

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE ECONOMY**  
**Monday, April 20, 2015**

**MINUTE NO. 30**  
**4:18 p.m. – Māwawapiwin Room (Room 8)**

1. **Present:** Gene Makowsky in the Chair and Members Larry Doke, Bill Hutchinson, Victoria Jurgens, Delbert Kirsch, Kevin Phillips\*, Cathy Sproule\*, Don Toth and Trent Wotherspoon.

**Substituting Members**

Kevin Phillips for Bill Hutchinson (4:18 p.m. – 5:19 p.m. only)

Cathy Sproule for Trent Wotherspoon (4:18 p.m. – 5:19 p.m. only)

**Other Members**

John Nilson

2. The committee considered the Estimates for Innovation Saskatchewan.

The following Innovation Saskatchewan Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Jeremy Harrison, Minister Responsible for Immigration, Tourism Saskatchewan, Innovation and Trade

Jerome Konecsni, Chief Executive Officer

David Grier, Chief Strategist

David Katz, Chief Science and Policy Officer

3. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for Innovation Saskatchewan.

4. The committee considered the Estimates for Saskatchewan Research Council.

The following Saskatchewan Research Council Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Jeremy Harrison, Minister Responsible for Immigration, Tourism Saskatchewan, Innovation and Trade

Laurier Schramm, President and Chief Executive Officer

Ryan Hill, Vice-President, Business Ventures

Wanda Nyirfa, Vice-President, Finance

5. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for Saskatchewan Research Council.

6. The committee recessed from 5:19 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

7. The following document was tabled:

**ECO 17/27 – Innovation Saskatchewan:** Contractual Services and Grants/Sponsorship Suppliers  
April 2014 – March 2015.



8. The committee considered the Estimates for the Ministry of the Economy.

The following Economy Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Ministry of the Economy:

Hon. Bill Boyd, Minister

Laurie Pushor, Deputy Minister

Denise Haas, Chief Financial Officer, Revenue and Corporate Services

Chris Dekker, Associate Deputy Minister, Economic Development

Ed Dancsok, Assistant Deputy Minister, Petroleum and Natural Gas

Michael Mitchell, Assistant Deputy Minister, Performance and Strategic Initiatives

Hal Sanders, Assistant Deputy Minister, Minerals, Land and Resource Policy Division

Joanne Johnson, Executive Director, Marketing and Communications

Global Transportation Hub

Byran Richards, President and Chief Executive Officer

9. The committee adjourned consideration of the Estimates for the Ministry of the Economy.

10. It was moved by Mr. Toth:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

11. The committee adjourned at 9:58 p.m. until April 21, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

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Stacey Ursulescu  
Committee Clerk

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Gene Makowsky  
Committee Chair