



EDO STATE

**EDO STATE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA
FIFTH ASSEMBLY
FIRST SESSION
SECOND QUARTER**

NO. 33

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 12th October, 2011

1. The House met at 11.35 a.m. Mr. Speaker took his seat and prayers were said.
2. **Roll Call of Honourable Members:** The Roll Call of Honourable Members was taken as follows:

PRESENT

S/NO.	NAME	CONSTITUENCY
1.	Hon. AGHEDO, Sunday	<i>Ovia South-West</i>
2.	Hon. AISOWIEREN, Patrick	<i>Orhionmwon I</i>
3.	Hon. (Barr.) ALIU, Peter	<i>Etsako East</i>
4.	Hon. EBEA, Festus	<i>Esan South-East</i>
5.	Hon. EDOROR, Victor S.	<i>Esan Central</i>
6.	Hon. EHIGHALUA, Monday E.	<i>Esan West</i>
7.	Hon. EHIGIAMUSOR, Kingsley	<i>Igueben</i>
8.	Hon. IGBE, Uyigue	<i>Oredo West</i>
9.	Hon. ILUOBE, Patrick E.	<i>Esan North-East I</i>
10.	Hon. ISE-IDEHEN, Jude	<i>Ikpoba-Okha</i>
11.	Hon. MOMOH, Abdulrazak Awu	<i>Etsako West I</i>
12.	Hon. OGEDENGBE, Foly Joseph	<i>Owan East</i>
13.	Hon. OGIERHIAKHI, Friday	<i>Orhionmwon II</i>
14.	Hon. OHIO-EZOMO, Michael	<i>Owan West</i>
15.	Hon. (Barr.) OHONBAMU, Paul	<i>Egor</i>
16.	Hon. OKODUWA, Emmanuel	<i>Esan North-East II</i>
17.	Hon. OLORUNTOBA, Simon Bamidele	<i>Akoko-Edo II</i>
18.	Hon. OSAYANDE, Noghayin Bright	<i>Ovia North-East II</i>
19.	Hon. OSAYIMWEN, Patrick	<i>Oredo East</i>
20.	Hon. OSAZEMWINDE, Sunday	<i>Ovia North-East I</i>
21.	Hon. SHAIKU, Philip	<i>Etsako West II</i>

ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

1. Hon. (Alhaji) ADJOTO, Kabiru *Akoko-Edo 1*
2. Hon. OGHUMA, Johnson Egwakhide *Etsako Central*

ABSENT

1. Hon. (Mrs.) ATIVIE, U. Elizabeth *Uhunmwode*

SUMMARY

i.	Hon. Members Present	=	21
ii.	Hon. Members on Official Assignment	=	Nil
iii.	Hon. Members Absent With Apology	=	2
iv.	Hon. Members Absent	=	<u>1</u>
	Total	=	<u>24</u>

3. Approval of Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 11th October, 2011.

Mr. Speaker announced that he had read through, and was satisfied with the Votes and Proceedings of Tuesday, 11th October, 2011, which was thereafter approved by unanimous consent.

4. Appearance of the Honourable Commissioner for Environment and Public Utilities:

On Order being read, Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of an apology letter from the Ministry of Environment and Public Utilities dated 11th October, 2011, titled "Late Submission of Brief on Budget Performance of the Ministry of Environment and Public Utilities" and directed the Clerk to read thus:

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC UTILITIES

2nd Floor, Palm House, Sapele Road

P. M. B. 1023,

Benin City.

Tel: (052) 450179

Our Ref: No. ADM. 47/191

11th October, 2011

The Speaker,
Edo State House of Assembly,
King Square,
Benin City.

LATE SUBMISSION OF BRIEF ON BUDGET PERFORMANCE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC UTILITIES (JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER, 2011)

I wish to apologise on behalf of the Ministry of Environment & Public Utilities on our inability to submit the above mentioned brief before the expiration of the deadline of 7, October, 2011.

This was not intentional, it was occasioned by the fact that the letter came while both the Honourable Commissioner and myself were away for an official assignment; while I returned earlier to prepare the report the Honourable Commissioner was only around on the 10th to approve the report as the Chief Executive Officer of Ministry of Environment & Public Utilities.

The delay is deeply regretted.

Sgd.
Mallam A. H. Ikhelowa
Permanent Secretary,
Ministry of Environment & Public Utilities

cc: To all Members
To Clerk of the House

Above is for your information, please.

