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Mr. Speaker: I will now call the House to order. We will now proceed with prayers.

(Prayers)

Mr. Speaker: We will now proceed with the Order Paper.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Speaker: Are there any documents for tabling this morning?

TABLING OF DOCUMENTS

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Kluane.

Mrs. Watson: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have for tabling this morning, Sessional Paper No. 4, Spring Session, 1976.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I have for tabling a White Paper on Decentralization. And also, Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Section 223 of the School Ordinance, I have for tabling the Yukon Teachers' Staff Relations Board Report.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Pelly River.

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have two letters for tabling here in reference to the hiring practice of the Cyprus Anvil Mining Corporation.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Health and Welfare.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Speaker, I have, pursuant to Section 102 of the Public Service Staff Relations Ordinance, the Yukon Public Service Staff Relations Board, 6th Annual Report, 1975-76.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further documents or correspondence for tabling this morning?

Are there any Reports of Committees? Petitions?
The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale.

PETITIONS

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have a petition to the Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Yukon Territory so assembled.

THAT WHEREAS there appears to be no legislation or ordinance governing the control of domestic animals, including horses and cattle on the main highways and thoroughfares and the ditches and right-of-ways adjacent thereto in the Yukon Territory;

THAT WHEREAS there is present, along the said

main highways and thoroughfares, domestic animals grazing and not controlled such as to avoid them from wandering on the said main highways and thoroughfares;

THAT WHEREAS lately domestic animals have been grazing in the said right-of-ways and wandering onto the main highways and thoroughfares, both at day and night to the extent that they have recently become a danger and a hazard on said highways and thoroughfares and have caused numerous accidents;

THAT WHEREAS it is apparent that domestic animals will continue to graze along the main highways and thoroughfares, and continue to pose a danger and a hazard to users of the said highways and thoroughfares;

THEREFORE, your petitioners hereby pray that legislation be enacted to prohibit owners from allowing such domestic animals from grazing unattended and uncontained in the right-of-ways in the main highways and thoroughfares of the Yukon Territory or allowing certain portions thereof in order that the dangers and hazards aforesaid can be eliminated and that the users of the said highways and thoroughfares may do so in safety and without fear of damage and injury and your petitioners, as in duty bound will ever pray.

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps the Honourable Member will table same with the Clerk of Petitions.

Are there any further Petitions?
Introduction of Bills? Are there any Notices of Motion for the Production of Papers?

Are there any Notices of Motion or Resolution?

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Speaker, Notice of Motion, moved by myself, seconded by the Honourable Member from Klondike, that

WHEREAS the majority of Yukon citizens and the Yukon Legislative Assembly reject most recommendations as put forth by the Task Force on Electrical Energy Costs in the north; and

WHEREAS the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development has himself been critical of the report; and

WHEREAS the Minister had indicated other options were open to him, and to be investigated and in turn acted upon;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development be asked to communicate to the Legislative Assembly of Yukon forthwith, his findings and decision as to the financial relief for Northern Canada Power Commission, so as to avoid additional consumer electrical rate increases in the immediate future, and to ensure the efficient operation of N.C.P.C. by the way of total debt write-off and the eventual establishment of a Yukon Power Corporation, to be controlled, directed and operated by Yukoners with financial guarantees from the Government of Canada.

This Resolution to be conveyed by telegram, with copies to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Leader of the Opposition, Senator Lucier, Erik Nielsen, and Members of the Standing Committee on Northern De-

velopment.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further Notices of Motion or Resolution?

Are there any Statements by Ministers?

This then brings us to the oral question period.

QUESTION PERIOD

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Ogilvie?

Ms. Millard: On a point of order. I understood our Rules to state that we could use the time called Statements by Ministers for introduction of guests in the gallery.

Mr. Speaker: Normally, introduction of guests is done prior to Orders of the Day, however, if this is the wish of the House, perhaps the Honourable Member may proceed with her introduction.

Ms. Millard: Mr. Speaker, I would like to refer that to the Rules Committee then, because that's my understanding, the last reading of the Rules that I read said that under this Section, we would be able to introduce people.

However, at this time, if you will allow me, I will take the opportunity to introduce them.

I would like to take the opportunity this morning to introduce two young gentlemen from the Robert Service School in Dawson City, Ian Stewart and Eddie Cormandy. They have expressed an interest in learning about being an M.L.A., and over the weekend, I have been giving them some instructions and they will be sitting in the gallery during the next few days.

I would like to mention as well, that they are being sponsored by the Council for Yukon Indians and the Department of Education.

(Applause)

Mr. Speaker: Have you any oral questions, oral or written?

The Honourable Member from Pelly River?

Question re: Closing of Faro Mining Operation.

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have a written question directed to the Commissioner.

In view of the fact that the President of Cyprus Anvil Mining Corporation met with the Minister, Mr. Warren Allmand, prior to the Minister coming to the Yukon, I am wondering if the Commissioner would provide this House with the information to the following questions:

Did the President of Cyprus Anvil advise the Minister, or yourself, as to when the mining operation in Faro will be closing down, and can we expect the mine to close this fall or the following spring?

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

Question re: Cost of Policies Regarding Indian Education.

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have a question this morning for the Minister of Education.

In the last session, there was a Notice of Motion re the cost of policies respecting Indian education passed in the House, and I am wondering what the status of this is today? Has there been anything done, and if so, how much?

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Education?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I hope to have a document to table here, either at the end of the week or the beginning of next week.

I would like to point out that it has taken a great deal of time and effort on behalf of the Department to prepare this particular paper. It's just been completed and in reference to the administrative staff that we have on the Department, it definitely shows that we are short staffed in relation to the work that is being called upon by the various Members in the House and the public at large upon the administration of the Department of Education.

I hope to have that to table either at the end of the week or the beginning of next week.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Kluane?

Mrs. Watson: Supplementary question, Mr. Speaker, to the Minister of Education.

By the remarks he made, is he inferring that we shouldn't ask questions of the Department of Education?

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Education?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I would like to answer yes to that, but no, I am just saying that the Department is working all hours in relation to running the Department. We, at the present time, appear to be short staffed. I don't mind any questions at all. It just takes time to compile the information, that's what I am saying.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale?

Question re: YTA Evidence to NEB.

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Education this morning, but I must preface my question with just a few remarks.

At the NEB hearing, a Member presenting a brief on behalf of the Yukon Teachers' Association, this was testifying on the Alcan Pipeline, suggested or testified that in Yukon we do not have a recognized Department of Education or education system, and Mr. Speaker, I think this is a very serious statement to make, and I would like the Minister of Education, if he could, to clarify that statement.

I know it isn't his Department, but I wonder if he could clarify with the Teachers' Association, if in fact, that statement was adhered to by the 230 odd teachers that belong to the Association, and was, in fact, the brief as

presented at the NEB hearings, an official document of that Association?

Was it tabled at a meeting, and did all members agree to it?

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, it's the first time that this particular issue has come to my attention and I will check this out in relation to the YTA. I'm appalled that a public statement like that would be made in the public forum in relation to the Department of Education because we all know that the jurisdiction of education flows under the Yukon Act, under Section 16, where we have full jurisdiction and is recognized across Canada. And, as we all know, in our post-secondary grants and bursary system, if our students come up with marks that are needed to get into a particular university, they are accepted, no questions asked.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Ogilvie.

Question re: Qualifications of Kindergarten Teachers

Ms. Millard: Mr. Speaker, I have a written question for the Minister of Education. Perhaps he's not as busy as his department. Number one, would the Minister bring to the House a statement concerning the qualifications of the kindergarten teachers in the Yukon and how many of these teachers have those qualifications?

Question re: Applications for Teaching Positions

Ms. Millard: Two, would the Minister state to the House how many local, that is Yukon resident applications, applications for teaching positions were received, how many of these local applications were qualified, how many local applicants were interviewed and how many of these local applications were not approved.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further questions?
The Honourable Member from Kluane.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Speaker, a supplementary question to the Minister of Education regarding the YTA brief. Is the Minister aware that the statistics that were presented in the brief were quite erroneous. Statistics regarding the enrollment, statistics regarding the size of the facilities, and were these statistics obtained by the YTA from the Department of Education before they prepared their brief?

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Education.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I'd like to make one comment before proceeding with the question. Obviously, I shouldn't have left the House here last Thursday, but I'll find the answers to those questions. I haven't seen the brief myself, Mr. Speaker, so allow me time to review it and I'll have my Department have a look at it and I'll bring it back to you.

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps the Honourable Minister could take that as notice.

The Honourable Member from Hootalinqua.

Question re: Proposed Bridge at Tagish

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Speaker, I have another question that arises; I think ever since I've been here, on the bridge, proposed bridge at Tagish and the approaches, there's some concern as to where the approach road on the north side of the bridge is going to come in. I'm wondering if there's anything, if the plans are finished and if there's any chance that we find out now where that approach road is going to be?

Mr. Speaker: To whom is the question directed?

Mr. Fleming: To the Commissioner.

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner.

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, I think probably the question should be directed towards the Minister of Public Health and Welfare or, no, it's alright, Highways and Public Works. Perhaps he could answer the question, with your permission.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Local Government.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Speaker, up until a week ago, we haven't received the final road plot plan and relocation and the actual bridge design, and I've asked the people in Highways and Public Works to make it available to me and to the House, and particularly the Honourable Member from Hootalinqua, as soon as it is made available to us.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Mayo?

Question re: Oil Exploration at Herschel Island

Mr. McIntyre: Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Commissioner.

I wonder if the Commissioner could let the Assembly know who is monitoring the oil exploration activities at Herschel Island, on behalf of the Territorial Government?

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner?

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, the Yukon Territorial Government at this time doesn't have any one individual who makes regular trips to review the situation at Herschel Island.

We have been liaising through the Inter-governmental Affairs Directorate, with Department of Environment and with the Northwest Territories' Department of Game. They are located in Yellowknife and Inuvik respectively and they are keeping a close eye on the situation and informing us as things develop.

During the past year, we have had several occasions when Members of the Yukon Territorial Government visited Herschel Island, but there is no regular ongoing monitor of the situation by personnel directly responsible and employed by this government.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from

Whitehorse Riverdale?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Speaker, supplementary to the question that I asked the Minister of Education earlier, I was just wondering if the Minister of Education could have tabled, in this House, a letter from all the provinces and from their respective Departments of Education, advising us of their official position with respect to the recognition and evaluation of the Yukon's educational system.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Education?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I personally do not think that is necessary. I told the House a little bit earlier in the debate that, as far as I was concerned, we are recognized across Canada and the only way I can equate that is the fact that our students are accepted in all the universities — accredited universities — across Canada, providing their marks are acceptable to that particular university, so I don't think it's necessary. Our Department of Education is recognized across the land.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Klondike?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Speaker, supplementary to the question to Mr. Commissioner about Herschel Island, I was wondering if Mr. Commissioner could tell us this morning what type of exploration is going on in the north coast of the Yukon, and who are the companies involved in that right now?

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner?

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, to my knowledge there is no exploration going on on the north coast of the Yukon. The only activity that I am aware of is the over-wintering of three drill ships in the bay off the coast of Herschel Island.

Our information is that these people, and there are only seven in my understanding, seven people over-wintering there, are not going on the land. They are staying on the ship and are supplied out of Inuvik by helicopter.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Kluane?

Question re: Correcting Mis-information given at NEB Hearings

Mrs. Watson: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Commissioner this morning.

Mr. Speaker: Proceed.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Commissioner, you've been hearing the questions and the answers regarding the erroneous information that was presented in some of the briefs regarding the Government of the Territory, particularly the Department of Education.

Would it be possible for the Pipeline Co-ordinator of the Yukon Government to put the record straight with

the National Energy Board on some of the mis-information that was given? I understand that there will not be an opportunity to really rebutt these statistics and facts, these things that were presented as fact to the National Energy Board.

Would it be possible for the Government, through the Pipeline Co-ordinator, to correct them on the record of the National Energy Board?

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner?

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, I am not familiar with the procedure to be followed with regard to that particular issue, now that the N.E.B. hearings in Whitehorse have shut down, but I would certainly be willing to communicate with the National Energy Board and we will review, not the submission of the Department of Education but that of the Yukon Teachers' Association, and if there is something in there which is erroneous and which we failed to cross-examine and to clarify properly, then I will attempt to do so.

Mrs. Watson: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale.

Question re: Number of Letters regarding Socio-economic Plan

Mr. Lengerke: Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Commissioner this morning. The other day in the House the Commissioner, in reply to a question of mine with respect to the letters that were sent out regarding the socio-economic plan, eleven requests were made and the Commissioner replied that quality not quantity was the form for the day, and I was really wondering if he could now tell me how many replies they have received. The numbers, specific number.

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner.

