of the territory's history and deft sense of humour contributed to his legendary storytelling and larger-than-life personality.

All Yukoners have benefitted from the contributions that Mr. Pearson, Mr. Bell, Mr. Lang, and Mr. Elias made to our territory. We offer our sincere condolences to their families and all their friends.

Your government has worked tirelessly to make the territory a better place to live for all Yukoners. It has partnered with other governments to grow the territory's economy while protecting the environment and investing in healthier communities. The territory has enjoyed economic growth every year since 2016, including during the pandemic. Yukon continues to have the lowest unemployment rate in the country.

Your government has built strong relationships with Yukon First Nations to advance reconciliation. The revitalization of the Yukon Forum has allowed leaders from across the territory to collaborate and advance joint priorities for the benefit of all Yukoners. Much can be accomplished when we are paddling in the same direction.

Yukon is the first jurisdiction in Canada with a strategy to respond to the national inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women and girls and two-spirit-plus individuals. This territory-wide strategy embodies the promise to change this tragic national story from one of grief, desperation, and loss to one of healing, grace, and reconciliation. It is another example of how the Yukon continues to lead the country when it comes to meaningful reconciliation with First Nation people.

Your government has improved health care services, expanded mental health resources, decreased surgical wait times, and made medical travel more flexible and affordable. It has modernized legislation and policies to make the territory more inclusive and welcoming for all Yukoners.

It has increased housing options for Yukoners by investing in affordable community and seniors housing throughout the territory and supporting the private sector and NGOs to build more housing units.

Your government has also worked in collaboration with First Nations and municipalities to develop a territory-wide strategy to tackle climate change and build a

strong, resilient, and sustainable future for the territory. Yukon's economy is strong, even in the midst of a pandemic. Reducing the tax burden on businesses and increasing local procurement opportunities has helped Yukon businesses hire more staff and diversify products and services. Creating a five-year capital plan to inform businesses, First Nations, and municipalities about infrastructure projects has increased coordination and improved planning for construction projects.

Developing the *Yukon Tourism Development Strategy* in collaboration with the tourism sector has set a 10-year vision that takes a whole-of-Yukon approach to sustainable tourism. Working with partners to open the NorthLight Innovation hub – the first in the north – and investing in our entrepreneurs has positioned the Yukon as a leader in the tech and knowledge sectors while increasing local training and investment opportunities.

An enduring commitment to growing and diversifying the economy while supporting local businesses has built up our economic resiliency. Your government recognizes that there is much more work to do to keep building on what has been accomplished over the last five years.

This is a rare moment in the history of our territory. For the first time in nearly 30 years, Yukoners have elected a minority government to lead them forward. Yukoners have sent a clear message that we need to move forward together for the benefit of our territory. There is much more that unites us than divides us, and the path forward will be found on common ground. Your government is committed to taking a new approach to governance and working collaboratively to make the Yukon a better place to live.

To this end, an innovative agreement has been established between two parties representing the majority of Yukoners to ensure a strong, stable government to guide the Yukon forward over the next two years. It identifies agreed-upon areas where government can take immediate action to benefit Yukoners in a way that is supported by the members of this Assembly. The agreement will advance a range of important legislative and policy initiatives that will make democracy work for people while addressing climate change and protecting the environment. It will create jobs in a sustainable economy, improve the services that people count on, and make life more affordable for Yukoners.

This agreement is founded on the belief that this Assembly works best when all members can put forward good ideas and come together to support those ideas that advance the public good. It embodies the spirit of collaboration and puts the people of the Yukon at the forefront of our politics.

The global COVID-19 pandemic has reinforced the need to put people at the heart of our decision-making. In the past year and a half, more than 150 million people worldwide have contracted this deadly disease, including more than 1.2 million Canadians. The pandemic has tested and continues to test the strength of our health care system and the resiliency of our social fabric.

Every single Yukoner has been impacted by the pandemic. From daycares to schools, workplaces to social events, your lives have been disrupted on an unprecedented scale. Despite many challenges, the Yukon has demonstrated tremendous resolve in the face of this public health emergency. Following the recommendations of our public health officials has allowed us to contain the spread of COVID-19 in our territory and keep our case count low.

Swift and comprehensive government intervention has ensured that individuals and businesses are supported and our communities remain healthy and safe. Your government worked collaboratively with its territorial, provincial, and federal colleagues, advocating strongly for northern, remote, and indigenous communities to receive priority access to vaccines as soon as they became available. As a result of strong leadership, the people of the Yukon had the opportunity to be immunized from COVID-19 well before the rest of Canada and much of the world. Yukoners stepped up and took their shot, and our territory is leading the country in vaccination rates.

We are in this very fortunate position thanks to our dedicated team of health care professionals, public servants, and community leaders. Most importantly, we are in a fortunate position thanks to the vigilance and community-minded spirit of Yukoners.

While our territory has responded well, the pandemic is not over. Its effects will continue to be felt as we go forward. Your government will continue to provide strong, steady leadership to protect the health and safety of Yukoners and help them maintain their livelihoods.

The support programs put in place by your government have become the gold standard across Canada, and they will continue to be provided for as long as they are needed. This includes the paid sick leave rebate, the Yukon business relief program, the tourism accommodation sector support, and the tourism non-accommodation sector support. Government will ensure that Yukon businesses have the assistance they need when they need it. Your government will keep working closely with Yukon's chief medical officer of health to continually re-evaluate the level of restrictions that are put in place to protect Yukoners from COVID-19. It will work toward reopening our borders safely to ensure that Yukon's tourism and visitor economy can return to normal as soon as possible.

Like other parts of the country, our territory is in the grip of another public health crisis that has been overshadowed by COVID-19, one that is more silent and much more tragic. In the past five years, 40 Yukoners have lost their lives to opioids. Families and communities throughout the territory are grieving from this tragedy. Significant action has been taken over the past several years to combat opioid overdoses and reduce harm to our communities.

Yukon's Mental Wellness and Substance Use hubs have dramatically improved access to withdrawal services, counselling, and inpatient treatments in rural communities. The introduction and expansion of opioid medical treatments at the Referred Care Clinic has helped individuals address substance use problems. The take-

home naloxone program and expanded drug checking services have helped to save lives. The opioid crisis in the Yukon would have been much worse without these critical interventions, yet it is clear that more must be done to address the pernicious effects of opioids on our communities.

Your government will continue to build on the success of these initiatives, and it will increase the resources available to those who need support. Yukon's mental health resources will be coordinated to provide mental health services to all Yukoners seven days per week. Immediate action will be taken to develop a safe drug supply program for the territory, along with a supervised consumption site.

These innovative programs have been shown to significantly decrease substance-related deaths across Canada and will help us to reduce the harm caused by these dangerous drugs. The government will work with Yukon First Nation governments and the Government of Canada to fund a rural, on-the-land mental health and substance treatment centre. These initiatives will support healthy and safe families throughout our territory.

The Yukon continues to grow and reveal its endless possibilities. Our population now exceeds 42,500 people. People from across the country and around the world continue to see the Yukon as a place full of promise and adventure, a place to raise a family, a place to get an advanced education, a place to reconnect with nature and explore the outdoors, a place to embrace rich indigenous cultures and learn from traditional ways of knowing and doing, a place to start a business, a place to enjoy unique and authentic experiences, a place to experience an unparalleled quality of life and pursue your dreams.

To support a strong and prosperous future for the territory, the government will continue to take action to make the lives of Yukoners healthier, happier, and more affordable. Our COVID-19 support programs have allowed Yukon businesses to keep operating during the pandemic and kept the economy moving forward. The Yukon was one of only two jurisdictions in Canada to experience GDP growth in 2020 despite the pandemic.

Your government is committed to carrying our economic momentum forward. This year, we'll see the launch of the great Yukon summer campaign. This innovative campaign will create incentives for Yukon tourism operators to offer Yukoners rates for tourism products and services through additional funding opportunities. It will help Yukon businesses build marketing campaigns to maximize the attraction of Yukoners this summer, provide funding for Yukon organizations to hold local events, and support the new Mountain Music Festival together with the MacBride Museum.

