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Mr. Speaker reads the daily prayer

Mr. Speaker: Madam Clerk, is there a quorum present?

Madam Clerk: There is, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: I will now call this House to Order.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Speaker: We will proceed with the Order Paper. Are there any documents or correspondence for tabling this morning? The Honourable Member from Kluane.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Speaker, I have for tabling today, the Commissioner's Annual Report, as well as Legislative Return Number 2.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further tabling of documents or correspondence?

Are there any Reports of Committees?

Introduction of Bills?

Are there any Notices of Motion or Resolution?

Are there any Notices of Motion for the Production of Papers?

We will now proceed to Orders of the Day.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Mr. Speaker: Under Motions, we have Motion Number 6. Would the Honourable Member from Whitehorse North Centre be prepared to discuss this Motion today?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Speaker, I have been attempting over the weekend to gather more information concerning the Assisted Home Ownership Program. I have been unsuccessful and would ask the indulgence of the House to put this Motion over until tomorrow, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: This would be quite agreeable. There being no further motions, Madam Clerk, I wonder if you could ascertain if the Commissioner could be available at this time for Question Period?

Madam Clerk leaves room

Mr. Speaker: At this time I will declare a brief recess.

Recess

QUESTION PERIOD

Mr. Speaker: At this time, we will call the House to order and we have with us Mr. Commissioner to assist us with Question Period. The Honourable Member from Kluane?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Speaker, I have some answers to questions that were asked the other day. The question asked by the Honourable Member from Klondike, what has been the result of the increase in services to Clinton Creek of welfare services, child care services? There appear to be three pending foster home applications forthcoming, and the group home at Dawson, the comment that the group home at Dawson was not utilized completely, foster home care is more desirable and it is necessary to keep some vacant beds in the group home at Dawson, because it also is used as a receiving home for emergency situations.

The question from the Member from Whitehorse South Centre, is it true that the Director of Welfare has entered into negotiations for yet another government counselling service to be located at the Y.W.C.A., and the answer to that one is no.

The Honourable Member from Ogilvie's question regarding the report of the Minister of Health and Welfare on the air contaminants at the mine at Clinton Creek, the report was tabled this morning. The second part of the question will she obtain details of the Minister of Health and Welfare's announcement for our information as soon as possible, I have for Council Members this morning, the copies of Hansard which will give in detail the questions asked of the Minister and his reply.

Mr. Speaker: Have you any questions this morning? Mr. Commissioner?

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, I was asked by Councillor Fleming late last week, has there been an application by the White Pass to relocate the railroad lines in the area of Bennett or Tagish Lake, and in reply, I would advise that inquiries made of the Federal Lands Office indicate there has been no such application. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Ogilvie.

Ms. Millard: Mr. Speaker, I have a question for Mr. Commissioner.

Question re: Beer Bottle Depot

Has there been any more work done on the establishment of a government beer bottle depot?

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, the answer is in the affirmative. I think that Honourable Members are aware that this has been a matter of great contention and great concern as far as Members of past Councils and the Administration is concerned.

The end result has been a series of meetings conducted between my officers and the people who contribute most of the containers that are involved, namely the brewery companies, and I believe -- or the latest information that I have is that we are very close to having a proper scheme available and hopefully the necessary details will be worked out in the near future, Mr. Speaker. And while I hesitate to put a date on exactly the implementation of this type of a thing, at least I can assure Honourable Members that we are getting down to the point where the problems that are left don't appear to be insurmountable.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further questions this morning? The Honourable Member from Hootalinqua?

Question re: Minister Of Communications

Mr. Fleming: Would the Commissioner know if it would be possible to see the Minister of Communications when he arrives I wonder, at this Council?

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner?

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, I believe that all Members will be in receipt of an invitation to meet with him. I'm sorry, I just don't have the dates or anything in front of me but this should be available to all Councillors very shortly.

Mr. Speaker: I wonder, was the question, in the house, was this what the question was?

Mr. Fleming: Yes.

Mr. Commissioner: No, it is strictly an informal opportunity to meet with the Minister, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further questions? I would like to thank Mr. Commissioner for his attendance in Question Period this morning.

There being no Public Bills or Private Bills for processing this morning, may I have your further pleasure? The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Porter Creek?

Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I move that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and the House resolve into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering Bills, Sessional Papers and Motions.

Mr. Speaker: Is there a seconder?

Mr. Fleming: I will second it, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable

Member from Whitehorse Porter Creek, seconded by the Honourable Member from Hootalinqua, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair and the House resolve into Committee of the Whole for the purpose of considering Bills, Sessional Papers and Motions. Are you prepared for the question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: I shall declare that the Motion is carried and the Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale will take the Chair in Committee of the Whole.

Motion Carried

Mr. Speaker leaves chair

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Mr. Chairman: I would now call the Committee of the Whole to order and declare a 10 minute recess.

Recess

Mr. Chairman: I will now call the Committee to Order. I understand from Mr. McKinnon that witnesses will be available from the municipalities to attend on the Capital Assistance Bill on Thursday, March 20th, following Orders of the Day. Is that agreed to by the Members?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Excuse me, Mr. Chairman, everything isn't finalized at this point. That is the tentative date that was given.

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: I would like to thank Mr. Miller and Mr. Huberdeau for attending today.

We have been dealing primarily with Bill Number 2, and I would like at this time to ask Mr. Miller to help us go through the recovery side of the picture for this year. I suppose first, Mr. Miller, Capital Recoveries is on Page 73 of the green book?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I wonder before you go into those, if I could give some answers to questions that were raised on prior days?

Mr. Chairman: Certainly, Mr. Miller.

Mr. Miller: There was a question raised as to what a Yukon fence is. A Yukon fence is a coined name and basically what it is, it's a wooden post and rail fence, and the reason we are going to these, in certain communities at least, is because of the problems that we have with trying to keep steel fences aligned. So what they have done is they have come up with basically a fairly large post, something like an eight by eight post, and they will just use a rail on the top of it, and where

you get heaves in the ground or permafrost situations, they can correct them fairly easily without having to tear the whole fence out and replace.

It's something new, we hope it will work; we have got a few in place now. Over at F.H. Collins, we have got the posts in, we haven't put the rails in and they work very well over there.

The next question was raised concerning the purchase of a couple of trucks for up on the Dempster Highway, why we were going to gasoline trucks rather than diesel. Our experience with the small trucks has been that diesel is very, very expensive. There seems to be something wrong, apparently from the manufacturer's standpoint, with aligning the diesel unit with the balance of the truck, and the last three trucks that we bought in this small line that have been diesel, we have now had to replace the engines twice, so we are going back to gas on these two units to make sure--or to attempt to make sure that we try and cut down our very high costs, until somebody comes up with a better unit.

There was a further question asked concerning the Faro air strip. The--all the details aren't available on this. We are currently working on it. What we are looking at is the possibility of relocating the Faro access road, to realigning it on what is now the west end of the strip, and until we get that re-engineering done, we won't know how long a strip we can have, but they are currently working on that. They are also dealing with M.O.T. at the moment on possibly getting some of the actual work done this year. We won't know for another month to six weeks as to whether or not we will be able to do anything during the current year, or exactly how long that strip will end up.

There was a question raised concerning the winter maintenance on the Pine Lake air strip, adjacent to the Alaska Highway south. The problems that we have in that particular area in the wintertime is the tremendous snowfall, and according to our highway superintendent, there is just no way we could keep the snow off that strip in the wintertime, in fact he tells me that he personally spent one whole winter when he was with D.P.W., doing nothing but blowing that strip clear, and it's just too expensive, so rather than trying to operate it on a wheeled basis, we consider it to be a ski situation in the wintertime.

Further questions raised concerning housing, the number of vacant units, that are held by the Y.T.G. for the Housing Corporation. In Whitehorse we presently have five vacant apartments and one duplex in Takhini. In Beaver Creek we have one house; in Dawson City we have one apartment which was vacated on March 14th. Destruction Bay we have one house; Ross River, one house; Watson Lake, one house.

The further question raised regarding the breakdown of the costs of operating our accommodation in Dawson City. The costs associated with this include fuel, power, water and sewer, in the first instance. Each of our housing units up there, the two bedroom house, the three bedroom duplex and there are three three bedroom homes, our average cost per unit is \$1,200.00 for three of the units and 1,500 for two others.

The Korbo Apartment comprises 13 units, and in there we provide fuel, power, water, sewer and janitorial, and our average annual cost is \$14,900.00 for

the total apartment block, equalling \$21,500.00.

On my notes, Mr. Chairman, I have one outstanding question I am trying to get an answer to, and that is the number of vacant units that are held by the Federal Government. I haven't had a response from them as yet, but I will bring forward as soon as I get it.

Now, turning to the recovery--Revenue and Recovery section of the Budget, on page 73 you will see the Project Capital Recoveries. Starting with Education, the sale of the Vocational School House. I think I explained when we doing the expenditure side, we sell--or attempt to sell one of these houses per annum, construct and sell, and what we do is we sell them by public tender with an upset price, our cost plus 10 percent. We have got 30,000 in for this unit. What it will in fact bring, we have no idea; based on current market, it will probably be considerably higher than that, but who knows.

The Bilingualism Program, this is the grant from the Secretary of State to set up the bilingualism--or the French Language Centre, it's all capital nature. If anybody has questions as I am going through, I guess you had better holler.

Under Health, Welfare and Rehabilitation, the Hospital Construction grant, this will wind up some funds that we have in our accounts. Under an old cost sharing agreement with the Federal Government, they used to contribute or set aside funds each year to give to the provinces and to the territories for hospital construction. In 1972, if my memory serves me correct, they discontinued that program and transferred all approved monies that they had approved, or all monies that they had approved, that hadn't been spent, directly to the province or the territory, on the understanding that we would account for it as we spent it in the future.