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, I will take that under advisement and bring the exact details back, if that's satisfactory.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Klondike.

Question re: Vacant Positions in YTG

Mr. Berger: Mr. Speaker, a question for the Honourable Minister of Local Government and Highways. On Thursday, he presented us with a paper answering the question on vacant positions in the Federal Government and I was wondering if we could have a further breakdown on that and what departments, how many vacancies in each department, and how those figures compare with last year's statistics?

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Local Government.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Speaker, all that information is available in the Main Estimates.

Mr. Speaker: Would this be agreeable to the Honourable Member?

Mr. Berger: Not really, Mr. Speaker. It's probably available in the positions. I was just wondering if we could have a compiled information instead of having to wait for the Main Estimates from department to department as we go through.

Mr. Speaker: The Minister of Local Government.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Speaker, I'm sure that Personnel would have no problems doing that and I'm sure that the Commissioner, who's in charge of Personnel in Yukon, would give his permission for that information to be tabled.

Mr. Speaker: Mr. Commissioner.

Mr. Commissioner: Mr. Speaker, indeed we will get that information, but the Main Estimates may be here before it. As you know, we're in the current round of negotiation with the Employee Association and our Public Service Commissioner and his staff are very busy during the next few days.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further questions?
The Honourable Member from Klondike.

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I have no question, actually. I was wondering if you'd permit me to make a statement to the Minister of Local Government. He's just presented me with a report on Stanley and Associates in Dawson City and I would like to compliment him on the excellent report he's done on Dawson City, and I think that the reason I'm saying this now is because I was one that criticized Stanley and Associates in the past.

Mr. Speaker: I didn't note the question, but however. Are there any further questions?

Will the Honourable Deputy Speaker kindly take the Chair?

Mr. Speaker: The Member from Watson Lake.

Question re: Cost of Wigby Hearing

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would like to, this morning, insert into our proceedings a written question. The administration is respectfully requested to provide to the House the following information relating to the recent inquiry into Dr. Stephen Wigby under the Medical Professions Ordinance of the Yukon Territory:

One, the rate per day paid to Members of the Board. Two, the rate per day paid to lawyer, John Steeves. Three, the rate per day paid to investigator, Purdy. Four, the total cost paid or owing to Members of the Board, including transportation and expenses. Five, the total cost paid or owing to lawyer, John Steeves. Six, the total cost paid or owing to investigator Purdy. Seven, the total cost paid or owing respecting the attendance of witnesses. Eight, the total cost paid or owing in respect of recording and printing of transcripts of proceedings. Nine, the total cost paid or owing in respect to the appeal

as heard by the Judge of the Court. And ten, the total cost paid or owing in respect of the entire inquiry, including the appeal.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further questions this morning?

The Honourable Minister of Local Government?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Speaker, on March the 2nd, Mr. Hibberd asked the following questions:

(1) How many building lots developed by YTG are now available in the Whitehorse area? As of Friday, Mr. Speaker, there were three lots available in the Whitehorse area for industrial-commercial purposes; six for housing and two trailer lots.

No. (2), what lots will be available for the upcoming building season, how many, where situated, approximately when will these lots be available?

Five industrial-commercial lots will be available in mid-April in Hillcrest near the Airport Chalet, ranging from .75 to 1.23 acres; five industrial-commercial lots will be available in mid-April in Marwell area, ranging from .29 to .34 acres; three industrial lots presently are available in the MacRae Industrial Subdivision, ranging from 1.12 to 1.32 acres.

Three hundred and five serviced lots will be available in this building season in Whitehorse, on a first-come, first-serve basis. The first of these 59 residential lots in Riverdale will be on sale approximately July 1st; 133 single family and duplex lots in Porter Creek will be on sale around August 1st and 113 additional lots in Riverdale, hopefully by September 15th.

The Department has been notified by GNS Holdings Limited, the contractor for sewer and water service installations in Riverdale, that they will begin work on March 15th if the mild weather continues.

The 53 small holding lots in the McPherson subdivision near Kilometre 1 on the Mayo Road, are expected to go on sale June 1st. They range from 1.8 to 5.2 acres. These lots will be sold before June 1st if they are ready.

(3) What, in conjunction with the City of Whitehorse, are the long-range plans for the development of residential and commercial properties in the Whitehorse area?

Long-range community development plans for Whitehorse will follow the 1976 Community Planning Study, prepared by Stanley Associates, in consultation with the City Planning Board, on the basis of council approval.

The present Riverdale development will complete available land use in that subdivision. Future serviced residential lands will be planned and developed in the Porter Creek subdivision and planning of a future 1,000 acre subdivision adjacent to Hillcrest will be started this year.

Dry industrial and serviced with water and sewer will be developed in Porter Creek this year. A mobile home subdivision, about 120 lots, has been authorized by City Council between Crestview and MacKenzie Trailer Court.

An additional small holding subdivision is being planned in an area adjacent to Wolf Creek, know as Soden Road. The principal demand for commercial lots are in central Whitehorse, where the lands are mainly privately owned, and will likely be privately developed.

Mr. Speaker: Are there any further questions?
We will then proceed under Orders of the Day to Motions.

ORDERS OF THE DAY

MOTIONS

Motion No. 1

Madam Clerk: Item 1, standing in the name of the Honourable Member, Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Speaker: Is the Honourable Member prepared to discuss Motion Number 1 today?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale, seconded by the Honourable Member from Mayo, that a Standing Committee on Constitutional Development for Yukon be established to inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the Constitutional Development of Yukon.

That Messrs. McKinnon, Taylor, Hibberd, McIntyre and Lengerke be appointed to the said Committee.

That the Committee have the authority to retain the professional, clerical and stenographic help it may require.

That the Committee have the authority to adjourn from place to place.

That the Committee have the power to report from time to time, to call for persons, papers and records, to print such papers and documents as may be ordered by the Committee, to arrange for verbatim transcripts, and to sit during the intersessional periods.

The Honourable Member from Klondike?

Mr. Berger: Mr. Speaker, I would like to move an amendment to this Motion. To be added an additional Member, the Honourable Member from Ogilvie, Ms. Millard.

Seconded by the Honourable Member from Kluane.

Mr. Speaker: Yes, would you proceed with your amendment?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Speaker. The amendment reads that the Standing Committee on Constitutional Development for the Yukon be established to inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the Constitutional Development of the Yukon.

That Messrs. McKinnon, Taylor, Hibberd, McIntyre and Millard and Lengerke be appointed to the said Committee, and that Standing Order 51-2 be suspended in relation thereto.

That the Committee have the authority to retain the professional, clerical and stenographic help it may require.

That the Committee have the authority to adjourn from place to place.

That the Committee have the power to report from time to time, to call for persons, papers and records, to print such papers and documents as may be ordered by the Committee, to arrange for verbatim transcripts and

to sit during the intersessional periods.

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Member from Klondike, seconded by the Honourable Member from Kluane, that a Standing Committee on Constitutional Development for Yukon be established to inquire into — oh pardon me, that Motion Number 1 be amended that a Standing Committee on Constitutional Development for Yukon be established to inquire into and make recommendations with respect to the Constitutional Development of Yukon, and that Messrs. Taylor, McKinnon, Hibberd, McIntyre, Lengerke and Ms. Millard be appointed to the said Committee, and that Standing Order 51-2 be suspended in relation thereto.

That the Committee have the authority to retain the professional, clerical and stenographic help it may require.

That the Committee have authority to adjourn from place to place, and that the Committee have the power to report from time to time, to call for persons, papers and records, to print such papers and documents as they may be ordered by the Committee, to arrange for verbatim transcripts and to sit during the intersessional periods.

Mr. Speaker: The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale.

Mr. Lengerke: Mr. Speaker, as you recall, the Committee informally was struck at last Session, and this Motion now gives us the opportunity to formalize that Committee and also to put into action the work that is required to meet the Honourable Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Warren Allmand's challenge with respect to a major new policy for the North, which is to include constitutional development for Yukon.

Mr. Speaker, we must certainly have in place a strong position with respect to a policy for Yukon's development. Not one that emanates from Ottawa or the south, but from our own people from Yukon. This Committee, in my opinion, Mr. Speaker, will have before it one of the greatest challenges that has ever faced this House. We must be sure of our position and we haven't too much time to respond to that. We've already taken some positive and imaginative action and will provide, hopefully, details of that in the Committee's first report in the not too distant future.

Together with the Standing Committee on Land Claims, we must conduct a two-pronged and well-coordinated examination and analysis. And that analysis must be to determine the extent of powers and authorities of the Legislative and Executive arms of government, to appraise authorities given to Yukon by concession of the federal government, that possibly now become our inherent rights and should be reflected in the Yukon Act, and to recommend future changes that will ultimately allow Yukon to enter Confederation.

Mr. Speaker, we must be sure that the people of Yukon fully understand what total constitutional responsibility means. They must know all the pros and cons. We must show not only our own citizens, native and non-native, but the Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs, that the key to native participation can be implemented best by constitutional responsibility for

Yukon. It is not by giving them positions and guaranteed appointments, but by being able to participate in a total responsible system.

We must show the federal government that constitutional development, or constitutional responsibility is a necessity at the same as the implementation of the Land Claims settlement. It must be done at the same time as a pipeline or major resource development takes place. We must be ready to contribute a comprehensive, up-to-date, commonsense data, to whatever Committee on Yukon's future and economic and social development is stuck. Indicating once again, that the key to reasonable and balanced development of Yukon is by being in control of one's own destiny. Hopefully, Mr. Speaker, Members of this House will respond positively to this Motion.

Mr. Speaker: Is there any further debate? The Honourable Member from Kluane.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Speaker, on a point of privilege, I wonder if we could have a copy of the amendment?

Mr. Speaker: Does the Honourable Member have copies available of the amendment?

Mr. Berger: No, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps while copies are being obtained, is there any further debate at this time?
The Honourable Minister of Local Government.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Speaker, I'm very happy to rise in support of the motion from the Honourable Member from Riverdale, this morning, and I'm also pleased that the Committee saw fit to name me as a Member on this very important project that we are embarking on.

I'm also extremely pleased with the reaction of all Members of the House to the Minister's last meeting with them. I think it was evident from their reaction that, rather than meet on a continuing basis with the Minister, behind closed doors, that they consider constitutional development to be of such importance that they want to do their debate in their forum in our Legislature and with the public of the Yukon Territory, so that we can bring a mandate to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development of what the Yukon and the Yukon people want.

I think perhaps Members are a little leary of meeting with the Minister behind closed doors, because it seems from the two or three meetings that we've had with him, we've got an absolute 100 per cent negative response from him, there'll be no fourth member of the elected Members on the Executive Committee. There'll be no government reorganization in the creation of a department of Renewable Resources. There'll be no Yukon appointment to the position of Assistant Commissioner when the present Assistant Commissioner leaves. These have all been totally and absolutely negative responses. I think that Members are frightened that if we meet with the Minister any longer that we'll probably be going back to have appointed Members on the Legislative Assembly. It seems that his reactions are so negative towards any constitutional development and the efficient running of the Yukon government at this point

in time.

I think further, Mr. Speaker, with this type of response that we have from the present incumbent in the office of the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, that Yukon people are just going to have to seize what initiatives and powers that they have under various ordinances and laws that are presently in force in Yukon.

I don't think that we can, to take powers that are ours under the Yukon Act, and I'm sure that this Constitutional Committee will be looking into those areas.

I know that we haven't done enough in reorganizing Yukon and its government structures and I think that we can, under various laws and regulations of Yukon.

I know that we can have the flexibility under the Elections Ordinance of doing things which were won by the last Legislature when they appeared before the Standing Committee on Indian Affairs and Northern Development.

So I would like to see the positive response that all Members of the House are taking to the Minister's challenges, and I think that we'll provide the people of the Yukon and the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development with some sound argumentation, and some very good principles as a result of the formulation of this Committee on Constitutional Development.

I think that if it's worked properly, and I know the Members who are committed to this Committee are going to work hard on the task facing them, that it can be a very positive force in further constitutional development in Yukon, and I look forward to getting together with my colleagues on the Committee just as quickly as possible, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Is there any further debate?
The Honourable Minister of Health and Welfare?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Speaker, I'm certainly supportive of the establishment of this Committee, for all the reasons that we've heard already, and for a number of others.

I commend those Members who have assumed the responsibilities of the Committee, and the duties, because it will be most time consuming. I am sure they are going to find that as they get into their research, they will be led on and on into other fields, which will be most rewarding for this Territory.

There are just a couple of points I would like to make, Mr. Speaker, from my own very limited research. One is that we are faced now with a struggle in this country, where there are threats of one part of Canada leaving the Federal state.

I think that we need the support of all Canadians in our attempt to join it. I think that we can turn the publicity, which is now blaring at us every moment of the day from every media on one part of this country, into some kind of support for our case.

