

STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY
Tuesday, June 23, 2020

MINUTE NO. 49

2:59 p.m. — māmawapiwin náyati room (Room 8)

1. **Present:** Colleen Young in the chair and members Buckley Belanger, Eric Olauson, Cathy Sproule,* Doug Steele, and Lyle Stewart.

Substituting Members

Cathy Sproule for Buckley Belanger (2:59 p.m. – 5:10 p.m. and 7:01 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.)

2. The committee considered the estimates, supplementary estimates, and lending and investing activities estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.

The Minister Responsible for SaskBuilds Corporation and the following officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Gordon Wyant, Minister
Kyle Toffan, President and Chief Executive Officer
Jennifer Ehrmantraut, Chief Financial Officer
Reg Howard, Vice-President, Priority Saskatchewan
Miguel Morrissette, Vice-President, Infrastructure Development
Alicyn Miller, Executive Director, Corporate Services

3. The committee adjourned consideration of the estimates, supplementary estimates, and lending and investing activities estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.
4. The committee recessed from 4:03 p.m. until 4:09 p.m.
5. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.

The Minister of Highways and Infrastructure and the following officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Greg Ottenbreit, Minister
Fred Antunes, Deputy Minister
Tom Lees, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operation and Maintenance
Wayne Gienow, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy, Planning and Regulation
David Munro, Manager, Strategic Planning and Budgeting, Corporate Services

6. The committee recessed from 5:07 p.m. until 5:10 p.m.
7. The committee resumed consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.
8. The committee adjourned consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.
9. The committee recessed from 6:14 p.m. until 7:01 p.m.

10. The committee considered Bill No, 209, *The Saskatchewan Chemical Fertilizer Incentive Act*.

The Minister of Trade and Export Development and the following official appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Jeremy Harrison, Minister
Kent Campbell, Deputy Minister

11. The questions being put on clauses 1 to 25, they were agreed to.

12. It was moved by Mr. Stewart:

That the committee report Bill No. 209, *The Saskatchewan Chemical Fertilizer Incentive Act* without amendment.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

13. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Agriculture.

14. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Agriculture. On motion of Mr. Steele:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Agriculture..... \$361,189,000

15. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Energy and Resources.

16. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Energy and Resources. On motion of Mr. Steele:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Energy and Resources..... \$224,868,000

17. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Environment.

18. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Environment. On motion of Mr. Steele:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Environment..... \$109,785,000

19. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure.

20. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure. On motion of Mr. Steele:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Highways and Infrastructure..... \$714,987,000

21. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Immigration and Career Training.
22. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Immigration and Career Training. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Immigration and Career Training \$175,477,000

23. The committee considered the estimates for Innovation Saskatchewan.
24. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for Innovation Saskatchewan. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Innovation Saskatchewan \$25,727,000

25. The committee considered the estimates for Saskatchewan Research Council.
26. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for Saskatchewan Research Council. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Saskatchewan Research Council..... \$35,108,000

27. The committee considered the estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.
28. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For SaskBuilds Corporation \$24,251,000

29. The committee considered the estimates for the Ministry of Trade and Export Development.

30. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Ministry of Trade and Export Development. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Trade and Export Development \$26,950,000

31. The committee considered the estimates for the Water Security Agency.
32. The committee concluded consideration of the estimates for the Water Security Agency. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2021, the following sum:

For Water Security Agency \$70,506,000

33. The committee considered the lending and investing activities estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.
34. The committee concluded consideration of the lending and investing activities estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.
35. The committee considered the supplementary estimates for the Ministry of Agriculture.
36. The committee concluded consideration of the 2019-20 supplementary estimates for the Ministry of Agriculture. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the following sum:

For Agriculture \$8,200,000

37. The committee considered the supplementary estimates for the Ministry of Environment.
38. The committee concluded consideration of the supplementary estimates for the Ministry of Environment. On motion of Mr. Stewart:

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2020, the following sum:

For Environment..... \$174,500,000

39. The committee considered the supplementary lending and investing activities estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.
40. The committee concluded consideration of the supplementary lending and investing activities estimates for SaskBuilds Corporation.
41. It was moved by Mr. Steele:

That the eighth report of the Standing Committee on the Economy be adopted and presented to the Assembly.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

42. It was moved by Mr. Stewart:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

43. The committee adjourned at 7:45 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Anne Drake
Committee Clerk

Colleen Young
Chair