The last couple of years we've taken funds out of that account for such things as the nursing station at Destruction Bay, Ross River. This winds up the fund and essentially what we are doing here is taking the last of the money out as a contribution towards the Watson Lake Hospital.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Yes, this grant, does this refer to acute care facilities, or does it extend to other facilities such as chronic care?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, and I am not sure that I can get all the definitions right here, this covered basically what one might consider to be a hospital or a nursing station where you might do a certain amount of medical work. I would have to go back and get out the detailed agreement to get all the fine details.

Mr. Chairman: Dr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Mr. Chairman, it's my understanding that there still are cost sharing agreements available to the provinces for chronic care facilities. Are these available to us as well?

Mr. Miller: That's correct, Mr. Chairman. There are to the provinces, unfortunately we don't run any of the health facilities any longer, so the day we do take

them over, we would then be eligible, but at the moment, the Federal Government are building them all, and either Northern Health is paying for it, or we contribute with Ottawa's money as well.

Once we take over all the health facilities, we would then be eligible for all the normal federal-provincial type agreements.

Okay, under local Government, Third Party Loans of \$400,000.00, this is money really that we borrow to develop land, and you will see it in here a couple of times, it's an arrangement that I personally am not happy with the way we handle it in the books, but unfortunately we have to appease the Auditor-General's staff, and this is the way they want it done, so this is the way we do it.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I noted that item, and I have not heard any explanation as to how we are developing what land?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, as we were going through the Budget, I think it's Establishment 2603, you will find an item to provide funds for the development of land in various areas throughout the Territory, and basically what we intend to do in 1975-76 is start of development of 200 lots in Riverdale, plus some small holding lots that may come about, or actually developing land in any other community where there is a need for it.

Basically what we do is we borrow the money from the Federal Government, we are the developers, we put in the water and sewer, the roads, the streets, and we sell them at our cost and pay back the Federal Government from the sale of lots.

Mr. Chairman: That's page 68 and A-45.

Mrs. Whyard: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I realize that. It is only in municipal areas that you are doing this thing, organized communities?

Mr. Miller: No, Mr. Chairman, this applies throughout the Yukon. For example, in 1974 we developed land at Watson Lake, a new subdivision there. We developed land at Haines Junction, a new subdivision there. We will be developing some land in Mayo this year as part of the water and sewer upgrade program. I don't think there's any other area of the Yukon right now where there is a pressure for subdivided land.

It seems to me we have satisfied most of the pressure points at this juncture, except Whitehorse.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I think I'm correct, and I would like to ask Mr. Miller on this, this is separate and apart from the Capital Assistance Program. This is just for development of land for resale at cost, Capital Assistance is sewer and water where there's a stipulation unorganized communities don't qualify for sewer and water, but this is sewer and water in existing lots and communities, I believe, so there is a difference between the two of them.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mrs. Watson. Any further comments?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, what we are talking about here is subdividing new land, not providing sewer and water to already subdivided areas, but subdividing new areas of the Territory.

Mr. Chairman, under Highway and Public Works, recovery from M.O.T. for the construction of the Dawson Airport Building, that's 100 percent recoverable project.

The next item, the 100 percent Recoverable Expenditure under the Federal-Territorial Engineering Services Agreement, this is road reconstruction and we went through that in detail. The Federal Government fund, fully all work on resource roads, all reconstruction or new construction on resource roads.

The next item, Mr. Chairman, Yukon Housing Corporation, the Rental Purchase Housing Program, this is the 95 percent borrowing, if you like, that the Yukon Housing Corporation gets from C.M.H.C. This government contributes 5 percent to the rental purchase housing program and C.M.H.C. puts up 95 percent of the funds. So while we show it as a recovery, it's really -- we are signing a debenture or a mortgage at the time that we draw these funds out.

Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that we have covered the balance of those items. To carry on with the revenue, if you wanted to turn to page 79, we can get into the Territorial revenues.

You will find on page 78, a recap of the items. On page 79 we get into the detail.

Starting with the first item, Mr. Chairman on page 79, the Property Tax-Territorial, this is the tax that we levy in all areas of the Territory except municipalities.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I have a question I would like to direct to Mr. Miller, and I would like to ask him as to what activities are anticipated by the Assessment Branch during the course of this budget, and is it their intention to increase assessments anywhere in the Yukon in this period?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I don't have their exact schedule. I do know that one of the areas they will be concentrating on in this next summer will be a reassessment in the Whitehorse area. Whether they will be doing any reassessments outside of Whitehorse, I don't know, but we could find out what their schedule is.

Just for information, Mr. Chairman, that property tax is at 12 mills in all areas outside of municipalities.

The next two items, Mr. Chairman, are School Tax, they're at 16 mills. The first item being on those properties outside of municipalities, and the second item within the municipalities.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: I take it that that is the same all over the Yukon is it, the 16 mills, all taxes?

Mr. Miller: Yes, Mr. Chairman, the school tax is at

16 mills throughout the Yukon, and it's been that way, to my knowledge, for about eight years now.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I wonder why we have less for '75-76 than for '74-75? Is it because we overestimated in '74 and '75?

Mr. Huberdeau: Mr. Chairman, the reason that we have more revenue shown in '74-75 than '75-76 is that we have caught up with the grants in lieu of taxes for a number of years.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: On Federal Lands?

Mr. Huberdeau: On Federal property.

Mr. Chairman: Any further questions or comments?

Mr. Miller: The next item, Mr. Chairman, is fuel oil tax, and this is tax that we impose on all fuel oil, except basically the generating of electricity, and there are certain exemptions for heating purposes, but the rates run at 16 cents for diesel, 14 cents for gasoline, two cents for av gas, and then the next item, the heating oil, taxes are at one cent per gallon.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, a short time ago we -- the House agreed to the imposition of a tax on aviation fuels. The revenues accruing from which were to be expended on maintaining territorial air strips, and I was interested in noting the reply in relation to the maintenance of the Pine Lake strip this morning, and it seems to me that there should be sufficient monies to have this strip maintained, and if they are having problems with snow depths on this strip, I'm wondering if the administration have looked at the possibility of compaction, that is a tractor pulling a compactor as being the possible solution, and maintaining a portion of this strip sufficient to get an airplane down and off again, small aircraft.

Mr. Miller: Well Mr. Chairman, we can have a look at that. I don't know how viable it would be, but we could certainly have a look at it, the suggestion.

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Well, Mr. Chairman, the only reason I dwell on the subject is because it is a pretty strategically located and important emergency flight strip, and wintertime is of course climatically the worst time of the year for aircraft coming and going, because of snow conditions, white-outs and this type of thing, and ceilings that fall suddenly upon them, and I think that the compaction method has been very effective where it's been used, and it is used in the development of ski strips and on the major airports, and I think that it would at least allow a light wheeled aircraft down with a very high degree of safety, instead of landing into snow and nosing over and demolishing the aircraft.

Mr. Miller: We will have a look at that, Mr.

Chairman.

The next item, Mr. Chairman, is Fur Export Tax. This is one we have had for a long time and it represents a certain number of cents per skin exported from the Territory.

Insurance Premiums Tax, it is one that we introduced a couple of years ago and it's basically one percent of the premiums on fire insurance, and it contributes towards the operation of our Fire Marshall's Office.

Tobacco tax, I think we are all familiar with that one, at least all the smokers are.

And the Western Canada Lottery, this is what we anticipate we might receive during the current fiscal year. Experience to date hasn't indicated that we will receive it, but we might.

Mr. Chairman: Sorry, Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Yes, Mr. Chairman. The anticipated recovery as indicated here is about \$95,000.00 a year from the Western Canada Lottery. I'm wondering how much or what portion or percentage shall we say, of this figure, will be extracted for local administrative costs, in terms of the Yukon's participation at the local level, and then what percentage of that would be available to the Physical Fitness and Amateur Sports Committee for distribution in the Yukon?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, it would appear that our administration costs will probably run in the neighbourhood of \$40,000.00 per annum, so if we realize the revenue, theoretically we would have \$55,000.00 available for the purpose the Member has stated, and that is our commitment to the Council, is that any surplus would be made available to the organizations in the Yukon. Through the Fitness and Amateur Sport Advisory Committee.

Mr. Lang: Would that be over and above the monies that are already allocated?

Mr. Miller: Yes, that's correct, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Before we carry on, I would like to turn the chair over to Mr. Lang. I am going to absent myself for about 15 minutes.

Mr. Lang takes chair

Mr. Miller: Okay, Mr. Chairman, the Liquor Profit Licences and surcharges of 3 million two. Do you have anything to add to that?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I think the question that must be on most peoples' minds is, is it -- are there any further anticipated increases in licence fees during the period of this budget?

Mr. Miller: Well, Mr. Chairman, not that I'm aware of. The licence fees for 1975-76 fiscal year have been set, or at least we are selling the licences. I am not aware of any increases, and normally these would

have to be applicable before March -- or before April 1st, because they come into effect as of that date. There's been none announced to date that I'm aware of, and we don't anticipate announcing any in this current fiscal year.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, possibly a loaded question, but I'm wondering, inasmuch as the increases in these revenues do amount to taxation without representation, I'm wondering if the administration would consider, through the Executive Committee, as to the possibility of bringing any future projected increases in licence fees and this type of thing before the House for their consideration prior to implementing any further increases in licences or this type of thing?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I would hate to commit the administration to that at this point. There is representation on the Executive Committee from this House, and I would think that that is their decision as to whether or not they would like this brought before the House before they were implemented.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, just for my own information, why are liquor licences not listed with other licences? Why are they lumped in with profit and surcharges?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, all of this item is covered under one Ordinance, and that's why we include it into one package, if you like. What we are normally trying to show in our revenues is the revenues that result from a statutory instrument, and in this particular case what we are referring to is the Liquor Ordinance, and it covers all aspects of liquor, including the licencing of premises.

