

# Yukon Legislative Assembly

# **Standing Committee on Public Accounts**

35<sup>th</sup> Yukon Legislative Assembly

# MINUTES

Meeting No. 6 Tuesday, September 28, 2021 Committee Meeting Room, Yukon Legislative Assembly, Whitehorse

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts met in camera this day at 2:01 p.m., the Chair, Currie Dixon, presiding.

Members present:	Currie Dixon, Chair, Kate White , Vice-Chair, Scott Kent, Hon. Jeanie McLean (via videoconference), and Hon. Richard Mostyn.
Also present:	Allison Lloyd, Clerk to the Committee

### Approval of Agenda

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White, THAT the agenda for Meeting No. 6 of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as presented.

# Approval of Minutes of Meeting No. 5 (August 24, 2021)

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White, seconded by Mr. Kent, THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 5 (August 24, 2021) of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts be adopted as presented.

#### 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.

The committee discussed the response to the committee's clarification questions received from the Department of Health and Social Services on September 24, 2021.

It was agreed, on motion of Ms. White, seconded by the Hon. Ms. McLean, THAT the committee recommend in its report on the report of the Auditor General of Canada on mental health services in rural Yukon that the Department of Health and Social Services provide an update by January 31, 2022, on progress made on the Auditor General's four recommendations.

#### Work Plan

The committee reviewed that the Department of Education was asked to provide by September 30, 2021, a status report and updated action plan on the how the department will be implementing the recommendations in the 2019 *Report of the Auditor General of Canada to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon - Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Education in Yukon - Department of Education.* 

It was noted that the Yukon Public Accounts 2020-21 are expected to be tabled in October 2021. The committee reviewed that following the release of the 2018-19 and 2019-20 Public Accounts, the Standing Committee on Public Accounts of the 34<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly held in camera briefing sessions with officials from the Office of the Auditor General of Canada, conducted public hearings with witnesses from the Department of Finance, and then reported to the Legislative Assembly with the committee's recommendations.

Committee members proposed that the committee should follow up on outstanding recommendations every six months. Members expressed a desire for consistency in the committee's follow-up processes.

#### **Next Meeting**

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts will next meet on Friday, October 15, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

At 2:23 p.m. the committee adjourned.

Allison Lloyd Clerk to the Committee