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OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

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Second Session**34th Legislature**

Thursday, April 20, 2017

This being the day appointed for the opening of the Second Session of the Thirty-fourth Wholly-Elected Legislative Assembly of Yukon for the dispatch of business, the Members took their seats in the House.

The Speaker took the Chair at 3:00 p.m.

Proclamation

The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, Floyd McCormick, read the Proclamation as follows:

“Greetings

A Proclamation

KNOW YE THAT under and by virtue of the power vested in the Commissioner of Yukon under the *Yukon Act* (Canada), the First Session of the Thirty-fourth Legislative Assembly of Yukon is prorogued on April 20, 2017, at the hour of twelve o’clock in the afternoon and the Legislative Assembly of Yukon is summoned to meet for dispatch of business in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, Yukon Government Administration Building, Whitehorse, Yukon on April 20, 2017 at the hour of three o’clock in the afternoon.

ALL OF WHICH all persons are required to take notice and themselves accordingly.

GIVEN UNDER my hand and seal of Yukon, at Whitehorse, Yukon, April 6, 2016.

Doug Phillips,

Commissioner of Yukon”

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

The Commissioner, the Hon. Doug Phillips, entered the Chamber and took the Chair. The Commissioner then delivered the Speech from the Throne as follows:

“Mr. Speaker, Honourable members, friends and people of the Yukon. I have the honour this afternoon to open a new legislative session, a new approach to governing. First, I want to acknowledge that we come together today on the traditional territory of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and the Ta’an Kwäch’än Council.

Yukon owes much to the rich and enduring history of its First Peoples. For millennia, First Nation people have lived in this land. Its abundance has sustained them for generations,

and their customs and culture draw from their connections to the land and its creatures and define their heritage.

Others have come to the Yukon, whether they are lured by a sense of adventure or new opportunities or simply for a better way of life. They have put down roots, raised their families and looked after their grandchildren. Yukon people have embraced this beautiful land with its majestic mountains, its wild spaces and its wealth of natural resources. It inspires artists. It challenges our outdoor enthusiasts. It generates economic wealth.

Honourable members, Yukoners are generous and resilient people. They want for others what they want for themselves: clean air to breathe and clean water to drink, respectful relationships and equality among people, and good jobs. Yukoners want to lead healthy, happy and productive lives. They want the same for their children as they do for their grandchildren. They want to live in vibrant communities and shape the direction of these communities. Yukoners want their governments to serve them. Your new government is working diligently every day to do just that: to serve Yukon people and serve them well. Yukoners deserve no less.

Your new government has set a course for the future. Your government is committed to improving the well-being of Yukoners. It knows all communities matter. It believes strong government-to-government relationships with First Nations benefit Yukon as a whole.

Your new government is committed to a stronger economy. It recognizes Yukoners want good jobs and new business opportunities. They want an economy that respects the environment and the natural gifts of the land. Yukoners also want good government – government that is approachable, transparent and accountable. Working with Yukon people, your new government will make lives better. It will do so through these commitments.

Your new government's approach to wellness – centred on people – will help Yukoners thrive. The strategic investments that your government makes will contribute to healthy, vibrant and sustainable communities. Strong government-to-government relationships will foster reconciliation. Your new government's commitment to a diverse and growing economy will provide good jobs for Yukoners in an environmentally responsible way.

These priorities will drive government's agenda for the coming five years. Your new government will work with the people of the Yukon to achieve this. In doing so, it will base its decisions on evidence, it will manage the territory's financial resources prudently, it will speak forthrightly for Yukon's interests beyond its borders and on the national stage, and it will measure the progress it makes and report on that progress. Your new government will deliver on its fundamental responsibility to make the lives of Yukon people and their families better.

Your new government is committed to a people-centred approach to wellness that helps Yukoners thrive. Its programs and services will support the well-being of Yukoners, from infants to elders. Every child deserves to have the best start in life.

Your government believes in making investments in newborn health. Midwifery can and should be a safe, supported childbirth option in Yukon. Your new government has already started to work on regulating and incorporating midwives in the Yukon health care system. Working with midwives, doctors and other medical professionals, the government anticipates licensing the practice of midwifery later next year.

Yukoners want the best for their children – the best chance at a healthy, happy life. Your government does too. It will increase investments in early learning opportunities to

support children's readiness for school. It will invest in more quality childcare to support families and help make their lives better.

Every child deserves a home where they are supported, nurtured and safe. Your government will work with families, communities and First Nations to help ensure every child has a secure childhood and a promising future.

Your government believes that Yukon students deserve a high-quality education – an education that gives them the tools to achieve their full potential and their dreams. Your new government is investing in Yukon classrooms. It's working with the Association franco-yukonnaise and the broader community to build a new school in Whitehorse. Over the next four years, the curriculum in Yukon schools will be transformed, with a focus on skills development and experiential learning. Through the new curriculum, your government will ensure Yukon students will have the skills they need to succeed in the workplace and in life. It will improve the outcome for all students, regardless of where they go to school.

At the post-secondary level, your new government will invest in the trades, skills and career training at Yukon College tailored to the job market of today and tomorrow. At the same time, it will work with the college on its path to becoming a university, giving Yukoners more opportunities to earn post-secondary degrees here at home. Outside the classroom, your new government is making greater investment this year in programs for our young people and the youth groups that deliver them.

Every Yukoner needs public health care that meets their needs. Your new government wants every Yukoner to have a primary health care provider, whether it's a doctor, a nurse practitioner or a nurse working in an expanded role.

It wants a health care system built on a collaborative care model – a model that responds to community needs. It wants more health services delivered in our communities, including services for people who struggle with addictions and mental health issues. With this in mind, it negotiated more than \$11 million in new federal contributions for home care and mental health initiatives in its first month in office. Your government will use these new funds to make lives better for Yukon people. It will invest in mental health services in communities throughout Yukon, and in addiction services at the new Sarah Steele treatment facility in Whitehorse. It will also expand its support for land-based healing and home care. It will enhance services in French, with a strong focus on health, based on priorities identified by the Francophone community.

Your government will complete a 150-bed facility for continuing care patients in Whistle Bend while exploring other options for our seniors to age in place. It's true – governments can build buildings. But government is about more than bricks and mortar. It is about programs and services that respond to people's needs and make their lives better.

Next month, the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Aboriginal Women and Girls begins its national hearings here in Whitehorse. Your new government is an active participant. Working with the community partners and First Nations, it is developing Yukon solutions to help reduce violence against aboriginal women. This is part of your government's overall effort to reduce incidents of relationship violence and sexual assault, which are still too high in Yukon.

Your government will take a balanced approach in its justice system. It will protect Yukoners and respond to victims' needs while providing rehabilitation that reduces recidivism and addresses issues that lead to incarceration. Your new government supports inclusiveness, equality and a respect for diversity in its programming and services.

