

# **Yukon Legislative Assembly**

## **Standing Committee on Public Accounts**

35th Yukon Legislative Assembly

#### **MINUTES**

Meeting No. 34 Friday, November 24, 2023 Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts met in camera this day at 9:00 a.m., the Chair, Currie Dixon, presiding.

Members present: Currie Dixon, Chair,

Kate White, Vice-Chair,

Scott Kent,

Hon. Jeanie McLean, and Hon. Richard Mostyn.

Also present: Allison Lloyd, Clerk to the Committee

Officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada: Normand Lanthier, Acting Assistant Auditor General, and

David Irving, Principal.

### **Approval of Agenda**

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White,

THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 34 of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as presented.

## Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 33 (November 16, 2023)

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White,

THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 33 (November 16, 2023) of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as presented and made public.

#### Yukon Public Accounts 2022-23

Pursuant to Standing Order 45(3), the Standing Committee on Public Accounts considered the Public Accounts.

The committee discussed the preparations for the public hearing on the Public Accounts.

## COVID-19 Pandemic – COVID-19 Vaccines in Yukon – Independent Auditor's Report – 2023 Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Yukon Legislative Assembly

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

The committee reviewed and edited draft questions for the public hearing on December 12, 2023, on the performance audit report on COVID-19 vaccines.

## **Discussion with officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada** It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White,

THAT Normand Lanthier, Acting Assistant Auditor General, and David Irving, Principal, from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada, be invited to join the Standing Committee on Public Accounts' in camera meeting at 10:00 a.m.

The committee met with the officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada and discussed the preparations for the public hearing on the Public Accounts.

Mr. Lanthier and Mr. Irving were excused at 10:08 a.m.

## COVID-19 Pandemic – COVID-19 Vaccines in Yukon – Independent Auditor's Report – 2023 Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Yukon Legislative Assembly

The committee continued its review of draft questions for the public hearing on December 12, 2023, on the performance audit report on COVID-19 vaccines. It was agreed that the edited questions be provided to the Department of Health and Social Services, the Department of Community Services, the Executive Council Office and the Office of the Auditor General of Canada. The committee clerk was tasked with dividing the questions between the committee members and recirculating the list of questions to the committee in advance of the hearing.

Members agreed that the committee meet at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, and that officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada be invited to meet with the committee in camera. It was further agreed that the public hearing take place from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., with a health break from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The committee agreed that the draft press release prepared by the committee clerk be approved by the Chair.

The committee recessed at 10:35 a.m.

#### Public Hearing on the Yukon Public Accounts 2022-23

The public hearing on the *Yukon Public Accounts 2022-23* was held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The following witnesses from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada appeared:

- Normand Lanthier, Acting Assistant Auditor General, and
- David Irving, Principal.

The following witnesses from the Department of Finance appeared:

Jessica Schultz, Deputy Minister, and

· Ralph D'Alessandro, Comptroller.

The committee reconvened in camera at 3:03 p.m. to discuss the public hearing. It was agreed that for future hearings, the committee will ask collectively prepared questions before individual committee members ask their supplemental questions.

### **Next Meeting**

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts agreed to next meet at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 12, 2023.

At 3:09 p.m. the committee adjourned.

Allison Lloyd

Clerk to the Committee