If the question is how much are the liquor licences we can get that. That is basically the logic behind the grouping of these things. We try to relate them to statutory instrument.

Mrs. Whyard: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Miller, am I not correct that you are obliged to under the Liquor Ordinance? You must, isn't there a requirement under the Liquor Ordinance that this be done?

Mr. Miller: Yes, you are correct in that instance. The Liquor Ordinance creates a special fund for any profits or licences, surcharges and it is the Liquor Account of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and the Treasurer can only draw from that after all the expenses have been paid.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming.

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, I wonder if you could

give me the answer as to why you have established an off sales liquor licence and you have a wine and beer sales with meals liquor licence and you have -- well, let's just say, numerous liquor licences which are all liquor licences and they are all on a separate piece of paper?

Why can't we have them on one piece of paper instead of papering the wall with them?

Mr. Miller: That is a good question, Mr. Chairman, I have asked the same question myself of numerous occasions and I haven't got a very satisfactory answer.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I could say to the Honourable Member from Hootalinqua that is exactly what they do in Alaska, literally paper the wall with the different State and Municipal licences that are required under the Liquor Ordinance and it takes, at least a board of this size and a wall to pin all of the different licences and taxes that they need to operate in the State of Alaska. I agree with the Honourable Member's comment.

One question that I would like to ask Mr. Assistant Commissioner is, the Yukon Territory receives no revenue in any way shape or form from the sale of Fishing Licences in the Yukon Territory, is that correct?

Mr. Miller: No, Mr. Chairman, we do in fact receive all of the revenue from the sale of sports licences -- sports fishing --

MHon. Mr. McKinnon: Where is that in the Budget?

Mr. Miller: I would assume, Mr. Chairman, that it is not broken out but is included under the Game Ordinance.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I wonder Mr. Chairman, if it is possible to receive a breakdown of exactly what the sale of sporting fishing licences was to the Territory?

Do the Government of the Yukon Territory have any say at all in what the fee charged per annum will be for the sale of fishing licences in the Yukon?

Mr. Miller: Yes, Mr. Chairman, we actually set the fee for the sport fishing licences, and we can change it. We'll get the exact figure, the last figure I saw on sports fishing licence fees, they approximated \$25,000.00 per annum.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I wonder, Mr. Chairman, whether Mr. Assistant Commissioner can tell me when this power came to the Government of the Yukon Territory, because the last time the fishing licence fees were proposed an increase in the change in them, that there was almost universal rejection of the structure that was presented to the Yukon Legislative Council, and the Department of Fisheries went away with the structure that they wanted to impose upon the people of the Yukon Territory.

And I am certainly interested when these powers come to the Government of the Yukon Territory, that

one would think that the elected representatives of the people of the Territory would be informed?

Mr. Miller: Well, I may be wrong here, Mr. Chairman, I will get the answer to your questions and bring it back to the Assembly.

Mr. Chairman: Excuse me, Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman, I was going to ask for a breakdown showing the liquor licence separate from the other figures.

Mr. Miller: Okay, we will bring that forward, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Yes, Mr. Chairman, there was another problem arising out of discussion of last year's estimate, or our current year's estimates, in relation to the licence applications themselves in respect of the liquor licences, as requesting far too much information, or should I say information that individuals felt was privileged, and during the course of this fiscal year, was a study undertaken of this situation, and if so, what was the result?

Mr. Miller: I'm not entirely sure, Mr. Chairman, but it seems to me that there have been some changes to the application. I'm going by memory now, but it seems to me that there is a new Commissioner's Order out outlining the requirements on the new application.

Now, just precisely what the changes were, I couldn't say.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask the Assistant Commissioner a question that I did ask in this House a couple of weeks ago, and the Legal Advisor was here, and I think even twice around we got to it, but they gave me the wrong answer because I don't think they comprehended exactly what I wanted. I wanted to know why, when people in the outlying districts come into -- or don't come in, but wish to renew their cafe licence and garage licence and so forth and so on, that they do have to get an Affidavit filed by a Justice of the Peace or some such person, when you don't have to do this to get yourself a driver's licence. This was the question, why, why do you have to have this, you know, Affidavit done by a Justice of the Peace, when due to the fact they are out of town, they have no way of getting in here very easily, and yet they must come into get this done, many of them, because there isn't anybody, you know, in the area to do it.

Now, his answer was to me at that time, that there was Justices of the Peace here and there through the Territory, and any small community could have a Justice of the Peace, but this was not the answer I actually wanted, you know, I wanted to know why. If you could bring it to me --

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I don't know the answer to that question. I will endeavour to find out and make

the Honourable Member aware of the answer.

Okay, the next item, Mr. Chairman, comes under licence revenue, Motor Vehicle Ordinance, 1 million 20 thousand dollars.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, is there any breakdown available to show how much of this revenue comes from outside of the Territory, truckers, et cetera, using this, or is that all Yukon money?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, this covers the sale of all motor vehicle licences, and permits.

Now, we could probably break down the number of our of Territory licenced vehicles, and the permit fees, we can break that out. I don't have it handy, but I'm pretty sure we could get a figure on that.

One of the problems that you run into with this, Mr. Chairman, is defining an out of Territory trucker, because we have P.S.V. licence holders in the Yukon, or P.S.V. Yukon licenced vehicles, who their head office may be out of the Territory, they may own a branch here, you know, it's a real problem getting a strict definition of whether they are out of Territory or in Territory.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I don't want to cause any problems there. I'm interested, however, in knowing what kind of revenue we are getting on our highways from the large truckers going through, for example, for the Pipeline of Alaska, the great increase in traffic of the heavy haulers, and what share of this is coming to us?

Mr. Miller: I would have to do some research on that, Mr. Chairman. I had some numbers here a while ago, and our truck traffic volume this year over the previous period last year, was up something in the neighbourhood of 300 percent. Again, we would have to do probably a fair amount of research, because if they are regular truckers, what they have done is they have got freighting through licences. If they are not regular truckers, they are just casual truckers, they are probably operating on hundred dollar permits or \$50.00 permits, \$50.00 each way, but we could attempt to get that information, at least an estimation.

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, --

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard.

Mrs. Whyard: --there is an increase shown here of \$40,000.00, but we also have an increase in the number of Yukon vehicle owners and licenced persons. And I'm just interested in knowing how much of this is a gift from heaven and how much of it is out of our own pockets.

Mr. Miller: I might suggest, Mr. Chairman, that the gift from the Alaska Pipeline, to my knowledge will probably be something in the neighbourhood of \$150,000.00 per annum, out of this item alone.

Okay, the next item, Business and Professional Licences, \$99,000.00. This covers the licences that we issue outside of municipalities.

Okay, under the Game Ordinance, \$280,000.00, and I think as we explained previously, there has been one increase in the Game fees and it's for out of Territory hunters, trophy hunters primarily, I guess, who come into the Territory looking for our big game, we have substantially increased the fees.

And the last item, marriage licences, we don't get much out of them -- did somebody say it should be under the Game Ordinance?

The next item, Mr. Chairman, is interest on investments, \$400,000.00. This is our estimate of what we might get from keeping ours and Canada's money properly invested in the banks throughout the year. You will be interested to know that in this current fiscal year, our interest on income is probably going to be in excess of a million dollars.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: I am not sure, Mr. Chairman, whether this question should be at this time, but it has to do with the banking of our money.

I understand that the Bank of Commerce does the business for the whole of the Yukon Territory now, consolidated revenue funds through the Bank of Commerce, and I understand also that there was a contract let and that it was bid as such, it wasn't given to them, and I more or less have a comment, I guess, I am just wondering if they are responsible, you could answer me this, are they responsible for banking facilities throughout the Territory, other than say Whitehorse, if they were asked to go to places or anything. Is there any responsibility in that contract at all for them to cover other areas?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, the arrangement that we have, it's not a contract, it's an arrangement that we have with the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, is that they will endeavour to provide banking services, not only to the Government of the Yukon Territory, but to the citizens of the Territory, and in this regard they have opened two branch banks on at least a limited basis, and they now operate a branch bank at Carmacks and Haines Junction on a weekly or monthly basis, depending upon the time of the year and the conditions, and they will be opening, or they are talking about operating similar facilities in other communities during the course of this summer.

One of the communities being the Honourable Member's riding and home town of Teslin.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, I would like to comment at this time on this, that there is a possibility, because I have spoken to them too, and I would like to say at this time that if they do open any banks in the Territory, that it possibly might be very nice if maybe they would check with the local residents as to when these banking times would be to the best for the people there, due to the fact that the mail runs possibly three times a week in any area in the Territory, opening a

bank when the mail, when it is not a mail day or twice a week or once a week is absolutely nil. They might just as well stay home, but if they could come on mail days, I would say it would be fine.

I think Carmacks has the problem now that they are down there, that when they go down there there is no business, because people don't pack their cheques around for three or four days waiting to cash them, and this is the big problem in the Territory, is cashing cheques.

Mr. Miller: Well, Mr. Chairman, I can't comment on the Carmacks situation, although I do know that they have been trying to work very closely with the people in the community on what banking days, or what days they should be open. One must recognize that they are only a limited operation in the terms of one day a week, and they do have other areas of the Territory to cover, but I will certainly keep this in mind when I am talking to the banks about this problem, and see if we can't get a better liaison.

I think that the people in the community obviously have to speak their mind as well, because I know in at least one of the communities where banking services was available, everybody loved it but nobody used it.

Mr. Chairman: I see that Mr. Phelps is back. I will give the chair back to him.

Mr. Phelps resumes chair

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Lang. Mr. Lang?