During this Sitting, your government will introduce legislation to amend the *Human Rights Act* to eliminate discrimination on the basis of gender identity and gender expression. This legislation will include changes to the *Vital Statistics Act* that will make it one of the most progressive laws in the country. These measures are the first steps in a larger review of Yukon laws, policies and practices. Your government will respect the rights of lesbian, gay, transgender, bisexual, queer and two-spirited Yukoners and their ability lead safe, healthy, happy lives as they choose. This is long overdue.

Your new government will make strategic investments in healthy, vibrant, sustainable communities. Communities are the lifeblood of our territory. Municipalities and First Nations are key partners in governance and in the future of the Yukon. Whether you live in Mayo, Carmacks, Haines Junction or Teslin, you need to know that our governments are working together and working for you. Your government believes in local solutions to local concerns to make life better for Yukon people throughout the territory.

Communities must have a meaningful voice in determining and building their future. Next month, members of Cabinet will attend the annual general meeting of the Association of Yukon Communities in Faro. Discussions on priorities for municipality governments will build on conversations that members of Cabinet have had with communities and First Nations in recent months. Your new government will build roads, bridges and other infrastructure to improve the quality of life in Yukon communities.

Key priorities for the coming year include clean water and waste-water projects, and improvements to solid-waste management, diversion and recycling. As more details are known about the federal infrastructure programs, your government will involve communities and First Nations in setting priorities for active living, sustainability and local economic growth.

Your government will also use new federal funding to invest wisely in more affordable, accessible and safe housing across Yukon. This includes exploring a Housing First model to address the needs of our more vulnerable people. It will take a new, more effective approach as to how staff and social housing are provided in our communities. It will engage the private sector in partnerships to develop new ways of delivering these programs that support economic development of the communities. Part of your government's job in building vibrant communities is helping them define the economic future they want, based on their interest and advantages. This leads to local jobs.

Your government believes that we all have a role to play in reducing the impacts of climate change. Our goal is to eliminate diesel as a primary source of energy in Yukon. Getting there will not be easy, but we need to start investing now in this necessary transition.

Your government will focus on smaller renewable energy investments with projects driven by First Nations and communities. It will initiate pilot projects into the potential for electrical energy storage. These can both reduce the use of fossil fuels and extend the viability of renewables. At the same time, we must lower our energy use. Your government will make significant investments in energy retrofits in its buildings, while supporting programs for retrofitting residential and community buildings.

Climate change poses risks to our northern way of life. These challenges require good information on emissions to plan actions and guide investments and to establish effective targets to both reduce greenhouse gases and grow our economy. Your new government will do this work.

Our longer winters and our colder temperatures challenge us in reducing our use of non-renewable resources. It will take time to develop alternative forms of energy. This is why your government is committed to using any money raised through the federal price on carbon for rebates to Yukon individuals and businesses. It will be revenue neutral.

Our communities need to be connected to each other and to the rest of Canada and to the world. Your government is committed to enhancing connectivity and bandwidth for all Yukon communities and beyond. It is now undertaking a thorough review of the two potential routes for a redundant fibre optic line to strengthen Yukon's Internet connection to the Outside. Your government will make a decision based on the evidence of what is best for Yukon people.

Technology can help make Yukoners' lives better in our communities. E-services give ready access to government programs and services throughout the Yukon. This year, your government will expand e-health services on the online corporate registry. It will plan for more e-services to make it easier for people to take advantage of programs and services and meet their needs wherever they live in our territory.

Yukoners live with wilderness on their doorsteps. Being outdoors, hiking, fishing and biking contribute to healthy lifestyles. Your government will improve campground infrastructure to enable Yukoners to enjoy the natural world that surrounds us. It will work with communities on the ideas for enhancing recreational opportunities.

This year, Yukoners will join with other Canadians across the country in commemorating the 150th anniversary of Confederation. Canada 150 allows us an occasion to reflect on our unique identity in the north and on our sense of what it means to be Canadian. It gives us an opportunity to recognize the enduring history of First Nation people, to acknowledge indigenous culture and languages and their contribution to the social fabric of modern Yukon. As Canadians, we have much to celebrate, including our willingness to address the wrongs of the past and to work together for a more promising future for all.

In the course of this year, Yukoners will also recognize the 75th anniversary of the construction of the Alaska Highway. Your government will support community events for both anniversaries from Watson Lake to Beaver Creek, from Tagish to Old Crow.

Honourable members, your new government believes in reconciliation with First Nations – reconciliation built on mutual understanding and respect, reconciliation based on a constructive relationship that contributes to good governance and benefits all Yukoners. In January of this year – just one month after being sworn in – the members of Cabinet and chiefs of Yukon First Nations signed an intergovernmental declaration. It sets the foundation for a renewed relationship based on reconciliation and collaboration. Next month, your new government will meet with the First Nation leaders from across the territory for the second Yukon Forum since coming into office. A ceremonial potlatch bowl presented by the Grand Chief at the January forum will sit at the meeting table as a symbol of our mutual pledge to work together for a stronger Yukon. Working together makes sense. This year, Yukon Days – held in Ottawa in February – were built on a collaborative approach. Together, members of Cabinet and Yukon chiefs met with federal ministers to advocate for programs, services and

funding that responds to Yukon's needs. There is strength in a united voice and it's an example for the rest of Canada. Yukon First Nations lead the country in self-governance, yet there is more to do to fully realize the spirit and intent of the final and self-government agreements. It will involve hard work and sometimes difficult conversations. Your new government is committed to this effort. It will work toward reconciliation with all Yukon First Nations and with transboundary First Nations and traditional territories in Yukon.

Working together, Yukon will build a more cohesive society, protect our environment and grow a sustainable economy. As one of its very first priorities, your new government is acting on a promise to make National Aboriginal Day a statutory holiday in Yukon. It will bring to this Legislature a proposal to the House as its first bill. On June 21st, Yukoners will celebrate the historic and cultural roots of this territory. They will honour and recognize the many contributions that First Nations and their citizens have made and continue to make to our unique way of life.

Honoured members, reconciliation will help Yukon progress. Together today, we can build a bright future for all tomorrow.

Your Yukon government is committed to help us strengthen and diversify Yukon's economy. It will encourage all companies to hire Yukoners. It will work with Yukon College to align training programs with market demands. That will mean more Yukoners on the ground to work on projects in our territory. It will encourage business partnerships. Yukon's airline, Air North, is a prime example of how a partnership between an existing business and a First Nation development corporation can grow our economy, creating more jobs, expanding Yukon's reach beyond our borders and making lives better for Yukon people.

The new free trade agreement signed recently with Canada and provincial and territorial governments will make it easier for Yukon businesses to expand outside the territory. It will open up new markets for Yukon products while retaining safeguards for local needs. Improvements in how government procures goods and services can support new opportunities for business and First Nation development corporations. It can create the conditions that enable new private sector jobs in Yukon.

Your new government will tender its major summer construction contracts by the end of March next year. That makes good business sense. It will change the procurement process within the next 12 months to spell out advantages for using local companies, local people and materials. Your new government believes the economy and the environment go hand-in-hand. It believes in responsible resource development.

