

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS No. 19

SECOND SESSION, THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

PRAYER 1:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following petitions were presented and read:

Mrs. TAILLIEU – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to request the Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation to consider making the completion of the dividing of the Trans Canada Highway in Headingley in 2008 an urgent Provincial Government priority and to consider evaluating whether any other steps can be taken to improve motorist safety while the dividing of the Trans Canada Highway in Headingley is being completed. (T. Scoular, A. Baraiski, G. Wright and others)

Mr. MCFADYEN – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Minister of Education and the Premier to consider setting aside land and funds to construct new schools to accommodate the needs of the new provincial government development of Waverly West to allow children attending schools in the southwest area of Winnipeg to remain in existing schools located closer to home. (S. Conlin, M. Minarik, E. Torwart and others)

Mr. LAMOUREUX – Legislative Assembly of Manitoba to urge the Premier and his NDP Government to cooperate in uncovering the truth in why the Government did not act on what it knew and to consider calling a public inquiry on the Crocus Fund Fiasco. (C. Serrano, O. Surla, E. Saria and others)

Mr. REID, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented its Third Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions:

- Thursday, October 13, 2005 (3rd Session 38th Legislature)
- Wednesday, December 12, 2007

All meetings were held in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2004
- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2005

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2004
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Workers Compensation Board 2004-2008 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2005-2009 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2006-2010 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2007-2011 Five Year Plan

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the October 13, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Ms. Brick
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. CUMMINGS
- Mr. Dewar
- Mr. Goertzen
- Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MALOWAY
- Mr. Santos
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

At the October 13, 2005 meeting, your Committee elected Ms. BRICK as the Chairperson and Ms. IRVIN-ROSS as the Vice-Chairperson.

Committee Membership for the December 12, 2007 meeting:

- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mrs. DRIEDGER
- Ms. HOWARD
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Ms. MARCELINO (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. REID (Chairperson)
- Mr. SARAN
- Mrs. Stefanson
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Officials Speaking on Record at the October 13, 2005 meeting:

- Tom Farrell, Chairperson
- Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO
- Harold Dueck, Vice President, Finance & Administration
- Alice Sayant, Vice President

Officials Speaking on Record at the December 12, 2007 meeting:

- Tom Farrell, Chairperson
- Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2004
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2004
- Workers Compensation Board 2004-2008 Five Year Plan

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Workers Compensation Board 2005-2009 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2006-2010 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2007-2011 Five Year Plan

On motion of Mr. REID, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. REID, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented its Fourth Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions:

- Monday November 21, 2005
- Thursday October 25, 2007
- Wednesday, December 19, 2007

All meetings were held in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004
- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005
- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006
- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007

Committee Membership

Committee membership for the November 21, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Ms. BRICK (Chairperson)
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Mr. JHA
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Mr. Penner
- Mr. REID
- Hon. Mr. ROBINSON
- Mr. SCHELLENBERG
- Mr. SCHULER

At the November 21, 2005 meeting your Committee elected Mr. AGLUGUB as the Vice-Chairperson.

Substitutions received during committee proceedings:

- Mr. DEWAR for Hon. Mr. ROBINSON
- Mr. Faurschou for Mr. Schuler

Committee membership for the October 25, 2007 meeting:

- Hon. Mr. ASHTON
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Ms. HOWARD
- Ms. Marcelino
- Mr. REID
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mr. SWAN
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. FAURSCHOU
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. PEDERSEN

At the October 25, 2007 meeting your Committee elected Mr. REID as the Chairperson.

At the October 25, 2007 meeting your Committee elected Ms. Howard as the Vice-Chairperson.

