

# MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

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THURSDAY, 20 MAY 2021

1. The House met at 14:15.
2. The Speaker took the Chair and read the prayer.
3. [14:18] The Speaker announced that having just had the privilege of opening the proceedings today with a multi-denominational prayer and mindful of the most cherished basic human right of freedom of religion, I would like to recognise the ongoing conflict between the people of Israel and Palestine and the resultant and tragic loss of life. Please join me in observing a moment of silence to mourn this loss of life on both sides of the conflict and to pray for a speedy and amicable solution to this very complex and protracted dispute between Israel and Palestine.  
  
Honourable Members, while we mourn the loss of life due to this dispute, we equally mourn the tragic loss of 13 lives due to the tragic mass shooting that occurred in Khayelitsha recently.  
  
The Speaker requested the Honourable Members to please join him in observing a moment of silence in this regard.
4. [14:20] The Speaker made a general announcement regarding the sitting of the Western Cape Provincial Parliament in accordance with Rule 1A of the Standing Rules pertaining to Members in remote attendance by electronic means.
5. [14:23] The Chief Whip of the Majority Party (Ms M M Wenger) moved: That, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 20(1), precedence be given to the Subject for Discussion.  
  
Agreed to.
6. [14:25] The House discussed the following subject in the name of hon D America:  
  
The status of local municipalities in the Western Cape.  
  
Debate concluded.
7. [15:29] Interpellations.
8. [16:06] Questions.

9. [17:22] Statements by Members.

10. [17:47] Motions with Notice (*in accordance with Standing Rule 151*).

The Speaker made an announcement in accordance with the new Standing Rule 151, all Notices of Motion by Members are required to be delivered to the Secretary for placing on the Order Paper. These motions, duly submitted, will be published on the Order Paper.

11. [17:48] Motions without Notice (*in accordance with Standing Rule 150*).

12. Mr D America moved without notice: That the House extends its deepest condolences to the families and loved ones of those who passed away during the recent storms in the Southern Cape; and notes that two residents tragically lost their lives in the Riviersonderend and Stormsvlei area, with a further two in the Bonnievale area.

Agreed to.

13. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Muslim community that celebrated their Eid ul-Fitr festival last week, which is characterised by love, unity and sharing with the vulnerable, marking the end of the holy month of Ramadhan, which was marked by heightened self-discipline and human solidarity; and pays tribute to the Muslim community for their contribution towards social cohesion and poverty alleviation, especially during their holy period.

Agreed to.

14. Ms L M Maseko moved without notice: That the House notes and sends its well wishes to Ms Bessie Viljoen from the Breede Valley who celebrated her centennial birthday earlier this year; notes that Tannie Bessie has spent her life in service to her community and education, as a teacher in Limpopo and the Western Cape, specifically in Paarl and Worcester; notes that she completed her teaching degree at the Wellington Teachers' Training College and began her career in 1940; and further extends its best wishes to the legendary 100-year-old teacher in the Western Cape, Tannie Bessie Viljoen.

Agreed to.

15. Mr C M Dugmore moved without notice: That the House commiserates with the family, friends and comrades of the late Nicklo Pedro, a Mossel Bay anti-apartheid stalwart, Robben Island prisoner, social justice activist, mentor to many and former ANC councillor, who passed away last week; and commemorates his legacy.

Agreed to.

16. Mr D America moved without notice: That the House thanks and congratulates Gift of the Givers, community members and businesses of Struisbaai and surrounds for their invaluable humanitarian assistance to the affected residents who suffered severe distress during the recent storm in the Overberg region; coupled with the swift and efficient actions of Disaster Management through the Department of Local Government, as well as the support of the Department of Water and Sanitation, it is noted that further disaster was mitigated and avoided; and notes that we are deeply indebted to brave officials and residents of the province for their combined efforts.

Agreed to.