Yukon's tourism sector is a vital part of our economy, providing good jobs across the territory and creating economic benefits in our communities. The Great Yukon Summer campaign will encourage Yukoners to explore the territory while supporting our extensive network of tourism operators. It will help the tourism sector rebound stronger than ever, while continued COVID-19 support programs ensure that it will

recover faster than any jurisdiction in Canada. When the danger of COVID-19 has passed, the Yukon will be one of the most exciting tourism destinations in the world. The ongoing implementation of the *Yukon Tourism Development Strategy* will ensure that tourism operators can seize the immense opportunities in the post-pandemic world.

Our thriving mining sector is the backbone of the territory's economy. Your government will continue to work with industry partners to ensure that the Yukon has a flourishing mineral resource sector that everyone can support. By continuing to collaborate with major industry partners, we can ensure that they have local purchase programs to work with Yukon businesses wherever possible.

A new mineral exploration fund will support junior mining companies operating in the Yukon to search for the next major deposit. Developing a policy for mining and municipalities that promotes sustainable development will ensure that community values and plans are respected.

The recommendations of the independent mineral development strategy will be carefully analyzed as government works in collaboration with partners to develop successor mining legislation and increase regulatory clarity. Government will also continue to work with all partners on regulatory amendments to the *Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act* to create a more streamlined assessment process.

The coming years will bring enormous opportunities for innovation and expansion in the Yukon. Everyone needs an opportunity to thrive, and your government will continue to support workers and businesses while building capacity in our economy. Yukon's minimum wage will be increased to \$15.20 per hour this year. Government will create workforce development agreements to retrain workers and support the transition to a green economy. A new immigration strategy will be created to support the increased workforce requirements of businesses and industry. An innovation commission will be established to attract new technology start-ups and grow Yukon's digital ecosystem. This will be complemented by an innovation strategy that will continue to expand opportunities for local entrepreneurs.

In partnership with the private sector, a flexible field house complex will be developed for athletics and large public conferences and events. This will support Yukon's bid to host the 60th anniversary of the Canada Winter Games in 2027. Hosting the Canada Winter Games presents an exciting opportunity to share our culture and community with the rest of Canada.

Your government recognizes that the climate crisis needs to be considered at the heart of all its decisions. This is the only way that we can guarantee a safe future for the next generation of Yukoners. There will continue to be a moratorium on fracking in the Yukon. Working together with Yukoners, the City of Whitehorse, the Kwanlin Dün First Nation, the Ta'an Kwäch'än Council, and Yukon University, your government will set aside land to permanently protect McIntyre Creek for present and future generations of Yukoners. This area has tremendous historic, cultural, and academic

importance. The creation of McIntyre Creek park will benefit all Yukoners and help slow biodiversity loss in the Yukon by protecting important wildlife areas. Yukon's wetlands strategy will be completed in the coming year to guide the management of activities in wetlands across the territory.

Working together with partners to complete the Dawson land use planning process will be a priority. Government will continue to implement *Our Clean Future – A Yukon strategy for climate change, energy and a green economy*.

The strategy will see reduced greenhouse gas emissions, less reliance on fossil fuels, and significant investments in renewable energy. To meet the urgent need to address the climate crisis, your government will amend its greenhouse gas emissions reduction target to a 45-percent reduction by 2030, compared to 2010 emissions. Plans to reach this more ambitious target will be developed by a newly established Yukon climate leadership council.

The voice of youth is particularly important as we look to tackle climate change. Government actions to address climate change will be informed by Yukon's Youth Panel on Climate Change to ensure that the next generation has a voice in their future. Including the perspectives of our youth will ensure that Yukon's approach to addressing climate change is comprehensive and forward thinking. Your government will take action to ensure that the territory's transition to a green economy creates opportunities across the territory as we move toward a more clean and sustainable future.

The Yukon has one of the greenest energy systems in the country. The government's vision is for the territory to be powered on 97-percent renewable energy, even as our population and economy continue to grow. To advance this vision, government will support the implementation of Yukon Energy's 10-year renewable electricity plan. This will see historic investments in several major energy projects, including the construction of a new pump storage facility at Moon Lake to store extra power not used in the summer so that it can be used in the winter.

In partnership with the Taku River Tlingit First Nation, the Atlin hydro plant will be expanded and connected to Yukon's grid, increasing our hydro capacity. The transmission network in the Southern Lakes region will be expanded and upgraded to connect projects to the grid and allow for future sales opportunities with our neighbours in Skagway.

As Yukon's economy continues to grow in a sustainable and responsible way, it is critical that all Yukoners are supported to live healthy, happy lives. With the implementation of the *Putting People First* report underway, the Yukon is on track to become a health care leader in Canada. Your government will continue to take action to make health and social services more integrated, collaborative, and peoplecentred to better meet the needs of Yukoners.

A new bilingual health centre in Whitehorse will improve care for the Yukon's francophone population. Un nouveau centre de santé bilingue qui ouvrira ses portes à Whitehorse améliorera les services offerts à la population francophone du territoire.

A new secure medical unit will be constructed at the Whitehorse General Hospital. The way in which health care professionals are regulated will be improved, and coverage will be increased to groups such as psychologists, optometrists, and allied health professionals.

In partnership with First Nations, Yukon University, and the Government of Canada, your government will support Yukoners to pursue careers in health and social service program delivery.

Yukon's aging-in-place strategy will continue to be implemented, increasing supportive housing for seniors and expanding the home first program.

Your government will work in partnership with the federal government to support a Canada-wide universal pharmacare program model. It will also take action to provide dental benefits to uninsured Yukoners.

The cost of birth control and fertility treatments will be subsidized, along with the cost of period products for those in need. Midwifery will continue to be integrated into Yukon's health care system, working toward a fully funded program later this year.

Your government will continue to provide funding for the new universal early childhood education program introduced last month. This program subsidizes each licensed childcare space by \$700 per month, with additional subsidies for low-income families. This is an historic investment in Yukon families, providing them with more disposable income and making their lives more affordable.

Yukon's strong future requires an effective education system that supports all learners. Your government is committed to improving education opportunities and outcomes for all Yukon students. As the territory's population continues to grow, more classrooms are needed to educate the next generations of Yukoners. A new elementary school will be built in Whistle Bend in the coming years, as well as a new school in Burwash Landing.

Government will continue to work with the Yukon First Nations Chiefs Committee on Education and all Yukon First Nations to improve Yukon First Nation students' education outcomes. In collaboration with First Nation partners, a Yukon First Nation school board will be created to ensure that Yukon First Nations can meaningfully shape their children's education.

The Yukon is now home to the first university in Canada's north. The government will support Yukon University's new science building and its inclusion of traditional knowledge. It will also work with the university to investigate a varsity sports program.

Every Yukoner should feel safe in their community. Your government will keep working with partners to make all Yukon communities safer. It will enhance our community safety planning program and ensure a consistent approach to funding community safety planning activities across the territory.

Working together with stakeholders and community partners, the sexualized assault response team program will continue to be enhanced and expanded to Yukon communities. Your government will release an LGBTQ2S+ action plan to guide the Yukon's continuing shift toward a more inclusive and welcoming society.

A new program will be established to provide supportive community housing to justice-involved women that is gender responsive, culturally sensitive, and trauma-informed. This reflects the government's commitment to increasing community safety and justice through Yukon's MMIWG2S+ strategy.

There is an urgent need to increase access to stable and affordable housing for Yukoners across the territory. Your government has taken significant action over the past several years to meet the diverse housing needs of Yukoners. The first-ever Housing First residence in the north was opened in Whitehorse, providing safe, secure, low-barrier housing for the most vulnerable in our capital city. Building on this success, the next Housing First project will be built in Watson Lake. Working in partnership with the private sector and NGOs, the government has supported hundreds of new affordable housing units as well as major new supportive housing projects to increase options for Yukoners across the housing continuum. The government will work with the private sector on developing the 5th and Rogers land parcel in Whitehorse while ensuring that the project helps increase the amount of available housing, including rentals. Together with the City of Whitehorse and the private sector, it will also look at relocating the grader station in the Marwell area of Whitehorse to allow for future development of housing.