Mr. Lang: Thank you. Mr. Chairman, I have a question here, you quoted a figure of a million dollars, was this the last fiscal year or -- was this last year or this coming year?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, this would be in 1974-75 and when I said interest on investments, I'm talking about all of our investments would be about a million dollars. What went into the consolidated revenue fund was something in excess of \$600,000.00.

Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, how come our estimate is that much lower for the oncoming year? We've got \$400,000.00 and the year before you had \$330,000.00, if that is the case?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, in 1975-76, I think as all Members will recall, what we are doing in our construction program primarily is finishing projects. Some of the money that we have had during 1974-75 was money that we got from the Federal Government to get some of these projects underway, we didn't get them underway, so we've had a surplus cash position, which we would anticipate would actually decrease during 1975-76, as some of the larger projects are completed.

Mr. Huberdeau: I might add, Mr. Chairman, that the interest rates have dropped astronomically in the year from 10½ to 6½, approximately.

Mr. Miller: Okay, the next item, Mr. Chairman, is Fines, Territorial Courts and Others, \$45,000.00.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I notice the decrease in estimates from \$70,000.00 to \$45,000.00, that's a decrease of \$25,000.00. Does this indicate a change in the policy of the government in terms of enforcing the Territorial Ordinance, that they will now be functioning in a spirit of cooperation with the citizens of the Territory, rather than one of harassment?

Mr. Miller: Do I need to answer?

Mr. Chairman, this \$70,000.00 turned out to be an inaccurate estimate. We will be very lucky in 1974-75 to get \$45,000.00 if I can put it that way, and really what it reflects is the attitude of the courts, not of the government. We don't impose the fines, we do under law, but we don't impose the individual fines. That's done in the court, and it really reflects the attitude of the court more than anything else.

Mr. Chairman: Any further questions?

Mr. Miller: Okay, the next item, Mr. Chairman, is Fees, Registration, etcetera, \$185,000.00. These are fees, Mr. Chairman, that we impose under various Ordinances, most of them you will find in the Commissioner's orders, respecting various and sundry Ordinances, and they're just basically fees that we charge for work that we do for the public.

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, I would ask the Assistant Commissioner, do you have a breakdown on the amount of tourist vehicles, outside the Territory vehicles that went through the Yukon Territory, and also of the licences sold for campground use, more or less balance one against the other and see if we are collecting all the revenue that should be collected as they come through the Territory?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, we don't have those figures. We have an idea of how many vehicles are using the campground. What proportion of those are outside the Territory, and what proportion are Yukon vehicles, I suppose we could put a percentage -- my suggestion would be that there are probably more out of Territory users than in Territory, but that's just off the top of my head. We could probably get some estimates of what this is, but I don't have them available.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: One out of four, Mr. Chairman. About one out of four Mr. Chairman, are paying the campground fee, that's considering the Yukon plus the visitors.

Mr. Miller: Okay, the next item, Mr. Chairman, is Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan, or Hospital Care Insurance Plan, premiums \$770,000.00 This is reflecting the same premiums that we now charge, and just a slightly increased population.

And the last item, Mr. Chairman, under Sundry, \$20,000.00, this is a little thing that the Territorial Treasurer likes to have every year, mainly to hide

revenues that come in from a previous year that aren't allocated to the proper revenue source, that's really all it is, it's just an estimate of unanticipated things that carry over from one year to the next.

That completes the revenues, Mr. Chairman. Expenditure recoveries on Page 80, maybe I could just run through some of these quickly.

The first item, Federal Interdepartmental Coordinating Committee Secretariat of \$25,000.00. This is really an item that we get from Manpower, and it's intended to cover the hiring of a research assistant or economist for the Manpower Needs Committee. We don't have that individual on staff at the moment, and this is a recovery, a contribution, it's not a grant, so if we don't spend the money, we don't get the recovery.

The next item, Mr. Chairman, Electric Rate Equalization, I think we have explained this. This represents an offset of what we anticipate we will spend this year. The funds for this come from a trust account, which is funded by a 95 percent return of the income tax paid by electric public utilities in the Yukon.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I was working on the assumption that we would get these recoveries about three years from the day that they were actually made available, and it seems to me that when I mentioned this earlier in the session, someone explained that that was not correct. How long do we wait beyond a fiscal year, in order that we can actually physically receive these revenues?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, the Honourable Member referring to the situation of three years in arrears, that was correct up until 1973, at which time the Federal Government brought it all up to date. What happens now is that we would get by March 31st, if my memory serves me correct, the estimated amount of the income tax rebate, and that is then adjusted two years down the road, so what they do is they give us an estimated amount, and then adjust it to actual two years later.

Okay, the next item, Small Business Loans Program, \$4,000.00. This recovers, this covers our administrative costs of running that program, which is a Federal Government program, and we administer for them.

The net proceeds for the sale of surplus equipment, \$25,000.00. Most of this equipment, this is the sale of any government surplus equipment. We put it out for public tender or public quotes, it's all sold through a normal process. The odd time we do trade it in, but normally it's by public sale.

The reason for the decrease is that we caught up, at least we think we caught up a tremendous backlog that we did have, and we now have a normal Board of Survey situation each year, which is finding this stuff.

Under Education, (Bilingualism Program), this is a contribution from the Secretary of State, and it covers the excess costs, or the costs we have of putting on the bilingualism program.

Rehabilitation, \$102,000.00, this is a 50 percent recovery under the Canada Assistance Plan, for our

costs of operating the rehabilitation services, which are found in the Education or the Vocational School, including the sheltered workshop

Student Accommodation, this is the fee that we charge the students who are living in Territorial accommodations.

Sale of School Supplies, we sell some supplies, particularly in the outlying areas.

Night School Fees I believe are self-explanatory.

Transportation of School Children, this is the fee that we charge for those who are not eligible to ride, but do ride under our policy, of basic two mile area.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, there's been a considerable amount of complaint about not just the imposition of this fee, which I know is authorized and has just not been enforced for some years back, but also in the method of collecting and the nuisance value of the fiddly ticket system for small children to be carrying. I think all Members of Council have probably heard about this subject from their constituents, and I wonder if there is any possibility of a simplification of this system for next year, a monthly billing or whatever is required?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, we've tried various routes. At one time I think we used to have monthly billings, at one time it was money, there's really no answer to -- no apparent answer. I've gone through the same problem I guess that all parents have with their children and bus tickets. I just don't know what other alternatives we have at this time, but certainly we can have a look at it and see if we can come up with a simpler system.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, what's the cost of printing the tickets? I was quoted a figure of something like \$1,500.00 just to print the tickets? Is that correct?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I don't have that figure available. We can find out.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: It could well be, they have tried so many different things trying to appease the situation.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I would like to comment on this because this happened while I was with Education, and we set a two mile limit for transportation, anyone who lives beyond two miles, we either provide transportation or a subsidy in lieu of transportation.

Now, if the buses are not full, children within the two miles are allowed to ride the buses, but they must pay a fee. Now, if we don't charge these children a fee, every child that lives within that two mile limit, could justifiably ask for transportation. This is what it boils down to, and what the Department has done then is the ones who live the greatest distance, almost two miles

and the younger ones, they give them tickets or they sell them tickets or they have to buy badges or something, so that they are allowed to ride the bus.

But if the Government of the Territory didn't charge for a badge or a ticket or something for those within that two mile limit, every child within that two miles could claim that they should get a ride free on the bus. That's the problem.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: I agree with Mrs. Watson that, but also I do disagree with the way the program is handled, when little 3,4,5,6 year old is running around with tickets in his pocket or in his mitt and he's lost that. There must be a better system, maybe not in the immediate vicinity of Whitehorse due to the fact that there's too many people, but in the small areas there possibly is.

But I would like to ask a question. Could we get the figures of how much has been collected from the time they started this last program, to now? Do we have that figure here, because it's -- maybe it's not too important to some people, but this \$3,000.00 to me is not the figure I got when I was at the Department of Education a couple of months ago, it is different, and I just wondered why. Could we have those figures?

Mr. Miller: Yes, Mr. Chairman, we will dig them out.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I do have to say that since the total cost of school buses in the Whitehorse area alone is \$250,000.00 a year, I would consider the nuisance value to all parents and the administration costs and the printing costs and all the other costs involved in this ticket fee system, are just a drop in the bucket compared to your overall costs of the program.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, maybe I can comment on that. That isn't the problem, the problem is that right now it is 250,000, if we dropped this nuisance thing, this deterrent thing, the cost of providing school bus service in the Whitehorse area would be 500,000 because you would have to bus every child not just those outside the two mile area.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, am I to understand that you need 250,000.00 worth of bussing for children living outside the two mile limit alone? There would not be any room on any of those buses for other children?

Mr. Miller: That is correct, Mr. Chairman. That is essentially the situation.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard, do you have -- It is St. Patrick's Day and I would like to compliment Mrs. Whyard on her wearing of the green.

(Applause)

Mr. Chairman: We expect an Irish response Mr. Lang.

Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, what I would like to state here, I can see that this is another added incentive for people to move outside of municipalities to begin with, as well.

What I would like to know, what happens in the cold weather? What I am concerned about is the students from say, grade one to grade three when it is 60 below. I know that you do have a fair amount of people, children that do not make school but obviously there must be enough bussing to get these kids to school because none of them are walking at 60 below. In fact I don't see anybody in this room walking at 60 below unless they have to.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I don't try to get my car going at 60 below, I always walk.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, we provide bussing outside the two mile area period regardless of what age. Now certainly there are circumstances near the two mile area where parents, if they want to buy the tickets and there is room on the bus, they can get the children on the bus, regardless of the temperature, our policy is consistent. I would assume at 60 below if grades one to three are going to school, either the parents get them there or the kids just don't go.

