

# Legislative Assembly Province of Alberta

No. 43

# **VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

Second Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Thursday, August 24, 2006

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

The Speaker offered a prayer and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of the death of former Members: Mr. Roy Alexander Farran, Member for Calgary-North Hill, 1971 to 1979, who passed away on June 2, 2006; and Mr. Randolph Hugh McKinnon, Member for Strathcona-West, 1959 to 1967, who passed away on June 10, 2006.

# **Speaker's Comment**

The Speaker commented that a number of Alberta MLAs have had a town, village, or post office named after them.

Boyle is named after John Robert Boyle, a Liberal who served in the Alberta Legislature from 1905 to 1924 representing the constituency of Sturgeon. Mr. Boyle was a leader in the revolt that ended Alexander Rutherford's service as Premier.

Holden became a village in 1905 and is named after James Bismark Holden, a Liberal who represented Vermilion in Alberta's first two Legislatures from 1905 to 1913. Mr. Holden also served as the Mayor of Vegreville for various terms between 1914 and 1945.

Jean Côté was named after Jean Leon Côté, a Liberal who represented the constituencies of Athabasca, then Grouard, between 1909 and 1921. He was appointed to the Senate in 1923 and died in 1924.

Douglas Corney Breton served in Alberta's Sixth Legislature from 1926 to 1930 as the United Farmers of Alberta MLA for Leduc, and saw Breton named in his honour in 1927. He had served in India and Afghanistan during World War I.

George Hoadley served as a Conservative MLA from 1909 to 1921 representing Okotoks, from 1921 to 1930 as the United Farmers of Alberta MLA for Okotoks, and from 1930 to 1935 as the United Farmers of Alberta MLA for Okotoks-High River. The post office in Haverigg was renamed Hoadley in 1924.

Vernor Winfield Smith served as a United Farmers of Alberta MLA from 1921 to 1935 representing the constituency of Camrose. Mr. Smith was Alberta's Minister of Railways and Telephones when the Lacombe and Northwestern Railway named the siding of Winfield after him.

Henry Elbert DeBolt represented the constituency of Spirit River as a Social Credit MLA from 1940 to 1952. He became the first postmaster in an area known as American Creek in 1923, and in that year the post office became known as DeBolt.

The first Member of Ukrainian heritage elected to this Assembly was Andrew Shandro, who represented the constituency of Whitford from 1913 to 1926 as a Liberal. The locality of Shandro is named after him.

The hamlet of Gunn bears the name of Peter Gunn, the Liberal MLA for Lac St. Anne from 1909 to 1917. Gunn was the sheriff for the Athabasca and Peace River districts.

In the fall of 1947 residents gathered in the Notikewan River Valley to discuss a new name for their area. They endorsed the name of Manning for their post office after Ernest Charles Manning, Alberta's Premier. In 1951 Manning became a village and in 1957 it became a town.

Alberta's recreation areas, streets, and roads also bear the names of both former and current Alberta MLAs, as do a number of Alberta constituencies.

## **Members' Statements**

Mr. Amery, Hon. Member for Calgary-East, made a statement regarding Rick and Rose Lundy of Calgary and the difficult challenges faced after Mrs. Lundy suffered a miscarriage at the Peter Lougheed Hospital.

Mrs. Jablonski, Hon. Member for Red Deer-North, made a statement regarding the success of the Alberta Summer Games held in Red Deer from July 27 to 30, 2006.

Dr. Brown, Hon. Member for Calgary-Nose Hill, made a statement regarding the Westbourne Place seniors' apartment complex in Calgary.

Mr. Bonko, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Decore, made a statement regarding the loyalty, dedication, and heroism of the men and women of Canada's armed forces who are serving in Afghanistan.

Mr. Hinman, Hon. Member for Cardston-Taber-Warner, made a statement regarding the annual Taber Cornfest to be held on August 25 and 26, 2006, and the importance of the agriculture industry.

Mr. Johnson, Hon. Member for Wetaskiwin-Camrose, made a statement regarding the opening of the Montana First Nation RCMP (Royal Canadian Mounted Police) satellite station on the Hobbema First Nations Reserve.

## **Presenting Petitions**

Mr. Flaherty, Hon. Member for St. Albert, presented a petition from 271 St. Albert residents urging the Government to adopt the position unanimously supported by St. Albert City Council to make every effort to move the northwest leg of the Anthony Henday Drive ring road south of the current proposal, enhance noise attenuation and safety measures for neighbouring residents, and minimize the environmental impact of the road.

## **Notices of Motions**

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, gave oral notice of her intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent importance, namely the imminent risk to the health and safety of Albertans due to the failure of the Government to provide the resources required for Alberta's Health Regions to operate essential health services.

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, gave oral notice of his intention to move the following motion under Standing Order 42:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly does not have confidence in the Government because it has failed to adequately plan for the infrastructure, housing, education, health, and environmental issues of the province in a period of rapid growth.

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that when the Assembly adjourns to recess the Summer Sitting of the Second Session of the 26th Legislature, it shall stand adjourned until a time and date as determined by the Speaker, after consultation with the Lieutenant Governor in Council.



Pursuant to Standing Order 34(3), Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Monday, August 28, 2006:

Written Questions: WQ28, WQ30, WQ31, WQ32, WQ33, WQ34, WQ35.Motions for Returns: MR27, MR28, MR29, MR30, MR31, MR32, MR33, MR34, MR35, MR36.