During the previous mandate, your government tripled investment in lot development. This trend will continue, as the government plans to release 1,000 new lots across the Yukon in the coming years. Your government will also explore new models of providing housing that is affordable and accessible to Yukoners. A land parcel grant will support the establishment of a Yukon community land trust to allow for the creation of permanently affordable housing in Whitehorse.

Yukon's future prosperity will be built through strong partnerships with First Nations. Actively upholding and promoting the spirit and intent of the self-government agreements is the foundation of these partnerships. Genuine partnerships based on respect and cooperation will continue to generate benefits and positive outcomes for all Yukoners. Your government will work with partners to implement Yukon's MMIWG2S+ strategy to help our society heal and move forward together. Engaging the Yukon Forum to advance priorities in critical areas such as health and social services, education, justice, and heritage will allow government to continue to respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's calls to action.

Your government will continue to implement *Breaking Trail Together*, an innovative public service plan that will ensure that government is inclusive and representative of the people it serves. Yukon First Nation traditions and practices will also continue to be incorporated into this Assembly so that it better reflects the people it represents.

The interests of Yukoners are best served by a modern government that is responsive to its needs. Your government will keep working to make Yukon services and laws more open, inclusive, accessible, and effective. It will continue to modernize and update Yukon's legislative framework to ensure that it responds to current realities and does not discriminate based on gender identity, marital status, or sexual orientation.

The government will consult with Yukoners about your vision for electoral reform and bring forward recommendations in the coming year. It will introduce laws to make the Yukon a better place to live.

A modernized *Motor Vehicles Act* will improve safety for all road users. A new workplace safety and compensation act will improve Yukon's workplace safety and compensation systems to ensure that workers have the support that they deserve. A new clean energy act will legislate Yukon's greenhouse gas reduction and renewable energy generation targets. Single-use plastics will be banned in the territory. The *Territorial Lands (Yukon) Act* will be updated to help manage the use, maintenance, access, and closure of resource roads. Our *Safer Communities and Neighbourhoods Act* will be enhanced to help target abuse, exploitation, the illegal use of firearms, and criminal organizations in our territory. Changes to the *Child Care Act* will enhance the delivery of the new universal early childhood education program.

As we look to emerge from the challenges of the pandemic, there is much hope and opportunity on the horizon. Your government remains committed to supporting Yukoners to live healthy, happy lives, building on the strong foundation established over the last five years.

The Yukon remains a place full of promise – promise that can be realized through purpose and hard work. The territory's swift, measured, and comprehensive response to the COVID19 pandemic has set an example for all Canadians. Leading the country in vaccination rates has positioned the Yukon to lead the transition into a post-pandemic world. It is time to move forward together on the path to recovery. The nation's eyes are on the Yukon as we forge our next steps.

Honourable members, Yukoners do not expect you to agree on everything. They do expect you to share a common interest and a common responsibility in working toward a more prosperous future for the people of this territory, their families, and their communities. May this guide your deliberations and may you carry out your responsibilities with respect for each other and compassion and understanding for others.

Thank you, merci, mahsi' cho, günilschish."

The Commissioner then retired from the Chamber.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL TERRITORY OF YUKON FIRST NATIONS

The Speaker resumed the Chair and called the House to order. Pursuant to Standing Order 11(7), the Speaker commenced by acknowledging the traditional territory of the Yukon First Nations upon which the Legislative Assembly is meeting:

"I would like to begin this Sitting of the Legislative Assembly by respectfully acknowledging all Yukon First Nations and also that we are meeting on the traditional territory of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta'an Kwäch'an Council."

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 1, *Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right*

- Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE TABLED

Hon. Mr. Harper, Speaker

- Speech from the Throne

(Sessional Paper 35-1-1)

CONSIDERATION OF THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT the Speech from the Throne be considered on a day following.

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, informed the House, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 26(2), that consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne will take place on Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

MOTIONS REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF HOUSE OFFICERS

Election of Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole

Motion No. 2 – Election of Annie Blake as Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT Annie Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin, be elected Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Election of Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole**Motion No. 3 – Election of Emily Tredger as Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole**

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT Emily Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre, be elected Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader

- Re: length of 2021 Special Sitting (Motion No. 4) (written notice)
- Re: authorization for the Assembly to meet via video conference during the 2021 Special Sitting (Motion No. 5) (written notice)
- Re: pairing arrangements for the 2021 Special Sitting (Motion No. 6) (written notice)
- Re: Member participation in sittings of the House via teleconference due to COVID-19 during the 2021 Special Sitting (Motion No. 7) (written notice)
- Re: appointments to the Members' Services Board (Motion No. 8) (written notice)
- Re: appointments to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges (Motion No. 9) (written notice)
- Re: appointments to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments (Motion No. 10) (written notice)
- Re: appointments to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts (Motion No. 11) (written notice)
- Re: appointments to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees (Motion No. 12) (written notice)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: operating costs of the Whitehorse Emergency Shelter (Motion No. 13) (written notice)

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 1:56 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 12, 2021.

No. 2
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Mr. Harper, Speaker

- *Report from the Clerk of the Yukon Legislative Assembly on the Absence of Members from Sittings of the Legislative Assembly and its Committees (May 12, 2021) (Speaker Harper)*

(Sessional Paper 35-1-2)

See *Hansard* for other document tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*

- Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

- Re: upgrades to Alaska Highway crosswalks in Watson Lake (Motion No. 14)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: costs of implementing *Putting People First – the final report of the comprehensive review of Yukon's health and social programs and services* (Motion No. 15)
- Re: waiving windstorm solid-waste facility tipping (Motion No. 16)

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: covering Shingrix vaccine costs (Motion No. 17)

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

- Re: communications regarding repairs to the washout on the Robert Campbell Highway (Motion No. 18)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: emergency support to the Government of the Northwest Territories for flooding (Motion No. 19)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

MOTION OF URGENT AND PRESSING NECESSITY NO. 1

Prior to the House proceeding with the Oral Question Period, Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, pursuant to Standing Order 28, requested the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity regarding the implementation of rent control.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:35 p.m. to 2:11 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE****Motion No. 20 – Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne**

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education:

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER, we, the Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious Speech which you have addressed to the House.

A debate having started on the motion and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while the Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister of Economic Development, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Thursday, May 13, 2021, and the debate on Motion No. 20 was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 13, 2021.

No. 3
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Thursday, May 13, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and read a first time:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Money Message

Pursuant to Standing Order 61, Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, and Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, were each accompanied by a money message.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: implementation of rent control (Motion No. 21)
- Re: Government of Yukon's relationship with the Yukon Fish and Game Association (Motion No. 22)
- Re: rocket attacks by Hamas against Israeli citizens (Motion No. 23)
- Re: regulatory framework for psychology (Motion No. 24)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: health care wait-time reduction strategy (Motion No. 25)

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: Auditor General of Canada's report on mental health services (Motion No. 26)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

MOTION OF URGENT AND PRESSING NECESSITY NO. 2

Prior to the House proceeding with the Oral Question Period, Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, pursuant to Standing Order 28, requested the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity regarding the implementation of rent control.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:27 p.m. to 1:58 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, informed the House, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 26(2), that continued consideration of the motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne will take place on Monday, May 17, 2021.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**GOVERNMENT BILLS****Second Reading**

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Thereupon, the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier, delivered the 2020-21 Budget Address.