I know in my case I get my children to school.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, for all Members edification, this is a problem that comes up every year when we are discussing the Education Budget and I think it will come up every year, if any of us are sitting here ten years hence. If someone in Council with the wisdom of Solomon can come up with the answer to this problem, all Members of the Executive Committee in the Administration will thank him a thousand times over.

The simple facts of the matter are that if we are going to provide school bussing, and if Council makes the policy for every child in the Yukon Educational system within the two mile limit the costs of the bussing of school children in the Yukon are going to double.

If Council wants to make that priority and that commitment and wants to find the money it is their prerogative. Every year, I guarantee you, within the lifetime of this Council, and probably if there isn't an answer on a policy of whether it is going to be a general policy no matter where the child lives that ten years from now this exact same problem will come up at this council table. It hasn't missed a session since I have been here at the table and that is about ten years and we haven't come up with a solution yet. We have tried badges, we have tried stickers, we have tried tickets, every method imaginable, and as I say, if this Council can come up with the solution, then more power to them.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman,

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: Mr. Chairman, I would just like to say that kindergarten students get the transportation within the two mile radius.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. McIntyre. Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, just a comment, I think. I, as I said before, I don't think the people are really concerned so much with the fact that the children must be paid for, if they are within the two mile limit. I don't think that is the problem. Maybe in Whitehorse, but not in the outlying areas. I find that they are dissatisfied with the Administration giving young children tickets and causing them to have to pack them around in their lunch boxes.

Of course, I don't know, I don't suppose I could solve the problem myself but I am sure that this has never been tried before and it might be a thought, that they charge the people concerned which is the parents of the children. I have talked to many of them, you know, threshed it over and I find they think quite highly of the idea. Maybe they should charge the people.

Of course, your children are supposedly to go to school so they miss a day and they lose that one ten cents or whatever it is, it is no problem really. It is not near as much problem as they have now. Charge the parents by the month for the services that are going to be provided.

You go direct to the parents and the government deal with the parents, or the Department of Education. I don't think any parent will refuse to pay, because, it is just like Income Tax, if you refuse to pay you are going to have to pay anyhow, you don't have a choice, when you deal with the government. I think this might be one way around it. People would be more satisfied.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I think the last time they tried that they found they had more success dealing with the kids, Mr. Chairman.

(Laughter)

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: There is just one other point I would like to make, Mr. Chairman, and that is a number of the people involved in the Whitehorse area are housed in certain sections of this community with no choice because they are in government housing. They find themselves living across the Alaska Highway some distance from a school in some cases, but their children have to walk because they are still within the two mile limit.

I think, possibly, I will be getting off the subject if I go any farther, Mr. Chairman, but I think one of the answers to this problem is cross-walks over highways.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mrs. Whyard? Mr. Lang?

Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, who sets the fee of three

dollars and five dollars per family?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, it is set by Commissioner's Order on a recommendation from the Superintendent of Education in the Territorial Treasury.

The next item, Mr. Chairman, is Sale of Material, Supplies and Services, \$51,000.00 This relates to the Vocational School and it is materials and supplies we are selling to students in certain classes. It would also relate to the recoveries from the cafeteria and this type of thing in the Vocational School.

The next item is Occupational Training Recoveries. These are the recoveries that we make under the Occupational Training Ordinance. They are the spaces, really, that are bought by Manpower.

Dormitory Fees. This is the dormitory at the Vocational School and represents the recoveries from the people living there.

Fitness and Amateur Sport

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, why the increase, have we added a dormitory?

Mr. Miller: No, we haven't added a dormitory. I can only suppose -- maybe Mrs. Watson knows the answer.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, the Manpower allowance that the students receive, increases by the cost of living, so that the dormitory fees increase to the student by the cost of living. There's an increase in the fee structure in the dormitories, at the Vocational School.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I might also point out that the 1974-75 estimate was done before this program of upgrading the fees came into effect, so our actual this year will be considerably higher than \$23,000.00.

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: This increase in fee, of course, would be across the board to all students, whether they were under the Manpower plan or not, therefore there are some students being subsidized with a higher remuneration than others. Those who are there on their own are paying the higher fee, but they are not being subsidized by Manpower. Would the fee have been raised to all students if the Manpower cost of living agreement hadn't been built in?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman --

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: --in the past, students taking Vocational School courses either were Manpower

students getting an allowance from Manpower, or Territorial students, because Manpower didn't pick up all the spaces in a class. Territorial students' allowance was considerably lower than what Manpower was paying, and there was quite a great deal of unhappiness within the school, so what the Territory did about two years ago, we set the Territorial Students' Allowance at the same level as Manpower Students' Allowance, and Manpower increases their allowance, reviews, due to the cost of living, yearly, so they have had a yearly increase, Manpower students and Territorial students.

So we review then the dormitory fees that we charge these students on an allowance while they are staying in our dorms, for meals and their dorm, at the same level that they -- that the cost of living has increased, so that they are all equal.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, am I to understand then that there are no students at the Vocational Training Centre who are not subsidized in some form or another?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I would say most of them are. Now, there may be a few exceptions who are not eligible by age, because I believe you have to be more than 16, do you not, to receive, and any that go under that age are not being subsidized. They are very few.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, the next item is Fitness and Amateur Sport, and the last item Friendship Centres.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, in dealing with Fitness and Amateur Sport Recoveries, what -- roughly what percentage of these monies will be made available for distribution by the Physical Fitness and Amateur Sport Committee for their projects?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I think if we refer to the Appendix, page A-17, you will find that under B there's assistance to programs or projects organized by recognized Yukon Associations or agencies, on recommendation of the Advisory Committee, \$86,000.00.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: In addition to this will of course be the revenues we spoke of accruing from Western Canada Lottery, is this correct?

Mr. Miller: That would be correct, Mr. Chairman, when we have those revenues. If and when we have those revenues.

Okay, the Territorial Secretary, Land Titles Office, we voted an expenditure of \$60,000.00, this is the recovery outside the agreement, which is our normal pattern when we take over a program. The first year we have it outside the agreement and then in sub-

sequent years it just grows into the deficit, or into our financial agreement.

Under Health, Social Service Agencies, \$12,500.00, this is recovery under the Canada Assistance Plan. Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Oh sorry, Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I believe this is for the Crossroads program, is it not?

Mr. Miller: That would be correct, Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: I would like to indicate to the Members here that under the Canada Assistance Plan, any cost sharing that the Federal Government does to the Yukon Territory on a 50 percent basis, is for people in need. It isn't -- if it's a universal program, it does not mean that Canada Assistance will cost share a universal program at 50 percent of the cost. I think this is very, very important and it should also apply under Social Service Agencies under Welfare, the \$24,000.00 that we are hoping to recover this year.

We can only recover it if we prove, under the Canada Assistance Plan, that the people who are receiving that service were in need, financial need, and this is something that we just automatically say a social service program, cost shareable. It is not, it's very misleading.

I would also question very much again, under the Rehabilitation, I think we are going to have to start reading some of that fine print just a little bit more carefully, to make sure that we don't get caught on some of these things, and that we expect a 50 percent cost sharing and we are not going to receive it.

And while -- I'll go into that at another time, thank you.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mrs. Watson? Anything further? Dr. Hibberd.

Dr. Hibberd: Mr. Chairman, I would hope that we would never achieve the status where we would all be eligible for Social Assistance.

A Member: We are getting there.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, the next item, General Health Services, \$25,000.00. This is the \$2.00 per capita that we charge to our municipalities for providing public health or general health services to them.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, this is the old routine, isn't it, based on the out of date census and we go round the circle on that one?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, when you say the "old routine", this is based on the 1971 census. That's what we charge them on.

Mrs. Whyard: So we are always about four years behind on population figures, Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Miller: That's correct, Mr. Chairman, and until we find a better mechanism to estimate our own Territorial population and break it down into municipalities, we are going to be, essentially, six years behind before we get a correction.

Mrs. Whyard: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Do I understand that this \$25,000.00 is based on the per capita of the Yukon Territory now? I always thought they did consider us as 19,000.

Mr. Miller: No, Mr. Chairman, this is an imposition, I suppose, if you call it that way, or a fee that we charge the municipalities only, so in respect of Whitehorse they would pay on a population as of the 1971 census, of \$11,274.00; Faro's would be eight hundred and something and Dawson's would be whatever their number is. The balance of the population there's no provision for.

The next item, Yukon Hospital Insurance Services, and I think we went through that exercise at an earlier point.

The Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan, this is the recovery from the Federal Government. Again, a normal federal-provincial type agreement.

In the welfare area, all of these recoveries, with the exception of the last item, are totally recoverable under the -- I shouldn't say totally, they are recoverable under the Canada Assistance Plan, and they essentially are 50 percent of our expenditures. In the case of the lodges and the Senior Citizen's Homes, that would be our net recovery, which would include rental charged to people who are living in the institution, and the balance recoverable under the Canada Assistance Plan, on the basis of 50-50 cost sharing.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I believe I asked when we were discussing this item earlier for the terms of reference for admittance to Senior Citizen's Homes.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I believe the question was the cost in Senior Citizens' Homes and I have quite a detailed reply here.

That was your question, you wanted the terms of reference for--

Mrs. Whyard: For admittance.

Hon. Mrs. Watson: --for admittance. I can get that too.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mrs. Watson.

Mr. Miller: Okay, under Corrections, the National Parole Board, this relates to a Bill which will be placed

before you, to enter an agreement with the Department of Justice for our people to take on certain parole duties.

The meal recoveries of a thousand dollars, these are the recoveries we make for people who eat there, staff members primarily, or others who on occasion do eat there and are charged a fee.

