

STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

May 16, 1989

Minute No. 12

May 16, 1989 at 8:30 a.m.

1. **PRESENT:** Mr. Van Mulligen in the Chair and the following Members: Anguish, Hopfner, Martens, Martin, Neudorf, Rolfes and Wolfe

Officials

Provincial Auditor's Office

W. Lutz, Provincial Auditor
F. Wendel, Assistant Provincial Auditor

M. Heffernan, Deputy Provincial Auditor
E. Montgomery, Audit Manager
B. Atkinson, Deputy Provincial Auditor

Comptroller's Office

C. Bayda, Senior Analyst, Financial Management Branch
P. Knecht, Director, Central Accounting Branch
B. Swystun, Senior Analyst, Financial Management Branch

3. **Public Hearing:** Department of Agriculture

Witnesses:

Jack Drew, Deputy Minister
Stuart Kramer, Assistant Deputy Minister
Ken Petruic, Department Accountant, Administrative Services Branch

4. The following documents were tabled by the Department of Agriculture:

PAC 17/88-89 — List of ministerial staff for the fiscal year 1986-87

PAC 18/88-89 — Expenditures Explanation on Counselling and Assistance for Farmers

PAC 19/88-89 — Expenditures Explanation on Farm Land Security Board

5. At the request of Mr. Rolfes, Mr. Drew agreed to provide the Committee with written answers to several questions.
6. At the request of Mr. Anguish, Mr. Drew agreed to provide the Committee with written answers to certain questions.
7. It was moved by Mr. Hopfner:

That the hearing of the Department of Agriculture be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

8. It was moved by Mr. Neudorf:

That this Committee authorize, under sections 50(3)(k) and 54 of *The Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act*, the attendance of two Members of the Committee and the Committee Clerk at the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Canadian Council of Public Accounts Committees to be held in Edmonton, Alberta July 9-12, 1989.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

9. **Public Hearing:** Agricultural Credit Corporation

Witnesses:

Norm Ballagh, President
Morley Machin, Vice-President, Administration
Barry Miller, Director, Finance

10. At the request of Mr. Rolfes, Mr. Ballagh agreed to provide the Committee with written answers to several questions.

11. It was moved by Mr. Martens:

That the hearing of the Agricultural Credit Corporation be concluded subject to recall, if necessary, for further questions.

The question being put, it was agreed to.

12. **Public Hearing:** Department of Social Services

Witnesses:

Henry Kutarna, Deputy Minister
Allan Hansen, Assistant Deputy Minister
Ray Barnhard, Assistant Deputy Minister
Larry Moffatt, Director, Community Programs
Dan Perrins, Executive Director, Family Services
Donna Young, Director, Child Care
Garry Glasser, Assistant Director, Financial Services

13. At the request of Mr. Anguish, Mr. Kutarna agreed to provide the Committee, if possible, with written answers to certain questions.

14. The Committee adjourned at 10:37 a.m. until Thursday, May 18, 1989 at 8:30 a.m. in Room 10.

Agenda:

8:30 - Department of Social Services (continuing)

8:45 - Department of Health
9:00 - Department of Environment
9:30 - Crown Investments Corporation
9:45 - Department of Highways

Charles Robert
Committee Clerk

H.H. Van Mulligen
Chairman

PRIORITY LIST OF DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO BE CALLED

Department of Highways
Saskatchewan Housing Corporation
Department of Health
Department of Environment
Crown Investments Corporation
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 Supply and Services and the Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation
Department of Energy and Mines
Department of Education & Department of Advanced Education
Department of Economic Development and Trade (now Department of Trade and Investment)
Department of Tourism and Small Business (now Department of Economic Development and Tourism)
Provincial Secretary
Department of Justice
Department of Labour (now Human Resources Labour and Employment)
Department of Agriculture
Agricultural Credit Corporation
Agricultural Development Corporation

HEARINGS ADJOURNED SUBJECT TO RECALL

Department of Finance (including Department of Revenue and Financial Services and Municipal Employees)
Office of Executive Council
Department of Social Services