A debate arising on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			
NAY			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

Bill No. 201, *Third Appropriation Act 2019-20*, was accordingly referred to Committee of the Whole.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion No. 8 – Appointments to the Members’ Services Board

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 45(2), be appointed Chair of the Members’ Services Board;

THAT the Hon. Nils Clarke, Currie Dixon, Brad Cathers, and Kate White be appointed to the Members’ Services Board;

THAT the board have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the board consider:

- (1) budget submissions for the following votes:
 - (a) Vote 1 – Yukon Legislative Assembly, including the Conflict of Interest Commission;
 - (b) Vote 23 – Office of the Ombudsman, including the Information and Privacy Commissioner and the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner;
 - (c) Vote 24 – Elections Office; and
 - (d) Vote 26 – Child and Youth Advocate Office; and
- (2) policy questions concerning matters such as:
 - (a) space allocation;

- (b) staffing;
- (c) caucus funding;
- (d) media gallery House rules; and
- (e) Hansard;

THAT the board fulfill its statutory responsibilities, including those in the *Legislative Assembly Act*, the *Legislative Assembly Retirement Allowances Act, 2007*, the *Elections Act*, the *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act*, the *Ombudsman Act*, the *Cabinet and Caucus Employees Act*, and the *Child and Youth Advocate Act*; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the board.

A debate arising on the motion and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 9 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake be appointed to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee review, as necessary, such standing orders as it may decide upon;

THAT the committee, following the conduct of any such review, report any recommendations for amendment to the Assembly; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Amendment 1

A debate having started on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 9 be amended by:

- (1) deleting the phrase “the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake” and inserting in its place the phrase “Annie Blake, the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, and Brad Cathers”; and
- (2) inserting the phrase “THAT the Chair of the committee be a private member;” before the phrase “THAT the committee have the power”.

A debate having not yet started on the amendment and the time reaching 5:30 p.m., the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until

1:00 p.m. Monday, May 17, 2021, and the debate on Motion No. 9, and the amendment, was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 17, 2021.

No. 4
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Monday, May 17, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding changes made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of changes made to the Order Paper. The following motion has not been placed on the Notice Paper, as it is now outdated: Motion No. 21, standing in the name of the Member for Copperbelt North.

In addition, the following motion has not been placed on the Notice Paper at the request of the member: Motion No. 26, standing in the name of the Leader of the Third Party.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: implementation of rent control (Motion No. 27)
- Re: liquor-pricing review (Motion No. 28)
- Re: electoral district boundaries commission legislation (Motion No. 29)
- Re: liquor licence discount (written notice) (Motion No. 39)
- Re: Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments review of the *Child Care Act* (written notice) (Motion No. 40)

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

- Re: type 1 diabetes strategy (Motion No. 30)
- Re: paper-based homeschool curriculum (Motion No. 31)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: Yukon Hospital Corporation funding (Motion No. 32)

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: paid sick leave for government workers (Motion No. 33)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: garbage-disposal facilities (Motion No. 34)
- Re: Haines Junction doctor (Motion No. 35)
- Re: north Alaska Highway work (Motion No. 36)
- Re: turning lanes for Takhini and Mendenhall subdivisions (Motion No. 37)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: type 1 diabetes strategy (Motion No. 38)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services

- Yukon COVID-19 vaccination program

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, and Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:36 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Motion No. 20 – Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education:

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER, we, the Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious Speech which you have addressed to the House.

The debate continuing (from May 12, 2021) on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA

Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

NAY

Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne Engrossed

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to the Commissioner in her capacity as Lieutenant Governor.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion No. 9 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake be appointed to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee review, as necessary, such standing orders as it may decide upon;

THAT the committee, following the conduct of any such review, report any recommendations for amendment to the Assembly; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Amendment 1

Moved by Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 9 be amended by:

- (1) deleting the phrase “the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake” and inserting in its place the phrase “Annie Blake, the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, and Brad Cathers”; and
- (2) inserting the phrase “THAT the Chair of the committee be a private member;” before the phrase “THAT the committee have the power”.

The debate continuing (from May 13, 2021) on the amendment to the motion, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

Amendment 2

The debate continuing on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 9 be amended by inserting the phrase “THAT the committee meet a minimum of four times each calendar year; THAT the committee convene no later than 30 days after the adoption of this motion by the Assembly;” before the phrase “THAT the committee have the power”.

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

A debate arising on Motion No. 9, as amended, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 10 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Hon. Nils Clarke, the Hon. Tracy-Anne McPhee, Yvonne Clarke, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake be appointed to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee review such regulations made following the date of its appointment as it may decide upon;

THAT the committee review such other existing or proposed regulations as are referred to it by the Legislative Assembly; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Amendment 1

A debate having started on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 10 be amended by inserting the phrase “THAT the committee meet a minimum of four times each calendar year; THAT the committee convene no later than 30 days after the adoption of this motion by the Assembly” before the phrase “THAT the committee have the power”.

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	8
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	10
McPhee	McLean	Blake	
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

Amendment 2

The debate continuing on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 10 be amended by:

- (1) inserting the phrase “or Executive Council” after the phrase “referred to it by the Legislative Assembly”; and

- (2) inserting the phrase “THAT the committee review any regulations and ministerial orders issued under the Civil Emergency Measures Act within 45 days of such regulations or ministerial orders being issued;” before the phrase “; and THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly”

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

The debate continuing on Motion No. 10 and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 11 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT Currie Dixon, Scott Kent, the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. Jeanie McLean, and Kate White be appointed to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 12 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Hon. Nils Clarke, the Hon. Ranj Pillai, Scott Kent, Geraldine Van Bibber, and Emily Tredger be appointed to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3.1);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 4 – Length of 2021 Special Sitting

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 75(2), the maximum number of sitting days for the 2021 Special Sitting shall be 11 sitting days;

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 75(7), the provisions of Chapter 14 of the Standing Orders of the Yukon Legislative Assembly shall apply to the 2021 Special Sitting, in the same manner as if it were a Spring or Fall Sitting; and

THAT the provisions of Standing Order 76 shall apply on the sitting day that the Assembly has reached the maximum number of sitting days allocated for the 2021 Special Sitting.

Amendment 1

A debate having started on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 4 be amended by deleting the word “11” and replacing it with the word “30”.

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

Amendment 2

The debate continuing on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 4 be amended by deleting the word “11” and replacing it with the word “20”.

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	8
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	10
McPhee	McLean	Blake	
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

Amendment 3

The debate continuing on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 4 be amended by deleting the phrase “; and THAT the provisions of Standing Order 76 shall apply on the sitting day that the Assembly has reached the maximum number of sitting days allocated for the 2021 Special Sitting” and inserting the word “and” after the phrase “11 sitting days”.

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	8
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	10
McPhee	McLean	Blake	
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

The debate continuing on Motion No. 4 and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			
NAY			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

Accordingly, the Speaker declared that the current Sitting shall be a maximum of 11 sitting days, with the 11th sitting day being Monday, May 31, 2021.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Second Reading

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

A debate arising and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, 2021 and the debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

No. 5
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session

35th Legislature

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT

Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding changes made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of changes made to the Order Paper. The following motion has not been placed on the Notice Paper, as it is not in order: Motion No. 29, standing in the name of the Leader of the Official Opposition.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors in conjunction with tributes.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Mr. Harper, Speaker

- *Report on Subsistence, Travel & Accommodations of Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly 2020-2021*

(Sessional Paper 35-1-3)

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister responsible for the Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board

- *Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board 2020 Annual Report*

(Sessional Paper 35-1-4)

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Standing committees of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, letter re (dated May 3, 2021) from Currie Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, to Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier, and Kate White, Leader of the Third Party
(Filed Document 35-1-1)
- Standing committees of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, letter re (dated May 10, 2021) from Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier, to Currie Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition
(Filed Document 35-1-2)
- CASA (confidence and supply agreement), e-mail re (dated May 6, 2021) from Currie Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, to Kate White, Leader of the Third Party
(Filed Document 35-1-3)

See *Hansard* for other document tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Hassard, Member for Pelly-Nisutlin

- Re: building a new school in Ross River (Motion No. 41)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: highway vegetation control (Motion No. 42)
- Re: milled highway resurfacing (Motion No. 43)
- Re: seniors housing in Haines Junction (Motion No. 44)

Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: proof of vaccinations for visitors entering Yukon (Motion No. 45)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:25 p.m. to 1:56 p.m.