17. Mr M Xego moved without notice: That the House congratulates the Cape Peninsula University of Technology's rugby team for retaining their Varsity Shield title on Sunday 9 May 2021 at the Tuks Stadium in Pretoria; notes that they achieved this milestone by beating the Walter Sisulu University's All Blacks by 30 to 26 in the final of the Varsity Shield tournament; and further notes that we are very proud of their exploits and encourage them to keep flying the CPUT and Western Cape flag high.  
Agreed to.
18. Ms W F Philander moved without notice: That the House notes the commemoration of International Nurses' Day on 12 May 2021; extends its sincere appreciation for the invaluable role nurses around the world play as we continue to fight COVID-19 and stringently maintaining all other healthcare services with utmost dedication; acknowledges the long, hard hours that nurses work to take care of the most vulnerable in society; and notes that a registered nurse pledges to serve humanity with conscience, dignity and first consideration to their patients – this is a noble tradition indeed.  
Agreed to.
19. Mr R I Allen moved without notice: That the House notes that four South African Police Service (SAPS) members were murdered by brazen criminals during the first three months of 2021; condemns the murder of police officers; extends our sincere condolences to the families of the victims, their friends and the entire safety fraternity; notes the important mandate of SAPS as the lead agency in our fight against crime; and calls on members of the public to come forward if they have any information that may lead to the arrest of those responsible.  
Agreed to.
20. Mr F C Christians moved without notice: That the House extends sincerest condolences to the families and loved ones of the five young people who died tragically in a car crash; notes that a recent article in *Die Burger* (10 May 2021) reported that five young people were tragically injured in a four-car crash; notes that the crash occurred after 23:00 on Saturday 8 May and that six critically injured people were hospitalised; notes that those who died are Cedric Fortuin, Geraldo Wanza, Jaydene Hector, Sue Ann Rauss and Keanno Africa; and notes that the grieving families and the community of Ceres are in our prayers and we pray for the complete recovery of those hospitalised.  
Agreed to.
21. Ms R Windvogel moved without notice: That the House notes that vaccination against COVID-19 in the Western Cape organised by the national Department of Health and supported by the provincial Department of Health is progressing well; calls on all vulnerable residents to register for the vaccinations; and calls on citizens to follow all COVID-19 protocols.  
Agreed to.
22. Ms N Makamba Botya moved without notice: That the House notes the passing of Ms Emily Mohala on 9 May 2021; notes that Ms Mohala was a member of the EFF in good standing, as well as a member of the Regional Command Team in the West Coast region; notes that her hard work and dedication to the movement are an example that others should follow and emulate; notes that she will always remain in our memories and hearts as a movement, and

we hope to carry on where she left off and take the movement forward; and sends our heartfelt condolences to her family and loved ones; may her soul rest in revolutionary peace.

Agreed to.

23. Mr R D Mackenzie moved without notice: That the House notes that, during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, the faithful are encouraged to support vulnerable residents; extends its gratitude to the Muslim communities of the Western Cape for their invaluable generosity during the month of Ramadan; welcomes the hosting of *Iftar* for the poor and needy, as demonstrated by Muslim communities in the province; and supports the ongoing charitable efforts of Muslim residents in uplifting the vulnerable.

Agreed to.

24. Mr R I Allen moved without notice: That the House notes that the Western Cape Government engages its Faith-Based Organisation Network to work with faith-based leaders of the province during the COVID-19 pandemic; notes that the interministerial team is led by Minister Ivan Meyer, Minister Sharna Fernandez and Minister Anroux Marais; and extends its gratitude to the Provincial Ministers and the faith-based leaders for their ongoing, vital joint efforts in alleviating the impact of the pandemic in the province.

Agreed to.

25. Ms N Nkondlo moved without notice: That the House notes and calls for the provincial Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, David Maynier, in his engagement with the industry to call out the eight non-cooperating companies in the Western Cape that have been reported by UIF Commissioner on 12 May 2021 to the Standing Committee on Finance, Economic Development and Tourism at the meeting about the UIF-TERS disbursement and challenges thereof; and notes that he must further encourage these companies to do their civil duty and corporate obligations outlined in the King IV Codes of Good Practice by cooperating with the UIF and the DOL regarding government funds transferred to them to allocate to their workers in the spirit of transparency and measured in terms of good and ethical corporate citizenship.

Agreed to.

26. [18:07] FIRST ORDER

Consideration and Finalisation of the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1–2020] (Minister of Finance and Economic Opportunities).

Declarations made on behalf of the ANC and DA.

Debate concluded.

Question put: That the consideration and finalisation of the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1–2020], be approved.

Abstain – 3: ACDP, FF Plus and Al Jama-ah

Question agreed to.

The consideration and finalisation of the Western Cape Nineteenth Gambling and Racing Amendment Bill [B 1–2020], accordingly approved.

27. [18:15] SECOND ORDER

Consideration and Finalisation of Western Cape Land Use Planning Amendment Bill [B 6-2020] (Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning).

Declarations made on behalf of the ANC and DA.

Debate concluded.

Question put: That the consideration and finalisation of the Western Cape Land Use Planning Amendment Bill [B 6-2020], be approved.

Abstain – 2: FF Plus and Al Jama-ah

Question agreed to (ANC dissenting).

The consideration and finalisation of the Western Cape Land Use Planning Amendment Bill [B 6–2020], accordingly approved.

28. The House adjourned at 18:25.

ROMEO ADAMS  
Secretary to Provincial Parliament