There is also the question which has been before this country for some years now of repatriating the Constitution, and the point that has escaped most people in Canada, except for a few academics who are on our side, and have done some research of their own, the point is that this Yukon Territory was constituted under the laws of Canada, by Members elected to the Parliament of Canada.

We don't have to bring our constitution home, it's

here. The Parliament in Britain had nothing to do with our establishment. We are a local product and we are home grown, and it's about time the rest of Canada were told the facts of life about the Yukon.

There are all kinds of very, very interesting pieces of research for this Committee to undertake. At some further opportunity, I would like to make a speech for about two hours on the subject, but Mr. Speaker, suffice it to say that we know we have friends outside, who are more than interested in supporting this Committee and its research into our constitutional rights.

Mr. Speaker: Is there any further debate? Are you prepared for the question on the amendment?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: I shall declare that the amendment has carried.

(Amendment carried)

Mr. Speaker: Are you prepared for the question on the Motion?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: I shall declare that the Motion Number 1 has carried.

(Motion carried)

Mr. Speaker: There being nothing today under Public Bills, may I have your further pleasure at this time? The Honourable Member from Pelly River?

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would move that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Fleming: I second that.

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Member from Pelly River, seconded by the Honourable Member from Hootalinqua, that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and the House resolve into Committee of the Whole.

Are you prepared for the question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

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

(Motion carried)

(Mr. Speaker leaves Chair)

Mr. Chairman: I now call this Committee to order, and declare a brief recess.

(Recess)

Mr. Chairman: I now call this Committee to order.

For the record, Mr. Sherlock and Mr. Williams are with us as witnesses today.

We will consider, continue with supplementary estimates, project capital. We were debating Establishment Number 2923, Bridge Replacement, South McQuesten River, and I believe Committee had asked for some more information regarding this.

Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I believe that information was distributed amongst the hand-outs this morning. For the record, the explanation given:

"It was originally anticipated that the bridge would be replaced with a surplus Calendar—Hamilton Bridge; however, it was possible to use a surplus bailey bridge instead, and this resulted in the work being completed at a much lower cost."

Mr. Chairman: Any further debate on Establishment 2923? Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, is this the bailey bridge that had been used across the Yukon River here in Whitehorse?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I'm sorry, I don't know which particular bailey bridge it was, but it was a surplus bailey bridge which the Department of Highways and Public Works had on hand.

Mr. Chairman: Clear? 2925, Takhini Sewage Outfall Line, \$630,000.00. Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, for the witnesses, is that project now completed or will we be expected to vote more money in this coming year?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I believe it is complete and I'll just check the 1977-78 Main Estimates to see if there any any contemplated additional expenses.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I understand that with respect to that Takhini Sewage Outfall Line that it will not be able to accommodate all the facilities within the Marwell area at this time until a lift station is put in.

I'm just wondering if there is an estimate for that lift station or if, in fact, they did change the design to eliminate that?

Could the Honourable Minister of Local Government perhaps provide us with that information?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I don't know, Mr. Chairman. I will attempt to find out.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I was just wondering, on a similar question as the Honourable Member from Riverdale, in the light of the sewage treatment requirements in Whitehorse, is this line designed so that it would be hooked up into the sewage treatment facilities eventually, or will there have to be additional large fundings made for this type of thing?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Yes, Mr. Chairman. Not for the large funding, but it can be equipped — it's designed to be able to go into the sewage treatment plant.

Mr. Chairman: 2926, Faro Airport Construction, \$100,000.00. Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I wonder if we can have a breakdown on this hundred thousand dollars. My estimate shows 67,000.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Did I understand the question to be a breakdown of the individual components of that?

Mr. Chairman: Yes, Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: I don't have a dollar breakdown, but some of the items included were an emergency runway lighting kit, an expansion and improvement of the runway, and enlarged parking area.

I don't have a dollar breakdown for the components of the project, I'm sorry. I would try and obtain one from the Department.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: My information, Mr. Chairman, in documents supplied to me by Mr. Miller, fifty per cent of some of these costs was covered by Manpower and some of it was covered by M.O.T., so I wonder if we can get a full breakdown on this \$100,000.00 please?

An explanation, that is, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Yes, Mr. Chairman, there were a number of parties involved in this. As Members may recall, the Vocational School did some work there, and to the extent that students from the Vocational School were employed on the project and to the extent that Canada Manpower shares in the costs of the Vocational School, Manpower did in fact make a contribution to the project. I believe the funds in this particular Establishment, though, are those over and above the costs incurred by the Vocational School, and these particular funds are fully recoverable from the Ministry of Transportation. But I'll get a breakdown of this particular

Establishment.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. Williams.
2927, Watson Lake Airport Access Road, \$58,000.00.
Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I wonder if we could have an explanation of just what the access road was.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I believe it's just the road that runs from the highway to the airport itself. It's an M.O.T. responsibility and, at the time the highway was being paved, M.O.T. thought that was probably as good a time as any to have the access road paved and so it was paved and the expenditure is 100 percent recoverable.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, does that 58,000 cover the cost of blacktopping that entire stretch of road?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, not the highway itself; there's a separate project for that. But that's, I'm sorry, I don't know the airport at all, but I believe that's the road from the highway to the airport.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: It's on the M.O.T. property, while the highway was being paved from zero to six, the M.O.T. said that would be the time to pave through our property too, so it was part of the contract and we recovered that money back through their property from M.O.T., one hundred percent.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger.

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would like to go back once more to the Faro Airport construction, 2926. I think that Mr. Williams said that there was, it cost over and above the cost for the Vocational School. Could we also have the cost figures that the Vocational School spent money on, because there was no money voted on this particular item in the last budget.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: The costs I'm referring to when I talk about the Vocational School is the cost related to their normal heavy equipment course, so the Vocational School has money in their budget for operating a heavy equipment course and one of the projects they undertook was the work at the Faro Airport. So they weren't costs, so that extent the costs weren't over and above their original budget.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have some figures here that were supplied to me. The total cost for a two-shift operation was 70 percent efficiency, this is the Vocational School, was \$91,206.00. Fifty per cent of these

costs will be borne by Manpower through the Vocational Training School.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment 2927. Is it clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 2930, Crushing and Stockpiling — Klondike Highway, \$200,000.00. Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I'd just like to ask why is this in the Supplemental? I can't understand why it wasn't in the Main Estimates last year. It should be something that is fairly predictable.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, all these items that we're dealing with now are part and parcel of the engineering services agreement, which is a separate financial arrangement arrived at with the federal government for engineering projects in Yukon. We're never able to get this finalized, signed, sealed and delivered before April 1st and find ourselves in this quandary year after year. Either we say that we think that these projects are going ahead and put them in the Mains and they don't come about and we get attacked from all sides. So we've tried it in the last year of doing it this way, doing it in the supplementaries rather than putting up the political expectations that people, that certain things are going to be done. Either way, it's totally unsatisfactory.

I've asked for copies of the Engineering Services Agreement. I hope to be able to table them in this House and ask the staff in Highways and Public Works to see if there's any method whereby we can get these estimates into the Mains, starting in next year's budget, because this whole process completely takes away, in my estimation, from the authority of the elected representatives of the people. It's not good budgeting. I don't like the procedure. Either way, we do it, without the signature on the Engineering Services Agreement, is unsatisfactory and somehow, somewhere, for good budgeting practice, I would suggest it's got to come to a stop.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, further to that, I couldn't agree more with the Honourable Member; however, I think it should have been up to someone to make sure, since the fact that we're voting money after the fact, someone else made the decision on the priorities and all the information we're being given now is, and if you read down, "to provide funds for project costs". To provide funds for project costs. To provide funds for project costs. What are the projects? What do these entail? Surely to goodness, this information should have been brought in as an appendix to the Supplementary or right in the Supplementary Budget. We have to keep standing up and sort of dragging out the information. Surely, they should have recognized the fact we're voting something after the fact. Give us the information.

Mr. Chairman: 2930, are we clear?
2931, Dawson Airport, \$192,000.00. Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, the information we were given previously states that part of this cost was for refueling equipment for the airplanes.

The last time I was on Northward Airlines, they told me they were having so much trouble with the refueling, that they couldn't land in Dawson coming south from Old Crow, because it took too long to stop and refuel in the wintertime.

I am wondering if this is being corrected? Mr. Chairman, perhaps the Minister of Public Works, Highways and Public Works could answer that.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, \$15,000.00 of this Establishment 2931 is an estimate of \$15,000.00 for the Dawson Airport refuel system. It exceeded the final cost of \$13,000.00 and a supplemental vote is required for the \$13,000.00 which is part of that Establishment 2931.

The other parts of it are the Dawson runway, which was \$125,000.00, the visual slope identification system was \$21,000.00, the apron and sidewalk construction was \$38,000.00, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I don't believe my question was answered, which was, is the refueling equipment now in working order?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: That information will have to be obtained, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: I was just wondering, I asked a question a dozen times in the House previously already, and I am going to ask it once more. Is there any intention at all to install a runway and lighting equipment in Dawson, even only for an emergency basis?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, I think that's a lot less innocent a question than the Honourable Member would like it to appear to be. There's all kinds of problems, I know, with M.O.T. and the different classifications of airport, and I think that we should bring in written information to that question.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, it was my understanding that the upgrading of the airstrips that's being carried on now, was to bring them up to a certain class, and part of that upgrading was the lighting.

Now, I just naturally assumed and here we go, 2931 included lighting, because if you notice, Faro was supposed to have included the lighting, so you know, let's get this straight. We are just not getting enough information on this.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Yes, in view of what my colleague just said, Mr. Chairman, we have lighting in Faro, but we

are not allowed to use it, according to M.O.T., only at certain points, periods of time.

They have vetoed the use of that lighting for certain periods of time, which I find very illogical, as far as I am concerned. If they put it in, let's use it, but they won't allow us to use it.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Chairman, just for the information of the Honourable Member from Kluane, as the Honourable Minister stated, it sounded like an innocent question, which it wasn't really, and I apologize to him for it, because it was never any intention of the M.O.T. to install lighting facilities there, because of technical terms of a certain flight angle into Dawson, you cannot go in under certain conditions.

But the big question in Dawson always has been, let's install lighting equipment on an emergency basis only, and this is what I am really after, the reason given for not being able to install lighting equipment there is because the airport is located too close between hills and too close on a hill, and I don't think the House ever did receive the correct information, but maybe the possibility should have been looked into to move the airport. But right now the airport is being extended, the money has been spent on it, and all I am trying to do is live with this thing, but make the best of it.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, so Dawson's is a specific case, but it was my understanding, when we were given the information on the upgrading of the airstrips in the Territory, and I'm waiting for two of them in my constituency, that lighting would be part of that upgrading program.

Now, am I correct in that?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, we have no control over the policy that M.O.T. sets for airports in Yukon and Northwest Territories, under their Arctic Airport Policy. And it was only with a lot of reluctance that they allowed us to go ahead to improve airports under their specifications, and under their policy and allow us to charge back for the work.

Prior to that, we were waiting forever and ever and ever, for M.O.T. to actually do something with the airports in Yukon. Now, at least, we can do some work on the airports and get money back from them for the work that we do, but that doesn't take away the facts that their Arctic Airport Policy still prevails, and the terms and conditions that M.O.T. lays down on every airport, and classification of airport in Yukon and Northwest Territories still prevails.

So the Arctic Air Policy is the one which we are bound by, and the rules and regulations that M.O.T. prescribes with the classification of airports. That policy is available, it's difficult, it's incomprehensible to the layman, and I don't understand it at all, why lights can go there, why they can only be used at a certain time, why lights can't go somewhere else.

I just tell you that we don't set the policy, and we're forced to follow it.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I'm just not going to buy that, because I know that there has been an agreement entered into by YTG and M.O.T. for the upgrading of certain airstrips in the Yukon Territory. The information was tabled in this House last year.

I've talked to people with the Department of Public Works, and I've been told that under the agreement, these are the facilities that will be provided, these are the years that the work will be done.

However, but we have been told in this House, and I wish the Honourable Minister would check this out with his Department, that the document was also — several copies of the document were made available to the general public, and I want clarification of this, because if this is not as we have been led to believe, then I've been giving my constituents some incorrect information, and the last budget session we were told very specifically, and given a paper — I don't have it with me — on the priorities, the years that the upgrading would be done, and what the upgrading included.