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(3), Mr. Kent, Official Opposition House Leader, identified Motion No. 40, standing in the name of Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official

Opposition, Motion No. 14, standing in the name of Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake, and Motion No. 30, standing in his name as being the items to be called during Opposition Private Members' Business on Wednesday, May 19, 2021.

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(3), Ms. Tredger, Third Party House Leader, informed the House that the Third Party did not wish to identify any items to be called during Opposition Private Members' Business on Wednesday, May 19, 2021.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Second Reading

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*

- Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

A debate arising on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Mostyn	Hassard	
McPhee	Dixon	Istchenko	
Streicker	Kent	White	17
Pillai	Clarke, Y.	Blake	
Clarke, N.	McLeod	Tredger	
McLean	Van Bibber		
NAY			
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Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*, was accordingly referred to Committee of the Whole.

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

The debate continuing (from May 17, 2021) on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			
NAY			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, was accordingly referred to Committee of the Whole.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT the Chair report Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, without amendment.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole commenced general debate on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier). Having concluded general debate on the bill, Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 51, Department of Community Services.

Ordered, on motion of Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Blake, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, without amendment.

The Chair also reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 19, 2021.

No. 6
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Intervention in Yukon's rental market, letter re (dated May 13, 2021) from Marc Perreault, Yukon Real Estate Association President, to Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier

(Filed Document 35-1-4)

- Implementation of rent control, letter re (dated May 17, 2021) from Marc Perreault, Yukon Real Estate Association President, to Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier

(Filed Document 35-1-5)

See *Hansard* for other documents tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: improving Takhini River Road (Motion No. 46)
- Re: commercial garbage service in Mayo Road, Hot Springs Road, and Ibex Valley areas (Motion No. 47)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: creating a patient advisory committee to advise the Pharmaceutical Advisory Committee Formulary Working Group (Motion No. 48)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works

- Dempster fibre project

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, and Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:31 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS****Motion No. 40 – Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments review of the *Child Care Act***

Moved by Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition:

THAT the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments review the *Child Care Act* and all corresponding regulations;

THAT the committee conduct public hearings; and

THAT the committee report to the Legislative Assembly on its findings and recommendations no later than May 19, 2022.

A debate arising on the motion and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	8
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		
NAY			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	10
McPhee	McLean	Blake	
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

Motion No. 14 – Upgrades to Alaska Highway crosswalks in Watson Lake

Moved by Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake:

THAT this House urges the Minister of Highways and Public Works to initiate upgrades to the two Alaska Highway crosswalks in Watson Lake to include pedestrian-activated flashing lights.

A debate arising on the motion and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Mostyn	Van Bibber	18
McPhee	Dixon	Hassard	
Streicker	Kent	Istchenko	
Pillai	Clarke, Y.	White	
Clarke, N.	Cathers	Blake	
McLean	McLeod	Tredger	
NAY			
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Motion No. 30 – Type 1 diabetes strategy

Moved by Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South:

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to develop a territory-wide type 1 diabetes strategy to be completed by September 2022 in partnership with the Yukon T1D Support Network and including consultation with:

- (1) persons who live with type 1 diabetes;
- (2) the Yukon Medical Association;
- (3) an adult endocrinologist;
- (4) a pediatric endocrinologist;
- (5) a pediatrician;
- (6) the Diabetes Education Centre;

- (7) the Diabetes Research Institute Foundation Canada; and
- (8) other agencies or agents as may be identified through the Yukon T1D Support Network.

Filed document

During debate on the motion, the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services, tabled the following document:

- Type 1 diabetes, letter re (dated April 8, 2021) from Hon. Sandy Silver, Premier, to Marney Paradis, Board of Directors, Yukon T1D Support Network

(Filed Document 35-1-6)

The debate continuing on Motion No. 30 and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Mostyn	Van Bibber	
McPhee	Dixon	Hassard	
Streicker	Kent	Istchenko	18
Pillai	Clarke, Y.	White	
Clarke, N.	Cathers	Blake	
McLean	McLeod	Tredger	
NAY			
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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 18, Yukon Housing Corporation, in Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Blake, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 20, 2021.

No. 7
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Thursday, May 20, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding a change made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of a change made to the Order Paper. Motion No. 38, standing in the name of the Member for Vuntut Gwitchin, has been removed from the Order Paper as it is identical to Motion No. 30, which was adopted by the House yesterday, May 19, 2021.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

- *Yukon Child Care Board Annual Report 2020-21*

(Sessional Paper 35-1-5)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: list of projects and initiatives delayed by election (Motion for the Production of Papers No. 1)

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

- Re: Montessori pilot program (Motion No. 49)

Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre

- Re: addressing traffic issues in Whistle Bend (Motion No. 50)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: democratic oversight (Motion No. 51)

Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

- Re: 2027 Canada Winter Games planning (Motion No. 52)

Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North

- Re: traffic safety along the Alaska Highway in Porter Creek (Motion No. 53)

Mr. Hassard, Member for Pelly-Nisutlin

- Re: Yukon's access to tidewater (Motion No. 54)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: trapping industry initiatives (Motion No. 55)
- Re: community library funding (Motion No. 56)
- Re: Yukon forestry strategy (Motion No. 57)
- Re: relicensing Äshèyi Män generating facility (Motion No. 58)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: in-centre hemodialysis (Motion No. 59)

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

- Re: bedbug infestations in seniors housing (Motion No. 60)

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader

- Re: establishing a Special Committee on Electoral Reform (written notice) (Motion No. 61)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

MOTION OF URGENT AND PRESSING NECESSITY NO. 3

Prior to the House proceeding with the Oral Question Period, Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, pursuant to Standing Order 28, requested the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity regarding COVID-19 vaccination verification measures — protection of privacy.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:33 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)* (Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education:

THAT the Chair report Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*, without amendment.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole resumed (from May 19, 2021) consideration of Vote 18, Yukon Housing Corporation, in Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier). Having concluded consideration of Vote 18, Committee of the Whole considered of Vote 7, Department of Economic Development. Having concluded consideration of Vote 7, Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 3, Department of Education.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Tredger, Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*, without amendment.

The Deputy Chair also reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 25, 2021.

No. 8
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Tuesday, May 25, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Changes to the Order Paper - Withdrawal of motions**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding a change made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of changes made to the Order Paper. Motion No. 51, standing in the name of the Member for Lake Laberge, was not placed on the Notice Paper as it was out of order.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read a first time:

Bill No. 300, *Act to Amend the Civil Emergency Measures Act*

- Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: path forward for reopening (Motion No. 62)
- Re: condemning anti-Semitism (written notice) (Motion No. 67)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: elk fencing (Motion No. 63)
- Re: revising elk management plan (Motion No. 64)
- Re: changes to agriculture development and subdivision rules (Motion No. 65)

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

- Re: *National Accord for the Protection of Species at Risk* (Motion No. 66)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services

- State of emergency in Yukon

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, and Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Community Services, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:36 p.m. to 2:05 p.m.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: court cases involving the Government of Yukon
(Written Question No. 1)

- Re: legislative drafting
(Written Question No. 2)

Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre

- Re: development schedule for Whistle Bend
(Written Question No. 3)

- Re: Whistle Bend school
(Written Question No. 4)

- Re: housing projects
(Written Question No. 5)

- Re: Whistle Bend Place

(Written Question No. 6)

Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

- Re: pedestrian-activated crosswalks in Watson Lake

(Written Question No. 7)

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Third Reading

The following bill was called for Third Reading:

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

A debate arising on the motion for Third Reading of Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			
NAY			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*, accordingly, passed the House.

The following bill was called for Third Reading:

Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*

- Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education

A debate arising on the motion for Third Reading of Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA

Silver	Mostyn	Van Bibber	
McPhee	Dixon	Hassard	
Streicker	Kent	Istchenko	18
Pillai	Clarke, Y.	White	
Clarke, N.	Cathers	Blake	
McLean	McLeod	Tredger	

NAY

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Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*, accordingly, passed the House.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 53, Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, in Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Blake, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:27 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 26, 2021.

