

**MINUTES**  
**Social Services Committee**  
**Meeting #2 – June 2, 2021**

1. Pursuant to motion, and in accordance with Standing Order 72, the Committee met at 5:30 p.m. in the Assembly Chamber.

2. Present from the Committee were:

Sherry Gambin-Walsh, Placentia - St. Mary's, Chair

Joedy Wall, Cape St. Francis, Vice-Chair

Hon. Pam Parsons, Harbour Grace - Port de Grave substituting for Paul Pike, Burin - Grand Bank

Jeff Dwyer, Placentia West - Bellevue

Jim Dinn, St. John's Centre

Hon. Siobhan Coady, St. John's West substituting for Scott Reid, St. George's - Humber

Hon. Bernard Davis, Virginia Waters - Pleasantville substituting for Lucy Stoyles, Mount Pearl North

Also present:

Paul Lane, Mount Pearl - Southlands

Perry Trimper, Lake Melville

Carlson Young, Researcher, Official Opposition Caucus

Scott Fleming, Researcher, Third Party Caucus

Susan Walsh, Constituency Assistant to MHA for St. John's Centre

3. Appearing from the **Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation (NLHC)** and **Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development** and were:

**NLHC**

Hon. John Abbott, St. John's East - Quidi Vidi

Doug Jackman, Director of Finance

Julia Mullaley, CEO

Melanie Thomas, Director of Policy, Housing and Homelessness

Mike Tizzard, Executive Director, Finance and Corporate Services

**Department of Children, Seniors & Social Development**

Hon. John Abbott, St. John's East - Quidi Vidi

Cynthia King, Director of Income Support Policy and Programs

Sharlene Jones, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services & Performance Improvement

Susan Walsh, Deputy Minister

4. The Committee agreed to allow independent MHAs to participate in the proceedings in the following manner: question time would alternate between the Official Opposition and the New Democratic Party for two turns each and then an independent MHA would be allowed to have a 10 minute turn. In total, 20 minutes was allocated to questions from independent Members.
5. The Committee recessed at 6:56 p.m. and resumed proceedings at 7:14 p.m.
6. The Committee reviewed and passed without amendment the Estimates of the Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development and Newfoundland and Labrador Housing Corporation.
7. On motion of MHA Wall, the Minutes of the meeting of June 1, 2021 (Department of Justice and Public Safety) were adopted as circulated.
8. On motion of MHA Dwyer, the Committee adjourned at 9:22 p.m. to Thursday, June 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. (Department of Education).

**Bobbi Russell**  
Acting Clerk