Already there are positive signs in the mineral sector. Early in its mandate the government approved amendments to the Minto Explorations quartz mining licence. This will extend mining for its operations near Pelly Crossing until later this year.

Victoria Gold is moving forward with plans in the Dublin Gulch area, and there are positive developments for Alexco in the Keno Hill region. Two projects, Kudz Ze Kayah and Coffee Creek, have recently entered Yukon's environmental and socio-economic assessment process. Just last week, Barrick Gold announced that it is investing more than \$8 million in ATAC Resources property east of Keno City. This means that half of the world's 10 gold producers have a stake in Yukon. This bodes well for mining here in the territory.

Your government knows support for mineral exploration is paying off. It is increasing assistance this year. It is committed to improving resource roads to placer operations in the Klondike region over the next three years. The mining industry recognizes that certainty is the key ingredient of a prosperous future. Your new government, Yukon First Nations and the Chamber of Mines have united in their efforts to restore confidence in the territory's development assessment process.

By working together with other governments and industry, more benefits can accrue to the Yukon from our mining industry – more good, well-paying jobs, more opportunities for businesses and for First Nations development corporations, and more capacity to grow our economy.

Your new government is working just as hard to support other sectors of the economy as it is for the mining sector. Every year, Yukoners welcome thousands of visitors to our beautiful territory. They come to experience our spectacular landscapes, our rich culture and heritage, and the warmth of our hospitality, yet tourism is a highly competitive sector. Your new government believes there is a need to take a longer term view and a more strategic focus to grow Yukon tourism. To this end, we will engage Yukon partners, communities and First Nations in developing a broad strategy to drive growth to make sure Yukon is a destination of choice.

Marketing funds targeted directly at travellers will become a permanent feature of our efforts to attract visitors to Yukon. More will also be done to develop winter tourism. A summit later this year will define opportunities and investments for sustained growth in this market. To help tourism businesses better understand the interests and expectations of visitors, your government will initiate a comprehensive visitor survey this year.

Yukon's vibrant arts community and a unique heritage can enrich visitors' experience, just as they enrich our lives. Planning will begin this year on how best to give Yukoners and our visitors opportunities to view the many discoveries that have been made over the years in the fossil-rich Klondike gold fields.

This year, your government is funding the cultural centre component of the new learning centre built by the Carcross/Tagish First Nation and it will begin implementing a plan to jointly manage the Conrad historic site with this First Nation.

To enhance growth in Yukon's cultural industries, the government will start discussions this year on a broad-based arts and cultural policy.

Our agricultural industry can support greater selfsufficiency, reducing Yukon's dependence on food imports. The government will work toward a renewed agreement with the federal government this year to build on initiatives of Yukon farmers and agricultural producers. More local food will provide Yukoners with more variety and healthier choices for their well-being.

Yukoners are as innovative as they are adventurous. They are good at figuring out how to solve northern problems with northern solutions. Your new government believes in growing Yukon's knowledge economy. Building the innovation, science and research and IT sectors will strengthen Yukon's economic base. Over the coming year, the government will lay the groundwork for a new multi-million-dollar fund to invest in economic diversification and innovation. It has already made changes to programs for film development and production,

giving Yukon media producers access to financial assistance and greater access to national funding sources.

The expansion of government e-services will be designed to create opportunities for local businesses while benefitting our citizens. Development of an open data repository will begin this year to give entrepreneurs access to a wealth of research and the ability to use data in innovative ways.

Research using science and traditional knowledge will point to new ways to marry economic objectives with good stewardship of our environment, because Yukoners want both. They want to earn a good living and they want new economic prospects. They also value a healthy environment and the ability to use their leisure time to hike, fish and hunt and enjoy our wilderness. Both are fundamental to the Yukon way of life and the well-being of our communities.

Honourable members, your new government has been working hard, working with Yukoners to make their lives better. Its collaborative approach with other governments has set a positive new tone. It has engaged with Yukon First Nations in a renewed relationship founded on respect and mutual interest in partnering for the betterment of Yukon.

The joint approach that ministers and chiefs took in Ottawa for Yukon Days has shown others what can be achieved through collaboration. Your government's work with Ottawa has led to significant investments for Yukoners in the recent federal budget for health care, for home care, for mental health care and for affordable housing. There are other opportunities on the horizon. Your government will maximize efforts to ensure federal dollars and opportunities find their way to Yukon.

It has worked with First Nations and the mining industry to support new opportunities for resource development. It has concluded a new free trade deal with other Canadian jurisdictions with new prospects for Yukon businesses while protecting our local interests. It has signed a pan-Canadian accord to address and adapt to the impacts of climate change and support the shift to a cleaner, renewable economy. It has launched a new curriculum in Yukon schools to lay the foundation for our future workforce and our future leaders.

Members of Cabinet have been to the communities across the Yukon to help with today's concerns and listen to their plans for tomorrow, but this is just the beginning. There is much more to do. Your new government has a clear sense of purpose and is tackling that work now. It will continue to do so to make the lives of Yukon people and the lives of their families and communities better. Your government recognizes that it is not just what it does that is important – it is equally important how it does it. Yukoners have the right to be heard; your government will listen. It will involve people in the conversations to shape the decisions that affect them. This is the heart of good governance.

Your new government believes in working with Yukon people. It knows that decisions that respond to the people's needs and desires are the best decisions. It will collaborate with others who have a stake in healthy communities and in people in a stronger economy and in the stewardship of our environment.

Your new government will be approachable and open in its dealings with Yukoners. It will be a strong voice for Yukoners within the Canadian federation. Evidence will drive its decision-making. Your government believes in its responsibility to account for what it does. It

will measure progress on its priorities and report on that progress. Yukoners will know that their government is doing what it says it will do to make their lives better.

Honourable members, during this Sitting, you will be asked to consider budgetary measures for the coming year. The budget will give the financial details on the work your government will do with and for Yukon people. It will demonstrate sound fiscal management. It will show the full picture and the costs of delivering programs and services for Yukoners. It will reflect your government's commitment to responsibly managing the territory's finances. Fiscal challenges lie ahead. Your new government will involve Yukon people on how to address these challenges. These discussions will guide our choices for the future. Your new government is confident that these choices will include a future that includes strong, vibrant communities, a robust, diversified economy and a healthy environment, reconciliation among peoples, and a future where Yukon lives are better.

Honourable members, last week, Yukon lost one of the pioneers of responsible government for this territory. From 1958 to 1961, Jim Smith was a member of this House when it was known as the Yukon Territorial Council. He went on to be Commissioner of the Yukon from 1966 to 1976. Commissioner Smith believed in Yukon's political development. He championed the involvement of Yukon's elected representatives in charting the Yukon Territory's future. Members of this House and all Yukoners owe much to that vision – that the people of this territory should shape its own destiny.

His passion for Yukon and his genuine interest in Yukoners from all walks of life and all communities will be greatly missed.