Substitutions received during committee proceedings at the October 25, 2007 meeting:

Mr. Jha for Mr. Dewar

Committee membership for the December 19, 2007 meeting:

- Mr. ALTEMEYER
- Ms. Braun
- Mr. CALDWELL
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. Goertzen
- Ms. MARCELINO (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. MCFADYEN
- Mr. REID (Chairperson)
- Mrs. ROWAT
- Mr. SARAN
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER

Officials Speaking on Record

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the November 21, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the October 25, 2007 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Officials from Manitoba Hydro speaking on the record at the December 19, 2007 meeting:

- Mr. Bob Brennan, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr. Vic Schroeder, Chairman

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2004

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2005
- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006
- Annual Report of Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007

On motion of Mr. REID, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. REID, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Crown Corporations, presented its Fifth Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions:

- Thursday, October 13, 2005 (3rd Session 38th Legislature) Wednesday, December 12, 2007 (2nd Session 39th Legislature)
- Monday, March 10, 2008 (2nd Session 39th Legislature)

All meetings were held in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Workers Compensation Board 2005-2009 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2006-2010 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2007-2011 Five Year Plan

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the October 13, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Ms. BRICK
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. CUMMINGS
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mr. GOERTZEN
- Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MALOWAY
- Mr. SANTOS
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

At the October 13, 2005 meeting, your Committee elected Ms. BRICK as the Chairperson and Ms. IRVIN-ROSS as the Vice-Chairperson.

Committee Membership for the December 12, 2007 meeting:

- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Mr. DEWAR
- Mrs. Driedger

- Ms. HOWARD
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Ms. MARCELINO (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Mr. SARAN
- Mrs. Stefanson
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Committee Membership for the March 10, 2008 meeting:

- Hon. Ms. ALLAN
- Ms. BLADY
- Ms. BRICK
- Mr. CULLEN
- Mr. EICHLER
- Mr. JHA
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Ms. MARCELINO (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. REID (*Chairperson*)
- Ms. SELBY
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Officials Speaking on Record at the October 13, 2005 meeting:

- Tom Farrell, Chairperson
- Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO
- Harold Dueck, Vice President, Finance & Administration
- Alice Sayant, Vice President

Officials Speaking on Record at the December 12, 2007 meeting:

- Tom Farrell, Chairperson
- Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO

Officials Speaking on Record at the March 10, 2008 meeting:

- Tom Farrell, Chairperson
- Doug Sexsmith, President & CEO

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee considered and passed the following reports as presented:

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Workers Compensation Board 2005-2009 Five Year Plan

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

- Annual Report of the Workers Compensation Board for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Annual Report of the Appeal Commission and Medical Review Panel for the year ended December 31, 2006
- Workers Compensation Board 2006-2010 Five Year Plan
- Workers Compensation Board 2007-2011 Five Year Plan

On motion of Mr. REID, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. DERKACH, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on the following occasions:

- September 7, 2004
- September 8, 2004
- November 28, 2005
- December 10, 2007

All meetings were held in Room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

- Auditor General's Report Audit of the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2003
- Auditor General's Report Audit of the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2004
- Auditor General's Report Audit of the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2006

Committee Membership

Committee Membership for the September 7, 2004 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. Loewen
- Mr. MALOWAY (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Ms. OSWALD
- Mr. REIMER (Chairperson)
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Committee Membership for the September 8, 2004 meeting:

- Mr. AGLUGUB
- Hon. Mr. GERRARD
- Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. Loewen
- Mr. MALOWAY (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mrs. MITCHELSON
- Ms. OSWALD
- Mr. REIMER (Chairperson)
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Substitutions received during committee proceedings at the September 8, 2004 meeting:

• Mrs. ROWAT for Mrs. MITCHELSON

Committee Membership for the November 28, 2005 meeting:

- Mr. CALDWELL
- Mr. CUMMINGS
- Mr. HAWRANIK
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Mr. MALOWAY (Vice-Chairperson)
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. NEVAKSHONOFF
- Mr. REIMER (Chairperson)
- Mr. SANTOS
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER

Committee Membership for the December 10, 2007 meeting:

- Mr. ALTEMEYER
- Mr. Borotsik
- Ms. Braun
- Mr. DERKACH (Chairperson)
- Ms. HOWARD
- Mr. LAMOUREUX
- Mr. MAGUIRE
- Mr. MALOWAY (Vice-Chairperson)
- Hon. Mr. SELINGER
- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Mr. SWAN

Officials Speaking on Record

Officials speaking on the record at the September 7, 2004 meeting:

- Mr. Jon Singleton, Auditor General
- Ms. Bonnie Lysyk, Deputy Auditor General and Chief Operating Officer

Officials speaking on the record at the September 8, 2004 meeting:

- Mr. Jon Singleton, Auditor General
- Ms. Bonnie Lysyk, Deputy Auditor General and Chief Operating Officer

Officials speaking on the record at the December 10, 2007 meeting:

• Carol Bellringer, Auditor General

Reports Considered and Passed

Your Committee has considered and adopted the following reports as presented:

- Auditor General's Report Audit of the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2003
- Auditor General's Report Audit of the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2004

Reports Considered but not Passed

Your Committee considered the following reports but did not pass them:

• Auditor General's Report – Audit of the Public Accounts for the year ended March 31, 2006

On motion of Mr. DERKACH, the Report of the Committee was received.

Mr. MARTINDALE, Chairperson of the Standing Committee on Legislative Affairs, presented its First Report, which was read as follows:

Meetings:

Your Committee met on Thursday, December 13, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. in room 255 of the Legislative Building.

Matters under Consideration

• The appointment of the Children's Advocate

Committee Membership

- Ms. Braun
- Ms. Brick
- Mr. Briese
- Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK
- Mr. DEWAR
- Hon. Ms. IRVIN-ROSS
- Mr. MARTINDALE
- Mr. SCHULER

- Mrs. STEFANSON
- Mr. SWAN
- Mrs. TAILLIEU

Your Committee elected Mr. MARTINDALE as the Chairperson.

Your Committee elected Ms. BRICK as the Vice-Chairperson.

Motions

Your Committee agreed to the following motions unanimously:

- That the committee recommend to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council that Ms. Billie Schibler be reappointed for a second three-year term as the Children's Advocate, commencing April 11, 2008.
- That the Committee authorize the Chairperson to ask the Speaker to inform all MLAs in writing of this re-appointment, prior to presentation of the committee report in the House.

On motion of Mr. MARTINDALE, the Report of the Committee was received.

Hon. Mr. DOER, the First Minister made a statement to mark the passing of Sergeant Jason Boyes, Bombardier Jérémie Ouellet and Private Terry John Street, who died in the service of their country and the people of Afghanistan,

 $Mr.\ MCFADYEN$ and, by leave, Hon. $Mr.\ GERRARD$ commented on the statement.

By leave, it was agreed to waive Members' Statements for Wednesday, April 9, 2008 with the understanding that on Thursday, April 10, 2008, there will be 10 statements using the rotation process for Wednesday and Thursday.

Hon. Mr. SELINGER moved:

THAT this House approves in general the budgetary policy of the government.

And a debate arising,

And Hon. Mr. SELINGER having spoken.

The debate was, on motion of Mr. McFADYEN, adjourned.

Wednesday, April 9, 2008

Hon. Mr. SELINGER delivered to Mr. Speaker two messages from His Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba as follows:

John HARVARD Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, estimates of sums required for the services of the province for the fiscal year ending the 31st day of March 2009 and recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA April 9, 2008

(Sessional Paper No. 8)

John HARVARD Lieutenant Governor

The Lieutenant Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly of Manitoba, Estimates of sums required for the services of the Province for Capital Expenditures, and recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA April 9, 2008

(Sessional Paper No. 9)

Hon. Mr. CHOMIAK moved:

THAT this House do now adjourn.

And the Question being put. It was agreed to.

The House then adjourned at 3:40 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 10, 2008.

Hon. George HICKES, Speaker.