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Legislative Assembly

Province of New Brunswick

Hon. Herménégilde Chiasson
Lieutenant-Governor

Speaker: Hon. Roy Boudreau

Wednesday, May 16, 2008

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

Friday, May 16, 2008.

10 o'clock a.m.

Prayers.

Mr. MacDonald, Member for York North, laid upon the table of the House a petition signed by residents of Millville and surrounding areas urging the government to repair their roads. (Petition 20)

At the conclusion of Oral Questions, Hon. Mr. Lamrock rose on a point of order and submitted that Ms. Blaney had posed questions relating to personal information that cannot be disclosed. Hon. Mr. Lamrock further submitted that Ms. Blaney was misleading the House when she speculated as to the cause of death of a private individual. Mr. Harrison spoke on the point of order. Mr. Speaker advised Members to be cautious when referring to persons outside the House, particularly if the matter involves a quasi-judicial body such as a Coroner's investigation.

On Hon. Mr. Lamrock's claim that Ms. Blaney was misleading the House by speculating on the cause of death, Mr. Speaker ruled that Ms. Blaney was expressing her own opinion, a matter of debate.

The Speaker advised Members to be cautious under the present circumstances given that the matter was before a coroner.

Mr. Robichaud rose on a point of order and submitted that Hon. Mr. Doucet should withdraw the phrase "no discipline." Mr. Speaker ruled that the Minister had already withdrawn the remark and the matter was resolved.

Hon. Mr. Murphy, Government House Leader, announced that it was the intention of the government that the House resolve itself into a Committee of Supply to consider the estimates of the Department of Environment and the Department of Social Development.

It was agreed by unanimous consent to vary the hours of sitting, to continue sitting through the noon recess and to adjourn at 3 o'clock p.m.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of Supply with Mr. Kenny in the chair.

At 1.03 o'clock p.m., the Chairman declared a 10-minute recess and left the chair.

1.13 o'clock p.m.

The Committee resumed with Mr. Fraser in the chair.

And after some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Fraser, 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, 2008 - 2009

ORDINARY ACCOUNT

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty a sum not exceeding \$12,757,000 to defray the expenses of the following program allocations for the fiscal year ending the 31st of March, 2009:

Senior Management	1,041,000
Environmental Management	7,279,000
Sciences and Planning	4,490,000
Less amounts authorized by law	53,000
Voted	12,757,000

WORKING CAPITAL - MAXIMUM BALANCES

	2008 - 2009	Voted
WORKING CAPITAL ADVANCES		
Environment		20,000
PETTY CASH ADVANCES		
Environment		10,000

The said items were concurred in by the House.

And then 3.06 o'clock p.m. the House adjourned.

The following documents, having been deposited with the Clerk of the House since the last sitting of the House, were deemed laid upon the table of the House, pursuant to Standing Rule 39:

Documents requested in Notice of Motion 70 May 15, 2008