Honourable members, as elected representatives of Yukon, you share a collective responsibility to help guide and shape the future of this territory. As you begin your proceedings, remember the wisdom of the generations who have come before you. Look to the promise of this land and the aspirations of its people. You are all here to work with Yukon people to make their lives better. As you work together, may fairness, respect, humanity and compassion for others guide your deliberations.

Thank you; merci; mahsi'; günilshish."

The Commissioner then retired from the Chamber.

PRAYERS

The Speaker resumed the Chair and called the House to order. Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

INTRODUCTION OF DEPUTY SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

The Speaker introduced the Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms:

"It gives me great pleasure at this time to introduce Karina Watson as the Legislative Assembly's new Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms. Ms. Watson recently retired from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police after 27 years of service. Ms. Watson moved to Yukon from the lower mainland of British Columbia, and arrived in Dawson City to take up her first posting in Yukon on November 1, 2008. Ms. Watson worked general duty, traffic, bike patrol, community policing, border integrity and as a drug dog handler. At her retirement, Ms. Watson held the rank of corporal. Ms. Watson spent three years as the operational non-commissioned officer, Ops NCO, in Dawson City. Ms. Watson was then posted to Old Crow for four years as the NCO

in charge and one and half years in Faro as the NCO in charge. I would ask members to welcome Ms. Watson to the House at this time. Welcome.

Ms. Watson succeeds Doris McLean as Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms. Ms. McLean was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms following the retirement of Rudy Couture at the end of July 2016. Unfortunately, Ms. McLean cannot be with us today. On behalf of all members of the Assembly, I wish her a speedy recovery to good health and to the service of the House. I understand as well that some members of Ms. McLean's family are in the gallery, and I convey my best wishes to you."

INTRODUCTION OF PAGES

The Speaker introduced the pages:

"It also gives me great pleasure to introduce the legislative pages who will be serving the House during the 2017 Spring Sitting. They are Megan Prawdzik, Tess Casher and Rosie Lang from F.H. Collins Secondary School; Alyssa Cuenza, Ainslie Spence and Emma Pater from Vanier Catholic Secondary School; and Paityn Mountain and Chayce Giesbrecht from Porter Creek Secondary School. With us today are Rosie Lang and Chayce Giesbrecht. I would ask members to welcome them to the House at this time."

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read a first time:

- Bill No. 1, Act to Perpetuate a Certain Ancient Right
- Mr. Adel, Member for Copperbelt North

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE TABLED

- Hon. Mr. Clarke, Speaker
- Speech from the Throne

(Sessional Paper 34-2-1)

CONSIDERATION OF THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT the Speech from the Throne be considered on a day following.

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, informed the House, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 26(2), that consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne will take place on Monday, April 24, 2017.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

- Hon. Mr. Clarke, Speaker
- Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Yukon Legislative Assembly - 2017: Government Transfers to Societies - Yukon (March 6, 2017)
(Sessional Paper 34-2-2)
 - Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Yukon Legislative Assembly - 2017: Capital Asset Management - Yukon (March 6, 2017)
(Sessional Paper 34-2-3)
 - The Report of the Chief Electoral Officer of Yukon on the 2016 General Election
(Sessional Paper 34-2-4)

- Yukon Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators 2015-16 Annual Report
(Sessional Paper 34-2-5)
- Report from the Clerk of the Yukon Legislative Assembly on the Absence of Members from Sittings of the Legislative Assembly and its Committees (April 20, 2017)
(Sessional Paper 34-2-6)

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

- Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition
- Re: establishing the length of the 2017 Spring Sitting (Motion No. 1)
- Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party
- Re: fulfilling commitment to an early childhood strategy (Motion No. 2)
- Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King
- Re: releasing the cost of abandoning gas well L38 (Motion No. 3)

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

- Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake
- Re: review of the medical travel program
(Written Question No. 1)
- Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South
- Re: compensation for owners of placer and quartz mining claims
(Written Question No. 2)
 - Re: communication infrastructure
(Written Question No. 3)
- Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North
- Re: Yukon vision for education
(Written Question No. 4)
 - Re: National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls
(Written Question No. 5)
- Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition
- Re: Yukon resource gateway project
(Written Question No. 6)
 - Re: emergency housing for Ross River
(Written Question No. 7)
 - Re: government transparency
(Written Question No. 8)
 - Re: carbon tax in Yukon
(Written Question No. 9)
 - Re: health care transfers

(Written Question No. 10)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: communication infrastructure

(Written Question No. 11)

- Re: Yukon's agriculture sector

(Written Question No. 12)

- Re: community safety, property crime and illegal drug trade

(Written Question No. 13)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Adel, Chair, Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees

- *First Report of the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees* (February 7, 2017)

(Sessional Paper 34-2-7)

- *Second Report of the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees* (March 17, 2017)

(Sessional Paper 34-2-8)

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on the motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:53 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, April 24, 2017.

No. 2
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Monday, April 24, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read a first time:

Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*

- Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Silver, Premier

- Re: reappointing David Phillip Jones, QC, as a member of the Conflict of Interest Commission (Motion No. 4)

Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: reporting on progress made since the *Report on the Audit of Staffing* (Motion No. 5)

Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: tendering seasonally dependent contracts (Motion No. 6)

Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

- Re: reviewing foster parent program (Motion No. 7)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: improving community safety (Motion No. 8)

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

- Re: exempting Yukon from the carbon tax (Motion No. 9)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: disclosing promotional spending and sponsorship by Yukon Energy Corporation (Motion No. 10)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Ms. Dendys, Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate

- Recent Deaths in Whitehorse

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, and Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Ms. Dendys, Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:28 p.m. to 2:01 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

CONSIDERATION OF SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, informed the House, pursuant to Standing Order 26(2), that consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne, if not concluded today, would take place on Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Motion No. 11

Moved by Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre:

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER, we, the Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious Speech which you have addressed to the House.

A debate having started on the motion and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing

Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, 2017, and the debate on Motion No. 11 was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

No. 3
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read a first time:

Bill No. 5, *Act to Amend the Human Rights Act and the Vital Statistics Act (2017)*

- Hon. Ms. Frost, Minister of Health and Social Services

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: establishing an all-terrain vehicle management plan (Motion No. 12)

Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

- Re: appearance of witnesses from the Yukon Hospital Corporation (Motion No. 13)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: appearance of witnesses from the Yukon Development Corporation and the Yukon Energy Corporation (Motion No. 14)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: developing communications infrastructure in rural Yukon (Motion No. 15)

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

- Re: assessing the impacts of National Aboriginal Day as a statutory holiday (Motion No. 16)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:23 p.m. to 1:53 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

The Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, informed the House, pursuant to Standing Order 26(2), that consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne, if not concluded today, would take place on Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(3), Mr. Kent, Official Opposition House Leader, identified Motion No. 6, standing in the name of Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition, and Motion No. 9, standing in the name of Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, as being the items to be called during Opposition Private Members' Business on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, should consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be concluded.

