

THIRD SESSION

1956 - 1957

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a meeting of the Legislative Council of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution)(Temporary Provisions) Order in Council, 1953, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

on

THURSDAY, 30TH MAY, 1957.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Sir Eustace Gordon Woolford, O.B.E., Q.C.

Ex-Officio Members.

The Honourable the Chief Secretary, Mr. M.S. Porcher (Ag.)
The Honourable the Attorney General, Mr. A.M.I. Austin.
The Honourable the Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex.

Nominated Members of Executive Council.

The Honourable Sir Frank McDavid, C.M.G., C.B.E.
(Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines).
The Honourable W.O.R. Kendall
(Member for Communications and Works).
The Honourable G.A.C. Farnum, O.B.E.
(Member for Local Government, Social Welfare and
Co-operative Development).
The Honourable R.B. Gajraj
The Honourable R.C. Tello

Nominated Official.

Mr. J.I. Ramphal

Nominated Unofficials.

Mr. L.A. Luckhoo, Q.C.
Mr. C.A. Carter
Mr. E.F. Correia
Mr. H. Rahaman
Miss Gertie H. Collins
Mrs. Esther E. Dey
Dr. H.A. Fraser
Mr. R.B. Jailal
Mr. Sugrim Singh.

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. I Crum Ewing.

Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. E.V. Viapree.

Absent.

The Honourable P.A. Cummings. (Member for Labour, Health and Housing)
Mr. T. Lee - on leave.
Mr. W.A. Phang - on leave.
Rev. D.C.J. Bobb - on leave.
Mr. W.T. Lord, I.S.O. - on leave.

The Speaker read prayers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, the 23rd of May, 1957, as printed and circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Speaker announced that:

- (i) Mr. W.A. Phang was still indisposed; and
- (ii) Mr. W.T. Lord had been granted leave from that day's meeting.

PAPERS LAID

By the Member for Local Government, Social Welfare and Co-operative Development:

Order in Council No. 23 of 1957 made under the District Lands Partition and Re-pilotment (Special Procedure) Ordinance, Chapter 174.
(Gazetted 25th May, 1957).
(L.G. 190/49)(Circulated).

PUBLIC BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

Item 1 - MOTION TO CONFIRM ORDER IN COUNCIL NO. 22 OF 1957.

On a motion by the Financial Secretary seconded by the Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines, Council adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Council in terms of section 9 of the Customs Ordinance, Chapter 309, confirms Order in Council No. 22 of 1957, which was made on the 10th day of May, 1957, and published in the Gazette on the 18th of May, 1957.

Item 2 - MOTION TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES FOR APRIL, 1957.

On a motion by the Financial Secretary seconded by the Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines, Council adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Council approves of the Supplementary Estimates for the month of April, 1957, totalling \$111,037.00, which have been laid on the table.

MOTIONS (Contd.)Item 3 - MOTION TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES (DEVELOPMENT) FOR APRIL, 1957.

On a motion by the Financial Secretary seconded by the Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines, Council adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Council approves of the Supplementary Estimates (Development) for the month of April, 1957, totalling \$217,118.00, which have been laid on the table.

Item 4 - MOTION TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENTARY EXPENDITURE (DEVELOPMENT), 1955.

On a motion by the Financial Secretary seconded by the Member for Agriculture, Forests, Lands and Mines, Council adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Council approves of the Statement of Supplementary Expenditure totalling \$21,098.68 which was incurred during the year 1955 and was not included in any previous schedule and is to be admitted as a charge to the Development Fund, and which has been laid on the table.

Item 5 - MOTION RE MEMORANDUM ON SECONDARY EDUCATION.

Council resumed the debate on the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

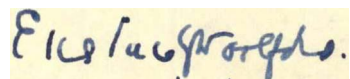
That with reference to Sessional Paper No. 9 of 1957 on the Memorandum on Secondary Education, this Council approves of Government's proposals set out therein, and undertakes to provide the necessary financial provision to implement those proposals.

After discussion, the Speaker put the question and Council adopted the motion unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5.05 p.m., the Speaker adjourned Council to 2.00 p.m. on Friday, the 31st of May, 1957.

Confirmed,



Speaker.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
British Guiana.

31st May, 1957.