



Yukon Legislative Assembly

Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges

35th Yukon Legislative Assembly

MINUTES

Meeting No. 9

Monday, October 17, 2022

Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges met in camera this day at 5:36 p.m., the Chair, the Hon. Richard Mostyn, presiding.

Members present: Hon. Richard Mostyn, Chair,
Brad Cathers,
Patti McLeod,
Hon. John Streicker, and
Emily Tredger.

Also present: Allison Lloyd, Clerk to the Committee

Approval of Agenda

It was agreed, on motion of Patti McLeod, THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 9 of the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges be adopted as presented.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 8 (October 14, 2022)

It was agreed, on motion of Emily Tredger, seconded by Brad Cathers, THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 8 (October 14, 2022) of the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges be adopted as presented and made public.

Standing Order 76 (Guillotine)

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Legislative Assembly on May 17, 2021 (Motion No. 9), the committee discussed Standing Order 76 and the allocation of time in the Legislative Assembly.

It was agreed, on motion of Brad Cathers, seconded by Emily Tredger, THAT the Standing Committee on Rules, Elections and Privileges recommend that Standing Order 76 of the Standing Orders of the Yukon Legislative Assembly be amended for the duration of the 2022 Fall Sitting by deleting all instances of the words "Government Bill" and substituting in their place the words "appropriation bill".

The committee agreed to approve a report on Standing Order 76 by email.

The procedures for concurrence in committee reports were discussed.

The committee clerk was tasked with drafting a motion for a sessional order to create a provisional Standing Order 76, to be circulated to committee members and for the Government House Leader to move in the Assembly.

Other Business

Division Bells

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Legislative Assembly on May 17, 2021 (Motion No. 9), the committee considered Standing Order 25(4) and the practices for ringing the bells prior to divisions.

The committee discussed potential amendments to the Standing Orders to reduce the length of time the bells ring when not all members are present in the Chamber.

The committee clerk was tasked with circulating information on possible changes to Standing Order 25.

Length of speeches during Committee of the Whole

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Legislative Assembly on May 17, 2021 (Motion No. 9), the committee discussed Standing Order 42(3) and the time limit for speeches in Committee of the Whole.

It was reviewed that the committee had previously agreed that speeches in Committee of the Whole be limited to 8 minutes except for the initial speech by one member of each party, and each independent member, on every bill and every Vote for appropriation bills. The details of how potential revised Standing Orders on time limits could be applied were discussed.

It was agreed, on motion of Brad Cathers, seconded by Emily Tredger, THAT the committee clerk be tasked with circulating a draft report on speech length in Committee of the Whole to committee members for potential approval by email.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be to the call of the Chair.

At 6:12 p.m. the committee adjourned.



Allison Lloyd
Clerk to the Committee