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(3), Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party, identified Motion No. 2 and Motion No. 5, standing in her name, as being the items to be called during Opposition Private Members' Business on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, should consideration of a motion for an Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be concluded.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

ADDRESS IN REPLY TO THE SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Motion No. 11

Moved by Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre:

THAT the following address be presented to the Commissioner of Yukon:

MAY IT PLEASE THE COMMISSIONER, we, the Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly, beg leave to offer our humble thanks for the gracious Speech which you have addressed to the House.

The debate continued (from April 24, 2017) on the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA

Silver	Frost	Streicker	
McPhee	Gallina	Hutton	11
Pillai	Adel	Hanson	
Dendys	Mostyn		
		NAY	
Hassard	Van Bibber	McLeod	6
Kent	Cathers	Istchenko	

Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne Engrossed

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Address in Reply to the Speech from the Throne be engrossed and presented to the Commissioner in his capacity as Lieutenant Governor.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Second Reading

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*

- Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services

The Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, 2017 and the debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act* was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

No. 4
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Wednesday, April 26, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Speaker

- *Yukon Ombudsman 2016 Annual Report – Speaking up for fairness*
(Sessional Paper 34-2-9)
- *Yukon Information and Privacy Commissioner 2016 Annual Report – Privacy is a public interest*
(Sessional Paper 34-2-10)
- *Yukon Public Interest Disclosure Commissioner 2016 Annual Report – Education Protects Whistleblowers*
(Sessional Paper 34-2-11)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bill was introduced and read a first time:

Bill No. 4, *Act to Amend the Supreme Court Act (2017)*

- Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Hutton, Member for Mayo-Tatchun

- Re: protecting calving grounds of the Porcupine caribou herd (Motion No. 17)
- Re: holding the Yukon Forum four times annually (Motion No. 18)

Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: establishing a commission on electoral reform (Motion No. 19)

Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre

- Re: commending financial contributions to Olympic cross-country skiing athletes (Motion No. 20)
- Re: restoring Shakwak Highway project funding (Motion No. 21)

Mr. Adel, Member for Copperbelt North

- Re: commending Rick Hansen's efforts improving the lives of people with disabilities (Motion No. 22)
- Re: support for Bill C-17, *An Act to amend the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act and to make a consequential amendment to another Act* (Motion No. 23)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services

- Federal Gas Tax Fund

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, and Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:43 p.m. to 2:12 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion No. 6

Moved by Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition:

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to live up to its election promise to tender seasonally dependent contracts by no later than March 31 of each year and to immediately place the contracts for the summer of 2017 on the tender management system.

Amendment

A debate having started on the motion, it was moved by Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Highways and Public Works, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 6 be amended by

- (1) inserting the word "major" before the word "seasonally";
- (2) deleting the word "by"; and
- (3) deleting all words after the phrase "no later than" and replacing them with the phrase "March 31, 2018".

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Frost	Streicker	
McPhee	Gallina	Hutton	12
Pillai	Adel	Hanson	
Dendys	Mostyn	White	
NAY			
Hassard	Van Bibber	McLeod	6
Kent	Cathers	Istchenko	

A debate arising on Motion No. 6, as amended, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Adel	Kent	
McPhee	Mostyn	Cathers	
Pillai	Streicker	Istchenko	14
Frost	Hutton	Hanson	
Gallina	Hassard		
NAY			
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Motion No. 9

Moved by Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South:

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to resume negotiations with the Government of Canada in order to negotiate an exemption for Yukon from the carbon tax.

A debate having started on the motion and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 2017, and the debate on Motion No. 9 was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, April 27, 2017.

No. 5
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Thursday, April 27, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

The following bills were introduced and read a first time:

Bill No. 200, *Second Appropriation Act, 2016-17*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Bill No. 3, *Budget Measures Implementation Act, 2017*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Money Message

Pursuant to Standing Order 61, Bill No. 200, *Second Appropriation Act, 2016-17*, and Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*, were each accompanied by a money message.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: releasing F.H. Collins Secondary School demolition costs (Motion No. 24)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:31 p.m. to 2:03 p.m.

SPEAKER'S RULING**Unparliamentary language**

The Speaker made the following ruling:

"Prior to proceeding to Orders of the Day, the Chair will provide the House with a ruling on a point of order and a statement on a matter of procedure. Both the ruling and the statement are in response to events that occurred yesterday during debate on Motion No. 6.

First to the point of order: During debate the Minister of Highways and Public Works proposed to '... fix the Leader of the Official Opposition's motion to more accurately reflect the new direction of the Yukon government from fast and loose to measured and considered.'

The Official Opposition House Leader then rose on a point of order and said – and I quote: 'I believe that he is using insulting language in a context likely to create disorder. I believe this type of language has been ruled out of order in the past and I would ask that you would rule on it now, or in future.'

The Official Opposition House Leader is correct in that this phrase been ruled out of order in the past. For example, on March 13, 1996 a member used the expression – '... a government that plays fast and loose with laws'. The following day, then-Speaker Devries identified that phrase as unparliamentary.

On November 8, 2010 one member accused another of – quote: '... playing very fast and loose with the facts and the financial position of the Yukon Territory.' Speaker Staffen warned members against employing that kind of terminology.

In these cases, both Speaker Devries and Speaker Staffen determined that the phrase 'fast and loose' was being used to suggest either that the government was violating the law or that an individual member may be deliberately misleading the House. Having reviewed yesterday's Blues, the Chair concludes that the phrase was not used in that way yesterday. Consequently there is no point of order. However, the Chair would reiterate that context is key when it comes to unparliamentary language and the phrase 'fast and loose' could be ruled out of order in the future.

The Chair thanks the Official Opposition House Leader for his point of order, which provided the Chair with the opportunity to bring this distinction to the attention of the House. The Chair would also like to thank the Government House Leader for her contribution on the point of order."

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Relevance during debate on amendments**

The Speaker made the following statement:

"The Chair will also make a statement about relevance when debating an amendment. Yesterday, during debate on Motion No. 6, the Member for Watson Lake and the Member for Lake Laberge raised points of order regarding the relevance of remarks made by the Minister of Highways and Public Works on the minister's proposed amendment to the motion. The Deputy Speaker dealt with those matters, finding no point of order in either case.

There is no need at this time to revisit the Deputy Speaker's rulings; however, the Chair will, for the information of members, cite Standing Order 35, which says:

'When taking part in a debate on an amendment to a motion:

(a) the member moving an amendment has the right to speak both to the main question and the amendment in one speech;

(b) a member, other than the mover, shall confine debate to the subject of the amendment.'

Once an amendment is before the House, the focus of the debate should be on how the amendment does or does not improve the wording of the main motion. Focusing the debate in this way assists the House in making a decision on the merits of the amendment.

The Chair thanks the Member for Watson Lake and the Member for Lake Laberge for their submissions, and the Deputy Speaker for his rulings. The Chair would also like to thank all members for their attention at this time."

