

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

April 6, 1989

MINUTE NO. 6

April 6, 1989 at 8:30 a.m.

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Van Mulligen in the Chair and the following Members: Lyons, Martens, Martin, Muller, Neudorf and Rolfes

Officials

Provincial Auditor's Office

W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor
M. Heffernan, Deputy Provincial Auditor
E. Montgomery, Audit Manager

Comptroller's Office

G. Kraus, Provincial Comptroller
T. Paton, A/Director, Financial Management Branch

2. **Public Hearing: Office of Executive Council (continued)**

Witnesses:

Larry Martin, Deputy Minister to the Premier and Cabinet Secretariat
Ron Hewitt, Associate Deputy Minister and Clerk of Executive Council
Don Wincherauk, Director of Administration
Bonita Heidt, Administration Officer

3. Mr. Martin, Office of Executive Council Tabled the following documents:

PAC 4/89 – Office of Executive Council — Computer Hardware & Software Purchase \$250,000 Expenditure, 1986-87

PAC 5/89 – List of Firms Who Responded to the Request for Proposal

PAC 6/89 – Dome Media Buying Services and Dome Advertising Expenditures, 1986-87

4. At the request of Mr. Rolfes, Mr. Martin, Office of Executive Council agreed to provide the Committee with the number of man-hours expended for contractual services by each branch of the Office of Executive Council and also the amount expended on part-time work.
5. At the request of Mr. Rolfes, Mr. Martin agreed to provide the Committee with the basis of grants given to Manitoba — North Dakota Zero Tillage Association (reference to grant; Public Accounts of Saskatchewan, 1986-87, Volume 3, p. 180).
6. At the request of Mr. Van Mulligen, Mr. Martin agreed to provide the Committee with regard to the Office of Executive Council with particulars for the dates, purpose, destination and mode of travel of Mr. S.H. Petersen.

7. At the request of Mr. Van Mulligen, Mr. Martin agreed to provide the Committee with a detailed list of services and goods supplied to the Office of Executive Council by McLean and Associates Communication Consultants.
8. At the request of Mr. Lyons, Mr. Martin agreed to provide the Committee with a list of the principals and the basic services supplied to the Office of Executive Council by: MFB Associates; Professional Computer Centre; Public Affairs Communications Management Inc.
9. At the request of Mr. Lyons, Mr. Martin agreed to provide the Committee with the reason by the Office of Executive Council chartered an aircraft from West Winch Aviation for travel to the Western Governors Meeting, (Columbus, Ohio, rather than utilising a government aircraft.
10. It was moved by Mr. Neudorf:

That the hearing on the Office of Executive Council be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

11. **Public Hearing: Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (continuing)**

Witnesses:

Otto Cutts, President
Shirley Raab, Vice President, Finance & Administration
Ian Laidlaw, Vice President, Operations & Services
Norm Drummond, Corporate Controller
Les Handford, Director, Financial Planning Branch

12. The Committee adjourned at 10:30 a.m. until Tuesday, April 11, 1989 at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda

8:30 a.m. — Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation (continuing)

9:00 a.m. — Department of Energy and Mines

PRIORITY LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO BE CALLED

Department of Finance (including Department of Revenue and Financial Services and Municipal Employees Superannuation Commission)
Department of Supply and Services and the Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation
Department of Energy and Mines
Department of Education & Department of Advanced Education
Department of Highways
Department of Economic Development and Trade (now Department of Trade and Investment)
Department of Tourism and Small Business (now Department of Economic Development and Trade)
Provincial Secretary
Department of Justice
Employment Development Agency (now Human Resources Labour and Employment)
Department of Labour (now Human Resources Labour and Employment)
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation
Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Credit Corporation
Agricultural Development Corporation
Department of Social Services
Department of Health
Public Service Commission
Department of Environment
Department of Science and Technology
Crown Investments Corporation
Westank (SEDCO)
Department of Consumer and Commercial Affairs
Department of Parks & Renewable Resources and Department of Culture & Recreation (now Parks, Recreation & Culture) —
hearings began but may be called back
Office of the Provincial Auditor

HEARINGS CONCLUDED SUBJECT TO RECALL

Department of Parks & Renewable Resources and Department of Culture & Recreation (now Parks, Recreation & Culture)
Department of Finance (including Department of Revenue and Financial Services and Municipal Employees)
Office of Executive Council