In Local Government area, Mr. Chairman, the Ross River truck water service, this is the fees that we charge for that service. Emergency Measures Organization, these are recoveries under an agreement we have with Canada.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I couldn't let this go by without expressing my extreme disappointment at the amount of revenues that are available from the Federal Government in terms of developing an Emergency Measures Organization, and I would certainly think that the Administration should make every effort to obtain greater funding so that we could indeed more adequately develop our E.M.O. organization throughout the Yukon.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Taylor. Dr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Apropos to that what are the costs to the Territorial Government of the Emergency Measures Organization?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, the direct costs are very small, our fire marshal, the Yukon Fire Marshall, Tom Nairn is also the E.M.O. coordinator in the Yukon. We normally use our other staff to carry out similar functions, and the only real costs that we do get involved with are in instances where the E.M.O. organization actually goes into operation.

For example, recently here they undertook to evacuate those people off the Haines Road who were stuck in there, in the slides and the heavy snow, but that is really the only time we get into real out-of-pocket costs is when it's considered, a situation, comes up where we consider it to be an E.M.O. function.

Mr. Chairman: Dr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Yes, Mr. Chairman, the funding from the Federal Government probably would be quite adequate in terms of the funds that are necessary

Mr. Miller: Well, Mr. Chairman, we have been around and around and around on E.M.O. up until two years ago it was run by the Federal Government with a joint coordinator out of Edmonton, then they moved into Yellowknife and we have now taken it over ourselves, and I think we've got the organization there. They seem to be functioning reasonably well, we are working in the communities now trying to get them organized. You can spend millions of dollars on E.M.O. and accomplish nothing, and you can have the basic organization at a limited cost and the capability of handling those situations that do accrue, and until they

do come up, they are normally acts of God, you can't provide any a number of money until the situation is really there.

The next item, Mr. Chairman, Municipal Tax Assessment, this is the fee that we charge the municipalities for the assessment work we do in their areas.

Protection Services, these are the fees that we charge for licences and permits, not licences, but permits, building permits, electrical permits, gas, plumbing et cetera.

Insect Control, these are the amounts that we charge back to the L.I.D.'s or municipalities providing insect control in those areas at their request.

Building Appeal Board, this is the assessment that we make on the City of Whitehorse, we essentially run a combined Building Appeal Board.

Dust Control, these are fees for the services that we charge to L.I.D.'s primarily where we provide dust control in their areas.

Ambulance fees, are the fees that are set out for people using ambulances throughout the Yukon.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, when a person in an outlying district wishes to come to Whitehorse and can get permission, authority from a doctor to come in for treatment here in Whitehorse, we have a Medical Subsidization Plan under which they can recover some of their expenses of getting here to Whitehorse.

When you have an ambulance, you know, when you are really badly off and you need an ambulance to bring you to Whitehorse, what portion of that cost would be actually charged back to the poor person they are bringing in?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, if it's medical necessity that the ambulance is coming in for, in other words, you know, the doctor, at the patient on arrival seeing the doctor, the doctor determines it was medical necessity, we charge it back to the medical evacuation.

If it turned out that it wasn't a medical necessity that ambulance made the trip, then the individual is charged with the fee for running that ambulance down, and the set of fees under the Finance Admin Ordinance, or Commissioner's Order, just off the top of my head, I think the fees are a minimum of \$10.00 and 33 cents a mile for operating the ambulance.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, do you know something we don't know about how many accidents there are going to be this year, or why the 50 percent increase? Is that normal cost increase? Ambulance drivers' salaries? Increase in gas?

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, the --this is an estimate. I think we will find, and I don't have the figure right handy, but our 4-5 estimates were a little low, so while it appears to be a major increase, if my memory serves me correct, in 1974-75 we will collect something in the neighbourhood of 15 or 16,000, so it's a very minor

increase in terms of actual.

Mrs. Whyard: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Miller: Okay, the next item, Mr. Chairman, Tourism, Secretary of State \$25,000.00, this is for the translation of our brochures into the French language, and the Secretary of State is paying for it.

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Is there no compensation for translating into Japanese?

Mr. Miller: No, Mr. Chairman, we have to do that ourselves.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: We should have lunch on that, Mr. Chairman.

Dr. Hibberd: Mr. Chairman, do we have any statistics on how many people of French speaking origin only come to the Yukon?

Mrs. Whyard: Compared to Japanese?

Mr. Miller: No, we don't Mr. Chairman. There is no statistics available.

The next item, Mr. Chairman, Information Services. This is all related to the library and I think they are fairly self-explanatory.

Mr. Chairman: This might be a good time ---

Mr. Miller: If you want to bear with me for five minutes, we will be done.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Miller advises that he can finish in five minutes. On that optimistic note, perhaps we should carry on.

Mr. Miller: Under Legal Affairs, Mr. Chairman, Compensation for the Victims of Crime, 9,000, this will relate to a Bill that is in the House, it is in Committee. It is an agreement with Ottawa for the sharing of funding.

Court Worker Program is in a similar state. There is a Bill here to enter into an agreement with the Department of Justice.

Under Highway and Public Works, Third Party Office Rental, this is for offices in Territorial Government buildings and I think, in fact we got it in the wrong area. We should have it in another area of the Budget. What it relates to is the rental of the Post Office in Watson Lake. We share some rental of an office of Forestry at Faro. In the Dawson Liquor Store building we charge the City of Dawson for sharing our premises there.

I would suggest that we will move that from Highway and Public Works into some other area, because it doesn't really relate to Highway and Public Works.

The next two items, Engineering Services Administration, Alaska Highway Administration.

These are recoveries that we make from the Federal Government, either D.P.W. or I.A.N.D. for us providing administration of -- I am sorry, not for providing -- this is to cover our general administration and it relates to the costs of road maintenance primarily. We charge a six and one half percent admin fee to -- or under these agreements to cover the costs of our highway administration and our general administration. That is over and above the actual cost of maintaining the roads.

Airports and Airstrips. This is a recovery from M.O.T., which I think we saw when we were dealing with the expenditures.

The V.H.F. Radio System. This will be the annual recovery that we will make from I.A.N.D. and R.C.M.P. for their using our V.H.F. or sharing our V.H.F. system.

Third Party Services. This is the work that we do for other parties and charge them one hundred and ten percent of our costs.

The last item on the page, The Alaska Highway Agreement, that is the actual road maintenance and it just relates to the one hundred percent recovery.

The first item on page 83, the 85 percent Recovery under the Territorial Engineering Services Agreement relates to the resource roads.

The 100 percent Recovery relates primarily to the Dawson Skyline and to the winter operation of certain road camps where we don't deem it necessary to maintain those roads year-round, Ottawa, for resource exploration purposes have deemed they want them open and they are prepared to pay 100 percent of the cost of keeping them open.

Under Yukon Housing Corporation. The Housing Accommodation Rentals, I think, is self-explanatory.

The Rental Purchase Housing Subsidy is the subsidy that we get from I.A.N.D. relating to the Indian people who occupy these houses.

The operating Deficit from C.M.H.C., I think is self explanatory. We share, in most cases, the deficit with C.M.H.C. on some proportionate basis and are trying to get most of our housing programs now on a 50-50 arrangement with C.M.H.C.

That, Mr. Chairman, is the end of recoveries.

You will find some other material in this book which may be of some benefit to you. For example, the Appendix page A-1-1 shows you our expenditures by, what we call objects, or by Primary Objects of Expenditure. How much we spend in salaries in total, etcetera.

A-2-1 is the same thing for a previous year.

Then Appendix page A-3 is our manpower summary.

A-4 to A-13 just gives you some indication of what type of expenditures we classify into the broad primary detail.

They are basically just information items that might be of some benefit to you.

That, Mr. Chairman, is the Budget.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you Mr. Miller.

Shall we carry on or should I declare a recess.

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I wonder if it would be necessary to have witnesses here this af-

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ternoon for any of these Bills or may the witnesses be excused.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Miller, in your opinion, do we have witnesses for Bill number 3?

Mr. Miller: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that if you are going to deal with financial Bills that you might like to have witnesses here.

Mr. Chairman: I would ask then that you and Mr. Huberdeau attend at 2:15.

We intend to deal with one of the Papers, firstly. Sessional Paper Number 3 this afternoon and then briefly, Bill Number 3.

Mr. Miller: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: I will declare a recess then until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Recess

Mr. Chairman: I will now call the meeting to Order. I think possibly the next item should be Sessional Paper Number 3, I think we are in a position to deal with that now, so if it's agreeable to Members, we will turn to that Sessional Paper.

SESSIONAL PAPER NO. 3

Sessional Paper Number 3 deals with Appointment to Yukon Territory Water Board, and you'll notice when you turn to the bottom part of Page 2 of that Paper, that we are being asked to recommend by Motion, (1), one person to fill the current vacancy on the Water Board, (2) a policy in the terms of future appointments to the Board, which would be proposed to the Minister, (3) that the Yukon representatives on the Board consult and report to Council through the Executive Committee, and (4) a request that the Annual Report of the Water Board be made available to the Council on a routine basis.

I presume you have all had a chance to go through the background material which is supplied within the Paper itself. I wonder whether you might agree that the proper way to approach this Paper is to, first of all, direct our minds to the first recommendation which is asked of us, namely to name one person to fill the current vacancy on the Water Board. That's the vacancy which was created by the resignation of John Livesey to run for Council.

Possibly even without further discussion, I could ask for a Motion as to who should fill that vacancy. Dr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Mr. Chairman, I have prepared a Motion which covers all four points, but if you so desire, it could be broken down into four separation motions.

Mr. Chairman: Dr. Hibberd, possibly we could hear your Motion and see whether or not there's going to be debate on any of the parts of your motion.

Dr. Hibberd: Moved by the Member from Whitehorse South Centre and seconded by the Member

for Klondike, and the first of four parts: (a) That Mr. George Shaw be nominated to fill the current vacancy on the Water Board..

(b) That the stipulated terms of appointment be changed on a regular basis, and that the initial appointments are for staggered terms, i.e. three years, two years and one year, to be followed by three year terms. This is to ensure some continuity on the membership of the Board.