No. 9
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Wednesday, May 26, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding changes made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of changes made to the Order Paper. Motion No. 63, standing in the name of the Member for Lake Laberge, was not placed on the Notice Paper, as motions should be expressed in the affirmative, and Motion No. 65 was not placed on the Notice Paper, as motions should not be argumentative or in the style of a speech.

I would like to remind all members that the rubric for notices of motions in the Daily Routine is not an opportunity to make members' statements. Motions that do not follow the guidelines for drafting motions will not be placed on the Order Paper.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

- Response to oral question from Ms. White re: mine closure security

(Legislative Return 35-1-1)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: state of emergency (Motion No. 68)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: Champagne access road upgrades (Motion No. 69)
- Re: Kusawa Lake and Aishihik Lake road maintenance (Motion No. 70)
- Re: rural fire and ambulance services (Motion No. 71)

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre

- Re: providing menstrual products in schools (Motion No. 72)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: offsales licence public health perspective assessment (Motion No. 73)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation

- Housing initiatives fund

Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre, and Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:38 p.m. to 2:10 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**GOVERNMENT MOTIONS****Motion No. 61 – Establishing a Special Committee on Electoral Reform**

Moved by the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT a Special Committee on Electoral Reform be established;

THAT the Government appoint the first member to the committee;

THAT the membership of the committee also be comprised of one member from the Official Opposition caucus selected by the Leader of the Official

Opposition and one member from the Third Party caucus selected by the Leader of the Third Party;

THAT the Premier, the Leader of the Official Opposition, and the Leader of the Third Party inform the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the names of the selected members from their respective caucuses in writing no later than seven calendar days after the adoption of this motion by the Assembly;

THAT the Chair of the committee have a deliberative vote on all matters before the committee;

THAT the committee examine electoral reform;

THAT the committee be empowered to conduct public hearings;

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee report to the Legislative Assembly on its findings and recommendations no later than March 31, 2022;

THAT, if the House is not sitting at such time as the committee is prepared to present its report, the Chair of the committee shall transmit the committee's report to the Speaker, who shall transmit the report to all Members of the Legislative Assembly and then, not more than one day later, release the report to the public; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly shall be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			
NAY			
Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 15, Department of Health and Social Services, in Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Health and Social Services:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Tredger, Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:27 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 27, 2021.

No. 10
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session

35th Legislature

Thursday, May 27, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT

Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding a change made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of a change to the Order Paper. Motion No. 68, standing in the name of the Leader of the Official Opposition, was not placed on the Notice Paper, as it is out of order.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

No visitors were introduced.

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works and Minister of Environment

- Response to oral question from Mr. Cathers re: road maintenance – North Klondike construction near Gravel Lake
(Legislative Return 35-1-2)
- Response to oral question from Ms. Clarke re: Whistle Bend school
(Legislative Return 35-1-3)

- Response to oral question from Mr. Cathers re: road maintenance –
Takhini River Road
(Legislative Return 35-1-4)
- Response to oral question from Ms. McLeod re: camping fees
(Legislative Return 35-1-5)

See *Hansard* for other document tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read a first time:

- Bill No. 300, *Act to Amend the Taxpayer Protection Act*
- Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: Reopening plan (Motion No. 74)
- Re: riparian buffers (Motion No. 75)

Ms. Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre

- Re: regulatory framework for psychology (Motion No. 76)

Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North

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- Re: cycling infrastructure (Motion No. 78)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: Mental Wellness and Substance Use Services hub staffing
(Motion No. 79)
- Re: regulatory framework for psychology (Motion No. 80)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:19 p.m. to 1:52 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

DEPUTY CHAIR'S RULING

Informal time-sharing agreements and ceding the floor

Ms. Tredger, Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole, made the following ruling on a point of order raised by Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party, on May 26, 2021:

“I would like to speak to the point of order that was raised yesterday.

Yesterday, when Mr. Cathers was speaking during general debate on Vote 15, Department of Health and Social Services, in Bill No. 201, entitled *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, Ms. White stood on a point of order.

The crux of her point of order was that a time-sharing agreement between the Official Opposition and the Third Party was not being observed. Mr. Cathers, the Hon. Ms. McPhee, and the Hon. Mr. Clarke also spoke to the point of order.

As referenced in my ruling yesterday, informal time-splitting arrangements between parties are not enforceable by the Chair.

During departmental budget debate in Committee of the Whole, the existing practice is for the Chair to recognize, in turn, the minister and then the respective critic.

Practically speaking, if a member asks a minister a question and resumes their seat, that member has completed their speech, and what should happen for meaningful debate is that the minister should be provided an opportunity to answer. Before delivering their response, the minister may take some time to confer off-mic with their advisors. This is not an opportunity for the member questioning the minister to ask further questions.

In my view, it does not contribute to a productive back-and-forth discussion, and additionally, it presents logistical difficulties, for a member who has completed a speech and taken their seat to stand again to add further remarks before the minister has had an opportunity to respond to the member's preceding speech. In standing a second time before a minister has responded, the member is speaking while the minister's attention is actively engaged in formulating a response to the questions asked in the speech that the member has concluded.

In fairness, I would note that at times in Committee of the Whole, it has been a minister who has completed their remarks, resumed their seat, and then stood again to offer further remarks without the Chair having had the opportunity to recognize another member to respond to the speech that the minister had delivered.

Once a member or minister concludes a speech and takes their seat, the timer is cleared and reset for another 20 minutes, so – although this was not an issue with yesterday’s successive speeches by Mr. Cathers – there is potentially a fairness issue at play, in terms of a member or minister effectively having a 40- minute speech available before a speech can be offered in reply.

In sum, after a member asks a question and cedes the floor, they have ceded the floor, and unless they are seeking to be recognized on a point of order – and neither further debate nor additional questions for the minister constitute a point of order – the minister should be afforded an opportunity to reply.

After the minister replies, the member can then ask further questions if there is time available. If further time is not available, the member can submit a written question or questions for the minister.

I thank the members for their attention to this ruling.”

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 55, Department of Highways and Public Works, in Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair’s report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Blake, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:29 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 31, 2021.

No. 11
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

First Session**35th Legislature**

Monday, May 31, 2021

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

MOMENT OF SILENCE**In remembrance of victims of residential schools**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement.

“Before we begin proceedings today, I ask that the House join me in acknowledging the deaths of 215 children whose lives were cut short while attending the Kamloops Indian Residential School.

This disturbing discovery likely won’t be the last discovery of this kind in Canada, and it reminds us of the terrible toll that residential schools took on our indigenous communities. These 215 children had their whole lives ahead of them when they were taken from their homes and placed in that school.

We will never know how their lives could have been lived, who they might have fallen in love with, or whether they would have children and grandchildren of their own. All of that has been lost. This is something that should never be repeated and never be forgotten.

I would ask all of you to join me in a moment of silence for these 215 indigenous children and for all those lost to residential schools.”

The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of victims of residential schools.

SPEAKER’S STATEMENT**Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding changes made to the Order Paper.

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of changes to the Order Paper.

The following motion has been removed from the Order Paper at the request of the member: Motion No. 24, standing in the name of the Leader of the Official Opposition.

