

**NORFOLK ISLAND
TWELFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
WEDNESDAY 20 MAY 2009**

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TWELWTH LEJESLIETEW 'SEMBLE
WENSDI 20 MIEH 2009**

- 1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.01 am. The Speaker, Hon Lisle Snell MLA, took the Chair and read Prayers

2 CONDOLENCES

Mr Sheridan recorded the passing of –

**Nina Stanton
Ian Western Kenny**

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased all Members stood in silence

3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence was unanimously extended to Mr Ian Anders and Mrs Vicky Jack

4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Papers: Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, tabled support documentation re issue of adjustment of landowners boundaries in KAVHA

5 PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

The following papers were tabled:

- 1) Mr Neville Christian, Minister for Finance – Financial Indicators for April 2009
Mr Sheridan moved –

THAT the House take note of the paper

Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

- 2) Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, tabled the visitor arrival figures for April 2009 together with visitor statistics 1995/96 to 2009/2009 (April)
Mr Gardner moved –

THAT the House take note of the paper

Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

6 STATEMENTS

The following statements were made:

- 1) Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, in response to a question without notice asked earlier in the sitting, confirmed the destruction of finger and palm printing done in the community in connection with the Janelle Patton case;
- 2) Mr Magri, Minister for Commerce and Industry, extended congratulations to the Youth Assembly for their sterling efforts in updating the Road Traffic handbook and making it available on the Internet;
- 3) Mr Nobbs, Chief Minister, reported on his discussions with Minister Debus last week;
Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, moved –

THAT the House take note of the statement

Debate ensued
Question put and agreed to on the voices

- (4) Mr Christian, Minister for Finance, advised that the remaining Ozjet aircraft had been impounded in Perth

7 MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Speaker reported **Message No. 27** from the Administrator advising that on 5 May 2009 he declared his assent to the Norfolk Island Broadcasting Authority (Amendment) Act 2009

**The Speaker at 12.18 pm suspended the sitting until 2.00 pm
The House resumed at 2.00 pm, the Speaker taking the Chair**

8 IMMIGRATION ACT 1980 – RE-APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE
Mr Nobbs, Chief Minister, pursuant to notice, moved –

THAT for the purposes of section 6 of the *Immigration Act 1980*, this House recommends the re-appointment of Simon Laurence Bigg; and Lorraine Carol Boudan to be members of the Immigration Committee for the period 21 May 2009 to 20 May 2011

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

8A MOTION BY LEAVE – NORFOLK ISLAND BROADCASTING ACT 2001

Mr Christian, Minister for Finance, by leave, moved –

In accordance with the provisions of subsection 10(6) of the Norfolk Island Broadcasting Act 2001, I give notice of my intention to issue a broadcasting licence as follows—

The proposed licensee is Christopher Joseph Ciantar and Robyn Kiri Blanch

The reasons for issuing the licence are to permit the licensee to conduct a Television Broadcasting facility called TVNI from premises at Steeles Point.

The proposed licence will in accordance with an agreement with the Administration provide a service providing, inter alia, documentary programs, public benefit advertising ad movies to residents of, and visitors to, Norfolk Island

The terms and conditions of the licence in addition to the statutory conditions applicable to all licensees will include a requirement that the broadcast be confined to the immediate Norfolk Island community at a strength sufficient for reception only by residents of Norfolk Island and that it must not interfere with the reception of any radio or television signals from other sources.

and I move –

That the Legislative Assembly resolve to approve the issue by the executive member of a broadcasting licence to—

Christopher Joseph Ciantar and Robyn Kiri Blanch

for the purpose of conducting television broadcasting station under the description TVNI station for the benefit of residents of, and visitors to, Norfolk Island; and subject to the conditions that the broadcast be only within the specified UHF Channel 43 uplink and VHF Channel 10 broadcast frequency range at a strength sufficient for reception only within the territorial boundaries of Norfolk Island and that it must not interfere with the reception of any radio or television signals from other sources

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

9 CEMETERIES BILL 2008

Debate resumed from 17 September 2008, on the question – That the Bill be agreed to in principle
Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, sought leave for the Bill to be withdrawn from the Notice Paper

Leave having been granted, the Bill was withdrawn

10 CEMETERIES BILL 2009

Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, for an on behalf of and at the request of the Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Welfare, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the burial of deceased persons and the control of cemeteries and related purposes and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Paper: Mr Gardner tabled the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Gardner) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

11 PUBLIC RESERVES (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009

Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, for an on behalf of and at the request of the Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Welfare, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for An Act to provide for the management and control of the cemetery and for the burial of deceased persons and related purposes, and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Paper: Mr Gardner tabled the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Gardner) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

12 GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009 – MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

The Speaker reported **Message No. 28** from the Administrator recommending to the Legislative Assembly the enactment of the proposed law entitled "An Act to amend the Goods and Services Tax Act 2007

13 GOODS AND SERVICES TAX (AMENDMENT) BILL 2009

Mr Christian, Minister for Finance, pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Goods and Services Tax Act 2007, and moved –

THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle

Paper: Mr Christian tabled the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Christian) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

14 FIXING OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY

Mr Sheridan moved –

THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 17 June 2009 at 10 am

Question put and agreed to on the voices

15 ADJOURNMENT

Mr Brendon Christian moved –

THAT the House do now adjourn

Debate ensued with Mr Nobbs participating

Question put and agreed to on the voices

AND THEN the House at 2.48 pm adjourned until Wednesday 17 June 2009 at 10 am

Robin-Eleanor Adams
Clerk to the Legislative Assembly

MEMBERS PRESENT: All Members were present except Mrs Jack and Mr Anderson, by leave