

Votes and Proceedings

FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

October 22, 2024

The Assembly commenced sitting at 1:30 p.m. with the Honourable Shane Thompson, Speaker, presiding.

Members' Attendance

Present: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Honourable Member for Hay River South, Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Honourable Member for Kam Lake, Member for Mackenzie Delta, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nunakput, Member for Range Lake, Member for Sahtu, Honourable Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South.

Absent: None.

Ministers' Statements

- 65-20(1) The Minister of Health and Social Services made a statement regarding mental wellness supports.
- 66-20(1) The Minister of Infrastructure made a statement regarding the cost of energy in the Northwest Territories.
- 67-20(1) The Minister responsible for Housing Northwest Territories provided a capital delivery status update.

Members' Statements

- 354-20(1) The Member for Range Lake made a statement regarding paramedics.

- 355-20(1) The Member for Great Slave made a statement regarding a constituency tour by the Premier and Minister responsible for Housing Northwest Territories.
- 356-20(1) The Member for Inuvik Boot Lake made a statement offering congratulations to the Mayor and Council of Inuvik.
- 357-20(1) The Member for Sahtu made a statement regarding regional energy resource tables.
- 358-20(1) The Member for Mackenzie Delta made a statement regarding education in small communities.
- 359-20(1) The Member for Monfwi made a statement regarding impacts of climate change on fuel delivery.
- 360-20(1) The Member for Frame Lake made a statement regarding the need for improved respite services.
- 361-20(1) The Member for Yellowknife North made a statement regarding equitable access to sustainable primary care.
- 362-20(1) The Member for Dehcho made a statement regarding the Deh Cho Bridge.
- 363-20(1) The Member for Yellowknife Centre made a statement regarding child and youth safety concerns.
- 365-20(1) The Member for Nahendeh made a statement celebrating the life of Stephanie Squirrel.

Reports of Standing and Special Committees

- 10-20(1) Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 10-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner be deemed read and printed in Hansard in its entirety.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 10-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, be received and adopted by the Assembly.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that pursuant to Rule 9.4(5)(a), the Government of the Northwest Territories table a comprehensive response to this report, including all recommendations, within 120 days or at the earliest opportunity subsequent to the passage of 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

11-20(1) Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Equal Pay Commissioner

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 11-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Equal Pay Commissioner, be received and adopted by the Assembly.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that pursuant to Rule 9.4(5)(a), the Government of the Northwest Territories table a comprehensive response to this report, including all recommendations, within 120 days or at the earliest opportunity subsequent to the passage of 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

12-20(1) Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Human Rights Commission

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 12-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Human Rights Commission, be deemed read and printed in Hansard in its entirety.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 12-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Human Rights Commission, be received and adopted by the Assembly

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that pursuant to Rule 9.4(5)(a), the Government of the Northwest Territories table a comprehensive response to this report, including all recommendations, within 120 days or at the earliest opportunity subsequent to the passage of 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

13-20(1) Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Languages Commissioner

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 13-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Official Languages Commissioner, be received and adopted by this Assembly.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that pursuant to Rule 9.4(5)(a) that the Government of the Northwest Territories table a comprehensive response to this report, including all recommendations, within 120 days or at the earliest opportunity subsequent to the passage of 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

14-20(1) Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Ombud

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 14-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024

Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Ombud, be deemed read and printed in Hansard in its entirety.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that Committee Report 14-20(1), Standing Committee on Government Operations Report on the Review of the 2023-2024 Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Ombud, be received and adopted by the Assembly.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Frame Lake, seconded by the Member for Great Slave, moved that pursuant to Rule 9.4(5)(a) that the Government of the Northwest Territories table a comprehensive response to this report, including all recommendations, within 120 days or at the earliest opportunity subsequent to the passage of 120 days.

The motion was CARRIED.

Tabling of Documents

200-20(1)	Supplementary Estimates (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 2, 2024-2025. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
201-20(1)	Supplementary Estimates (Operations Expenditures), No.1, 2024-2025. Tabled by the Minister of Finance.
202-20(1)	A Ladder of Citizen Participation, Sherry R. Arnstein, 1969. Tabled by the Member for Great Slave.

Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

The Chair, the Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, reported that the Committee of the Whole considered Tabled Document 200-20(1): Supplementary Estimates (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 2, 2024-2025; and Tabled Document 201-20(1): Supplementary Estimates (Operations Expenditures), No. 1, 2024-2025, and reported progress with two motions carried, that consideration of Tabled Documents 200-20(1) and 201-20(1) is concluded, that the House concur in those estimates and that an appropriation bill can be based thereon be introduced without delay.

Committee Motion 39-20(1)

The Member for Inuvik Boot Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that consideration of Tabled Document 200-20(1), Supplementary Estimates (Infrastructure Expenditures), No. 2, 2024-2025, be now concluded and that Tabled Document 200-20(1) be reported and recommended as ready for further consideration in formal Session through the form of an appropriation bill.

The motion was CARRIED.

Committee Motion 40-20(1)

The Member for Inuvik Boot Lake moved the following motion:

I MOVE that consideration of Tabled Document 201-20(1), Supplementary Estimates (Operations Expenditures), No. 1, 2024-2025, be now concluded and that Tabled Document 201-20(1) be reported and recommended as ready for further consideration in formal Session through the form of an appropriation bill.

The motion was CARRIED.

The Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh, seconded by the Honourable Member for Kam Lake, moved concurrence of the report of the Committee of the Whole. The motion was CARRIED.

Third Reading of Bills

Bill 7: *Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2024*

The Honourable Member for Hay River North, seconded by the Honourable Member for Hay River South, moved that Bill 7, *Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act, 2024*, be read for the third time.

The Minister of Justice requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

Members for: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Honourable Member for Hay River South, Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Honourable Member for Kam Lake, Member for Mackenzie Delta, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nunakput, Member for Range Lake, Member for Sahtu, Honourable Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Willideh, Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South. (18)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

The motion was CARRIED.

Bill 8: *An Act to Amend the Student Financial Assistance Act*

The Member for Yellowknife Centre, seconded by the Member for Sahtu, moved that Bill 8, *An Act to Amend the Student Financial Assistance Act*, be read for the third time.

The Member for Yellowknife Centre requested a recorded vote. The results of the recorded vote were:

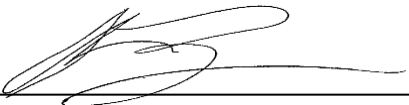
Members for: Member for Dehcho, Member for Frame Lake, Member for Great Slave, Honourable Member for Hay River North, Honourable Member for Hay River South, Member for Inuvik Boot Lake, Honourable Member for Inuvik Twin Lakes, Honourable Member for Kam Lake, Member for Mackenzie Delta, Member for Monfwi, Honourable Member for Nunakput, Member for Range Lake, Member for Sahtu, Honourable Member for Thebacha, Member for Tu Nedhé-Wiilideh, Member for Yellowknife Centre, Member for Yellowknife North, Honourable Member for Yellowknife South. (18)

Members against: (0)

Members abstaining: (0)

The motion was CARRIED.

The Speaker adjourned the House at 6:01 p.m.



Hon. Shane Thompson
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly



Glen Rutland
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly