

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
May 15, 1986

MINUTE NO. 7
May 15, 1986 at 9:00 a.m.

1. PRESENT: Mr. Shillington in the Chair, and Members Engel, Glauser, Katzman, Weiman and Young

Provincial Auditor's Office

W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
B. Atkinson, Deputy Provincial Auditor
J. Hunt, Deputy Provincial Auditor
A. Martens, Audit Manager
O. Endicott, Senior Audit Assistant

Comptroller's Office

G. Kraus, Comptroller
G. Benson, Deputy Provincial Comptroller

2. The Chairman introduced and welcomed to the Committee as a guest, Mr. Eddie Bright, Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Parliament of The Gambia.
3. An *in camera* briefing session was held regarding today's agenda.
4. **Public Hearing: Department of Finance** (continued).

Witnesses

David Heron, Deputy Minister
Morley Meiklejohn, Assistant Deputy Minister
Dan Baldwin, Manager, Corporate Services Branch
Dennis Polowyk, Assistant Director, Cash & Debt Management Branch
Keith Mackrill, Director of Administration
Barry Petursson, Manager of Mortgage and Real Estate Investment Branch

5. The Committee considered item 2.7(2) of the Provincial Auditor's Report and agreed that the Department of Finance submit a report to the Committee based on Saskatchewan's needs relative to the evolution and nation-wide implementation of CICA standards for general purpose summary financial statements.
6. The Committee considered item 2.7 (3a) of the Provincial Auditor's Report respecting government investments which could be made in contravention of restrictions on the Government purchase of allowable securities and resolved that the Comptroller submit a report to the Committee as soon as possible on a solution to the problem.
7. The Committee considered items 2.7 (4-6) of the Provincial Auditor's Report respecting SaskPen Properties Ltd. and adjourned resolution of the matter until the next meeting.
8. It was moved by Mr. Katzman:

That item 2.11(8) of the 1985 Provincial Auditor's Report respecting Members of the Legislative Assembly Superannuation Fund be referred to the Board of Internal Economy.

A debate arising and the question being put, it was agreed to.

9. The Committee adjourned at 11:10 a.m. until Thursday, May 22, 1986 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 10.

Agenda:

Department of Finance (9:00 a.m.)
Department of Health (standby)

PROGRESS

The following departments, boards, commissions, agencies, or crown corporations have been selected for committee scrutiny, pursuant to issues raised in the 1985 Provincial Auditor's Report, the Public Accounts of the Province of Saskatchewan and the respective agency's annual reports for the year under review. The anticipated hearing section is subject to change.

HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Municipal Employees' Superannuation Commission

ANTICIPATED HEARINGS

Department of Advanced Education and Manpower
Department of Agriculture
Saskatchewan Computer Utility Corporation
Department of Cooperation and Cooperative Development
Department of Finance
Department of Health
Indian and Native Affairs Secretariat
Department of justice
Department of Revenue and Financial Services
Saskatchewan Forest Products Corporation
Department of Social Services
Department of Tourism and Small Business
Saskatchewan Research Council