

Yukon Legislative Assembly

Standing Committee on Public Accounts

35th Yukon Legislative Assembly

MINUTES

Meeting No. 2 Monday, June 7, 2021 Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts met in camera this day at 2:00 p.m., the Chair, Currie Dixon, presiding.

Members present: Currie Dixon, Chair,

Kate White, Vice-Chair,

Scott Kent,

Hon. Jeanie McLean (by videoconference), and Hon. Richard Mostyn (by videoconference).

Also present: Allison Lloyd, Clerk to the Committee

Officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada (by

videoconference at 2:30 p.m.):

Casey Thomas, Assistant Auditor General,

Glenn Wheeler, Principal,

Tammy Meagher, Director, and Marie-Josée Gougeon, Director.

Approval of Agenda

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White,

THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 2 of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be amended to reverse the order of the items "Approval of Minutes of Meeting 1 (June 1, 2021)" and "Committee Meeting Minutes".

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Kent, seconded by Ms. White, THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 2 be adopted as amended.

Committee Meeting Minutes

The committee reviewed a briefing note on meeting minutes prepared by the Clerk to the Committee.

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Kent, THAT the minutes of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts of the 35th Legislative Assembly be made available to the public and posted to the committee's webpage by the Clerk to the Committee, unless a committee member proposes that a substantive change is required within 24 hours of the draft minutes being distributed to committee members.

Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 1 (June 1, 2021)

Committee members noted a typographical error in the draft minutes.

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Kent, seconded by Ms. White, THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 1 (June 1, 2021) of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as amended.

Follow-up on Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon – Department of Education

The committee discussed a letter, dated June 2, 2021, from Yvonne Clarke, Member for Porter Creek Centre, requesting that the Standing Committee on Public Accounts conduct a follow-up study on the June 2019 Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon – Department of Education.

Further discussion was deferred to after the appearance of officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada.

Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Mental Health Services in Rural Yukon – Department of Health and Social Services

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(3), the Standing Committee on Public Accounts considered a report of the Auditor General.

As agreed at Meeting No. 1, on June 1, 2021, the committee met with officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada via videoconference at 2:30 p.m.

Ms. Thomas made an opening statement and, along with Mr. Wheeler and Ms. Meagher, answered questions from committee members.

Ms. Thomas, Mr. Wheeler, Ms. Meagher and Ms. Gougeon were excused from the meeting at 2:59 p.m.

Follow-up on Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon – Department of Education

The committee continued discussion on the letter from Ms. Clarke.

Further discussion was deferred to a future meeting.

Orientation Session with the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation and the Office of the Auditor General of Canada

The committee discussed the offer from the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation and the Office of the Auditor General of Canada for a training session on best practices for public accounts committees.

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White, seconded by the Hon. Ms. McLean, THAT the Standing Committee on Public Accounts participate in a training session

with the Canadian Audit and Accountability Foundation and the Office of the Auditor General of Canada on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Mental Health Services in Rural Yukon – Department of Health and Social Services

The committee resumed consideration of the report from the Auditor General.

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Kent, seconded by Ms. White, THAT the Standing Committee on Public Accounts hold a public hearing on the Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon – Mental Health Services in Rural Yukon – Department of Health and Social Services on Tuesday, August 3, 2021.

It was agreed, on motion of Mr. Kent, THAT the members of the committee submit their draft questions for the public hearing to the Clerk to the Committee by Monday, June 28, 2021.

Next Meeting

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White, THAT The Standing Committee on Public Accounts next meet on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

At 3:30 p.m. the committee adjourned.

Allison Lloyd

Clerk to the Committee