(c) That the Yukon representatives on the Water Board consult and report to the Legislative Assembly through the Executive Committee.

(d) That the Annual Report of the Water Board be made available to the Legislative Assembly on a regular basis.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Dr. Hibberd. I wonder if you could give me a copy of the motion? It's been moved by the Member for Whitehorse South Centre, seconded by the Member for Klondike, that (a) Mr. George Shaw be nominated to fill the current vacancy on the Water Board; (b) That the stipulated terms of appointments be changed on a regular basis, and that the initial appointments are for staggered terms, i.e. three years, two years, one year, to be followed by three year terms. (To ensure some continuity of membership on the Board). (c) That the Yukon representatives on the Water Board consult and report to the Legislative Assembly through the Executive Committee; (d) That the Annual Report of the Water Board be made available to the Legislative Assembly on a regular basis.

Now, the one item before we get into discussion on the Motion that I would like to bring up is this, that the recommendations as envisaged in parts (c) and (d) of your Motion, Dr. Hibberd, relate to "us", "Legislative Assembly". Of course, it seems to me that the Minister, when this is sent to the Minister, will be thinking of us in terms of Council because of the Yukon Act. I wonder what the feeling is about amending that or if there is any discussion just on that point that we be referred to as Council when it comes to placing our position before the Minister who is bound by the law as set forth in the Yukon Act? Is there any discussion on that point or feelings about it? Dr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Perhaps it could be amended, Mr. Chairman, to include the Legislative Assembly (Council)?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Yes?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Speaking on the Motion, I have no trouble at all with Section 2, 3 and 4 of the Motion, I agree wholeheartedly. I think that there should be some limitation on the limit of appointments. I don't think it should be open ended, that once you're there, you're there at the pleasure of the Minister ad infinitum. I don't think that's the type of appointment that we feel should be on this Board.

I agree, of course, with the recommendations in 3 and 4 that the Board consult, and, of course, that the Report of the Water Board be available to the Legislative Assembly.

The one area where I do have a little bit of trouble

with is just without any prior deliberation except the Motion of this last Council coming up with the appointment of a member to the Water Board, on other Councils, Mr. Chairman, even which were much more divided than this one is, at least at this stage of time, that there were many people who had ideas of who would be a person to fill an important vacancy on a Board such as the Yukon Water Board, and this as it's dealt at in most corporations or municipal or Territorial councils, was always done in caucus, so that everybody had the input of those people who would be desirous and would serve the Yukon well in appointments of this nature, and Council, in caucus, could make up their minds as to who was the most desirable out of the names that were brought forward at that time.

I would be loathe, and of course always have been, that this is the kind of a game that be played in the Council Chamber, well this is my name, this is your name and debate the relative merits of the people in open Council. I just don't think that this is one of the areas in which open Assembly should be used, one of the very few areas which I object to business being done in full scrutiny of the public eye, but other than that, Mr. Chairman, I have no objection to the Motion as presented by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse South Centre.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you for your comments, Mr. McKinnon. With respect to your first point, this Motion states to be followed by three year terms, so that the terms would not be open ended.

With respect to your first, or your second point rather, and dealing with part (a) of the Motion, I was of the feeling that there wasn't going to be any debate on the named person, and I do accept your general emphasis, and this is of course why we aren't dealing with Sessional Paper Number 2 at this time. If there is any disagreement about Mr. George Shaw, who was named as I understood by the previous House, then possibly we could set this Sessional Paper aside, but if there is no disagreement, about that part of the Motion we could proceed. What's the feeling on George Shaw? Is it agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: I would disagree with the Motion. I think that we should go into caucus to select a person.

NMR. Chairman: Very well, so long as there is even one disagreement.

Dr. Hibberd: Mr. Chairman, then perhaps we should amend the Motion so that the other three parts could be passed at this time, and we could leave the other until we are in the caucus.

Mr. Chairman: Is that agreed? Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Question, Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Yes.

Mrs. Whyard: I need a little clarification from the mover of the Motion, Mr. Chairman, on how you establish this continuity system of three years, two

years and one year -- how do you divide the present members of the Water Board into who is three, who is two and who is one?

Mr. Chairman: Dr. Hibberd?

Dr. Hibberd: Mr. Chairman, I would suggest we move the whole thing into caucus.

(Applause)

Mr. Chairman: Is that agreed?

Some Members.: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: Very well.

Perhaps then we could call a brief recess and get the witnesses for the next item of business which would be Bill Number 3.

Recess

Mr. Chairman: I would now call the Committee to Order, and Sessional Paper Number 3 having received short shrift from the Members, we will now turn to Bill Number 3, and we have with us once again, Mr. Miller and Mr. Huberdeau as witnesses.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, I might ask just before you move to Bill 3, I have some answers to questions raised in Bill 2. Would you like those now or would you prefer to wait until you go back to Bill 2?

Mr. Chairman: I guess it would be a good time to--

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Miller: Okay, some of the questions raised this morning when we were going through the revenue. Fishing licence revenue, I think I gave a figure of \$25,000.00. In fact, in 1974-75, it was \$43,000.00. The balance of the question regarding the power to impose the fee and change it, I have not had time to check out.

There was another question raised regarding the liquor licences and how much revenue was obtained from that--

Mrs. Whyard: I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman. We can't hear.

Mr. Miller: Liquor licences in 1974-75 totalled \$30,000.00 with permits under the Liquor Ordinance to date, \$4,000.00. These would be special occasion permits and permits of that nature.

There was a question raised regarding the amount of revenue from school buses. The total revenue to date would be \$2,500.00 versus our estimate of 3,000 in the estimates.

There was another question related to the windfall revenues that we might have got from the Alaska Highway. I estimated that at \$150,000.00, in fact, we now think it's probably closer to \$250,000.00 in the current fiscal year.

That, Mr. Chairman, is all the answers we have been able to obtain. I'll obtain the rest of the answers to questions raised and bring them forward at a later date.

BILL NO. 3

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Miller. We shall then proceed clause by clause of Bill Number 3.

Section 1.
(Reads Section 1)

Section 2 (1)
(Reads Section 2 (1))

Is there any discussion about Clause 1 and 2 (1)?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 3 (1): (Reads Section 3 (1))
Is there any discussion about that portion of Clause 3 (1) (a)?

Mr. Chairman: Any discussion on that? Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 4. (1): (Reads 4. (1))

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Yes, I would like some clarification, Mr. Chairman, on this sub-section (b) of Section 4, as to the "such other terms and conditions as may be agreed upon for the purpose of giving effect to this Ordinance". I would like some clarification, please.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, in the Agreement itself, there may be terms and conditions written down in the Agreement which wouldn't necessarily enter into this Ordinance.

Now, I can't think of any off the top of my head that we don't already cover in the Agreement, but if they were to come up, I think the provision is there. This has been standard phraseology as long as I know from day one, whether it's even necessary, I would hate to argue the point.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Hon. Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I just have a question going back to Section 3, and also on the explanatory note where we're getting an operating grant in the amount of seven million, eight thousand dollars, and a grant in lieu of income tax in an amount of six million five hundred and ninety thousand dollars, and yet our operating requirement is thirteen million seven hundred and ten sixty-seven. So there is a difference in the two totals. What is that difference? There must be a reason for it. If you add your seven million eight and six million five hundred and ninety, you get thirteen million five hundred and ninety-eight thousand, so there's a difference of about \$100,000.00.

Mr. Miller: Yes, Mr. Chairman, there was an operating deficit anticipated in the budget of \$112,067.00. which we will draw down from our working capital, so we've really got a deficit budget, if you like.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, could I ask whether that payment in lieu of the Government of the Yukon levying personal and corporate income tax, is exactly the same amount as the Government of the Yukon would have paid if it levied personal and corporate income tax?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Miller?

Mr. Miller: Well, assuming that we adopted the same rates that are now imposed by the Federal Government, namely 30 percent, on personal and 10 percent on corporate, it would work out to roughly this amount of money. Now, the difference being that this is not based on actual, it's based on estimated, and there is no adjustment of that.

In the provinces, what happens is that the provincial government sets its own rate of personal and corporate income tax, which the Federal Government collects for the Province. In the course of the year, let's say for 1975, they have a formula worked out which supposedly determines how much the province will get from its abatement of income tax from the Federal Government. The Federal Government pays to the province on one-twelfth of that estimate, during the course of '75.

In 1977, there would be an adjustment between the estimated amount and the actual, and it could be higher or lower, so if the province has got too much money, they are going to have to pay it back. We don't go through that gyration of converting to actual at some point in time, but if we ever introduce or undertake in the Territory to impose our own income tax, we could work under much the same conditions--

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Miller.

Mr. Miller: --as the provinces do.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Miller, is the estimate based on the census population, or on what the experience of the Federal Government was in collecting income taxes last year?

Mr. Miller: No, it's nothing to do with population. In fact, the way they do it is they take the last complete year, in this case it would be the 1973 personal income tax collected in the Yukon, or in respect of the Yukon, as a proportion of the total income tax paid in Canada. They then estimate the total income tax to be paid in Canada in 1975, and apply that percentage, which they had previously derived against that total.

They do the same with corporate taxes, but they are one year further behind. They would be using the 1972 actual tax year for 1975. So we would not know the actual situation until at least two years hence, and in the case of corporate, I think it's three years. So we don't really know where we stand in terms of how good the estimates were in relation to actual, but we will now be able to start figuring that out effective a little later on this year.

Mrs. Whyard: I assume, Mr. Chairman, that somebody is watching this pretty closely.

Mr. Miller: That is the intent, Mr. Chairman. As I say this year is the first year we will ever be able to

check because 1973-74 was the first year that we went into getting the grant in lieu of Income Tax. Now we will have some actual data on which to base a comparison.