Now, I would like that information tabled again.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, it's all correct, they are M.O.T.'s priorities, and M.O.T.'s — M.O.T.'s decisions as to what will be the classification of the airports, what will happen and when it will happen, but there is an agreement that has been signed between YTG and M.O.T. But M.O.T. still sets the policy for what happens in airports, and they have the mandate under federal legislation to do so, in Canada's north, and in fact, right throughout the country.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I'm aware of that, but I want to know the agreement for the upgrading of the airstrips in the Yukon. I know there is an agreement, I know that M.O.T. and YTG worked together to set the priorities, which community would get the upgrading first, and that's what I want tabled.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I find that discussion very interesting, and I would like the Honourable Minister of Local Government to get a copy of the agreement that's signed with M.O.T., and say, one of the provinces, Alberta or British Columbia or whatever, because I would expect, and I would think that certainly those provinces, that have also entered into an agreement with M.O.T., do, in fact, set their own priorities as to what work is going to be done.

Now, certainly the classes and the way the work has to be done would be set by M.O.T., but I think the priorities as to where the work could happen, certainly should be at the discretion of the province or the Territory, and I wonder, Mr. Chairman, if there is a difference in the type of agreement that we're signing, and the one that the provincial governments sign, because this program is available right across Canada.

I just can't see the provinces operating where they would not have anything to say about the priorities, and

certainly our agreement should be very similar or the same, as a matter of fact.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, there is a specific Northern Policy for northern airports right across the country that is available and can be tabled.

Mr. Chairman: Does that satisfy you, Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, it satisfies me if I can be assured that it is exactly the same policy that the other provinces are signing because as I say, I find it very remarkable that in fact we cannot set some priorities and I'm sure that, for instance, the province of Alberta and the Province of Manitoba do, in fact, set priorities as to what airport construction is going to take place under that program.

I'd like some clarification on that, and if, as I say, Mr. Chairman, if that very same policy prevails, I'll be very surprised to see that those provinces cannot set their own priorities.

Mr. Chairman: I don't know whether the Minister will be able to have this information available --

Mr. Lengerke: I think by tabling that policy, yes.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard.

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, the Minister, in discussing the breakdown of this section, mentioned visual identification equipment. Would that include lights or is it just daytime equipment?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, I have no idea what a visual slope identification system is. I'm sure it's one of those highly technical M.O.T. setups to home -- for a place to home into a station. I don't know what a visual slope identification system does entail. If there's an amateur pilot in the place, perhaps they can help us with it.

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: This brings up the other. I would appreciate a definition of that, just to know what was put in Dawson, if he could bring it in with the rest of the material.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, while we're on airstrips, I wonder if I could ask another question. There are certain airstrips in the Yukon Territory that are classed as licensed airstrips and I believe that the M.O.T. controls some of the land surrounding or adjacent to the licensed airstrips. I wonder if the Minister can tell me how much land and to what depth the Ministry of Transport does have control over the use of.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, it appears to

me that we're asking for a total package of what M.O.T. does in Yukon, what it controls and what it has the ability of controlling, and I think all that information is valid information for the Members to have and I would like to collect it and present it to the House. How quickly we're able to do a total package, a comprehensive package of M.O.T.'s total involvement in the Yukon and what powers that they do have, all I can say is I'll attempt to make it available at the earliest opportunity.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, in order to assist the Minister, maybe I could give him some indication. M.O.T. does control the land around some of the licensed airstrips. I don't know how much of it, but they can control the use and there has been a problem in airstrips where they are not licensed from cattle and horses. And because of the fact M.O.T. doesn't control that land, there is no control over the use of the land adjacent to it and we have, in some instances, quite a dangerous situation existing. I would like the information, though, that is why.

Mr. Chairman: The next Establishment will cause considerable more consternation. 2940. Pre-Engineering Federal Projects, \$100,000.00.

Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: Can we have an explanation, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, this is the Establishment which is used by Highways and Public Works staff when they're doing pre-engineering work on these various capital projects which eventually get funded by the Engineering Services Agreement.

Mr. Chairman: Does that answer you, Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Enough to boggle the mind, Mr. Chairman

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, for example, Establishment 2930, under the Engineering Services Agreement, provides for a project for Crushing and Stockpiling gravel. Well, hopefully, under the Engineering Services Agreement, in this upcoming fiscal year, they're going to do some paving so the pre-engineering work which has to be done before the paving can be undertaken will get charged through Establishment 2940, Pre-Engineering. So it's a federally funded establishment, for pre-engineering work on federally funded projects.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, it follows, if they're doing the pre-engineering on certain projects, why can't we be told what the projects are that they're doing the pre-engineering on?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I've got a — the idea, as we've said before, wasn't to keep these things a secret, it was a fact that they used to get voted and then after the projects have been voted, the project was subsequently cancelled. I can, for instance, tell you what's tentatively planned for next year, but, to date, the federal government hasn't provided final approval, so, to provide that information, I think it can be provided, no problem with providing it, but it's provided with the qualification that, to date, the projects haven't been approved.

Mr. Chairman: It's in a rather untenable position, isn't it, Mr. Williams?

Mrs. Watson:

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I'd really like to even know what they're contemplating, but we would have to discuss that in next year's, in this year's, in '77. It doesn't refer to the supplementary at all.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, this pre-engineering presumably relates to projects which are going to come in 1977-78 and subsequent years, because the pre-engineering is normally done, well, by definition, is done in advance of the project, so the pre-engineering done in 1976-77 is largely for projects which will be started in 1977, '78 and subsequent.

Mr. Chairman: Then why did we vote the money for this past year?

Mr. Williams: Because the expenditure was incurred in 1976-77 but the actual projects to which the expenditures relate will take place in subsequent years.

Mr. Chairman: What was the hundred thousand dollars spent on?

Mr. Williams: Do you want a breakdown, Mr. Chairman, by project?

Mr. Chairman: I think that's what Members are asking.

Mr. Williams: I'll try and obtain that from the Department.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I think just a word of background on this pre-engineering.

Prior to the pre-engineering being a part of the Engineering Services Agreement, any capital project, or the majority of capital projects in Yukon, were almost a three-year period by the time you voted for the engineering in one year's budget, then it went out for design in that year, only with the passage of the budget, then for whatever length the capital project would take, we're perhaps a couple of years down the line.

We effectively chopped one full year off of the capital works time period by getting agreement in the En-

gineering Services Agreement that pre-engineering could be done on monies on — I think it's \$100,000.00 every year, would be part of the Engineering Services Agreement, so it's worked out extremely well in taking off a whole year of time in the construction of capital projects through Yukon.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I can well appreciate what the Minister of Local Government is saying, and I must commend him for the system that is used; however, again, that doesn't preclude the fact that we should be eligible to have a list provided to us of the projects they have in mind.

Surely to God, Members of this House can't understand fully that these projects may be subject to approval at a later date, but we should have that information.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment 2941. Commissioner's Residence, \$20,600.00. Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would like a complete detailed breakdown of this \$20,000.00. I don't think it costs that much for a paint job.

Unless, Mr. Chairman, they are putting in another floor and including an elevator.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall, I think this information was given out this morning. No, that's not — sorry.

Mr. McCall: So, Mr. Chairman, I would just like a detailed breakdown on it.

Mr. Chairman: Right. Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, my question was much similar to that asked by the Honourable Member from Pelly River. It seems to me that the Commissioner's residence has served us well in the past, and I'm as concerned as is the Honourable Member opposite as to just exactly what costs were incurred and for what reasons.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, those costs are fully recoverable from the Department of Indian Affairs and the costs were related to an addition to the existing building. It wasn't just renovations to the building; there was an actual addition to the building, I believe.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I'd just remind Members that I asked this question last session and it was replied to in detail.

I would like to just ask if we can anticipate any further expenditures over the next year. There is nothing in the Mains.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, for the benefit of the Members who are mystified by this item, I might

commend their presence at the annual levy in that building, where they would have an opportunity to inspect the new premises.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I'm not concerned about that item one little bit, the \$20,600.00. I know that it went towards the addition of another room. I am concerned that it wasn't enough money, and that the addition wasn't large enough, for one thing, that we should have taken some time out to really assess what the requirements were, and done a decent job of it.

I hope that in the future that some place along the line that maybe a new residence will be constructed for a Lieutenant-Governor of Yukon, but I think possibly maybe that was why they kept in mind a very minimal expense at this time.

But I do see nothing extravagant about it. I think the addition is very minimal.

Mr. Chairman: Well, it is beyond our competence to increase the amount, Mr. Lengerke.

Mr. Lengerke: I realize that, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Mr. Chairman, I simply wanted to comment and reply to the Honourable Member from Whitehorse West that 300 miles is a long way to drive for a cup of tea, to have viewed this edifice; however, I am just wondering in fact, what — how big the addition was and what was the reason for it.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I would refer again, the Honourable Member from Watson Lake, to the answers that I received last session. These things were gone into in detail and, as the enquirer last session, I would like to state that I don't feel it's an exorbitant amount at all.

If I caused the Commissioner any embarrassment, I really apologize for that question, but I think that we should have the right to know how it was spent.

I did go, over Rendezvous, to have a drink over at the Commissioner's residence, and I was pleased with the addition. I really felt it was necessary. We were very crowded in his small little living room and dining room, so I would like to just state that I don't feel it was a terrible expenditure at all.

What bothers me is the question that hasn't been answered yet, when I said, "Can we anticipate further expenditures", because obviously this wasn't in the Mains last year. Now, it's in the supplementaries. Can we expect — there's nothing in the Mains this year in expansion; is there anything — anybody, anticipating putting in another room or another floor or something like that, to the Commissioner's residence?

Mr. Chairman: I might commend to the Member from Watson Lake that attending the levy, there was more than tea available, and you might have had more motivation to be there if you had realized it.

Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I thank Mr. Chairman and the Honourable Member from Ogilvie for her remarks.

I have been questioning, and I still haven't been able to determine what this addition is for and what it is, and in light of the remarks by the Honourable Member from Ogilvie who has twice informed me that everybody knows, perhaps she could tell me?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I can't — I haven't too much problem with this in the budget either. We spend thousands and thousands of dollars upgrading painting, adding additions to employee housing in the Territory. I see that we spend thousands of dollars in upgrading public housing and rental purchase housing.

We build beautiful structures, Territorial Building for the employees of Y.T.G. This is the first time in the five years that I've been in the Assembly where we voted money for the Commissioner's residence. I think it needed it; it needed some work to be done on it, and I just — and as far as the Honourable Member from Watson Lake, I hope no-one tells him what the renovations were so that he will have to go and see for himself.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, for the third time, I'll ask my question. Also, just to the Member from Watson Lake, I will say that I will supply him with a copy of the Legislative Return, if he is interested. I'm certain the Clerk has a copy somewhere.

Is the Commissioner happy with his extensions, or can we anticipate further extensions?

Mr. Chairman: The Commissioner is in a meeting now. I am sure he would be glad to be here to supply you with the information.

Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I was just going to say that there is nothing in the 1977-78 estimates to continue this project and, to my knowledge, there is no addition, further addition, being contemplated at this time.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, in view of the comments made in the Assembly this morning in relation to the building of a house, I am just in the process of building a home and I'm sure that none of the Members will argue if there's a line item in the budget next year for one particular house in Porter Creek. I sure hope that's the case, at any rate.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment — Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Before we move away from that particular subject, I find it rather odd in this year, our years of restraint, that we are allowing this type of thing to go on when we are going to be submitted with costs for the operating and maintenance of this particular residence. I'm talking about the upkeep of electricity, fuel, and that sort of thing, unless the Federal Government picks that up as well.

Mr. Chairman: May we proceed with the next Establishment? 2951, Paving - Campbell Highway, Milepost 0 to 6, \$620,000.00.

Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, since we have begun paving the Campbell Highway, is it the intention to continue paving the Campbell Highway or will they do some other paving work that is badly needed, for example, the first ten miles on the Alaska Highway north, before they continue on the Campbell Highway, because the traffic density on the Alaska Highway north is much greater, I am sure, than on the Campbell Highway.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: No, Mr. Chairman, there is no more work contemplated on the Campbell Highway. This was just from Watson Lake to the airport and, as the Honourable Member from Kluane knows, that has been one of the points I have raised constantly in this House, every year that I have been here, is that first ten miles north on the Alaska Highway. It's an area that, under the Engineering Services Agreement, that's in and out about as much as the Campbell Highway, the paving of it was every year. It goes in, then it comes out, then it goes in again and comes out again.

Mr. Chairman: Where is it now, Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Out, as far as I understand, Mr. Chairman, last score card.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: Yes, Mr. Chairman, perhaps it may be of interest to the Honourable Member from Kluane to know that in regard to paving I did direct a letter to the Federal Minister of Public Works, Mr. Buchanan, and asking what his priorities were for the Yukon for the coming fiscal year, and I was advised that their priorities are basically on the ten miles that the Honourable Member has suggested, as far as Yukon is concerned, and that the balance of their priority would be to complete the section to Jake's Corner going south and then the further balance of revenues would be spent in the Fort Nelson area, bringing the pavement to Fort Nelson.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I certainly appreciate the comments that the Honourable Member from Watson Lake has made, and it's very interesting to know what the priorities of the Federal Government area.

