

STANDING COMMITTEE ON CROWN AND CENTRAL AGENCIES
Monday, August 23, 2021

MINUTE NO. 7
8:30 a.m. — Legislative Chamber

1. **Present:** Terry Dennis in the chair and members Daryl Harrison, Terry Jenson, Tim McLeod,* Derek Meyers,* Erika Ritchie, Nicole Sarauer,* Dana Skoropad, and Aleana Young.*

Substituting Members

Tim McLeod for Greg Lawrence
Derek Meyers for Steven Bonk
Nicole Sarauer for Erika Ritchie (1:00 p.m. – 1:44 p.m.)
Aleana Young for Erika Ritchie (8:30 a.m. – 11:58 a.m.)

Provincial Auditor's Office

Tara Clemett, Acting Provincial Auditor
Kelly Deis, Deputy Provincial Auditor
Carolyn O'Quinn, Deputy Provincial Auditor
Linda Klassen, Principal
Kim Lowe, Principal

2. The following documents were tabled:

Public Service Commission: Responses to questions raised at the April 21, 2021 meeting
(CCA 11-29)

SaskBuilds: Responses to questions raised at the April 29, 2021 meeting
(CCA 12-29)

Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan: Report of public losses, April 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021
(CCA 13-29)

3. The Chair advised the committee that pursuant to rule 145(1), the following documents were committed to the committee:

Saskatchewan Government Insurance Superannuation Plan: 2020 annual report
(Sessional paper no. 132)

Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation:
2020–21 annual report
SGC Holdings Inc. financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021
(Sessional paper no. 158)

Saskatchewan Opportunities Corporation: 2020–21 annual report
(Sessional paper no. 159)

Saskatchewan Water Corporation: 2020–21 annual report
(Sessional paper no. 160)

SGI Canada: 2020–21 annual report
(Sessional paper no. 161)

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Saskatchewan Auto Fund: 2020–21 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 162)
SGI Canada Insurance Services Ltd.: 2020 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 163)
Coachman Insurance Company: 2020 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 164)
SaskEnergy: 2020–21 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 165)
SaskEnergy: 2020-21 SaskEnergy Incorporated and subsidiaries financial statements SaskEnergy Incorporated TransGas Limited Bayhurst Gas Limited	(Sessional paper no. 166)
Saskatchewan Power Corporation: 2020–21 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 167)
Power Corporation Superannuation Plan: 2020 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 168)
NorthPoint Energy Solutions Inc.: 2020–21 financial statements	(Sessional paper no. 169)
SaskTel: 2020–21 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 171)
Saskatchewan Telecommunications: Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021	(Sessional paper no. 172)
Saskatchewan Telecommunications International Inc.: Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021	(Sessional paper no. 173)
DirectWest Corporation: Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021	(Sessional paper no. 174)
SecurTek Monitoring Solutions Inc.: Financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021	(Sessional paper no. 175)
Saskatchewan Telecommunications Pension Plan: Annual report for the year ended March 31, 2021	(Sessional paper no. 176)
Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan: 2020–21 annual report	(Sessional paper no. 177)
Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan: CIC Asset Management Inc. financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021	(Sessional paper no. 178)

Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan: First Nations and Métis Fund Inc. financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021

(Sessional paper no. 179)

Crown Investments Corporation of Saskatchewan: Saskatchewan Immigrant Investor Fund Inc. financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2021

(Sessional paper no. 180)

Capital Pension Plan: 2020–21 annual report

(Sessional paper no. 181)

4. The committee considered the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 2, chapter 48, Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies; and 2020 report volume 2, chapter 46, Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.
5. The committee concluded consideration of the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 2, chapter 48, Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies; and 2020 report volume 2, chapter 46, Standing Committee on Crown and Central Agencies.
6. The committee recessed from 8:42 a.m. until 8:45 a.m.
7. The committee considered the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 1, chapter 11, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Monitoring Fines from the Automated Speed Enforcement Program; and 2020 report volume 1, chapter 23, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Confirming Only Qualified Drivers Remain Licensed.

The Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance and the following officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Andrew Cartmell, President and Chief Executive Officer

Penny McCune, Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer, Auto Fund

Jeff Stepan, Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer

Tamara Therrien, Executive Vice-President and Chief Human Resources Officer

Kwei Quaye, Vice-President, Traffic Safety

Meghan Moormann, Director, Driver Records

8. The committee concurred with recommendation 1 made at page 179 of the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 1, chapter 11, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Monitoring Fines from the Automated Speed Enforcement Program:

We recommend that Saskatchewan Government Insurance maintain enforceable formal written contracts with each party that is key to delivering its automated speed enforcement program.

The committee noted that Saskatchewan Government Insurance has complied with the recommendation.

9. The committee concurred with recommendation 2 made at page 181 of the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 1, chapter 11, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Monitoring Fines from the Automated Speed Enforcement Program:

We recommend that Saskatchewan Government Insurance consistently enforce all provisions of its automated speed enforcement program contracts with participating municipal police services.

The committee noted that Saskatchewan Government Insurance has complied with the recommendation.

10. The committee concurred with recommendation 3 made at page 182 of the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 1, chapter 11, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Monitoring Fines from the Automated Speed Enforcement Program:

We recommend that Saskatchewan Government Insurance periodically determine whether its service provider sufficiently maintains the integrity of data in the IT system the service provider uses to process automated speed enforcement program fines.

The committee noted that Saskatchewan Government Insurance has complied with the recommendation.

11. The committee concurred with recommendation 4 made at page 184 of the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 1, chapter 11, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Monitoring Fines from the Automated Speed Enforcement Program:

We recommend that Saskatchewan Government Insurance periodically determine whether its service provider or police services of participating municipal governments rejected automated speed enforcement program photograph violations in accordance with its policies.

The committee noted that Saskatchewan Government Insurance has complied with the recommendation.

12. The committee concluded consideration of the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 23, Saskatchewan Government Insurance — Confirming Only Qualified Drivers Remain Licensed.
13. The committee considered the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SGI Canada annual reports; the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Auto Fund annual reports; the 2019 and 2020 SGI Canada Insurance Services Ltd. annual reports; the 2019 and 2020 Coachman Insurance Company annual reports; and the 2019 and 2020 SGI Superannuation Plan annual reports.

The Minister Responsible for Saskatchewan Government Insurance and the following officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Andrew Cartmell, President and Chief Executive Officer

Penny McCune, Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer, Auto Fund

Jeff Stepan, Executive Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer

Tamara Therrien, Executive Vice-President and Chief Human Resources Officer

Kwei Quaye, Vice-President, Traffic Safety

Meghan Moormann, Director, Driver Records

14. The committee recessed from 10:34 a.m. until 10:46 p.m.
15. The committee resumed its consideration of the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SGI Canada annual reports; the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Auto Fund annual reports; the 2019 and 2020 SGI Canada Insurance Services Ltd. annual reports; the 2019 and 2020 Coachman Insurance Company annual reports; and the 2019 and 2020 SGI Superannuation Plan annual reports.
16. It was moved by Mr. Harrison:

That the committee conclude its consideration of the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SGI Canada annual reports; the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Auto Fund annual reports; the 2019 and 2020 SGI Canada Insurance Services Ltd. annual reports; the 2019 and 2020 Coachman Insurance Company annual reports; and the 2019 and 2020 SGI Superannuation Plan annual reports.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

17. The committee recessed from 11:58 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
18. The committee considered the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation annual reports and SGC Holdings Inc. financial statements for the years ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2021.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Susan Flett, President and Chief Executive Officer
John Amundson, Senior Vice-President, Finance and Information Technology
Blaine Pilatzke, Vice-President, Corporate Services
Steve Tunison, Vice-President, Marketing and Strategic Planning
Ariane Whiting, Senior Communications Consultant

