



## PARLIAMENT OF THE COOK ISLANDS

### FORTY NINTH SESSION – THIRD MEETING 2021

#### Journal [DAY FOUR]

- Constitution Article 38**
- (1) There shall be a Clerk of Parliament
  - (2) The Clerk shall keep a record of the proceedings of Parliament and shall transmit a copy of those records to the [Queen's Representative] as soon as practicable.

**Standing Order 64 Order of Business – PART XVII** (a) Formal Entry of Speaker; (b) Prayers; (c) Swearing in of new Members (order 32); (d) Messages from the Queen's Representative (Order 84); Other announcements by the Speaker; (f) Obituary; (g) Statements by Ministers (Part XXIII); (j) Presentation of Bills (Order 219); (k) Presentation of Papers (Order 72); (l) Presentation of Petitions (Order 78); (m) Orders of the Day (Order 70); (n) Consideration of Papers (Orders 74); (o) Motions with notice (Order 105); (p) By leave of the Speaker (Alteration of the Order of Business); (q) Closing prayers.

### TUESDAY 08 JUNE, 2021

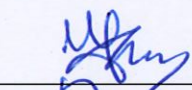
64 (a)	Formal entry of Speaker	Hon. T. Tura
(b)	Prayers	Rev. Oirua Rasmussen
(d)	Message from the Queen's Representative (Order 84)	Appropriation Bill 2021
(e)	Other announcements by the Speaker	1. Notice to all Members of Parliament to reserve the kitchen area for Parliament staff to dine and to remain in their allocated eating quarters.
(f)	Obituary	1. Tetuaura Raita Tararo-Brown (Mauke) 2. Annie Brown (Rarotonga)
(g)	Statement by Ministers (Order 87)	Nil
(h)	Personal explanations (Order 90)	Nil

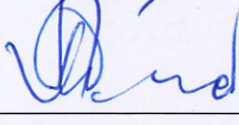
(i)	Questions to Ministers and other members (Part XXIII)	<p>1. Hon. G. Angene – response to MP Tupa’s question from 31/05/21 regarding people cutting trees and the reason it skipped Matavera. From Ngatangia it jumped over Matavera to Tupapa.  <b>Response:</b> No proper response from the Minister – spoke about his beautiful village and a song composed for Tupapa.</p> <p>2. MP V. Tupa question to Hon. G. Angene – Due to mismanagement of funds allocated for constituencies in the last budget, are there any alternatives that the Minister may consider to stop mismanagement issues?  <b>Response:</b> Minister Angene, due to coronavirus, we have come through a year being confused with money. The budget has been wisely used and Opposition should support the current budget. This will embark on the elections, recommends to delay the elections for another three years until our situation is back to normal.</p> <p>3. Mrs S. Napa question to Minister, Hon. R. Brown – Due to a current case where a passenger falsified his declaration and discovered later he was a coronavirus carrier, how do we address this issue? What do we need to do to protect our people and to ensure this incident is not repeated in the future?  <b>Response:</b> Minister R. Brown, I can confirm there is no coronavirus in the Cook Islands. The case is called historic case. The offender is in Police hands to be investigated. The Ministry of Health is working in conjunction with the Ministry of Health in NZ.</p>
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(j)	Presentation of Bills (Order 219)	Appropriation Bill 2021
(k)	Presentation of Papers (Order 72)	Nil
(l)	Presentation of Petitions (Order 78)	Nil
(m)	Orders of the Day (Order 70)	Nil
(n)	Consideration of Papers (Order 74)	Nil
(o)	Motions with notice for the adjournment of Parliament other than (1) above (Order 105)	<p>Nil</p> <p><u>Other Motions moved:</u></p> <p>1. Hon. M. Brown – That the Appropriation Bill 2021 be read a second time Seconded by Honourable T. Elikana</p>

		<p>2. Hon. M. Brown – That the Appropriation Bill 2021 be referred to the Public Accounts Committee Seconded by the Honourable Patrick Arioka Motion agreed to</p> <p>3. Ms T. Brown – That the Member for RAPP, Albert Nicholas replaces former Member Tai Tura on the Public Accounts Committee and the Member for Tengtangi/Areora/Ngatiarua replaces former Member Patrick Arioka on the Public Accounts Committee Seconded by Mr T. Elikana Motion agreed to</p> <p>4. Ms T. Brown – Adjourn Parliament and reconvene at 1.00 p.m. on Tue 15 June 2021. Seconded by Mr T. Elikana Motion agreed to</p>
(p)	By leave of the Speaker the order of business set out in the Order Paper may be altered on any particular day	Nil
(q)	Closing Prayer	Mr T. Maki Kavana
	Meeting adjourned at 4.00 p.m.	
	Members present: Government: 1. Hon. M. Brown 2. Hon. R. Tapaitau 3. Hon. V. Mokoroa 4. Hon. R. Toki-Brown 5. Hon. P. Arioka 6. Hon. G. Angene 7. Mr A. Nicholas 8. Mr T. Elikana	

	<p>9. Ms T. Brown  10. Mr T. Maki Kavana  11. Mr T. Tangatapoto  12. Mrs A. Puna</p> <p>Opposition:</p> <p>13. Hon. T. Pupuke Browne  14. Mr W. Heather  15. Mr T. Maoate  16. Mrs S. Napa  17. Mr V. Tupa  18. Mr T. Tuavera  19. Mr N. Baker  20. Mr M. Kitai  21. Mrs T. Matapo  22. Mr M. Kitai  23. Mrs A. Armstrong (arrived at 3.08 p.m.)</p>	

Signature: Clerk  Date: 08/06/2021.

Signature: Speaker  Date: 08.06.21