We'll see what the priorities of the Territorial Government are when we get into the Main Estimates.

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to say it's been their priority for ten years and they haven't delivered on it once yet.

Mr. Chairman: Clear? 2953, Nahanni Range Road Culverts, \$456,000.00. They must be diverting the Nahanni River.

Mr. Taylor?

Hon. Mr. Taylor: By way of explanation, there has been an ongoing program of bridge replacement on that road. It's a production road, servicing, mainly, Canada Tungsten Mining Corporation, and many of the old bridges have become rotten, dry rotted away, and quite unsafe, and so it has been the policy of the government of the Yukon Territory to replace these structures with culverts which are lasting and serve the purpose. So that's really what that relates to. And I might say that they've done an excellent job.

Mr. Chairman: Clear? 2954, Reconstruction of Dempster Highway, Milepost 0 to 25, \$75,000.00.

Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: Explanation, Mr. Chairman, please.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, those are the initial costs involved in the project to reconstruct the first twenty-five miles of the Dempster Highway. As we said a number of times, the final 1977-78 Capital Plan, under the Engineering Services Agreement, isn't finalized yet, but certainly that's one of the projects that is waiting for finalization from Ottawa. So the remainder of those costs, presumably, will be a part of the 1977-78 Engineering Services Agreement.

Mr. Chairman: Wasn't there a contract let recently of almost a million dollars regarding upgrading of the initial portion of the Dempster Highway, the federal department?

Mr. Williams: That is correct, Mr. Chairman, and those costs will be, the bulk of those costs will be incurred in the 1977-78 fiscal year, under the Engineering Services Agreement. This particular item relates to any of those costs which might have been incurred during the current fiscal year.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Can we anticipate that that project will go beyond '77-'78?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman, I don't know, but normally a project of that size, I don't know what's involved in the reconstruction so I don't know if it will go beyond one year, but I would anticipate that it probably would, a project that size.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger.

Mr. Berger: Just going by assumption, in the first 25 miles there's a total of 78 miles to be reconstructed. You can safely assume that that project's going to be on for a number of years.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: So I take it then, Mr. Chairman, that we'll be looking not only at this supplementary but many more.

Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 2955, Guard Rail — Yukon River Hill, Alaska Highway, \$10,000.00.

Mr. Fleming:

Mr. Fleming: Yes, I wonder, Mr. Chairman, what mile that might be, kilometer or whatever, Yukon River Hill. I presume it's south from the new construction, though, near Lewes River. However, I'm wondering about the \$10,000.00; it's not very much for guard rails and there's a large area there that needs guard rails, but I'm just wondering if, in the major contracts in these cases, is not the guard rail also included in that major contract or is it left for DPW later?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McKinnon?

Hon. Mr. McKinnon: I'm not sure of the answer to the final question, Mr. Chairman, I'll have to find out. I do know that the guard rails at the Yukon River Hill, Kilometer 1444, but I'm incapable of translating that into miles.

Mr. Chairman: Committee will recess until 1:30.

(Recess)

Mr. Chairman: I now call this Committee to order.

We will continue with Schedule A, Loan Amortization, Page 52, 'To provide additional funds for the repayment of loans, \$45,000.00.

Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Chairman, could we have a further explanation on this, please?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, it's a combination of two things. First of all, we prepaid one loan, we paid the loan off earlier than what was anticipated; and secondly, there was just some recalculations involved, so the original estimate had just been miscalculated.

Mr. Chairman: I refer you to Revenues and Recoveries, Page 53.

Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, you skipped Project Capital Recoveries, did you do that deliberately? We haven't dealt with that.

Mr. Chairman: I wasn't going to read that out, Mrs. Watson. Perhaps, at this time if you have concerns regarding Revenues and Recoveries -- Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, you mean any -- like I do have a question on Project Capital.

Mr. Chairman: Yes.

Ms. Millard: That's all right? Under Rural and Remote Housing program, Establishment 2183 cites \$400,000.00 revenue and \$300,000.00. If we could have an explanation of that?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, that particular program is shared on a 75 per cent basis, so in other words, for every \$100.00 we spend, we get back 75, so in this particular case, the original calculation of 300,000 is 75 per cent of the original expenditure estimate.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard.

Ms. Millard: Also, I understand that we didn't build a house in the Vocational School, why is that estimated as being a recovery?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, my understanding of this particular project capital is the house was built last year and sold last year and the reason in the supplementary's is we had a decrease, I believe, of \$15,000.00, was that it was the next house that was started to built. This is a house that was built and then sold. It was estimated that it would be sold in the area of 47,500., I believe and it was sold at 53,000.

Mr. Chairman: Any other matters arising out of project capital recoveries?

Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, the Assisted Homeownership Program. We didn't use the money, is that why it's shown in that way?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, in the original Main Estimates, we showed both an expenditure and expenditure recovery for a million two, and because the government didn't proceed with the project, we are showing that we are neither going to spend money nor recovery money now.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard.

Ms. Millard: Just under the rental purchase housing program, does this indicate that someone is actually going to purchase the house? I thought there was some difficulty there under the Housing Corporation in selling those houses. Does it indicate that one is being bought?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, that recovery doesn't relate to the sale of rental purchase housing. That's the recovery that we get from the cmhc. When we construct dwellings under that program we can recover up to 90 per cent from them and that's just a revised calculation of what we are going to get from projects in process.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, so none of our rental purchase housing units are being purchased?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, to my knowledge, none have yet been purchased.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, if they were purchased, where would you show the amount of money that would be taken in, under the rental purchase you show the amount that we recover from c.m.h.c., the 90 per cent. Where would you show the revenue from the sale of the house?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, that's a good question. I'm not sure where it would show. It would probably show -- well, I'm not sure where it would show, I'm sorry, I'll have to look into that.

To date, none have been sold, so what the exact disclosure would be, I'm uncertain.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, just one more question on the m.o.t. airport construction, almost a half a million dollars. That is just capital recovery, then further in we'll see where there was a recovery for the maintenance work on the air strips?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, that's true, that's just the capital portion.

Mr. Chairman: Revenue and Recoveries, page 53. Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I find it interesting that on the interest on investments, we have gained almost another 75 per cent. Wasn't this known in the beginning, the original estimate of 406,000 and the change of 345 to the good.

It seems strange to me that we get a lot more interest than we expected.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, it's not as easy as it might seem to forecast what the interests on investments might be. There are two variables, our cash balances, and that can be forecast with some accuracy, but the more difficult variable to forecast is actual interest rates.

During the fiscal year, 1976-77, the interest which we were earning was significantly higher than what we assumed, and I think it's safe to say that short term interest rates were at an all time high throughout the first nine months of the last fiscal year.

At one point, I believe, we were earning up to 9.6 per cent on 90 day investments. Now, since the latter part of December, interest rates have been falling, and right now whereas we were earning about 9.6 per cent on 90 day money, we're only earning seven and three quarters, so interest rates are difficult to forecast, therefore, we traditionally take the approach, I suppose, our estimates have always been a little bit low, and we adjust them later on when we have a better idea of what the interest rate is going to be.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard.

Ms. Millard: Under the Recoveries, under Administrative Services in Territorial Treasurer, again, there seems to be quite large increase. Is there some general explanation for that?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, most of the increase in the Treasury Recovery relates to the Electrical Equalization Program and, as we explained the other day, there is a fund out of which we recovery our expenditures from Electrical Equalization Fund, therefore, we always show the expenditure and the recovery as being in balance.

Now, last year, we were uncertain as to what effect the electric rate increases would have on our expenditures, therefore, we left the rate at, we left the expenditure and therefore the recovery at a low rate. When the effect of the rate increases was known, we've used that information to revise both the figures so the expenditure recovery equals the expenditure. That's the main reason for the increase.

There are two other large elements. First of all, our sale of surplus equipment was \$121,000.00 more than anticipated and the main reason for that was the sale of the Selwyn Building. I think we received over \$85,000.00 for that. And finally, the third major component of the increase is the recovery from the Old Crow Freight Consolidated shipments. In the supplementals we showed an expense, an additional expense of \$49,000.00 and we're showing that the whole amount is now recoverable.

Mr. Chairman: Let's go back to those Establishments that have been stood over previously.

Page 5. Establishment 100. The request was for the

Standing Committee on Land Claims, their expenses. Okay, Ms. Millard, you've got it, eh? Establishment 100, is it clear?

Some Members: Clar.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment 120. Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, with your permission, I would like 120 held over until tomorrow, at least. We got a great deal of information this morning. I certainly haven't had an opportunity to go through it and I would certainly like to have that opportunity before I would pass this through.

Mr. Chairman: Does Committee concur?

Some Members: Agreed?

Mr. Chairman: Very well, 122 is also stood over, but it's included in the same information as this is, so we'll stand that as well.

Establishment 160. I think that requires to be stood over too, because the Commissioner was requested to be in attendance.

Establishment 321, Yukon Vocational and Training School-- Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I have a question in Vote 2, 211, we were to have a breakdown of the write-off of bad debts, and long before 321, there's a question on 302, 316 and 319.

Mr. Chairman: Yes, there is.

We will deal with Vote 3 first. We just haven't received the information on that. Mr. Lang, do you have the information?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, I don't have the information in relation to the question that the Honourable Member from Pelly asked in relation to Establishment 302.

I do have the question in relation to Establishment 316, in relation to the number of kindergarten teachers, they decline from 18 to 16, and the reason for that, Mr. Chairman, was the -- '75, '76, some of the communities there was multi-grade -- the load for some of the teachers in the multi-grade schools was fairly heavy, so we put the teachers, or the kindergarten teachers or aides on a full time basis, rather than a half time basis, and this happened in four different communities, and we found that it was not necessary to do it this year, with the shift of population, so subsequently went from 18 to 16.

In relation to Establishment 319, the Honourable Member from Kluane asked a question in relation to the Canada Summer Games, in relation to the salaries of the individual contracted for coordinating the Summer Games, and the total salary contract was \$13,700.00 and it began last September 1st, 1976, and runs till August 31st.

In relation to 321, I don't have that breakdown right at the present time. The Department is attempting to get that breakdown.

Mr. Chairman: Are there any other Establishments in Vote 3 that are outstanding?

Ms. Millard:

Ms. Millard: I have noted 323, there is a question about the co-ordinator resigning.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, in relation to Establishment 302, I don't think it's necessary to hold the supplementaries up in relation to that particular information. I can provide that information during the Mains, for that matter. I don't think it's necessary to

have it for the supplementaries. It's going to take a while to compile it.

In relation to 323, about the Industrial Training Coordinator, I don't really think that it's my prerogative to bring reasons why an individual quit or why they didn't. I think that's their own personal prerogative, whether or not they want to stay in our employment.

In relation to what time they were hired, I really don't have that information right now, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: In Vote 3, the only Establishment that has not carried as yet is 321.

Turning to Vote 2, Establishment -- Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I have a question for Vote 2. May I ask it?

Mrs. Chairman: Yes.

Mrs. Watson: Just for my clarification from the witnesses, Establishment 205, the Homeowner Grant. We have expended \$210,000.00 for the Homeowner Grant program, is that correct?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: That's correct, Mr. Chairman.

Well, excuse me, Mr. Chairman, I believe I passed out a list. The actual expenditure is \$209,000.00. There's a schedule been distributed.

Mr. Chairman: Yes.

Establishment 201. There was information required on the number of people still receiving private payments.

Then 201 is cleared?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Vote 2 is then cleared.

Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, if I may, on 201, you're talking about Worker's Compensation Insurance?

Mr. Chairman: Yes.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: It might be of interest to the House, or to the Committee to know that this figure will not necessarily decrease in the next few years, because, I am informed, workers who were injured in the earlier time under the private insurance coverage, may well return for additional claims in future years, as that condition is aggravated or increased, or whatever.

We have no assurance, I am told, by the Worker's Compensation officials, that there will be an annual decrease in that number. Eventually, yes, but we cannot count on it in the next four or five years.

I would have expected to see it go down annually, but apparently this is not so, and there is a time period which we must be prepared to see possible returns for additional claims or aggravated injury.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I had a question on the tax collectors to be brought forward, but I don't know, I think maybe we did get some answers the other day. However, I have a question on 202, the Electrical Rate Equalization, if I may.

It was told to us by the government here that the Rate Equalization payments would probably not be in existence by 1980, and of course, the government has told us they are three years behind, which I can't quite understand, because the company itself, Yukon Electric, can

in no way, I don't think, be three years behind in their tax remittance to the government.