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**GOVERNMENT BILLS****Second Reading**

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

Thereupon, the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier, delivered the 2017-18 Budget Address.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition:

THAT debate be now adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 3:00 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 1, 2017.

No. 6
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session

34th Legislature

Monday, May 1, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE

TRIBUTES

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Education and Minister of Justice

- Response to Written Question No. 4 re: Yukon vision for education
(Legislative Return 34-2-1)
- Response to Written Question No. 13 re: community safety, property crime and illegal drug trade
(Legislative Return 34-2-2)

Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

- Response to Written Question No. 9 re: carbon tax in Yukon
(Legislative Return 34-2-3)
- Response to Written Question No. 10 re: health care transfers
(Legislative Return 34-2-4)

Hon. Mr. Mostyn, Minister of Highways and Public Works and Minister of the Public Service Commission

- Response to Written Question No. 6 re: Yukon resource gateway project
(Legislative Return 34-2-5)
- Response to Written Question No. 8 re: government transparency
(Legislative Return 34-2-6)

Hon. Mr. Pillai, Minister of Economic Development and Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

- Response to Written Question No. 2 re: compensation for owners of placer and quartz mining claims

(Legislative Return 34-2-7)

- Response to Written Question No. 3 re: communication infrastructure

(Legislative Return 34-2-8)

- Response to Written Question No. 11 re: communication infrastructure

(Legislative Return 34-2-9)

- Response to Written Question No. 12 re: Yukon's agriculture sector

(Legislative Return 34-2-10)

Hon. Ms. Dendys, Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate

- Response to Written Question No. 5 re: National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

(Legislative Return 34-2-11)

Hon. Ms. Frost, Minister of Health and Social Services and Minister responsible for the Yukon Housing Corporation

- Response to Written Question No. 1 re: review of the medical travel program

(Legislative Return 34-2-12)

- Response to Written Question No. 7 re: emergency housing for Ross River

(Legislative Return 34-2-13)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre

- Re: developing and implementing a Yukon early childhood strategy (Motion No. 25)
- Re: supporting public servants (Motion No. 26)
- Re: appearance of witnesses from Yukon Development Corporation, Yukon Energy Corporation, Yukon Hospital Corporation and the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board (Motion No. 27)

Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South

- Re: implementing an energy retrofit program (Motion No. 28)

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: eliminating the small business corporate tax rate (Motion No. 29)
- Re: releasing the Financial Advisory Panel's final report (Motion No. 30)

Mr. Adel, Member for Copperbelt North

- Re: reducing small business taxes (Motion No. 31)
- Re: promoting aging in place (Motion No. 32)
- Re: including operation and maintenance costs for new facilities in budget forecasts (Motion No. 33)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: supporting the Vimy Heritage Housing Society's independent housing proposal (Motion No. 34)

Mr. Hutton, Member for Mayo-Tatchun

- Re: promoting reconciliation (Motion No. 35)
- Re: funding for land-based healing programs (Motion No. 36)
- Re: legalizing cannabis use in Yukon by summer 2018 (Motion No. 37)

Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

- Re: reducing the length of the spring school break (Motion No. 38)

Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake

- Re: Yukon Hospital Corporation's budget request for the 2017-18 fiscal year (Motion for the Production of Papers No. 1)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services

- Yukon emergency response to earthquake

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, and Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party, commented on the Ministerial Statement. The Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services, delivered a reply.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:44 p.m. to 2:14 p.m.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE LEADER'S REPORT

Length of Sitting

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, rose pursuant to Standing Order 75(4), to inform the House that the House Leaders had met for the purpose of achieving an agreement on the maximum number of sitting days for the current Sitting. Further, pursuant to Standing Order 75(4), Hon. Ms. McPhee informed the House that the House Leaders had confirmed that the current Sitting should be a maximum of 30 sitting days, with the 30th sitting day being Tuesday, June 13, 2017.

Accordingly, the Speaker declared that the current Sitting shall be a maximum of 30 sitting days, with the 30th sitting day being Tuesday, June 13, 2017.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Second Reading

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

The debate continuing (from April 27, 2017) and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, 2017 and the debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18* was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 2, 2017.

No. 7
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Changes to the Order Paper – Withdrawal of motions**

Prior to proceeding with the Daily Routine, the Speaker made the following statement regarding a change made to the Order Paper:

“The Chair wishes to inform the House of a change which has been made to the Order Paper. Motion No. 1, standing in the name of the Leader of the Official Opposition has been removed from the Order Paper as it is now outdated.”

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Mr. Clarke, Speaker

- *Report on Subsistence, Travel & Accommodations of Members of the Yukon Legislative Assembly 2016-2017*

(Sessional Paper 34-2-12)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

- Re: appointments to the Yukon Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators (Motion No. 39)
- Re: removing members from the Yukon Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators (Motion No. 40)

Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

- Re: implementing and monitoring the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities* (Motion No. 41)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:51 p.m. to 2:21 p.m.

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(7), Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader, identified Motion No. 17, standing in the name of Mr. Hutton, Member for Mayo-Tatchun, Motion No. 20, standing in the name of Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre and Motion No. 23, standing in the name of Mr. Adel, Member for Copperbelt North, as being the items to be called during Government Private Members' Business on Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**GOVERNMENT MOTIONS****Motion No. 4**

Moved by the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT, pursuant to section 18 of the *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act*, the Legislative Assembly reappoint David Phillip Jones, QC, as a member of the Conflict of Interest Commission for a three-year period.

A debate arising on the motion and debate having been concluded, the Speaker informed the House that he would call for a recorded Division.

Speaker's Call for Recorded Division

"Before putting the question, the Chair must draw members' attention to section 18(4) of the *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act*, which says 'in order to take effect, a resolution of the Legislative Assembly for the appointment or removal of a member of the Commission must be supported in a recorded vote by at least two-thirds of the members present for the vote.' In order to ensure that the requirements of section 18 of the *Conflict of Interest (Members and Ministers) Act* are met, the Chair will now call for recorded Division."

The motion was agreed to on the following recorded Division:

YEA

Silver	Adel	Van Bibber	
McPhee	Mostyn	Cathers	
Pillai	Streicker	McLeod	18
Dendys	Hutton	Istchenko	
Frost	Hassard	Hanson	
Gallina	Kent	White	
		NAY	
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GOVERNMENT BILLS**Second Reading**

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

The debate continuing (from May 1, 2017) and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2017 and the debate on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18* was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 3, 2017.

