



Journals

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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Eugene McGinley

Tuesday, April 10, 2007

First Session of the 56th Legislative Assembly
Fredericton, New Brunswick

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1 o'clock p.m.

Prayers.

The Honourable the Premier paid tribute to the Canadian soldiers from the Second Royal Canadian Regiment, Canadian Forces Base Gagetown, who lost their lives on Easter Sunday in Afghanistan: Sgt. Donald Lucas, 31, of Burton; Cpl. Brent Poland, of Sarnia, Ontario; Cpl. Aaron E. Williams, 23, of Lincoln; Pte. David Robert Greenslade, 20, of Saint John; and Pte. Kevin Vincent Kennedy, 20, of St. Lawrence, Newfoundland; and Cpl. Christopher Paul Stannix, 24, of Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, a reservist with the Princess Louise Fusiliers, of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Premier Graham stated that in honour of the soldiers from Base Gagetown who were killed in Afghanistan on Sunday, April 8, the flag in front of the Legislative Assembly building would fly at half-staff until sunset on the day of the last funeral. On the day of the funeral, the flags at provincial building sites, establishments, and schools in the communities of the deceased soldiers would also fly at half-staff. The House observed a moment of silence in honour of the fallen soldiers.

Mr. Carr, Member for Oromocto, joined with the Premier in extending condolences to the families of the deceased soldiers.

Mr. Steeves, Member for Albert, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by citizens of New Brunswick who oppose Bill 17, *An Act to Amend the Off-Road Vehicle Act.* (Petition 15)

Mr. Speaker interrupted Oral questions and called the Member for Riverview (Mr. Fitch) to order and requested that he withdraw the remark “the Minister misled the House” in relation to statements made by the Minister of Justice, Hon. Mr. Burke. Mr. Fitch withdrew the remark.

Mr. Speaker interrupted Oral Questions and called the Member for Charlotte-Campobello (Mr. Huntjens) to order and requested that he withdraw the remark “the Minister is misleading the public” in relation to statements made by the Minister of Justice. Mr. Huntjens withdrew the remark.

Motion 34 was, by leave of the House withdrawn.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the two hours reserved for Private Members’ Motions.

Hon. Mr. Jamieson, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to resume consideration of the estimates of the Department of Transportation and Regional Development Corporation, following which, the House would resume the adjourned debate on the motion for second reading of Bills 39, 40, 41 and 44.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. R. Boudreau in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Kenny took the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. R. Boudreau resumed the chair.

At 6 o'clock p.m., the Chairman left the chair to resume again at 7 o'clock p.m.

7 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. R. Boudreau in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Kenny resumed the chair.

And after some further time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair and Mr. Kenny, the Chairman, after requesting that Mr. Speaker revert to Presentations of Committee Reports, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matters referred to them, had made some progress therein, had passed several items and asked leave to sit again.

Pursuant to Standing Rule 78.1, Mr. Speaker then put the question on the motion deemed to be before the House, that the report be concurred in, and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The following are the items reported:

MAIN ESTIMATES, 2007-2008
ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$160,934,000 to defray the expenses of the Ordinary Account program allocations for the Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2008:

Administration.....	21,938,000
Policy, Strategic Development and Intergovernmental Relations	3,133,000
Maintenance.....	60,409,000
Winter Maintenance	54,260,000
Bridge and Highway Construction.....	4,586,000
New Brunswick Highway Corporation	26,395,000
Less amounts authorized by law.....	9,787,000
Voted	160,934,000

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$38,114,000,000 to defray the expenses of the Ordinary Account program allocations for the Regional Development Corporation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2008:

Development Projects and Operations.....	38,114,000
Less amounts authorized by law.....	0
Voted	38,114,000

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$724,350,000 to defray the expenses of the Capital Account program allocations for the Department of Transportation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2008:

Permanent Bridges	25,000,000
Permanent Highways	49,500,000
Rural Road Infrastructure.....	20,000,000
Canada-New Brunswick	
Strategic Highway Infrastructure Program	4,800,000
Canada-New Brunswick Strategic Infrastructure Program	568,762,000
Canada-New Brunswick Border Infrastructure Program	38,000,000
Routes 11 and 17	5,000,000
Urban Bypasses	6,288,000
Vehicle Management Agency	7,000,000
Voted	724,350,000

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$15,200,000 to defray the expenses of the Capital Account program allocations of the Regional Development Corporation for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2008:

Capital Development Projects	800,000
Provincial Gas Tax Transfer Top-up Fund.....	4,600,000
Canada-New Brunswick Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund	9,800,000
Voted	15,200,000

WORKING CAPITAL – MAXIMUM BALANCES

PETTY CASH ADVANCES

Transportation	50,000
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INVENTORIES

Transportation	20,000,000
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The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then, 10 o'clock p.m., the House adjourned.