I'm just wondering, can I take it from there that in the next three years or so, Yukon Electric is going to go belly up, in other words, that they are not going to make any money and there will be no income tax rebate whatsoever, is that -- it sounds to me like that's the way it is going.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, we're not indicating that Yukon Electrical is going to go belly up. What we're trying to say is that the expenditures under the plan now are at the point where they far and away exceed the income that we get every year from Yukon Electric. In the early days of the plan, there was a net surplus. We were getting more money back in taxes from Yukon Electric by way of the federal government than what was actually being paid out under the plan, and therefore, a fund grew and I think at one point in time the fund probably had a balance of about million and a half dollars in it. But over the last two or three years, the expenditures under the Plan have exceeded the inflow into the Plan. Therefore, what we're suggesting is that in the next twelve to eighteen months is that the fund itself will have no money in it. From that point on, the only cash flow involved will be our expenditures under the Plan and the inflow will be Yukon Electric's taxes, by way of the federal government.

We anticipate that we will always get some money into the Plan, but the money coming in is less than the money going out.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, while we're on this particular topic, I think it should be noted for all Members that we are actively pursuing this area of concern in relation to equalization. As the Treasurer stated, that fund will probably be exhausted in the area of twelve to fifteen months from now.

We are presently discussing with the federal government, ways and means where we can carry on this fund and possibly, at some given time in the future, that particular fund may become the full responsibility of this government, but I think it's very, very important that we, as a government, carry it on and we're going to have to make a major decision here probably within the next year whether or not we are going to pay the full funds or whether the federal government will cost-share for equalization to carry on for future years.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke.

Mr. Lengerke: Yes Mr. Chairman, just further to that, I would think that some place along the line, it's going to be a matter for this House to decide if the philosophy really is that equalization shall remain and I think that it's a major decision that's going to have to be made. A political decision.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming.

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, that is precisely what I was going to say, more or less, however, I will say

that I think it is time, maybe, that we never mind looking into the equalization program at all, that we looked into maybe finding out just how much money there was being made in selling power in the Yukon Territory and possibly taking over ourselves.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: In the same context, I wonder if the Members of this House have given any thought to addressing a request to the federal government for subsidization such as Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia have received already this winter: cash amounts to homeowners to insulate their homes.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger.

Mr. Berger: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. May I return to 201, again? I was trying to get your attention for quite awhile on that. The Minister was stating that people with aggravated injuries can now return on those claims. Is there a time limit, or was it in the past never able to do? Or what? I was wondering how far can a person go back on an aggravated injury?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I didn't say they wouldn't be coming back, I said they would be. And that's why we can't look to a decrease in numbers.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger.

Mr. Berger: No, this wasn't my intention, maybe I confused you, but my, Mr. Chairman, my intention was to find out how far they can go back.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I'm not an expert in this area, but my understanding is that, if they were injured during the time they were covered by the private insurance company, we are now adding to the payments to bring them up to the current rate, they can continue coming back for that increase, based on aggravation of injuries they were compensated for.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I'm not sure if there is a legal statute of limitations on that, if that's what Mr. Berger was asking for. I'll try and obtain that information, but Mrs. Whyard is correct that our understanding of the Plan is that anybody who received an injury prior to the implementation of the new Ordinance, can, if that injury at a future date prevents him from earning a living, come back and make a claim on supplementary benefits. But if there is a statute of limitations, I'll find out and report back.

Mr. Chairman: Vote 4. Establishment 400. Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I'd just like to make a comment on the equalization. The Honourable Member thought that the House should give some indication

whether they wanted the same type of benefits that Prince Edward Island and some of the Maritime provinces were now getting from the federal government. In fact, I was very disappointed when I looked through the Main Estimates that there was, and the fact that no paper has been tabled on furthering the benefits under the equalization scheme.

It was my understanding, in the Task Force report, and some of the comments that the Minister made, that he would be quite positive if the Territorial government brought forward some suggestion of how he could help alleviate the high costs of electricity in Yukon, other than through the NCP. I was quite disappointed, to be perfectly frank, that the government has not done anything in this area. In fact, I had hoped at looking at equalization of not the first 300 but possibly the first 500 or something and this type of thing. I am quite disappointed that we're not looking at this now, but we have no proposals before us right today.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, as I stated a few minutes ago, we are actively pursuing this at the present time. It would be complete folly, on our part, to put something in the budget when we haven't got any firm commitments in relation to the federal government.

As we all know, the Minister of the Day has said that he would be looking sympathetic in this area, and we are pursuing it presently. That's why it's not in the budget right now, because the statement was made, I believe approximately two or three months ago, in relation to the Task Force.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Okay, Mr. Chairman, if you're actively looking at it, fine, but why destroy it, if we've brought forth a resolution in this House asking for assistance for insulation? Wouldn't we sort of be splitting the type of thing that we don't want to do? We want a decent equalization scheme.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman.

As you know, this morning, I served Notice of Motion with respect to the Task Force report in the N.C.P.C. situation, and I would hope that as a result of discussion and debate with respect to that particular Motion, that some other Motion will come forward, giving the House direction as to — government direction as to what we have done on the question of equalization, and certainly that philosophy.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Chairman. While we are on this subject of housing, I was wondering if the Minister of Housing could tell us if it is the intention of the Yukon Government Housing Corporation to purchase an infra-red camera, to check on all the low cost housing units and other housing units the government built in the outlying areas, and in Whitehorse, and maybe could possibly come up with a solution to save on energy and everything like this?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, we're investigating that possibility at the present time. It's my understanding that the General Manager has written a letter to the people involved with this, I believe it's infra-red machine that checks various facilities for insulation, and once we get a reply, I'll report back to the House, if it comes back within the life of this session.

Mr. Chairman: Vote 2 has already been cleared, so let's proceed to Vote number 4, Establishment 400, and the query was regarding the cost of Debates and Proceedings. We did receive information on that.

Establishment 400 clear?
Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Yes, Mr. Chairman, on the information that the Treasurer, Mr. Williams, brought forward on the weigh scales, 1976-77 reflecting total revenue and costs, Whitehorse revenue seems to be quite a bit less than Watson Lake, and I know there must be an explanation for it.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, included in the revenues are various licence sales which are made at the weigh scales, and for instance, a substantial amount of revenue is earned from freighting through permits and licences and generally speaking, these licences are bought as the truck enters the Territory in Watson Lake, hence their revenue is significantly higher than anybody else's.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, that's interesting, is that a clear indication then, that the weigh station at Whitehorse is not really paying for itself, when you compare the expenditure with the revenue, and the other two at Watson Lake and Haines Junction are, is that correct?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, on the basis of these figures, that's quite correct. It's sometimes hard to say what weigh scale is paying for itself or which one's not, or which shift is paying for itself and which one's not, because there's always an alternative.

For instance, if certain fees weren't collected at Watson Lake, perhaps they could be collected at Whitehorse or Haines Junction, but on the basis of these figures, it's very obvious that Watson Lake is the biggest revenue earner.

Mr. Chairman: Vote 5, Establishment 504. There was information requested regarding the cost in the Territory, out of the Territory, and the procedures for medical evacuation approvals.

Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, the statistics requested on medical travel in and out of Territory have been provided to all Members today, but I am still awaiting the information from the other side regarding the procedures. It is coming.

We are bringing in a copy of the actual form which the nurse or doctor fills out prior to a charter authorization of Medivac.

Mr. Chairman: The information that was distributed is entitled 501, I think it's 504. 501 is Mental Health, and I think this refers to subsidized medical travel generally, which is 504.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Medical travel, yes, Mr. Chairman, 504.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: The medical travel, the information sheet is entitled 501, and that's for mental health. We don't have 800 mental health patients travelling, I hope, in the Yukon Territory.

Mr. Chairman: That's what I was trying to point out.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: They don't have 501 on my sheet.

Mr. Chairman: Well, these have 501 --

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Sorry, Mr. Chairman --

Mr. Chairman: -- and it should be 504, that's what I was pointing out to the Committee.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: The original doesn't have that.

Mr. Chairman: It should be 504.
526, Medical Professional Ordinance. The breakdown of those funds, I believe, has been requested in the House.
534, there was a request for a report on the program.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: It is with widespread pleasure I accede to that request.

I have for distribution to all Members, a brief resume of the services provided by the social service agencies, Yukon Social Service Society, Yukon Family Services Association, as requested by me a year ago, following the social audit, which was done on Family Services Association by our branch.

I don't know if all Members are aware of the fact, but any private agency which receives grant money from our Department, must submit to an audit, not only a financial audit but a social audit, to see exactly what is happening with the money that the taxpayer is giving them.

The first such audit was conducted on the Yukon Family Service Association, but there are other audits now being planned for other agencies, such as the Rehab Centre and Crossroads and so on.

I think all Members may be interested in this paper, and I'm also filing for their information a reference copy of the outline which the Family Service Association prepared for its federal grant which covers the cost of their new program on education for living. I would like to file that with the Clerk, please, to which you may wish to make reference.

I didn't have it copied; it's quite lengthy.

I think, for simplification, this question arose because there was an amount of \$12,000.00 shown as additional funding to this agency to do a specific assignment. And the reason for that funding was that the work was not being carried on by any other agency or department except for the Public Health Nurses in their broad terms of reference, and at times they informed me this is not always easy to carry into the school classroom and depends upon being invited by the principal and so on.

I think we all agree that there is a need for this particular kind of program and, therefore, following the audit of the Family Service Association, I imposed two conditions on them for additional funding, and one was that they must improve their record in administration of procedures in their offices, and the other was to carry out this specific assignment.

Now, you'll see from the paper provided, and I won't read it all, that they did that, indeed, and did it well, and they have carried out this program not only in some of the local schools but also in the Yukon Hall with two different age groups, 10 to 13 and 13 to 18 years.

You will also see from this paper, Mr. Chairman, that following their submission to the Federal Department for a project grant for education in living, they prepared the — well, they prepared the application before they got the grant, and having received the grant went to a great deal of trouble to advertise for and interview suitable applicants, and they have hired their co-ordinator, Mrs. Lynn Melinski, and she began full-time work December the first, 1976.

I have added here a brief description of what she has accomplished in that one or two months since. I think that probably this is one of the best investments in future reduction of costs to this Department that we can ever make, aside from the costs of single parents and of unwanted children and of social diseases.

There's just no way to multiply the value of this prevention program. We have been consistently trying to orient this department to prevention instead of crisis intervention, and picking up for years after that on the costs and results of these problems.

I just thought that all Members would be interested in some of this background, which arose during the consideration of that item.

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

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I have a question. If the program is carried out in the schools, who provides the instruction?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Is the Honourable Member referring to the specific course, Family Life Education Program? That goes into the schools at the request of the school committee, and the Honourable Member will notice that there was a request for information about the program from a teacher in her area, but I am sure the program would not go in there without consultation prior to implementation.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, that wasn't the question I asked. I wanted to know if the program, and we're looking at two different types of programs, Family Life Education and this other short program that was sponsored by the Social Services, am I not correct?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: No, Mr. Chairman.

The interim program put on by the Family Service Association at my request is no longer required because there are Federal funds backing the Family Life Education program with a full-time co-ordinator/instructor. That is my understanding.

We provided the funding for an interim period before this new program got under way with federal monies.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, a question for either Education or Health. Okay, we have a full-time co-ordinator. Does she do the actual instructions in the school situation? My understanding is that family life education is a course of almost the length of one semester.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I can't give you the details of how long the course takes. My information here, on the Education for Living Project, shows that it can be a number of types, depending on the age group and the people who have asked for it. There have been sessions at Vocational School, they've been in the junior high in Selkirk. You know, we have with families in Faro. I'm sure, Mr. Chairman, that if we want further information, the co-ordinator would be very happy to provide it. I'm not in charge of that program.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard.

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I hate to be so detailed, but I have several notations here, prior to this Establishment, where there were questions asked to supply information. There are a couple of them that I'm interested in. I don't if anyone, I don't know exactly who asked the other questions, but one of them was the amount spent at the Rehabilitation Centre, the actual Centre, and the other was 515, the actual cost per diem at the Whitehorse hospital. I'm not really that concerned about that, but perhaps someone is.

I am concerned about 525, but it was asked how many people are registered now in this Health Care Insurance Plan, compared to last year. And the other one was a question I asked which was also asked in the House this morning about the cost of the Medical Inquiry. I'll waive that question, since the Honourable Member from Watson Lake has asked it in the House. So, it breaks down to about one question, that is how many people are registered in the Health Care Insurance Plan and how many last year?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: I don't have that information here.

Mr. Lengerke: Mr. Chairman, I may have missed the answer to this. The Education in Living Program again is federally funded; I was wondering if the Minister could tell me how long that is going to be funded or what's the duration of that program?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I believe that they applied for a three-year demonstration project, but I am also told that they have to reinforce that request annually and show what they have done with their funds for each preceding year, prior to getting their grant for next year. So it's not an automatic assumption that they're funded for three years. They have to earn the money.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming.