No. 8
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Wednesday, May 3, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice

- *Yukon Law Foundation Annual Report November 1, 2015 to October 31, 2016*
(Sessional Paper 34-2-13)
- *Yukon Judicial Council Annual Report 2016*
(Sessional Paper 34-2-14)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: list of consultations between Minister of Highways and Public Works and contractors (Motion for the Production of Papers No. 2)

- Re: list of consultations and correspondence between the Government of Yukon and Government of Canada regarding the Yukon Resource Gateway project (Motion for the Production of Papers No. 3)
- Mr. Kent, Member for Copperbelt South
- Re: economic impacts of carbon tax on Yukon's mining sector (Motion No. 42)
- Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North
- Re: economic impacts of carbon tax on Yukon's tourism sector (Motion No. 43)
- Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge
- Re: including economic impacts of carbon tax in budget forecasts (Motion No. 44)
- Ms. McLeod, Member for Watson Lake
- Re: reviewing the medical travel program (Motion No. 45)
- Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane
- Re: economic impacts of carbon tax on Yukon's outfitting industry (Motion No. 46)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:30 p.m. to 2:01 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

GOVERNMENT PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS

Motion No. 17

Moved by Mr. Hutton, Member for Mayo-Tatchun:

THAT this House supports the efforts of the Vuntut Gwitchin people and the Gwich'in people of the Northwest Territories and Alaska in lobbying the United States Congress for the protection of the sacred calving grounds of the Porcupine caribou herd in order to preserve the health of the herd and the well-being of northern communities.

A debate arising on Motion No. 17 and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA		
Silver	Adel	Cathers
McPhee	Mostyn	McLeod
Pillai	Streicker	Istchenko
Dendys	Hutton	Hanson
Frost	Kent	White
Gallina	Van Bibber	

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Motion No. 20

Moved by Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre

THAT this House commends the generosity of RyanWood Exploration and the northern exploration and sport development fund for contributing \$70,000 to Yukon athletes on their journey to the Olympics to compete in cross-country skiing.

A debate arising on Motion No. 20 and the question being put, it was agreed to.

Motion No. 23

Moved by Mr. Adel, Member for Copperbelt North

THAT this House supports the efforts of the Government of Canada to restore confidence in Yukon's environmental and socio-economic assessment process through amendments contained in Bill C-17, *An Act to amend the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act and to make a consequential amendment to another Act*, now under consideration by the Parliament of Canada.

Amendment

A debate having started on the motion, it was moved by Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 23 be amended by adding after the words "Parliament of Canada" the following: "; and

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to address industry concerns around timelines and re-assessments through a collaborative framework with the Council of Yukon First Nations and the Yukon Chamber of Mines."

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was negatived on the following recorded division:

			YEA	
Hassard	Van Bibber	McLeod		6
Kent	Cathers	Istchenko		
			NAY	
Silver	Frost	Streicker		12
McPhee	Gallina	Hutton		
Pillai	Adel	Hanson		
Dendys	Mostyn	White		

The debate continuing on the motion and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2),

adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Thursday, May 4, 2017, and the debate on Motion No. 23 was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 4, 2017.

No. 9
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OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Thursday, May 4, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

See *Hansard* for documents tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Re: supporting the growth of the Yukon agriculture sector (Motion No. 47)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: maintenance of the Destruction Bay marina (Motion No. 48)
- Re: ensuring the early opening of campgrounds (Motion No. 49)

Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

- Re: reviewing Yukon's minimum wage (Motion No. 50)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:23 p.m. to 1:54 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**GOVERNMENT BILLS****Second Reading**

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

The debate continuing (from May 2, 2017) and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Frost	Streicker	
McPhee	Gallina	Hutton	11
Pillai	Adel	White	
Dendys	Mostyn		
NAY			
Hassard	Van Bibber	McLeod	6
Kent	Cathers	Istchenko	

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*

- Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services

The debate continuing (from April 25, 2017) and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Adel	Van Bibber	
McPhee	Mostyn	Cathers	
Pillai	Streicker	McLeod	17
Dendys	Hutton	Istchenko	
Frost	Hassard	White	
Gallina	Kent		

NAY

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act* (Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Mr. Hutton, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the House do now adjourn.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:28 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 8, 2017.

No. 10
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Monday, May 8, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors in conjunction with tributes.

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(amended)

(Sessional Paper 34-2-16)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Hassard, Leader of the Official Opposition

- Re: allowing direct sales from local beer and liquor manufacturers (Motion No. 51)

Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party

- Re: post-traumatic stress disorder or injury (PTSD or PTSI) legislation (Motion No. 52)

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: Vimy Heritage Housing Society's supported independent housing facility (Motion No. 53)
- Re: reinstating Shakwak project funding (Motion No. 54)

Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North

- Re: developing health curriculum on the dangers of prescription opioid abuse (Motion No. 55)

Mr. Gallina, Member for Porter Creek Centre

- Re: supporting the Electoral District Boundaries Commission (Motion No. 56)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:19 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act* (Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services:

THAT the Chair report Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*, without amendment.

Ordered, on motion of Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Mr. Hutton, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*, without amendment. The report was carried.

GOVERNMENT BILLS**Third Reading**

The following bill was called for Third Reading:

Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*

- Hon. Mr. Streicker, Minister of Community Services

A debate arising on the motion for Third Reading of Bill No. 72, *National Aboriginal Day Act*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA		
Silver	Adel	Van Bibber
McPhee	Mostyn	Cathers
Pillai	Streicker	McLeod
Dendys	Hutton	Istchenko
Frost	Hassard	Hanson
Gallina	Kent	White
NAY		
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Bill No. 2, *National Aboriginal Day Act*, accordingly, passed the House.

ASSENT TO BILLS

The Assembly received the Commissioner of Yukon, the Hon. Doug Phillips, in his capacity as Lieutenant Governor, to grant Assent to a certain bill passed by the House.

The Commissioner, having entered the Chamber, took his seat in the Speaker's chair.

The Speaker addressed the Commissioner:

"Mr. Commissioner, the Assembly has, at its present Session, passed a certain bill to which, in the name and on behalf of the Assembly, I respectfully request your assent."

The Clerk of the Assembly then read the title of the bill which had been passed as follows:

National Aboriginal Day Act

The Commissioner assented to the bills:

"I hereby assent to the bill as enumerated by the Clerk."

The Commissioner then retired from the Chamber.

GOVERNMENT BILLS

Second Reading

The following bill was called for Second Reading:

Bill No. 200, *Second Appropriation Act, 2016-17*

- Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier

A debate arising on the motion for Second Reading of Bill No. 200, *Second Appropriation Act, 2016-17*, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

		YEA	
Silver	Frost	Streicker	
McPhee	Gallina	Hutton	11
Pillai	Adel	Hanson	
Dendys	Mostyn		
		NAY	
Hassard	Cathers	Istchenko	4
Kent			

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 200, *Second Appropriation Act, 2016-17* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Mr. Hutton, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 200, *Second Appropriation Act, 2016-17*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The time being 5:30 p.m., the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 9, 2017.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 9, 2017.

No. 11
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Tuesday, May 9, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors in conjunction with tributes.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

No returns or documents were tabled.

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Adel, Chair, Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees

- *Third Report of the Standing Committee on Appointments to Major Government Boards and Committees (May 9, 2017)*

(Sessional Paper 34-2-17)

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

- Re: investing \$30 million annually in an energy retrofit program (Motion No. 57)
- Re: updating the Department of Environment's online bear incident map (Motion No. 58)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

SPEAKER'S STATEMENT**Addressing members**

The Speaker made the following statement:

“Prior to proceeding with Question Period, the Chair will make a brief statement regarding the manner in which members address one another in the House.

