



Yukon Legislative Assembly

Special Committee on Electoral Financing

36th Yukon Legislative Assembly

MINUTES

Meeting No. 1

Tuesday, June 30, 2026

Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Special Committee on Electoral Financing met in camera for the purpose of organization. Pursuant to Standing Order 46(1), the Convenor called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Members present: Hon. Brad Cathers (Convenor),
Hon. Linda Benoit,
Adam Gerle (by videoconference),
Carmen Gustafson, and
Debra-Leigh Reti (by videoconference)

Also present: Logan Ockenden, Clerk to the Committee

Election of the Chair

Pursuant to Standing Order 46(2), the Clerk to the Committee conducted the election of the Chair.

It was agreed, on motion of the Hon. Brad Cathers, seconded by Adam Gerle, THAT the Hon. Linda Benoit be Chair of the Special Committee on Electoral Financing.

Election of the Vice-Chair

The Chair conducted the election of the Vice-Chair.

It was agreed, on motion of the Hon. Brad Cathers, seconded by Debra-Leigh Reti, THAT Carmen Gustafson be Vice-Chair of the Special Committee on Electoral Financing.

Approval of Agenda

It was agreed, on motion of Carmen Gustafson, seconded by the Hon. Brad Cathers THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 1 of the Special Committee on Electoral Financing be adopted as presented.

Other Business

The committee discussed a workplan and the scope of the committee's order of reference.

It was agreed, on motion of the Hon. Brad Cathers, seconded by Adam Gerle, THAT the Clerk to the Committee prepare a press release calling for written submissions from the public with a deadline of August 31, 2026.

It was agreed that the press release be circulated via email and considered approved 48 hours after being sent, unless a significant amendment requiring discussion at a meeting is moved.

It was agreed that the press release would indicate that submissions received would be compiled and reflected in the committee's final report and that those received by individuals would not be made public but that submissions from non-governmental organizations, political parties, election officials, corporations, and unions would be publicly available.

It was agreed that the Chair would send a letter to CSIS and one to the RCMP seeking a meeting with the committee and written submissions. The letters are to be circulated to committee members via email for electronic approval.

It was agreed that the Chair would send a letter to the Chief Electoral Officer and the political parties represented in the Legislative Assembly seeking written submissions.

It was agreed that the Chief Electoral Officer be invited to appear before the committee at its next meeting on July 20, 2026 at 1:00 p.m., subject to his availability.

It was agreed, on motion of the Hon. Brad Cathers, seconded by Debra-Leigh Reti, THAT, the minutes of today's meeting and all subsequent meetings of the Special Committee on Electoral Financing of the 36th Legislative Assembly be made available to the public and posted to the committee's webpage by the Clerk to the Committee after they have been adopted by the Committee.

Next Meeting

The Special Committee on Electoral Financing agreed to next meet at 1:00 p.m. on July 20, 2026.

At 1:52 p.m. the committee adjourned.

Logan Ockenden
Clerk to the Committee