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I presume that the Minister of Health will bring forth the amounts of the registration for the Yukon Health Care Insurance Plan.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I said I would.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I would like to pursue this a little further. Now, we're talking about two things — Education for Living project and Family Life Education. What is the difference? Are they the same thing? This is what I'm trying to find out. The Family Life Education Program in the schools, how long is it, who instructs it? I'm concerned about — the course content would be fine because of the fact that there's been some work on it, but who's instructing in the local school situation?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I've just filed a reference paper which outlines that course completely. I don't have it in my hands now, but the Honourable Member might wish to refer to it because I'm sure those questions will be answered.

Mr. Chairman: There is one copy here available at the Clerk's desk.

Ms. Millard: Well, Mr. Chairman, the question was asked by the Member to my right about the Hospital Care Insurance Plan and I wouldn't want to hold up the vote at all on that score.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment 536, the Effects of the Lay-offs of the Dawson Home. Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I am glad that this has been brought up again. My understanding was, it was misquoted in the papers — \$33,000.00, the actual saving of the lay-offs at the MacDonald Lodge. I believe that the actual saving was \$18,000.00. Is this correct?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, that's correct. Within Establishment 536 there was a total savings of about \$33,000.00 on salary. Of that \$33,000.00, 15,000 to 18,000 was saved because of the transfer of the Alexander Street Housing to the Housing Corporation, which means that the savings in salaries on the two lodges is \$18,000.00. Now, that \$18,000.00 is split between the Macauley Lodge and the MacDonald Lodge, although I believe the saving is higher at the MacDonald than it is at Macauley. I'm sorry, I don't have an exact break-

down between the two.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Perhaps Mr. Williams has the statistics on how many people were laid off, how many positions does this represent, how many months does it also represent?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, some place I do have a schedule indicating the changes which have been made there. Perhaps I can find it and read it out.

The total anticipated decrease in staff at the MacDonald Lodge is 8.7 man years, the entire 8.7 wasn't eliminated for the whole course of the fiscal year 1976-77, but I believe the intended reduction now is 8.7 man years.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: This might be getting a little complicated for an immediate response, but I was wondering how much income was received from raising the residents' rent to, I think it is \$300.00 a month in MacDonald Lodge?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I don't have that figure but I'll endeavour to get it.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: For the record, I must note that the rent was not raised to 300 a month for all residents at the Lodge, only those who had assets sufficient to pay it. Those who are in need get a completely subsidized rate.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, just an interesting little comment here. I know that four out of nine residents left the MacDonald Lodge because of the increase in rent, so that we are losing \$1,200.00 a month because of the increase in rent, and I find that a very interesting statistic.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, the residents left because they did not wish to pay the rent, not because they could not.

Mr. Chairman: We will now proceed to Vote Number 6, Establishment 600.

Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I would ask to have this stood over. I have further questions for 600, and I have further questions for 605.

Mr. Chairman: Vote Number 8, Establishment 801. Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I believe we're still a little confused about the exact rental rate, and that's what I was looking forward to receiving.

Mr. Chairman: I don't think we have that information yet.

Ms. Millard: No, we don't have the information.

Mr. Chairman: Can we have an undertaking to have that information? Mrs. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, is it just the maximum rent this year versus last year, or is it a detailed reporting of the total rentals received last year versus this year? I'm sorry, I'm just a bit confused as to the precise information required.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Well, Mr. Chairman, I am confused about what the actual rental is in the building and why it has been changed so drastically. It appears that there's a lot of adjustment done in this supplemental about rental rates, and we never did have a clear picture of the whole rental situation.

We could have it compared to last year, but that's a different building, isn't it?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman, I'm confused. I'm thinking back to the rental rate at the lodges. You're talking about 801 now?

What was the question for 801 then?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, it didn't really concern legal affairs specifically, but the whole rental structure of the building here. As I understood it.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, the original budget was comprised on an assumption that the rental rate would be \$6.00 a square foot. I think in actuality the final rent actually charged was 6.75 or 6.70 a square foot.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, am I correct, wasn't there a paper, with all the papers we have here, that the legal people are still over in the Post Office building, their rent has increased also D.P.W. increased their rent and we haven't budgeted for it?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Williams?

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, those Departments occupying office space in Whitehorse pay a standardized rate, so the people in the Federal Building pay the same internal rental rate as the people in this particular building here.

One of the reasons why the overall rental rate had to go up was that costs went up and one of the costs that did go up was the cost of our renting space from D.P.W., I believe.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, on 802, there was a breakdown to come from Treasury, I think, on the saving of \$21,500.00, and also some questions on the agreement with the lawyers, whether that fell through or what happened to the program?

Mr. Chairman: We just haven't got to 802 yet, Mr. Fleming.

Is 801 clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Now, Mr. Fleming, 802. We do have information supplied to us, but I'm not sure that it's adequate for what you're requesting. Civil legal aid, \$3,500.00; criminal legal aid, \$48,500.00.

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: There's no answers to whether the program is going to carry on, or whether there's an agreement with the lawyers, or whether the lawyers are going to agree to go along with it or not?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Mr. Fleming: Mr. Chairman, that question was directed to, I presume, Mrs. Whyard.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, we've been asking the same question, and we've been assured by the Executive Committee Member responsible that negotiations are ongoing.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Further to that information, Mr. Chairman, I think I was the one that requested it, along with the Member from Teslin. How many cases does that represent, the 3,500 in the case of the civil aid, and criminal, I see 45,000? How many actual cases, and I would just like to observe, Mr. Chairman, that this really holds true for the comments that we made in budget session prior to this, when we were talking of the problems that we might encounter with the Criminal Legal Aid.

Here we are almost 13 times the amount of money for criminal legal aid. Now, it would be very interesting to see how many cases that represents.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, with respect, we've always had the criminal legal aid. It was civil legal we added.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: I think the Honourable Minister is right. I'm just looking for how many cases, I think that would be very interesting.

Is there a breakdown available?

Mr. Williams: We will try and obtain one, I don't have one, I'm sorry.

Mr. Lengerke: Mr. Chairman, I don't want to hold up this particular item for that. Maybe they can supply that at their leisure, unless other Members are concerned.

Mr. Chairman: Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Yes, I'm concerned. I would like to have the breakdown of the \$3,500.00, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I have a question, are we actually into the civil legal aid program at the present time, because the regulations only came out a few months ago, and the agreement was not signed the last time, so are we actually in business?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, it's too bad that the Member responsible for this particular department is not here. But my understanding in relation to the civil legal aid is that the lawyers have yet to accept the schedule of fees, so it's my understanding that we have not gone into the area of civil legal aid up to this point.

Now, I'm going to have to get some clarification on this, and I'll bring back the information or maybe the Member responsible could come into the House to explain it, if he has time.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that the Minister of Education bring back the information he located in the supplementary budget, and budget programming committee. Maybe he better give us the information.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, maybe while he was doing this he could check, there's a case before the Board at the moment, and look into seeing if there is anything being done about it.

Mr. Chairman: I don't know if that information could be forthcoming from what you said, Mr. Fleming. Could you be more specific?

Mr. Fleming: Just a comment, Mr. Chairman.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Well, Mr. Chairman, as I said earlier, when we've asked this question, we've been told that negotiations are ongoing between the Department of Legal Affairs and the Members of the Bar, and that is all the information we can give.

Mr. Chairman: Now, I presume you will want that stood over, because the Minister is absent.

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: Vote Number 20, Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: I'm sorry, in Vote 18, I have a question that hasn't been answered, under the Housing Corporation, 1802. Could the — an explanation of the comparative market rent system was going to be brought in.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang?

Hon. Mr. Lang: It was my understanding that Vote 18 had been cleared through this House and that the information in relation to comparative market rent and whatever other information Members want, would be discussed in the Mains.

I hear various veiled threats that the Main Estimates was the time that we were going to discuss this issue, and --

Mr. Chairman: That's what my records indicate, Ms. Millard.

Ms. Millard: All right, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: 2401, page 44. The lamination cameras.

Mr. Berger: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: Maybe just as a point of privilege, maybe we can get a bell installed here so Mr. Chairman would get my attention. I just would like to ask the question why this program was dropped? You know I would be happy for the information why the program was dropped. Whoever is willing to answer that, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: It would appear that no one is willing to answer.

Mr. Berger: I don't know anybody personally in the House who would be able to answer this question.

Mr. Williams: Mr. Chairman, I was told it was dropped simply because it would be a very difficult program to implement and they're not prepared to provide or administer and they're not prepared to do it right now. If there's more to it than that, I'm not aware of it, I'm sorry.

Mr. Chairman: I'll declare a brief recess.

(Recess)

Mr. Chairman: I now call this Committee to order. Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: If I may have the opportunity to clear up a little misunderstanding which we encountered in the Committee earlier. One of the reasons we were confused about the costs of medical travel and one of them had been marked 501, which is Mental, not

Medical, is that information has been received from two different sources here.

My friends in Treasury have provided the sheet with the actual costs for Medical Travel in and out of the Territory. And the sheet I was referring to had been provided by the Administrator of the Health Services, which also included figures on Disease Control. So there are two references there, Mr. Chairman.

I would like, at this time also, to reply to several other questions. Two other questions. I have the information now, if you would permit me to return to those items.

Mr. Chairman: Please do;

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: One question was the cost of hospitals per day used by our Health Plan. Whitehorse General Hospital charges \$144.00. Vancouver General Hospital charges \$152.65. St. Paul's in Vancouver, charges \$140.90. And in Edmonton, the University of Alberta Hospital, \$157.00 per day.

The question regarding the population according to our registered for Medicare residents. And our figures, Mr. Chairman, show 24,955 people are insured.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mrs. Whyard.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, would it be possible to ask another question regarding revenue?

Mr. Chairman: Well, we are going to go through Project Capital first, and then --

Mrs. Watson: Okay, fine, very good.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment 2341. Do you now have that information?
Ms. Millard?

Ms. Millard: Mr. Chairman, I believe this is what's called 26 Holly Road?

Mr. Chairman: That's right.

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Establishment 2913, Costs re Robert Campbell Bridge, we now have the information.
Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 2918.

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: 2923, South McQuesten River.
Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: We'll defer further consideration of the sups until more information is forthcoming.

We will proceed to consideration of the Liquor Tax Ordinance.

For the record, Mr. Gillespie has joined us for a witness.

Mrs. Whyard.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: May I suggest, Mr. Chairman, that also for the record, that we might note that we have been working around various departments in the sups and in other business before Committee because of the absence of two of the Members of the Government, who are required to attend the Land Claims negotiations, which of course takes priority. And someone reading the records of this afternoon Session might wonder why we were hopping around and in circles. but that is the reason.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mrs. Whyard.

Bill no. 11. Section 4(1) of the said Ordinance is repealed and the following substituted therefor: 4.(1).

(Reads 4.(1))

Mr. Chairman: 2.

(Reads 4.(2))

Mr. Chairman: Clear. The Commissioner of the Yukon Territory, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of the said Territory, enacts as follows: An Ordinance to Amend the Liquor Tax Ordinance.

Some Members: Clear

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Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Shall I report Bill No. 11 without amendment?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: We will then proceed --

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: One question on that Bill. Why is the numerical notation at the side, at the right side of the Bill?

Mr. Chairman: Well, that is something that wasn't mentioned in our seminar prior to the Session beginning. All of them are now going to be numbered for easy reference.

Mrs. Watson: Thank you.

Mr. Chairman: Bill No. 9, Real Estate Agents' Licensing Ordinance.

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, may we get Mr. Doug Spray, Territorial Secretary, to assist as a witness for

this Ordinance?

Mr. Chairman: Is the Committee agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Gillespie: Thank you.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I wasn't aware that we were going to be going through this Bill today, so I left my copy with my notes at home, so I wonder if we go through the Bill, whether I would still have the opportunity to come back to the sections which I would like to have questioned, which I have marked in my copy at home and I haven't here.

Mr. Chairman: Yes, Mrs. Watson. We are certainly jumping around because of the absence of certain members and so we will leave that opportunity open to Members to come back.

We will recess until the witness is present.

(Recess)

Mr. Chairman: I now call Committee to Order.

For the record, Mr. Spray has joined us as witness for the consideration of this Ordinance.

Mr. Lengerke: May I just say a few words about the Bill, Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: I'll read the first clause.

Mr. Lengerke: Thank you.

Mr. Chairman: Short title, 1(1):

(Reads Clause 1(1))

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I just want to comment that I'm very pleased to see this Ordinance come forward.

Probably as many of you know, I met last year with a number of the realtors, and we discussed various aspects of what material would be in a bill such as this. I think generally the people in the industry will be happy with it, and certainly the citizens of the Yukon are going to benefit from such legislation.