In addition, the following motion was not placed on the Notice Paper as it is out of order: Motion No. 75, standing in the name of the Member for Lake Laberge.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE

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- *Department of Education Annual Report 2020*

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- *2019-2020 Annual Report – Yukon University (as of May 2020) Yukon College and audited financial statements*

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Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

- Response to oral question from Ms. White re: fetal alcohol spectrum disorder action plan

(Legislative Return 35-1-7)

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No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS**Petition No. 1 – Presentation**

Ms. Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre, presented the following petition:

- Climate change lens

Petition No. 2 – Presentation

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin, presented the following petition:

- Financial support for full-time parent caregivers of children with disabilities

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: length of the 2021 Special Sitting (Motion No. 81)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: camping fees for Yukon senior citizens (Motion No. 82)

Ms. Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin

- Re: response to discovery of children buried at the Kamloops Indian Residential School (Motion No. 83)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:25 p.m. to 1:56 p.m.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

- Re: compensation for placer and quartz mining claim holders
(Written Question No. 8)

- Re: successor resource legislation
(Written Question No. 9)

- Re: land withdrawals and staking bans
(Written Question No. 10)

- Re: individualized education plans
(Written Question No. 11)

- Re: Yukon Resource Gateway project
(Written Question No. 12)

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Unanimous consent requested to move without notice a motion to rescind an Order of the House

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, pursuant to Standing Order 14.3, requested the unanimous consent of the House to move without notice a motion to rescind the May 17, 2021 Order of the House adopting Motion No. 4 that provides for the House to sit a maximum of 11 sitting days in the 2021 Special Sitting.

Unanimous consent was not granted.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 10, Public Service Commission, in Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier). Having concluded consideration of Vote 10, Committee of the Whole considered of Vote 54, Department of Tourism and Culture. Having concluded consideration of Vote 54, Committee of the Whole commenced consideration of Vote 8, Department of Justice.

Termination of Sitting as per Standing Order 76(1)

Ms. Tredger, Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole, made the following statement:

“The time has reached 5:00 p.m. on this, the 11th sitting day of the 2021 Special Sitting.

Pursuant to Motion No. 4, adopted on May 17, 2021, the provisions of Chapter 14 of the Standing Orders of the Yukon Legislative Assembly shall apply to the 2021 Special Sitting in the same manner as if it were a Spring or Fall Sitting.

Standing Order 76(1) states:

‘On the sitting day that the Assembly has reached the maximum number of sitting days allocated for that Sitting pursuant to Standing Order 75, the Chair of the Committee of the Whole, if the Assembly is in Committee of the Whole at the time, shall interrupt proceedings at 5:00 p.m. and, with respect to each Government Bill before Committee that the Government House Leader directs to be called, shall:

- (a) put the question on any amendment then before the Committee;
- (b) put the question, without debate or amendment, on a motion moved by a Minister that the bill, including all clauses, schedules, title and preamble, be deemed to be read and carried;

(c) put the question on a motion moved by a Minister that the bill be reported to the Assembly; and

(d) when all bills have been dealt with, recall the Speaker to the Chair to report on the proceedings of the Committee.’

It is the duty of the Chair to now conduct the business of Committee of the Whole in the manner directed by Standing Order 76(1). The Chair will now ask the Government House Leader to indicate whether the government bill now before Committee of the Whole should be called.”

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, directed that Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, be called at this time.

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT all clauses, schedules, and the title of Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, be deemed read and carried.

The question being put, it was agreed to on a count (9 yea; 8 nay).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT the Chair report Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, without amendment.

The Deputy Chair rose to report to the House and the Speaker resumed the Chair.

Chair’s report to the House

According to Order, Ms. Tredger, Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, without amendment.

SPEAKER’S STATEMENT

Third Reading of Bills as per Standing Order 76(2)

The Speaker made the following statement:

“Pursuant to Motion No. 4 adopted on May 17, 2021, the provisions of Chapter 14 of the Standing Orders of the Yukon Legislative Assembly shall apply to the 2021 Special Sitting in the same manner as if it were a Spring or Fall Sitting.

Standing Order 76(2)(d) states:

‘On the sitting day that the Assembly has reached the maximum number of sitting days allocated for that Sitting pursuant to Standing Order 75, the Speaker of the Assembly, when recalled to the Chair after the House has been in the Committee of the Whole, shall:

(d) with respect to each Government Bill standing on the Order Paper for Third Reading and designated to be called by the Government House Leader,

- (i) receive a motion for Third Reading and passage of the bill, and
- (ii) put the question, without debate or amendment, on that motion.’

I shall therefore ask the Government House Leader to indicate whether the government bill now standing on the Order Paper for third reading should be called.”

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, directed that Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, be called for Third Reading at this time.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Third Reading

The following bill was called for Third Reading:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

The question being put on the motion for Third Reading of Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA

Silver	Clarke, N.	White	
McPhee	McLean	Blake	10
Streicker	Mostyn	Tredger	
Pillai			

NAY

Dixon	Cathers	Hassard	
Kent	McLeod	Istchenko	8
Clarke, Y.	Van Bibber		

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*, accordingly, passed the House.

ASSENT TO BILLS

The Assembly received the Commissioner of Yukon, the Hon. Angélique Bernard, in her capacity as Lieutenant Governor, to grant Assent to bills passed by the House.

The Commissioner, having entered the Chamber, took her seat in the Speaker’s chair.

The Speaker addressed the Commissioner:

“Madam Commissioner, the Assembly has, at its present session, passed certain bills to which, in the name and on behalf of the Assembly, I respectfully request your assent.”

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the titles of the bills which had been passed as follows:

Bill No. 200, *Third Appropriation Act 2020-21*

Bill No. 2, *Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)*

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act 2021-22*

The Commissioner assented to the bills:

“I hereby assent to the bills as enumerated by the Clerk.”

The Commissioner then retired from the Chamber.

SPEAKER’S STATEMENT

In recognition of legislative staff

The Speaker called the House to order and made the following statement:

“Before I adjourn the Special Sitting of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, I have a few brief comments.

I would like to extend my thanks on behalf of the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, and the Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole, and on behalf of all Members of the Legislative Assembly, to Clerk Dan Cable, Deputy Clerk Linda Kolody, Clerk of Committees Allison Lloyd, Director of Administration, Finance, and Systems Helen Fitzsimmons, Operations Manager Brenda McCain-Armour, Finance and Operations Clerk Lyndsey Amundson, as well as Sergeant-at-Arms Karina Watson and Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms Joe Mewett, who all provided invaluable support to all MLAs and their staff in order for us to continue to do the important work that we are sent here to do on behalf of all Yukoners.

As well, I would like to also take this opportunity to thank the team at Hansard for their timely and accurate service and all the other background staff and contractors who kept this operation going. I would also commend the hard-working civil servants who deliver service to Yukoners and support to all of us as members in our work. I wish Members of the Legislative Assembly all the best for the coming summer.

This has been a particularly hard year for Yukoners because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but we are now experiencing the beginning of the end of the restrictions that the pandemic has forced us all to endure.

I hope that all of us can look forward to a more normal rest of the year as we begin vaccinations for our older children and wait patiently for vaccinations to be approved for our younger children. I hope that you all spend time with your loved ones, with extended family and friends, and with your constituents this summer.

On a more personal note, I would like to give my deepest thanks to all the members of the House for being patient with me in my role and to the colleagues for providing me with support in carrying out the duties of the Speaker of the House.

Over the summer, I will be enjoying spending time with my constituents in the Mayo-Tatchun riding and then, in the fall, I will look forward to getting back with all of

you to continue the very important work that we have ahead of us. Thank you very much.”

ADJOURNMENT OF THE SITTING

The Speaker then stated:

“As the House has, pursuant to Motion No. 4, reached the maximum number of sitting days permitted for this Special Sitting, it is the duty of the Chair to declare that the House now stands adjourned.”

The Assembly adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

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MOTIONS REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF HOUSE OFFICERS

Motion No. 1 – Election of Jeremy Harper as Speaker

Moved by Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier, seconded by Mr. Dixon, Leader of the Official Opposition, and Ms. White, Leader of the Third Party

Considered Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Carried Tuesday, May 11, 2021

THAT Jeremy Harper, Member for Mayo-Tatchun, do take the Chair of this Assembly as Speaker.

Motion No. 2 – Election of Annie Blake as Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader

Considered Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Carried Tuesday, May 11, 2021

THAT Annie Blake, Member for Vuntut Gwitchin, be elected Deputy Speaker and Chair of Committee of the Whole.