Mrs. Whyard: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Any further questions of comments? Clear?

Clause 5.(1)

Reads Clause 5.(1)

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Would I be right in assuming that clause (b) in 4 is in there to clarify 5.(1). The agreement may be varied or amended from time to time, as agreed upon with the Government of Canada by the Commissioner, is that possibly not the reason for (b) in 4?

Mr. Miller: I don't believe so Mr. Chairman. I think Clause 5 and 6 are inter-related. I don't believe 4.(1) (b) is interrelated to the other two.

Maybe I could ask the Chairman to give me some help from the legal side.

It is sort of the blanket type of phraseology that you often find in agreements of this nature so that when the agreement is actually presented to the Commissioner to sign, if there has to be a couple of little wrinkles in it for some reason or another, you can still go ahead and sign it without having to come back to the House everytime you want to cross a "T" or dot an "i". I think that is really what it is intended for.

Mr. Chairman: Yes, I would think that is quite right, Mr. Miller. It is like any agreement. Clauses 5 and 6, whereas Clause 4.(1) (b) gives a small amount of latitude without coming back before the House, that is correct.

Any further questions or comments?

Clause 6.(1).

Reads Clause 6.(1).

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 7.(1)

Reads Clause 7.(1)

Mr. Miller: I think it should be "assumed by it under the agreement. It's a typing error, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: There appears to be two typing errors in that Clause then, "amended", I hope and "get" rather than "in".

Aside from those obvious errors are there any questions or comments? Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 8.(1)

Reads Clause 8.(1)

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 9.(1).

Reads Clause 9.(1)

Mr. Chairman: Clause 10.(1)

Reads Clause 10.(1).

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: I will go back then to the preamble, which reads, "The Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of the said Territory, enacts as follows:"

The title of Bill Number 3, '75 is, Financial Agreement Ordinance, 1975.

Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Do we have a Motion on the Bill?

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: I move that Bill Number 3 be reported out of Committee as amended.

Mr. Miller: We amended 70 mistakes in spelling.

A Member: They were typographical errors.

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: Okay, without amendments.

Mr. McCall: I second that, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: It has been moved by Mr. McIntyre, seconded by Mr. McCall that Bill Number 3 be moved out of Committee without amendments. Question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Chairman: Is it agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: I declare that the motion is passed.

Motion Carried

Mr. Chairman: We will carry on to Bill number 4.

BILL NUMBER FOUR

Mr. Chairman: Clause 1.
Reads Clause 1.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 2.(1)
Reads Clause 2.(1)

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 3.(1)
Reads Clause 3.(1)

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 4(1):
(Reads Clause 4.(1))

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: The preamble: "The Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, by and with the advice and consent of the council of the said Territory, enacts as follows

Mr. Chairman: And the title of the Bill, "Loan Agreement Ordinance 1975, Number 1". Clear?

Some Members: Clear. We -- may we have a Motion with respect to this Bill?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, I would move Bill Number 5, Municipal General Purposes Loan Ordinance out of Committee with out amendment.

Bill Number 4, Mr. Chairman, Loan Agreement Ordinance, 1975, Number 1, out of Committee without amendment.

Mr. Chairman: Secunder?

Mr. Berger: I second that Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: It has been moved by Mr. McKinnon, seconded by Mr. Berger, that Bill Number 4 be moved out of Committee without amendment. Question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Chairman: Agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: I declare the Motion carried.

Motion Carried

BILL NUMBER 5

Mr. Chairman: We will next turn to Bill Number 5. Clause 1:
(Reads Clause 1)

Mr. Chairman: Clear? Clause 2(1):
(Reads Clause 2(1))

Mr. Chairman: Any questions or comments?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Clause 2, sub-section (2):
(Reads Clause 2.(2))

Mr. Chairman: Any questions or comments? Clause 3.(1):
(Reads Clause 3.(1))

Mr. Chairman: Any questions or comments? Clause 4.
(Reads Clause 4)

Mr. Chairman: Any questions or comments? Clause 5.(1):
(Reads Clause 5.(1))

Mr. Chairman: Are there any questions or comments on 5, sub-section (1)?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 5, sub-section (2):
(Reads 5, (2))

Mr. Chairman: Any questions or comments on 5, sub-section (2)?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 6(1):
(Reads Clause 6(1))

Mr. Chairman: Any comments or questions on 6?

Some Members: Clear.

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McIntyre?

Hon. Mr. McIntyre: I am not clear what Council we are talking about in this Section.

Mr. Miller: Mr. Chairman, we are talking about the Council as defined in the definitions, Council of a municipality.

Mr. Chairman: Are there any further questions or comments?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Section 7.(1):
(Reads Section 7.(1))

Mr. Chairman: Section 7(2):
(Reads Section 7.(2))

Mr. Chairman: Any questions or comments about 7.(1) or (2)? 7 sub (1) or sub (2), rather? Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 8.(1):
(Reads Clause 8.(1))

Mr. Chairman: Clear? Clause 9.(1).
(Reads Clause 9(1))

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: The preamble, "The Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of the said Territory enacts as follows:--" And the title, Bill Number 5, "Municipal General Purposes Loan Ordinance". Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, I would move Bill Number 5, Municipal General Purposes Loan Ordinance out of Committee without amendment.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you. Do we have a seconder of that motion?

Ms. Millard: I second that, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: It has been moved by Mr. McKinnon, seconded by Mr. McCall, that Bill Number 5, entitled Municipal General Purposes Loan Ordinance, be moved out of Committee without amendment.

Mr. McCall: Mr. Chairman, I didn't second it.

Ms. Millard: Millard, it was me.

Mr. Chairman: Oh Miss Millard, I'm awfully sorry. I would like to apologize to Mr. McCall for calling him Ms. and Miss Millard for calling her McCall.

Mr. Chairman: Question?

Mr. McCall: Nasty, nasty.

Mr. Chairman: Are we agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: I move that Motion is carried.

Motion Carried

Mr. Chairman: I see it's now approximately five to three, and I understand that we wish to call 5 o'clock fairly soon this afternoon, as we have some discussion in caucus about the seizures.

Accordingly, I would now thank the witnesses for attending this afternoon, and ask them to be available tomorrow, same time, same station. Not tomorrow? I guess we won't need you tomorrow. Fine.

I will then entertain a Motion.

Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, I move that the Speaker resume the chair.

Mr. Chairman: Who is the seconder of that Motion?

Mr. Berger: I second it, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: It has been moved by Mr. Lang, seconded by Mr. Berger, that Mr. Speaker now resume the chair. Question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Chairman: Are we agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: I declare the Motion to be carried.

Motion Carried

Mr. Speaker resumes Chair

Mr. Speaker: I will now call the House to order. May we have a report from the Chairman of Committees?

Mr. Phelps: Yes, Mr. Speaker, the Committee of the Whole convened at 10:25 a.m. to consider Bills, Papers and Motions. As witnesses we had Mr. Miller and Mr. Huberdeau. It was agreed that we would set Thursday, March 20th, following Orders of the Day, to hear witnesses on the Capital Assistance Program as provided in the proposed Bill.

Committee recessed at 12:05 and reconvened at 2:05. After discussion of Bill Number 3, it was moved by Mr. McIntyre and seconded by Mr. McCall, that Bill Number 3 be moved out of Committee without amendment.

After discussion of Bill Number 4, it was moved by Mr. McKinnon, seconded by Mr. Berger, that Bill Number 4 be moved out of Committee without amendment.

After discussion of Bill Number 5, it was moved by Mr. McKinnon, seconded by Ms. Millard that Bill Number 5 be moved out of Committee without amendment.

I can report progress on Bill Number 2.

It was moved by Mr. Lang, seconded by Mr. Berger, that Mr. Speaker now resume the Chair.

Mr. Speaker: You have heard the report of the Chairman of Committees. Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: What is your further pleasure?

Mr. Fleming: I would now move, Mr. Speaker, that we call it five o'clock.

Mr. Speaker: Is there a seconder?

Ms. Millard: I second it, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Member from Hootalinqua, and seconded by the Honourable Member from Ogilvie that we now call it 5 o'clock. Are you prepared for the Question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: I shall declare the Motion as carried.

Motion Carried

Mr. Speaker: This House now stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m. tomorrow morning.

Adjourned

LEGISLATIVE RETURN NO. 1
(1975 SECOND SESSION)
March 13th, 1975.

Mr. Speaker,
Members of Council

On Monday, March 10th, Councillor Millard asked the following written question:

"I have been advised that it is a definite policy of the Welfare Branch to extend services to Clinton Creek, while reducing services to Old Crow. If this is so, could she investigate the situation to assure that the policy is more consistent with other areas in the Yukon and more in keeping with the population needs of each community?"

The answer is as follows:

The information that Councillor Millard has received with respect to a definite policy of the Welfare Branch to extend services to Clinton Creek is correct. We are endeavouring to increase the amount of time spent in Clinton Creek with the hope that there will be a

resultant increase in the number of foster homes in that community. Because of the nature of the community, our main involvement is not in the area of social assistance, but rather it is in the area of family service and child welfare.

With respect to the question of planned reduction of services to Old Crow, this is not the case. Our plan is to visit the community of Old Crow quarterly, that is every three months, or more often if an emergency arises and if there are indications that more visits are required. There are a total of approximately fourteen cases in Old Crow, primarily Territorial Supplementary Allowance and long term social assistance cases requiring only a minimal amount of case work. There is also a cohesiveness in the community of Old Crow that is lacking in many other native Yukon communities, and there is strong leadership evidenced in the community, plus a mutual sharing of responsibilities. This further negates the requirement of a large amount of time on the part of the Welfare Branch.

Hilda P. Watson
Minister of Health,
Welfare and Rehabilitation.