

BRITISH GUIANA

SECOND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

FIRST SESSION

1957 - 1958

MINUTES of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Legislative Council of the Colony of British Guiana under the British Guiana (Constitution)(Temporary Provisions) Orders in Council, 1953 and 1956, held in the Chamber of the Legislature at the Public Buildings, Georgetown, Demerara,

AT 2.00 P.M.

on

WEDNESDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 1958.

PRESENT:

His Honour the Speaker, Sir Donald Jackson.

Ex-Officio Members

The Honourable the Chief Secretary, Mr. F.D. Jakeway, C.M.G.,
O.B.E.
The Honourable the Attorney-General, Mr. A.M.I. Austin, Q.C.
The Honourable the Financial Secretary, Mr. F.W. Essex.

Ministers

The Honourable Dr. C.B. Jagan,
Minister of Trade and Industry.
The Honourable B.H. Benn,
Minister of Community Development and Education.
The Honourable E.B. Beharry,
Minister of Natural Resources.
The Honourable Janet Jagan,
Minister of Labour, Health and Housing.
The Honourable Ram Karran,
Minister of Communications and Works.

Elected Members, Majority Party

Mr. F. Bowman
Mr. B.S. Rai
Mr. S.M. Saffee
Mr. Ajodha Singh

Other Elected Members

Mr. W.O.R. Kendall
Mr. L.F.S. Burnham
Mr. S. Campbell
Mr. A.L. Jackson
Mr. Jai Narine Singh

Nominated Members

Mr. R.C. Tello
Mr. R.E. Davis
Mr. A.M. Fredericks
Mr. H.J.M. Hubbard
Mr. A.G. Tasker, O.B.E.

Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. E.V. Viapree (Ag.)
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature - Mr. F.A. Narain (Ag.)

Absent

Mr. R.B. Gajraj - on leave.

The Clerk read prayers.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, the 23rd of October, 1958, as printed and circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

PAPERS LAID

By the Minister of Trade and Industry:

Report of the British Guiana Rice
Marketing Board for the period
1st October, 1956 to 30th
September, 1957.
(No. T.I. 5/1/19 II)(Circulated).

RAISING OF A MATTER OF PRIVILEGE

Mr. Davis referred to the Editorial published in the Sunday Argosy of the 26th of October, 1958, under the caption "Adventurous Partnership", and said he would wish the Attorney-General to have a look at the article with a view to determining whether there was a breach of privilege.

ORDER OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

Item 1 - MR. BURNHAM'S MOTION RECOMMENDING THE INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROTECTION OF HIRE-PURCHASERS.

Mr. Burnham moved and Mr. Jackson seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Council recommends to Government the introduction of legislation to provide for the protection of hire-purchasers.

Mr. Tasker moved and Mr. Davis seconded the following amendment:

Substitution of the words "to govern the hire-purchase and sale upon credit of goods" for the words "to provide for the protection of hire-purchasers" after the word "legislation".

After discussion, the question was put and Council adopted the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Council recommends to Government the introduction of legislation to govern the hire-purchase and sale upon credit of goods.

Item 2 - MR. JAI NARINE SINGH'S MOTION RECOMMENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF A COMMITTEE TO REVISE THE GREATER GEORGETOWN PLAN.

Mr. Jai Narine Singh moved and Mr. Tello seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That this Council recommends to Government the appointment of a Committee to revise the Greater Georgetown Plan.

After discussion, the question was put and negatived.

Item 3 - MR. TASKER'S MOTION RE ROAD ACCIDENTS.

Mr. Tasker moved and Mr. Davis seconded the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED:

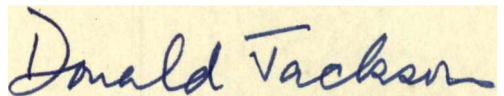
That this Council recommends to Government that urgent action be taken to reduce the mounting number of deaths and injuries resulting from road accidents.

Mr. Tello spoke to the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4.58 p.m., with Council's consent, the Speaker adjourned Council to 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, the 30th of October, 1958.

Confirmed,



Speaker.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS,
Georgetown.

30th October, 1958.