



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 34

FIRST SESSION, FORTIETH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER

10:00 O'CLOCK A.M.

By leave, it was agreed for the House to deal with Second Reading of Bill (No. 211).

Mrs. STEFANSON moved:

THAT Bill (No. 211) – The Increased Transparency and Accountability Act (Various Acts Amended)/Loi sur la transparence et la responsabilité (modification de diverses dispositions législatives), be now read a Second Time and be referred to a Committee of this House.

And a debate arising,

And Mrs. STEFANSON, Hon. Mr. STRUTHERS, Messrs. HELWER and ALLUM, Mrs. ROWAT, Hon. Mr. BJORNSON, Mr. SMOOK and Hon. Mr. GERRARD having spoken,

And Mr. MALOWAY speaking at 11:00 a.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

In accordance with Rule 31(8), the Government House Leader announced that the Lord Selkirk Settlers Resolution will be considered next Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

Mr. GAUDREAU moved:

Resolution No. 4: Drainage Inside the Dike

WHEREAS properly managing the impact of water in the Red River Valley is essential to the future economic development of Manitoba; and

WHEREAS the history and development of the community of St. Norbert are tied directly to the Red River; and

WHEREAS St. Norbert maintains a dike along the Red River that, while keeping water out of the community, also artificially keeps rainwater and runoff inside the dike; and

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WHEREAS St. Norbert is defined by its strong sense of community and its commitment to environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS the residents of St. Norbert have combined these attributes with their history along the Red River into the community initiated *Drainage Inside the Dike* project; and

WHEREAS *Drainage Inside the Dike* is a pilot project for economic development and land reclamation through environmentally and socially responsible best practices representing a model for future projects to follow; and

WHEREAS the *Drainage Inside the Dike* project will employ innovative water stewardship models to reclaim and repurpose 11 hectares of land around the St. Norbert Farmers' Market site; and

WHEREAS the *Drainage Inside the Dike* project promotes community and environmental responsibility by utilizing the reclaimed land for educational, cultural and agricultural spaces.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Manitoba Legislative Assembly commend the people of St. Norbert for their dedication to their community and the environment through their initiation of the *Drainage Inside the Dike* project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Manitoba Legislative Assembly urge the Provincial Government to continue its support for community driven projects that contribute to the well-being of the people of Manitoba and the environment.

And a debate arising,

And Messrs. GAUDREAU and MAGUIRE, Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS, Messrs. WISHART and NEVAKSHONOFF, Hon. Mr. GERRARD and Mr. MALOWAY having spoken,

And Mr. EICHLER speaking at 12:00 p.m. The debate was allowed to remain in his name.

1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally read a First Time and had their purposes outlined:

(No. 25) – The Groundwater and Water Well and Related Amendments Act/Loi sur les eaux souterraines et les puits et modifications connexes

(Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH)

(No. 29) – The Contaminated Sites Remediation Amendment Act/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'assainissement des lieux contaminés

(Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH)

(No. 216) – The Crown Corporations Public Review and Accountability Amendment Act (Manitoba Hydro Ratepayers Protection)/Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'examen public des activités des corporations de la Couronne et l'obligation redditionnelle de celles-ci (la stabilisation des tarifs d'Hydro-Manitoba)

(Mr. HELWER)

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mr. GOERTZEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request that the Minister of Health to ensure additional personal care homes and long-term care space are made available in the City of Steinbach on a priority basis. (L. Kostyniuk, M. Kornelsen, A. Bartel and others)

Mr. BRIESE – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider making the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of PTH 16 and PTH 5 North a priority project in order to help protect the safety of the motorists and pedestrians who use it. (S. Zechowski, R. Scott, R. Kostewchuk and others)

Hon. Mr. LEMIEUX presented:

Supplementary Information for Legislative Review 2012-2013 – Departmental Expenditure Estimates – Local Government.

(Sessional Paper No. 44)

Hon. Mr. MACKINTOSH, the Minister of Conservation and Water Stewardship, made a statement regarding an update on the status of wildfires in southeastern Manitoba.

Mr. SMOOK and, by leave, Hon. Mr. GERRARD commented on the statement.

Pursuant to Rule 26(1), Messrs. HELWER and WHITEHEAD, Mrs. ROWAT and Messrs. PETTERSEN and WISHART made Members' Statements.

The House resolved into Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned at 5:01 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 16, 2012.

Hon. Daryl REID,
Speaker.