

**NORFOLK ISLAND
ELEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE 2006**

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1 The Legislative Assembly met at 2.02 pm. The Clerk, Miss Robin-Eleanor Adams JP, reported to the House that a vacancy had occurred in the office of Speaker consequent on the resignation as Speaker of the Hon Neville Christian MLA effective close of business on 31 May 2006

2 ELECTION OF SPEAKER

The Clerk called for nominations. Mr Buffett, Minister for Community Services, moved –

THAT Geoffrey Robert Gardner be elected Speaker and do now take the Chair as Speaker

Mr Gardner, having accepted nomination, and there being no further proposals received, the Clerk declared that Geoffrey Robert Gardner had been elected Speaker and asked Mr Gardner to now take the Chair

3 The Speaker, Mr Gardner, took the Chair and read Prayers

4 SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Mr Christian moved -

THAT so much of Standing Orders be suspended as would prevent the House from only dealing with the matters listed on the Programme

Question put and agreed to on the voices

5 TERMINATION OF APPOINTMENT TO DESIGNATED EXECUTIVE OFFICES

Mr Christian moved –

THAT this House advises His Honour the Administrator to terminate the appointment of the following members to the executive offices respectively designated below:

- a) **Geoffrey Robert Gardner as Chief Minister;**
- b) **Ronald Coane Nobbs as Minister for Finance; and**
- c) **David Ernest Buffett as Minister for Community Services**

Debate ensued

Question put

The House voted –

AYES, 6
Mr Buffett
Mr Gardner
Mr Christian
Mrs Jack
Mr Tim Brown
Mr John Brown

NOES, 3
Mr Sheridan
Mr Nobbs
Mrs Boudan

Motion agreed to

6 APPOINTMENT TO EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF CHIEF MINISTER

Mr Christian moved –

THAT David Ernest Buffett be chosen as Chief Minister and that His Honour the Administrator be advised accordingly

Debate ensued

Question put

The House voted –

AYES, 7

Mr Buffett

Mr Gardner

Mr Christian

Mrs Jack

Mr Tim Brown

Mrs Boudan

Mr John Brown

NOES, 2

Mr Sheridan

Mr Nobbs

Motion agreed to

7 APPOINTMENT TO EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF MINISTER FOR FINANCE

Mr Buffett moved -

THAT Neville Charles Christian be chosen as Minister for Finance and that His Honour the Administrator be advised accordingly

Debate ensued

Mr Brown moved –

THAT the motion be amended by the deletion of Neville Charles Christian and the insertion of Lorraine Carol Boudan

Mrs Boudan declined to accept nomination

Question put

The House voted –

AYES, 6

Mr Buffett

Mr Gardner

Mr Christian

Mrs Jack

Mr Tim Brown

Mr John Brown

NOES, 3

Mr Sheridan

Mr Nobbs

Mrs Boudan

Motion agreed to

8 APPOINTMENT TO EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF MINISTER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

Mr Tim Brown moved -

THAT John Terence Brown be chosen as Minister for Community Services and that His Honour the Administrator be advised accordingly

Debate ensued

Question put

The House voted –

AYES, 6

Mr Buffett

Mr Gardner

Mr Christian

Mrs Jack

Mr Tim Brown

Mr John Brown

NOES, 3

Mr Sheridan

Mr Nobbs

Mrs Boudan

Motion agreed to

9 FIXING OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY

Mrs Boudan moved -

THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 21 June 2006 at 10 am

Question put and agreed to on the voices

10 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Sheridan moved –

THAT the House do now adjourn

Debate ensued with Mr Buffett and Mr Christian participating.

Question put and agreed to on the voices

AND THEN the House at 3.44 pm adjourned until Wednesday 21 June 2006 at 10 am

Robin-Eleanor Adams
Clerk to the Legislative Assembly

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present