Motion No. 3 – Election of Emily Tredger as Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader

Considered Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Carried Tuesday, May 11, 2021

THAT Emily Tredger, Member for Whitehorse Centre, be elected Deputy Chair of Committee of the Whole.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Motion No. 20 – Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne

Moved by Hon. Ms. McLean, Minister of Education
Considered Wednesday, May 12, 2021 and Monday, May 17, 2021
Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:
MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER, we, the Members of the Yukon
Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious
Speech which you have addressed to the House.

GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion No. 4 – Length of 2021 Special Sitting

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Considered Monday, May 17, 2021
Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 75(2), the maximum number of
sitting days for the 2021 Special Sitting shall be 11 sitting days;

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 75(7), the provisions of Chapter 14
of the Standing Orders of the Yukon Legislative Assembly shall apply to the
2021 Special Sitting, in the same manner as if it were a Spring or Fall Sitting;
and

THAT the provisions of Standing Order 76 shall apply on the sitting day
that the Assembly has reached the maximum number of sitting days
allocated for the 2021 Special Sitting.

Motion No. 8 – Appointments to the Members' Services Board

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Considered Thursday, May 13, 2021
Carried Thursday, May 13, 2021

THAT the Hon. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 45(2), be appointed
Chair of the Members' Services Board;

THAT the Hon. Nils Clarke, Currie Dixon, Brad Cathers, and Kate White be
appointed to the Members' Services Board;

THAT the board have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and
to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the board consider:

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- (1) budget submissions for the following votes:
 - (a) Vote 1 - Yukon Legislative Assembly, including the Conflict of Interest Commission;
 - (b) Vote 23 - Office of the Ombudsman, including the Information and Privacy Commissioner and the Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner;
 - (c) Vote 24 - Elections Office; and
 - (d) Vote 26 - Child and Youth Advocate Office; and
- (2) policy questions concerning matters such as:
 - (a) space allocation;
 - (b) staffing;
 - (c) caucus funding;
 - (d) media gallery House rules; and
 - (e) Hansard;

THAT the board fulfill its statutory responsibilities, including those in the *Legislative Assembly Act*, the *Legislative Assembly Retirement Allowances Act, 2007*, the *Elections Act*, the *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act*, the *Ombudsman Act*, the *Cabinet and Caucus Employees Act*, and the *Child and Youth Advocate Act*; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the board.

Motion No. 9 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader

Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Considered Thursday, May 13, 2021 and Monday, May 17, 2021

Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. John Streicker, Patti McLeod, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake be appointed to the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the committee meet a minimum of four times each calendar year;

THAT the committee convene no later than 30 days after the adoption of this motion by the Assembly;

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee review, as necessary, such standing orders as it may decide upon;

THAT the committee, following the conduct of any such review, report any recommendations for amendment to the Assembly; and

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THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Amended

Motion No. 10 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Considered Monday, May 17, 2021
Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT the Hon. Nils Clarke, the Hon. Tracy-Anne McPhee, Yvonne Clarke, Brad Cathers, and Annie Blake be appointed to the Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments established pursuant to Standing Order 45(1);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee review such regulations made following the date of its appointment as it may decide upon;

THAT the committee review such other existing or proposed regulations as are referred to it by the Legislative Assembly; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Motion No. 11 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Considered Monday, May 17, 2021
Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT Currie Dixon, Scott Kent, the Hon. Richard Mostyn, the Hon. Jeanie McLean, and Kate White be appointed to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Motion No. 12 – Appointments to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Considered Monday, May 17, 2021
Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT the Hon. Nils Clarke, the Hon. Ranj Pillai, Scott Kent, Geraldine Van Bibber, and Emily Tredger be appointed to the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees established pursuant to Standing Order 45(3.1);

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

Motion No. 61 – Establishing a Special Committee on Electoral Reform

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Thursday, May 20, 2021
Considered Wednesday, May 26, 2021
Carried Wednesday, May 26, 2021

THAT a Special Committee on Electoral Reform be established;

THAT the Government appoint the first member to the committee;

THAT the membership of the committee also be comprised of one member from the Official Opposition caucus selected by the Leader of the Official Opposition and one member from the Third Party caucus selected by the Leader of the Third Party;

THAT the Premier, the Leader of the Official Opposition, and the Leader of the Third Party inform the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of the names of the selected members from their respective caucuses in writing no later than seven calendar days after the adoption of this motion by the Assembly;

THAT the Chair of the committee have a deliberative vote on all matters before the committee;

THAT the committee examine electoral reform;

THAT the committee be empowered to conduct public hearings;

THAT the committee have the power to call for persons, papers, and records and to sit during intersessional periods;

THAT the committee report to the Legislative Assembly on its findings and recommendations no later than March 31, 2022;

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THAT, if the House is not sitting at such time as the committee is prepared to present its report, the Chair of the committee shall transmit the committee's report to the Speaker, who shall transmit the report to all Members of the Legislative Assembly and then, not more than one day later, release the report to the public; and

THAT the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly shall be responsible for providing the necessary support services to the committee.

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion No. 14 – Upgrades to Alaska Highway crosswalks in Watson Lake

Moved by Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

Notice given Wednesday, May 12, 2021

Considered Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Carried Wednesday, May 19, 2021

THAT this House urges the Minister of Highways and Public Works to initiate upgrades to the two Alaska Highway crosswalks in Watson Lake to include pedestrian-activated flashing lights.

Motion No. 30 – Type 1 diabetes strategy

Moved by Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

Notice given Monday, May 17, 2021

Considered Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Carried Wednesday, May 19, 2021

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to develop a territory-wide type 1 diabetes strategy to be completed by September 2022 in partnership with the Yukon T1D Support Network and including consultation with:

- (1) persons who live with type 1 diabetes;
- (2) the Yukon Medical Association;
- (3) an adult endocrinologist;
- (4) a pediatric endocrinologist;
- (5) a pediatrician;
- (6) the Diabetes Education Centre;
- (7) the Diabetes Research Institute Foundation Canada; and
- (8) other agencies or agents as may be identified through the Yukon T1D Support Network.

Appendix III: Consolidation of Sessional Orders

Sessional Orders adopted during the
First Session of the 35th Legislative Assembly
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Note: The following is a consolidation of the sessional orders adopted during the time period noted above. Sessional orders are temporary rules that supplement, modify or change the Standing Orders. Sessional orders remain in effect for the duration of a Session or Sitting.

Motion No. 4 – Length of 2021 Special Sitting

Moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader
Notice given Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Considered Monday, May 17, 2021
Carried Monday, May 17, 2021

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 75(2), the maximum number of sitting days for the 2021 Special Sitting shall be 11 sitting days;

THAT, notwithstanding Standing Order 75(7), the provisions of Chapter 14 of the Standing Orders of the Yukon Legislative Assembly shall apply to the 2021 Special Sitting, in the same manner as if it were a Spring or Fall Sitting;
and

THAT the provisions of Standing Order 76 shall apply on the sitting day that the Assembly has reached the maximum number of sitting days allocated for the 2021 Special Sitting.

Appendix IV: Progress of Bills

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* With amendment ** Comes into force upon assent

Comes into force on a day or days fixed by the Commissioner in Executive Council

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No.	Title		Member	First Reading	Second Reading	Reported by Committee	Third Reading	Assent
2	<i>Act to Amend the Child Care Act (2021)</i>	**	McLean	May 12, 2021	May 18, 2021	May 20, 2021	May 25, 2021	May 31, 2021
200	<i>Third Appropriation Act 2020-21</i>	**	Silver	May 13, 2021	May 18, 2021	May 18, 2021	May 25, 2021	May 31, 2021
201	<i>First Appropriation Act 2021-22</i>	**	Silver	May 13, 2021	May 13, 2021	May 31, 2021	May 31, 2021	May 31, 2021

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No.	Title		Member	First Reading	Second Reading	Reported by Committee	Third Reading	Assent
1	<i>Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right</i>		Tredger	May 11, 2021				
300	<i>Act to Amend the Civil Emergency Measures Act</i>	**	Cathers	May 25, 2021				
301	<i>Act to Amend the Taxpayer Protection Act</i>	**	Cathers	May 27, 2021				