#### **Tabling Returns and Reports**

Hon. Mr. Herard, Minister of Advanced Education:

Campus Alberta Quality Council, Second Annual Report, April 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006

Sessional Paper 647/2006

Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview:

E-mail message dated August 13, 2006, from Arlene Stephen to the Edmonton-Meadowlark constituency, expressing concern regarding the lack of affordable housing in Edmonton and suggesting the Government reinstate rent control Sessional Paper 648/2006

Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar:

Report on the Events of July 24, 2006, dated August 9, 2006, prepared by the Market Surveillance Administrator

Sessional Paper 649/2006

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

E-mail message dated August 5, 2006, from Bev Burgess of Edmonton to Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, expressing concern regarding treatment her daughter received last year during a miscarriage at the Grey Nuns Hospital

Sessional Paper 650/2006

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

Letter dated August 24, 2006, unsigned, from Daniel Langdon to Hon. Mrs. Fritz, Minister of Seniors and Community Supports, expressing concern regarding the lack of funding for workers dealing with persons with developmental disabilities Sessional Paper 651/2006

Hon. Mr. Kowalski, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, pursuant to the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, cE-2, s4(2):

Twenty-eighth Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer

Sessional Paper 652/2006

## **Tablings to the Clerk**

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance:

	rsuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s10, Government of berta, 2005-06 Annual Report			
	Sessional Paper 653/2006			
s4,	rsuant to the Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan Act, cM-12, Members of the Legislative Assembly Pension Plan, Annual Report for the ar ended March 31, 2006			
•	Sessional Paper 654/2006			
	rsuant to the Securities Act, cS-4, s20(2), Alberta Securities Commission, 2006 inual Report			
	Sessional Paper 655/2006			
	berta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research Endowment Fund, Financial atements dated March 31, 2006			
	Sessional Paper 656/2006			
	berta Heritage Science and Engineering Research Endowment Fund, Financial atements dated March 31, 2006			
	Sessional Paper 657/2006			
Al	berta Heritage Scholarship Fund, Financial Statements dated March 31, 2006 Sessional Paper 658/2006			
A	FB Financial, Annual Report 2006			
	Sessional Paper 659/2006			
Cr	edit Union Deposit Guarantee Corporation, 2005 Annual Report Sessional Paper 660/2006			
behalf of Mr. Liepert, Chair, Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Committee:				

On behalf of Mr. Liepert, Chair, Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Committee:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, 2006 Annual Report for the year ended March 31, 2006

Sessional Paper 661/2006

# **Projected Government Business**

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(6), Ms Blakeman, Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of August 28 to August 31, 2006:

Monday, August 28	9:00 p.m.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of Supply
		Supplementary Supply Estimates (Day 2 of 2)
		Revert to Introduction of Bills
		Bill 44
		And as per the Order Paper
Tuesday, August 29	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 44
		And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Second Reading
		Bill 44
		And as per the Order Paper
Wednesday, August 30	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 44
		And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Committee of the Whole
		Bill 44
		And as per the Order Paper
Thursday, August 31	Aft.	- Government Bills and Orders
		Third Reading
		Bill 44
		And as per the Order Paper

# Motion for Adjournment for an Emergency Debate

Ms Blakeman, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Centre, requested leave to move, pursuant to Standing Order 30, to adjourn the ordinary business of the Assembly to discuss a matter of urgent importance, namely the imminent risk to the health and safety of Albertans due to the failure of the Government to provide the resources required for Alberta's Health Regions to operate essential health services.

A debate followed on urgency.

The Speaker ruled that the request for leave was not in order.

#### **Motions Under Standing Order 42**

Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, requested the unanimous consent of the Assembly for consideration of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Legislative Assembly does not have confidence in the Government because it has failed to adequately plan for the infrastructure, housing, education, health, and environmental issues of the province in a period of rapid growth.

Unanimous consent to proceed was not granted.

# **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

## Message From His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, delivered a Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor.

The Speaker read the Message to the Assembly (Members standing).

The Minister of Finance tabled the following budget-related documents, pursuant to the Government Accountability Act, cG-7, s8(1):

Budget 06, 2006-2007 Quarterly Budget Report, First Quarter Fiscal Report Sessional Paper 662/2006

2006-07 Supplementary Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund Sessional Paper 663/2006

Budget 06, 2006-2007 Quarterly Budget Report, First Quarter Activity Report

Sessional Paper 664/2006

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, then tabled the following budget-related document, on behalf of Mr. Liepert, Chair, Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund Committee:

Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, 06-07 First Quarter Update for the three months ended June 30, 2006

Sessional Paper 665/2006

## **Government Motions**

24. Moved by Hon. Mrs. McClellan:

Be it resolved that the Message from His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, the 2006-07 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund, and all matters connected therewith, be referred to Committee of Supply.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

25. Moved by Hon. Mrs. McClellan:

Be it resolved that pursuant to Standing Order 61(9), the number of days that Committee of Supply will be called to consider the 2006-07 Supplementary Supply Estimates for the General Revenue Fund shall be two days.

The question being put, the motion was agreed to.

**Committee of Supply** (Day 1 — Supplementary Supply Estimates)

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair and Mr. Oberle reported as follows:

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee of Supply has had under consideration certain resolutions of the 2006-07 Supplementary Supply Estimates, General Revenue Fund, reports progress thereon, and requests leave to sit again.

The question being put, the report and the request for leave to sit again were agreed to.

# Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Zwozdesky, Government House Leader, that it be called 5:30 p.m., the Assembly adjourned at 5:29 p.m. until Monday, August 28, 2006, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski, Speaker

Title: Thursday, August 24, 2006