Sgd.
Mallam A. H. Ikhelowa
Permanent Secretary,
Ministry of Environment & Public Utilities

Mr. Speaker thereafter sought the leave of the House to enable the Honourable Commissioner present his brief. On the leave of the House, the Honourable Commissioner for Environment and Public Utilities, Mr. Clem Agba and Officials of the Ministry were ushered into the Hallowed Chamber to brief the House on the activities of the Ministry.

He thereafter briefed the House and presented his brief.

Question and Answer Session ensued.

Concluding, Mr. Speaker commended the Hon. Commissioner for his presentation and answers to questions raised by Honourable Members.

5. Appearance of the Honourable Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Development:

On Order being read, and on the leave of the House, the Honourable Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Development, Dr. (Mrs.) Inuimidun Idehen and officials of the Ministry were ushered into the Hallowed Chamber to brief the Honourable House on the activities of the Ministry.

She thereafter briefed the House and presented her brief.

Question and Answer Session ensued.

Debate arising:

Motion made and Question Proposed; That the Brief be stood down till Wednesday, 19th October, 2011.

Hon. Igbe, Uyigue (*Oredo West*).

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

The brief by the Honourable Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Development was accordingly stood down till Wednesday, 19th October, 2011, because it did not contain the income and expenditure of the Ministry.

6. Appearance of The Honourable Commissioner for Transport:

On Order being read, Mr. Speaker announced the receipt of an Apology letter from the Honourable Commissioner for Transport and directed the Clerk to read thus:

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
FORESTRY ROAD,
P.M.B. 1721,
BENIN CITY
EDO STATE, NIGERIA

Our Ref: FIN. 10/128

10th October, 2011

The Clerk of the House,
Edo State House of Assembly,
Kings Square,
Benin City.

Re: Briefing on the Activities of Ministries/Department/Parastatals:

APOLOGY

I am directed to refer to the above subject matter and your circular letter No. HA. 485/Vol. XII/272 dated 29th September, 2011, especially in the area of the non submission of our Ministerial briefs on the 7th of October, 2011.

2. Our inability to beat the deadline was due to the fact that our Hon. Commissioner, Victor Enoghama was engaged in multiple activities with the Comrade Governor so also, the Ag. Permanent Secretary, Oshiokpekhai M. B., who was engaged in gathering some vital documents relating to fire prevention in Abuja to be used here in the last week of October, 2011.

3. We pledge our unalloyed loyalty to this Honourable House as it is not in our character to act ultra vires to the instructions of the House.

4. We hereby tender our unreserved apology to this Honourable House as it will not happen again.

5. Thanks.

Sgd.
Oshiokpekhai M. B.
Ag. Permanent Secretary
for: Hon. Commissioner

Motion made and Question Proposed; That the Honourable Commissioner for Transport do now present his brief.

Hon. Uyi Igbe (Oredo West)

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

The Honourable Commissioner for Transport Hon. Victor Enoghama and Officials of the Ministry were ushered into the Hallowed Chamber to brief the Honourable House on the activities of the Ministry.

He thereafter briefed the House and presented his brief.

Question and Answer Session ensued.

Concluding, Mr. Speaker commended the Honourable Commissioner for the detailed presentation and answers to questions raised by Honourable Members.

7. Appearance of the Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice:

On Order being read, and on the leave of the House, the Honourable Commissioner for Ministry of Justice, Barr. Obayuwana Osagie and officials of the Ministry were ushered into the Hallowed Chamber to brief the Honourable House on the activities of the Ministry.

The Members observed that the contents of the copies of the brief earlier submitted by the Honourable Commissioner were scanty and did not include the income and expenditure of the Ministry. They therefore requested that a new date be fixed for the Honourable Commissioner to brief the Honourable House.

Mr. Speaker thereafter stood down the presentation of the brief and directed the Commissioner to re-appear and brief the House on Tuesday, 18th October, 2011.

8. Adjournment:

Motion made and Question Proposed; That this Honourable House do now adjourn sitting till Monday, 17th October, 2011 at 10.00 a.m. prompt.

Hon. Shaibu Philip (*Etsako West II*)

Question put and ***agreed to Resolved in the affirmative***

Sitting Accordingly Adjourned At Twenty-Five Minutes After Two O’Clock In The Afternoon.

RT. HON. UYIGUE IGBE
(SPEAKER)