

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS AND INFRASTRUCTURE  
June 15, 2004**

**MINUTE NO. 7  
3:00 p.m. - Chamber**

1. **Present:** Mr. Harper in the Chair and Members Allchurch, Bjornerud, Borgerson\*, Draude, Hart\*, Serby\* and Trew.

**Substituting Members**

Mr. Borgerson for Ms. Morin

Mr. Hart for Mr. Bjornerud (from 7:00 p.m. until 9:05 p.m.)

Mr. Serby for Mr. Wartman

**Other Members**

Mr. Elhard, Mr. Sonntag, Mr. Wakefield, Mr. Weekes

2. The committee considered Bill No. 71 - The City of Lloydminster Act, 2004.

The following Department of Government Relations and Aboriginal Affairs Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Len Taylor, Minister

Keith Comstock, Policy Manager, Municipal Relations Division

Noela Bamford, Senior Policy and Legislative Analyst, Municipal Relations Division

Ray Petrich, Crown Counsel, Civil Law Division, Department of Justice

3. The question being put on Clauses 1 to 16, they were agreed to.
4. On motion of Mr. Trew:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 71 - The City of Lloydminster Act, 2004 - without amendment.

5. The committee then considered the Estimates for the Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan.

The following Municipal Financing Corporation Minister appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witness

Hon. Len Taylor, Minister

6. The committee concluded its consideration of the Estimates for the Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan.

7. The committee considered Bill No. 23 - The Regional Parks Amendment Act, 2004.

The following Department of Environment Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. David Forbes, Minister

Dave Phillips, Assistant Deputy Minister, Resource and Environmental Stewardship Division

Susan Graham, Resource and Environmental Stewardship Division

Bob McEachern, Manager, Parks Business Services, Resource and Environmental Stewardship Division

8. The question being put on Clauses 1 to 11, they were agreed to.

9. On motion of Mr. Trew:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 23 - The Regional Parks Amendment Act, 2004 - without amendment.

10. The committee considered Bill No. 33 - The Archives Act, 2004.

The following Department of Government Relations and Aboriginal Affairs Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witnesses

Hon. Joan Beatty, Minister

Ron Wight, Executive Director, Recreation and Corporate Services

Trevor Powell, Provincial Archivist, Saskatchewan Archives

Don Herperger, Director, Government Records Branch, Saskatchewan Archives

11. The question being put on Clauses 1 to 38, they were agreed to.

12. On motion of Mr. Trew:

Ordered, That the committee report Bill No. 33 - The Archives Act, 2004 - without amendment.

13. The committee then considered the Estimates for Northern Affairs.

The following Department of Northern Affairs Minister and officials appeared before the committee and answered questions:

Witness

Hon. Buckley Belanger, Minister

Glenn McKenzie, Acting Deputy Minister

Richard Turkheim, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister

Anita Jones, Executive Director, Planning and Performance Management

Cheryl Stecyk, Director, Business Affairs and Human Resources

14. On motion of Mr. Trew:

**Main Estimates, 2004-2005**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2005 the sum:

*Executive Branch of Government*

For Northern Affairs ..... \$5,225,000.00

*Lending and Investing Activities*

For Northern Affairs ..... \$2,010,000.00

15. The committee then considered the Estimates for the Department of Highways and Transportation.

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

Witness

Hon. Maynard Sonntag, Minister

Harvey Brooks, Deputy Minister

Terry Schmidt, Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations

Don Wincherauk, Assistant Deputy Minister, Corporate Services

Terry Blomme, Executive Director, Southern Region

Fred Antunes, Director, Operations, Planning and Business Support

Mike Makowsky, Director, Transportation, Trade and Logistics

Cathy Lynn Borbely, Manager, Business Development

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

17. On motion of Mr. Trew:

**Main Estimates, 2004-2005**

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2005 the sum:

*Executive Branch of Government*

For Highways and Transportation..... \$169,182,000.00

*Lending and Investing Activities*

For Highways and Transportation..... \$1,050,000.00

Resolved, that there be granted to Her Majesty for the twelve months ending March 31, 2005, the following sums, which to the extent that they remain unexpended for the fiscal year are also granted for the fiscal year ending on March 31, 2006:

*Executive Branch of Government*

For Highways and Transportation Capital..... \$125,565,000.00

18. The committee considered its First Report of the 25<sup>th</sup> Legislature. It was then moved by Ms. Draude:

That the First Report of the Standing Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs and Infrastructure be adopted.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

19. It was moved by Mr. Trew:

That this committee do now adjourn.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

20. The committee adjourned at 9:05 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

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Margaret A. Woods  
Committee Clerk

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Ron Harper  
Committee Chair