

THIRD CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

SESSION DAY	CALENDAR DAY	TIME
Fiftieth Day	July 24, 1995	1:30 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. CALL TO ORDER AND SILENT PRAYER OR MEDITATION
2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS
3. ROLL CALL
4. ADOPTION OF THE JOURNALS

Summary Journal: July 22
Daily Journals: July 21, 22

5. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Committee on Organization and Procedures

Committee on Land and Personal Rights — *Jose Lifaifri*

Committee on Legislative Branch and Public Finance — *Tom Alda*

Committee on Executive Branch and Local Government — *Felix Nogis*

Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices — *Henry H. Schneider*

6. INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
7. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS
8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
9. SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

Calendared for the Committee of the Whole

- Article 6: Local Government (discussion)
- Preamble : (second reading)
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AGENDA NOTES FOR PLENARY SESSION, 7/24

In the Saturday C.O.U.,
the need of the
authority of the chairs
of a Substantive Committee
to close meeting,
Sec. 11(e) of P.L. 9-18.

1. Call to Order and Silent Prayer
2. Preliminary matters

We have four items on the agenda today, and I would like to go for as long as it takes us to dispose of all three.

3. Roll call

APPOINT JOSE LIFOLOI - FLOOR LEADER

4. Adoption of Journals

. Summary Journal from July 22

The Daily Journals from July 21,22

5. Reports of the Committees

. Committee on Organization and Procedures

[SEE ATTACHED NOTES]

. Committee on Land and Personal Rights

. Committee on Legislative Branch and Public Finance

. Committee on Executive Branch and Local Government

. Committee on Judiciary and Other Elected Offices

6. Introduction of Delegate Amendments

7. Motions and Resolutions

8. Unfinished business

9. Special Orders of the Day

Floor Leader: calendar for the Committee of the Whole:

Article 6: Local Government (and Article 3, Section 17) -- first reading
Preamble -- second reading
Article 1 -- second reading
Article 2 -- second reading

President: (vote on the proposed calendar)

Appoint chair. ~ BENNET SEMAN

ASK WHETHER ALL DELEGATES HAVE THE REPORTS TO BE CONSIDERED.

10. General Orders of the Day

Committee of the Whole

(1) Chair Nogis: Article 6 (Local Government)

(2) Vice Chair Aldan-Pierce: Preamble

(3) Vice Chair Aldan-Pierce: Article 1 (Personal Rights)

(4) Chair Aldan: Article 2 (Legislative Branch)

Plenary session

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	7
Preamble, second reading	12	10	*	#	NO <u>FAIL</u>
Article 1, second reading	23				
Article 2, second reading					

11. Miscellaneous Business and Announcements

12. Adjournment

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES
PLENARY SESSION, 7/24

This is the report from the Committee on Organization and Procedures.

The schedule for the rest of the Convention is on your desks and has been posted in the usual places. Basically, we have a plenary session scheduled every afternoon. The schedule tells you what articles we should be considering. We also have committee meetings every morning. The schedule also tells you what articles the committees will be considering, so if you have amendments, you can go to the committee meeting and let them know your views.

We have to double up on committee meetings. The schedule has two time slots for committee meetings each day -- one from 9:00 to 10:45 and the other from 11:00 to 12:45. Our plenary sessions are at 1:30. So two committees will be meeting simultaneously. There is no way around this. When the Land Committee and the Legislative Committee are meeting, there are three delegates who will have conflicts. When the Judiciary Committee and the Executive Committee are meeting, there is one delegate who will have a conflict. There are no conflicts for any of the Tinian and Rota people.

It is extremely important that delegates be on time. One committee meeting will be held here in the Chamber and one will be held in the library. The first committee listed for a particular time slot will meet here, and the second committee listed will meet in the library. If your committee needs more time, just keep going. The next committee will meet in the Senate chamber when necessary. It is important that you consider proposed delegate amendments carefully and get your reports to the floor.

We need to appoint a Style Committee. This committee will be responsible for deciding about the various small changes that the lawyers recommend to get consistency in the wording throughout the Constitution, to correct typos and deal with capitalization, and other things to make the style consistent. These are not substantive changes, but even for small changes we need to have delegates approve anything that is done and report back to the Convention. Under our current schedule, we will be looking at the whole Constitution on August 2, 1995 so this Committee will need to approve the small changes for consistency that the lawyers want to make as we go along this week. I would like to ask Bennet Seman to chair that Committee; and ask the Convention Secretary John Gonzales to serve on this Committee, and Frances Borja also to serve on this Committee. This Committee should also decide the various style matters involved in the formal printing of the Constitution for signature at the end of the Convention.

We also need to appoint a Post-Convention Committee. COP would like to have the suggestions of all the delegates as to who should be on that committee. I need to appoint that committee by the end of this week. The contract that we have with Deanne and Howard extends through the post-convention period, so they will be helping the Post-Con Committee.

Thank you.

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