The Chair has heard members on a few occasions – particularly during Question Period – use the word “you” in reference to another member of the House. I would remind all members of Standing Order 17(1), which says – and I quote: “Every member desiring to speak shall rise in his or her place and address the Speaker.” In other words, when a member has the floor, the member is to speak to and through the Chair. The member is not to speak directly to the member who has posed a question or the minister who has provided a response. Members should refer to one another by their electoral district or by some other position that they hold in this Assembly. This is primarily, obviously, for members who are new to their jobs. I am not casting any aspersions on members who have been here for awhile, although it’s useful to remind everyone.

I thank members for their attention.”

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:40 p.m. to 2:11 p.m.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE**Correcting the record**

Prior to Orders of the Day, the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier, rose on a point of personal privilege to correct a statement he had made during Committee of the Whole on Monday, May 8, 2017.

NOTICE OF OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(3), Mr. Kent, Official Opposition House Leader, identified Motion No. 55, standing in the name of Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North, and Motion No. 15, standing in the name of Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge, as being the items to be called during Opposition Private Members' Business on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.

Pursuant to Standing Order 14.2(3), Ms. White, Third Party House Leader, identified Motion No. 52, standing in the name of Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party, and Motion No. 38, standing in the name of Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King, as being the items to be called during Opposition Private Members' Business on Wednesday, May 10, 2017.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**GOVERNMENT MOTIONS****Motion No. 39**

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice:

THAT the Yukon Legislative Assembly, pursuant to subsection 22(2) of the *Human Rights Act*, does appoint Maxwell Rispin and Benjamin Bruce Warnsby to the Yukon Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators for a term of three years, effective immediately; and

THAT Karen Keenan be reappointed to the Yukon Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators for a term of three years, effective immediately.

Motion No. 40

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Justice:

THAT the Yukon Legislative Assembly, pursuant to subsection 22(3) of the *Human Rights Act*, does remove Raymond Kokiw, Michelle Mbuto, Elaine Cairns and Darcy Tkachuk from the Yukon Human Rights Panel of Adjudicators, effective immediately.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Mr. Hutton, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 9, 2017.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:31 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 10, 2017.

No. 12
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Wednesday, May 10, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Mr. Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

- Health insurance coverage for Nadja Cooper, letter re (dated April 11, 2017) from Brad Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge to Hon. Pauline Frost, Minister of Health and Social Services

(Filed Document 34-2-1)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Mr. Istchenko, Member for Kluane

- Re: independent audit of the permit hunt system (Motion No. 59)

Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

- Re: improving access to abortion services (Motion No. 60)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:19 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY**OPPOSITION PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS****MOTIONS OTHER THAN GOVERNMENT MOTIONS****Motion No. 52**

Moved by Ms. Hanson, Leader of the Third Party

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to consider expanding the proposed amendments to the *Workers' Compensation Act* so that all workers covered by the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board benefit from presumptive post-traumatic stress disorder or injury (PTSD or PTSI) legislation.

Filed document

During debate on Motion No. 52, Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King, tabled the following document:

- Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), letter re, from Steve Hahn to Hon. Nils Clarke, Speaker

(Filed Document 34-2-2)

A debate arising on Motion No. 52 and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA			
Silver	Adel	Van Bibber	
McPhee	Mostyn	Cathers	
Pillai	Streicker	McLeod	18
Dendys	Hutton	Istchenko	
Frost	Hassard	Hanson	
Gallina	Kent	White	
NAY			
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Motion No. 38

Moved by Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

THAT this House urges the Government of Yukon to:

- (1) acknowledge that it has been 10 years since school spring break was extended to two weeks to accommodate the 2007 Canada Winter Games;

- (2) acknowledge that a two-week spring break is an economic burden for many Yukon families; and
- (3) consult with parents, school councils and the Yukon Teachers' Association on reducing the length of the spring school break before planning school calendars for the 2018-19 academic year onwards.

Amendment

A debate having started on the motion, it was moved by Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Education, in amendment thereto:

THAT Motion No. 38 be amended by

- (1) removing the word "is" and replacing it with the words "may be";
- (2) removing the word "many" and replacing it with the word "some"; and
- (3) removing the word "reducing" and replacing it with the word "determining".

A debate arising on the amendment, and the question being put, it was agreed to.

A debate arising on Motion No. 38, as amended, and the question being put, it was agreed to on the following recorded division:

YEA

Silver	Adel	Van Bibber	
McPhee	Mostyn	Cathers	
Pillai	Streicker	McLeod	
Dendys	Hutton	Istchenko	18
Frost	Hassard	Hanson	
Gallina	Kent	White	

NAY

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Motion No. 55

Moved by Ms. Van Bibber, Member for Porter Creek North

THAT this House urges the Minister of Education and the Minister of Health and Social Services to instruct their departments to begin work to develop a health curriculum for use in schools that educates all students in the Yukon education system on the dangers of prescription opioid abuse.

A debate having started on the motion and the time reaching 5:30 p.m. while Hon. Ms. McPhee, Minister of Education, was speaking, the Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m. Thursday, May 11, 2017, and the debate on Motion No. 55 was accordingly adjourned.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:30 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 11, 2017.

No. 13
VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Second Session**34th Legislature**

Thursday, May 11, 2017

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:00 p.m.

PRAYERS

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(1), the Speaker offered a prayer.

Pursuant to Standing Order 11(2), the House proceeded with the Daily Routine.

DAILY ROUTINE**TRIBUTES**

See *Hansard* for tributes.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

See *Hansard* for introduction of visitors.

TABLING RETURNS AND DOCUMENTS

Hon. Ms. Frost, Minister of Health and Social Services

- Health insurance coverage for Nadja Cooper, letter re (dated May 11, 2017) from Hon. Pauline Frost, Minister of Health and Social Services to Brad Cathers, Member for Lake Laberge

(Filed Document 34-2-3)

PRESENTING REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

No reports of committees were presented.

PETITIONS

No petitions were presented.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

No bills were introduced.

NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Ms. White, Member for Takhini-Kopper King

- Re: placing palliative care unit in the Thomson Centre (Motion No. 61)

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

No ministerial statement was given.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

The House conducted the Oral Question Period from 1:13 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

The House then proceeded to Orders of the Day.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Committee of the Whole considered Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18* (Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier).

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Mr. Silver, Premier:

THAT the Chair report progress.

Ordered, on motion of the Hon. Ms. McPhee, Government House Leader:

THAT the Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Chair's report to the House

According to Order, Mr. Hutton, Chair of Committee of the Whole, reported progress on Bill No. 201, *First Appropriation Act, 2017-18*. The report was carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 2(2), adjourned the House until 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 15, 2017.

The Assembly adjourned at 5:31 p.m. until 1:00 p.m., Monday, May 15, 2017.

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