

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
September 29, 1987

MINUTE NO. 8
September 29, 1987 at 8:00 a.m.

1. PRESENT: Members Tchorzewski in the Chair, and Members Lyons, Martin, Martens, Muirhead, Muller, Neudorf, Rolfes, Van Mulligen.

Provincial Auditor's Office

W.G. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
G.F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
J. Ferguson, Audit Manager
M. Ahmed, Audit Manager

Comptroller's Office

G. Kraus, Comptroller
C. Bayda, Financial Analyst

2. The following document was tabled in Committee:

PAC 13/86-87 — Interim response from Department of Finance requested by the Committee.

3. PUBLIC HEARING: SASKATCHEWAN FOREST PRODUCTS

Douglas Barclay, General Manager
Fred Hachey, Controller

4. With respect to Saskatchewan Forest Products, the Committee agreed to flag for the Committee's report, the issue of the lack of adequate internal control procedures some of which have been reported by the Provincial Auditor for three years.

5. **Hearing Completed:** Saskatchewan Forest Products, 1984-85

6. PUBLIC HEARING: DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM & SMALL BUSINESS

Ken McNabb, Acting Deputy Minister
Harvey Murchison, Director of Administration
Jim Zatulsky, Financial Consultant

7. The Committee requested information to be provided by the department detailing with respect to out-of-province travel in 1984-85 and 1985-86 by the Minister and departmental officials the following:

- (a) destination
- (b) purpose of trip
- (c) cost of trip
- (d) list of individuals who attended on each trip.

8. The Committee requested an itemization of the services provided to the department in 1984-85 and 1985-86 by the Department of Supply and Services.

9. The Committee requested a list of contractual services received by the Department in 1984-85 and 1985-86 including the purpose of the contract, the cost and whom the contract was with.

10. The Committee requested a detailed breakdown of the item "Provisions and Business Expenses" in the Public Accounts of 1984-85 for the Department.
11. The Committee requested a detailed breakdown of the item "Electoral Representation, Ministers of the Crown and Sessional Staff" in the Public Accounts of 1984-85 for the department.
12. The Committee requested a breakdown of the expenses incurred by the Minister's office and his staff in the 1984-85 and 1985-86 fiscal years.
13. The Committee requested the Department to provide the Committee with information with respect to the purpose and use of the grant given to the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce.
14. The Committee requested the Department to provide information respecting the purpose of the grant to Methy Construction and Maintenance Corporation.
15. The Committee requested the Department to provide the purpose of the grants made to Mercury Printers Ltd., Roman Marble Products Ltd. and Zero Energy Products Ltd. under subvote 12 "Industrial Technical Assistance" in the 1984-85 Public Accounts.
16. The Department agreed to provide explanations of various other third party grants listed in subvote 25 of 1984-85 Public Accounts.
17. Department of Tourism & Small Business: Hearing Adjourned until October 4, 1987.
18. The Committee adjourned at 10:30 a.m. until Thursday, October 1, 1987 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 10.

Agenda

Crown Management Board

Department of Finance (1984-85 and 1985-86)

(Revenue & Financial Services 1985-86, Municipal Employees Superannuation Commission, 1985-86)

PRIORITY LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO BE CALLED

Tourism and Small Business (1984-85)
Crown Management Board
Finance (1984-85 and 1985-86) including Revenue and Finance Services (1985-86) and Municipal Employee's Superannuation Commission (1985-86)
Education (1985-86) including Advanced Education and Manpower (1984-85 and 1985-86)
Indian & Native Affairs Secretariat (1984-85 and 1985-86)
Justice (1984-85 and 1985-86)
Agricultural Credit Corporation (1985-86)
Agriculture (1985-86)
Consumer and Commercial Affairs (1985-86)
Health (1985-86)
Social Services (1985-86)
Supply & Services (Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation) (1985-86)
Westank Industries — SEDCO (1985-86)
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation (1985-86)
Saskatchewan Power Corporation (1985-86)
Economic Development and Trade (1985-86)
Saskatchewan Crop Insurance (1985-86)

HEARINGS CONCLUDED

Saskatchewan Forest Products (1984-85)