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Monday, 26th February, 2018

Members Present: His Honour the Speaker, Jeanne J. Atherden, C. Walton D. Brown, Lt. Col. David A. Burch, Derrick V. Burgess, E. David. G Burt, Wayne M. Caines, L.Craig Cannonier, Rolfe P. Commissiong, Zane J.S. DeSilva, Michael H. Dunkley, Thomas C. Famous, Lovitta F. Foggo, Tinee S. Furbert, Wayne L. Furbert, Dr. E. Grant Gibbons, Patricia J. Gordon-Pamplin, Susan E. Jackson, Dennis J. Lister III, Renee D.L. Ming, Trevor G. Moniz, Diallo V. S. Rabain, Sylvan D. Richards, Walter H. Roban, Michael J. Scott, W. Lawrence Scott, Jamahl S. Simmons, Scott A. Simmons, N.H. Cole Simons, H. Kim E. Swan, Neville S. Tyrrell, Kim N. Wilson, Michael A. Weeks.

10:03 a.m.

Prayers

Minutes of the Meeting of 23rd February 2018 were deferred.

The Speaker announced that the following Member will be absent from today's meeting: Ms. L.K. Scott.

10:04 a.m.

Statements by Ministers and Junior Ministers:

Ms. K.N. WILSON read a Ministerial Statement regarding "The Bermuda Hospitals Board 2013 Annual Report".

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH read a Ministerial Statement concerning the "Cross Island Interim Use".

10:10 a.m.

Question Period:

Mr. E.D.G. Burt provided an oral response to a parliamentary question from Hon. J.J. Atherden.

* 1. Will the Honourable Premier please provide this Honourable House with the names and salaries

of all overseas consultants hired to represent Bermuda in Belgium?

Mrs. J.J. Atherden asked a supplementary question.
Ms. S.E. Jackson asked a supplementary question.
Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a supplementary question.

Lt. Col. D.A. Burch provided oral responses to the parliamentary questions from Mr. S.D. Richards.

* 1. Will the Honourable Minister please advise this Honourable House the number of citizens who responded to the request for objections as it pertains to the All-Terrain Vehicle tours being considered for the West End Railway Trail?

* 2. Will the Honourable Minister please advise this Honourable House how many citizens responded in favour and how many opposed the proposal?

* 3. Will the Honourable Minister please provide this Honourable House with a description of the model of All-Terrain Vehicle being considered for tours in the West End including the manufacturer, the engine capacity and noise level (in decibels)?

Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a supplementary question.

Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a supplementary question.
Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a second question.

HON. W.H. ROBAN, provided written responses to parliamentary questions from Ms. L.K. Scott.

1. Will the Honourable Minister please provide this Honourable House the number of Bermudians currently employed at L.F. Wade International Airport in the Airport Redevelopment Project and Bermuda Skyport Corporation, and a breakdown of the areas where they are employed?

A1. 'Mandays' is the standardised reporting format for a transient type of work which provides an accurate summation of work completed. For January 2018, Bermudians provided 1043 mandays of labour out of a total of 1398 mandays of labour at the Airport Redevelopment Project. The breakdown of mandays is split between 124 staff and 919 craftsman. Skyport operates the airport and in this capacity it employs 48 management and staff, of which 44 are Bermudians or spouses of Bermudians. Skyport's employees cover airport operations, finance, commercial, administration, maintenance and technical areas.

2. Will the Honourable Minister please provide this Honourable House with the aggregate cost of the four (4) buses recently delivered, as well as the costs of any new buses on order for the Department of Public Transportation?

A2. The Department of Public Transportation has had only one new bus, out of the four on order, delivered as of this date. The value of the contract for the four buses is EUR 814,560 or \$1,004,515 (plus shipping and duty). Those are the buses for which a contract is signed.

3. Will the Honourable Minister please provide this Honourable House when the Department of Public

Transportation Bus Schedule will be put to arbitration?

A3. There is no labour dispute with the Bermuda Industrial Union which would result in the bus schedule being put to arbitration at this time.

DR. E.G. GIBBONS asked Lt. Col. D.A. Burch a question regarding his Ministerial Statement regarding the "Cross Island Interim Use".

Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a second question.
Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a supplementary question.
Dr. E.G. Gibbons asked a third question.

10:24 a.m.

**Congratulatory and /or Obituary Speeches:
(Please refer to the House Hansard)**

10:48 a.m.

Orders of the Day

MR. E.D.G BURT moved that the House resume in Committee of Supply for further consideration of the Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for 2018/2019, which was agreed to.

Mr. R.P. Commissiong in the Chair.

10:52 a.m.

MS. K.N. WILSON moved consideration of the following Heads: 87 and 04- Ministry of Legal Affairs and the Attorney-General's Chamber.

11:36 a.m. - Mr. T.G. Moniz
12:20 p.m. - Mrs. J.J. Atherden

12:30 p.m.

MS. K.N. WILSON moved that Heads: 87 and 04- Ministry of Legal Affairs and the Attorney-General's Chamber be approved, which was agreed to.

12:32 p.m.

Ms. K.N. Wilson moved that the House adjourn for lunch, which was agreed to.

Mr. R.P. Commissiong in the Chair, ordered that the House adjourn for lunch and resume at 2:00 p.m.

2:00pm

The House resumed in Committee.

Ms. S.E. Jackson in the Chair.

2:01 p.m.

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH moved consideration of the following Heads: 36- Ministry of Public Works HQ; 49- Land Valuation; 53- Bermuda Housing Corporation; 81- Public Lands and Buildings; 82- Works and Engineering; 97- Land Title and Registration.

3:10 p.m.

Mr. N.H.C. Simons in the Chair

4:05 p.m. - Mr. T.G. Moniz

4:32 p.m.

Ms. S.E. Jackson in the Chair

4:33 p.m. - Mr. L.C. Cannonier

5:05 p.m. – Mrs. P.J. Gordon-Pamplin

5:52 p.m. – Mrs. J.J. Atherden

5:58 p.m.

Mr. D.V. Burgess in the Chair

6:08 p.m. – Mr. D.V. Burgess

6:11 p.m. – Mr. W.L. Furbert

6:16 p.m. – Mr. L.C. Cannonier

6:17 p.m. – Lt. Col. D.A. Burch

6:40 p.m. – Mrs. P.J. Gordon-Pamplin

6:41 p.m. – Lt. Col. D.A. Burch

6:43 p.m. – Mrs. P.J. Gordon-Pamplin

6:43 p.m. – Lt. Col. D.A. Burch

6:44 p.m. – Ms. S.E. Jackson

6:45 p.m. – Lt. Col. D.A. Burch

6:46 p.m. – Mrs. J.J. Atherden

6:48 p.m. – Mrs. P.J. Gordon-Pamplin

6:50 p.m.

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH moved that Heads: 36- Ministry of Public Works HQ; 49- Land Valuation; 53- Bermuda Housing Corporation; 81- Public Lands and Buildings; 82- Works and Engineering; 97- Land Title and Registration be approved, which was agreed to.

6:51 p.m.

LT. COL. D.A. BURCH moved that the Committee rise, report progress and ask for leave to sit again, which was agreed to.

The Committee rose

The House resumed

The Chairman reported progress and asked for leave to sit again, which was agreed to.

Order numbers 2-6, inclusive, on the Order Paper were carried over.

6:52 p.m.

MR. E.D.G. BURT moved that, at its rising, the House adjourn to Wednesday, 28th February 2018, which was agreed to.

MR. E.D.G. BURT moved that the House do now adjourn, which was agreed to.

6:52 p.m.

The House adjourned until Wednesday, 28th February 2018, at 10:00am.