19. It was moved by Mr. Jenson:

That the committee conclude its consideration of the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation annual reports and SGC Holdings Inc. financial statements for the years ended March 31, 2020 and March 31, 2021.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

20. The committee considered the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 2, chapter 38, Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation — Minimizing Employee Absenteeism.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Susan Flett, President and Chief Executive Officer
John Amundson, Senior Vice-President, Finance and Information Technology
Blaine Pilatzke, Vice-President, Corporate Services
Steve Tunison, Vice-President, Marketing and Strategic Planning
Ariane Whiting, Senior Communications Consultant

21. The committee concluded consideration of the Provincial Auditor's 2019 report volume 2, chapter 38, Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation — Minimizing Employee Absenteeism.
22. The committee recessed from 1:44 p.m. until 1:58 p.m.
23. The committee considered the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 31, Saskatchewan Water Corporation — Purchasing Goods and Services.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Doug Matthies, President
Jacquie Gibney, Vice-President, Corporate and Customer Service
Eric Light, Vice-President, Operations and Engineering
Trevor Boese, Senior Accountant

24. The committee concluded consideration of the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 31, Saskatchewan Water Corporation — Purchasing Goods and Services.
25. The committee considered the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Water Corporation annual reports.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Doug Matthies, President
Jacquie Gibney, Vice-President, Corporate and Customer Service
Eric Light, Vice-President, Operations and Engineering
Trevor Boese, Senior Accountant

26. It was moved by Mr. McLeod:

That the committee conclude its consideration of the 2019–20 and 2020–21 Saskatchewan Water Corporation annual reports.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

27. The committee recessed from 3:08 p.m. until 3:14 p.m.

28. The committee considered the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 11, SaskEnergy — Keeping Existing Transmission Pipelines Operating Safely.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister
Ken From, President and Chief Executive Officer
Kevin Adair, Executive Vice-President, Customer Service Operations
Mark Guillet, Executive Vice-President, Stakeholder Engagement, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary
Christine Short, Executive Vice-President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer
Alana Johnson, Director, Strategic Communications

29. The committee concurred with recommendation 1 made at page 143 of the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 11, SaskEnergy — Keeping Existing Transmission Pipelines Operating Safely:

We recommend SaskEnergy Incorporated document the rationale for how often it carries out each of its transmission pipeline inspection activities.

The committee noted that SaskEnergy Incorporated has complied with the recommendation.

30. The committee concurred with recommendation 2 made at page 148 of the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 11, SaskEnergy — Keeping Existing Transmission Pipelines Operating Safely:

We recommend SaskEnergy Incorporated implement timeframes for including the results of inspections of transmission pipelines into its risk-modelling IT system.

The committee noted that SaskEnergy Incorporated has complied with the recommendation.

31. The committee concurred with recommendation 3 made at page 148 of the Provincial Auditor's 2020 report volume 1, chapter 11, SaskEnergy — Keeping Existing Transmission Pipelines Operating Safely:

We recommend SaskEnergy Incorporated include the results of key inspection activities and repairs done during the year in its pipeline data storage IT system within specified timelines.

The committee noted that SaskEnergy Incorporated has complied with the recommendation.

32. The committee considered the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SaskEnergy annual reports; and the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SaskEnergy Incorporated and subsidiaries financial statements.

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

Witnesses

Hon. Don Morgan, Minister

Ken From, President and Chief Executive Officer

Kevin Adair, Executive Vice-President, Customer Service Operations

Mark Guillet, Executive Vice-President, Stakeholder Engagement, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

Christine Short, Executive Vice-President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

33. It was moved by Mr. Jensen:

That the committee conclude its consideration of the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SaskEnergy annual reports; and the 2019–20 and 2020–21 SaskEnergy Incorporated and subsidiaries financial statements.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

34. It was moved by Mr. Harrison:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

35. The committee adjourned at 5:00 p.m. until Tuesday, August 24, 2021 at 8:00 a.m.