I know that, you know, certain problems were encountered with the banking institutions, and a number of other problems, and I think this Ordinance hopefully will try to put a little more emphasis on a professional basis, with respect to this industry.

Mr. Chairman: Is there any further general debate? Is Clause 1 cleared?

Interpretation. 2(1):

(Reads Clause 2(1))

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, we received correspondence from the Yukon Real Estate Association regarding a number of items or a few items in this Bill, and until we've had a chance as an Executive Committee to examine those, I would appreciate the opportunity to identify the areas and ask that they be stood.

The one that you've just read is one that they've asked.

Mr. Chairman: You mean I'll have to read it again?

Mr. Gillespie: That could be stood and re-examined and brought back at a later date, if that suits your purpose, Mr. Chairman. Property users' licence.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Just a question of the witnesses. Was this Ordinance, as we're reading it here, was it extracted from some other Ordinances? Did you use them for reference? What one?

Mr. Gillespie: The primary reference, Mr. Chairman, was the Alberta Act.

Mr. Lengerke: I was just wondering if this particular clause, property users' licence, was that taken from that too, or was this dreamt up by our own draughtsmen?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Spray?

Mr. Spray: No, this was taken from the Alberta Act, Mr. Chairman. It is a valid point, and after discussion, I'm hoping that we will clear it up.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McIntyre.

Mr. McIntyre: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would like to point out that on Page 1 we have Licensed Person with a 'c', and on Page, the second page we have Licensed Person with an 's'. Of course, the 's' is correct. And I think this mistake is repeated in other places in the Ordinance. The verbal form is with the 's' and the noun is with a 'c'.

Mr. Chairman: Thank you, Mr. McIntyre.

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, we will accept and in the re-write of the Ordinance, ensure that all the 's's that should be 's's are 's's'.

Mr. Chairman: Two.

(Reads clause 2 (2))

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: I'm curious about this user's licence, Mr. Chairman. Does this total jurisdiction over the Yukon, blanket style?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Spray.

Mr. Spray: Properties' users licence refers to a shared ownership and, in all likelihood, this would be the property beyond the borders of Yukon. It's quite common in Hawaii, for example, that you can pay 5 or \$10,000.00 and this gives you the right to two weeks in any particular, any condominium owned by the corporation, either in Hawaii or Colorado. And this is a property user's licence. It's an item that you can trade. In Alberta it used to be traded as a security. They've now moved to using it under the, putting it under the Real Estate Act and you trade it as a part of real estate. It's very unlikely that you would have this type of property in the Yukon Territory, but you could have people trying to sell this in the Yukon Territory. And it's those sales that are taking place in the Yukon that we want to control.

Mr. McCall: Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: What I'm concerned about here, Mr. Chairman is, don't you think we're going beyond the fringes within our jurisdiction by allowing this type of licence to be considered.

Mr. Spray: Well, it's only the transactions, Mr. Chairman, that are taking place in the Yukon. And in the Ordinance we do deal with properties beyond the borders of the Yukon, that are being traded in the Yukon.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: Yes, I am still a little curious, Mr. Chairman, what I would be concerned with, although they never have them, would be if we get into any legal hassles over real estate because of this open jurisdiction we may be giving under this licence, this type of licence.

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, it's very common in all of the provinces to control transactions in real estate that are taking place within their jurisdictions, regardless of where the property is situated. And it's to protect the consumer in our own jurisdiction that we're putting these provisions in.

They must file a prospectus as we go through the Ordinance, and they must prove to us that this is good and valid property and that we're convinced that our consumers here are protected.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, my curiosity is, are we really protecting the consumer? I don't think we are, if you look at that type of language very closely, I don't think we are. I think we're creating the opposite effect.

Mr. Gillespie: I think it will become clearer when we move further on into the Ordinance and see just how this is applied. We're dealing now only with the definition of what is a property user's licence and the protection of the consumer will be reflected later on.

Mr. McCall: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: If we can't find it self-explanatory, Mr. Chairman, in the definition, how on earth are we going to find an explanation later on in piece of legislation? No wonder some of these Bills are confusing.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, I suggest, we've been informed that that section on property user's licence is to be stood over for further amendment, and perhaps the property user's licence section 2 could be held until then too, but I must confess that I have the same difficulty as the Honourable Member, because as I read 2, the property user's licence is deemed to be located where the property is, and if the property is in Hawaii or Colorado, why are we having a licence here?

I would like to suggest we go into this more thoroughly when the new section or amendment comes in.

Mr. Chairman: Very well.

Mr. Lengerke:

Mr. Lengerke: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, I could have probably left this question until we got into the pertinent section on the Registrar, but I assume that the Registrar is the Territorial Secretary of Yukon?

Mr. Gillespie: That's correct, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Lengerke: And I'm just wondering how many inspectors will be required to administer this Ordinance, and what is the contemplated budget to look after this Ordinance?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Gillespie?

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, in our Main Estimates,

there will be reflected a new position to look after this and some other Ordinances that have not had the attention they should have had in the past.

It's a new position in one sense, it's actually an old position, it's already on the Establishment that we're converting into this one to look after the Real Estate Ordinance, to look after the Credit Union Ordinance, to look after the Insurance Ordinance, and that's the only additional manpower we anticipate to look after this.

Mr. Lengerke: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Three,
(Reads Clause 3)

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Gillespie?

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, there's a typographical error at the beginning of that Section. 'This Ordinance, except sections which should read 37 to 49'.

Mr. Chairman: That's a typographical error?

Mr. Gillespie: It sure is, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: 37 to 49.

Mr. Gillespie: Bottom of page 2.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: If somebody shortchanges Mr. Gillespie, they'll tell him it's a typographical error.

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Four (1):

(Reads clause 4 (1))

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: A question of the witness, Mr. Chairman.

With respect to the licence, and I realize this will be covered in the regulations and I realize we haven't got the regulations, but has any thought been given to the amount required for the fee for a licensed agent or salesman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Spray?

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, no, we haven't distributed these at this time, but you will be receiving a further submission from the Yukon Real Estate Association on matters that they want to see in the regulations, and that we will be considering in the regulations.

Mr. Lengerke: Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Will we see the, I guess this would be at our own will. I was going to say, will we see the regulations before this Ordinance comes into force, and I would hope so.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Gillespie?

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, I don't anticipate that the regulations will be ready before the end of this session, because we have this consultation to undertake with the Association, and they have indicated they would like to have it with us.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Keeping in mind this Bill, Mr. Chairman, which is dealing with real estate agents, this particular language we're reading now or just read, I take it in no way interferes with any private transactions.

Mr. Spray: No, Mr. Chairman, under Section 3 (c), we're exempting a person who is dealing in his own real estate. 'A person who disposes of real estate owned by him or in which he had a substantial interest.'

Mr. Chairman: Clear?

Some Members: Clear.

Mr. Chairman: Five (1):

(Reads Clause 5 (1))

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Mr. Chairman, is line 5 a typo?

Mr. Spray: It should read, 'Upon a salesman ceasing to be employed with a licensed agent, the licence of the salesman is cancelled'.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Chairman: Six:

(Reads Clause 6)

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: I was just wondering if there was, I might have missed it, a definition of a business office in Yukon?

I think there is, is there not?

Mr. Spray: No, Mr. Chairman, there's a definition of business.

Mr. Lengerke: Then, Mr. Chairman, that business office could be in your home?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Spray?

Mr. Spray: Yes, Mr. Chairman, it is any place where the public would normally have access and would be able to conduct the business that the real estate agent is holding himself out for.

Mr. Lengerke: Unless, Mr. Chairman, of course it was contrary to zoning regulations in a city of a municipality, I would imagine?

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, shouldn't it be just a little bit more specific than that, because the person could be living in his own home, and just have a telephone some place. A business office, all you have to do is have an office number. It's something I think should be considered.

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, we'll look into this. It may be that it's defined in another Ordinance for the purposes of this one, or that will cover the purposes of this one, if we look into that maybe we can come back with an answer.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Whyard.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Could we also have clarification, Mr. Chairman, on 5. (1), I'm sorry, Page 4. Am I correct in assuming that, in order to be a salesman, licensed to sell real estate, if you are the only one involved, would have to be a licensed agent as well?

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, 4 (1) (a), no person shall trade in real estate unless he is licensed as an agent or as salesman of a licensed agent. So a licensed agent can himself can trade in real estate.

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Well, Mr. Chairman, that's my difficulty, because in 5. (1) it says the salesman can only be licensed if he's working for a licensed agent.

Mr. Spray: If you have, Mr. Chairman, a one man operation, then you need not have any salesmen. The agent himself is licensed as the agent and he conducts the business. It's only if he has engaged the services of any salesmen, they may only be licensed as salesmen if they are employed and are working through that licensed agent.

Mr. Chairman: I won't ask if it's clear, Mrs. Whyard. Seven. (1)

(Reads Clause 7.(1))

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McIntyre.

Mr. McIntyre: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I'd like to make a suggestion that relates to the interpretation. Where you talk about the registrar of real estate and I think that should be changed to registrar of real estate agents, because of registrar of real estates is really the Land Titles Registrar. And in the same connection, that people who are licensed under this Ordinance are actually registered with the Registrar, so they should be registered and licensed, not just licensed.

Mr. Chairman: Where are you referring to, that latter part?

Mr. McIntyre: Well, both parts, Mr. Chairman, in 4, you're talking about licences and agents, but I think in all these cases, either in the definition or someplace in the Ordinance, these people should be registered and licensed. A registered agent would then have a place of business that is registered with the registrar and, consequently, we would know how to get hold of them if we wanted an address for service, because it would be registered with the Registrar. It seems to me that some of these formalities have been missed in the composition of the Ordinance.

Mr. Chairman: Just to facilitate that, Mr. McIntyre, could we have a written suggestion and they could take it back. If you could supply that to the Clerk, please. Mr. McCall.

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I'm in a little difficulty here. Mrs. Whyard brought up a very valid point here, on Section 5. (1). When we go to 6, and now, we're down into 7. (3). I've a little difficulty here. Am I to assume that a person that is a licensed agent needs a further license to operate as a salesman? That would mean a doubling of licensing and I'd like this further clarified.

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, in 7(3), we're specifying that "Any associate, partner or employee of an agent, and any officer, member or employee of a partnership or corporation..." may apply for and obtain a licence as a salesman, if the partnership or corporation is licensed as an agent.

It is possible for a partnership or a corporation to be licensed as an agent, and they must designate a representative, similar to the provisions of the Insurance Ordinance where an agent must, as a partnership or corporation, must designate one of their Members as a representative.

But then we go on further and say that any member of that partnership or employee of the corporation may also apply for and receive a licence as a salesman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: So I take it then, Mr. Chairman, even though that the real estate agent has a licence to operate, he can't operate?

Think about it.

Mr. Spray: The Corporation, and we have as an example, one real estate firm in town that is a corporation, will be licensed as an agent with a representative. That representative of the agent may conduct business, he

may deal in real estate, but should any other member of that firm wish to deal in real estate, they must be licensed and may be licensed as salesmen.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: That would mean, then, Mr. Chairman, that if I wanted to be involved in real estate, I could take out a licence and start operating under this Ordinance, but if I wanted to join a real estate agency, I would have to get a further licence as a salesman. Is this correct? This is where I am having difficulties.

You're looking at two licences here, Mr. Chairman, one as a real estate agent, and one to operate as a real estate agent.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Spray?

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, as an individual, you can be licensed as a real estate agent, and you may trade in real estate. As a member of a firm, a partnership or corporation, you would have to be licensed as a salesman, but as an individual conducting business as a proprietorship, in your own name, you could be licensed as an agent and trade in real estate without a further licence as a salesman.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I have no difficulty with that section at all, but I was wondering if for clarification, if we could maybe in 1(a) put "may apply for and obtain an agent's licence, or an agency licence". Would that be — just to help clarification a little bit, as you follow that through?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke, could we have a written suggestion then, please?

Mr. Lengerke: A written suggestion?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Fleming?

Mr. Fleming: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I'm rather confused over 5, 6, "An agent is not eligible to be licensed or to hold a licence unless he maintains a business office in Yukon." You go over to where they have business, they don't have an interpretation of a business office, they just have a business, which actually doesn't mean anything it looks like a hotel, store, or anything else where you have a phone or not a phone.

In other words, nothing, but how about the business office, what does a business office cover?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Gillespie?

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, we agreed I think earlier to take that out, and try to clarify it.

Mr. Chairman: Yes.

Mr. Fleming: All right.

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, may I make one comment on the definition of business?

In the definition of real estate, we define real estate

as meaning "any real property or any business", and in order to clarify that, we defined business. When you're trading in real estate, you may trade in real estate, which consists of no more than a business as defined in this Ordinance.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: That was a confused definition of business office, wasn't it?

Mr. Spray: Yes, Mr. Chairman, it has no relation to the business office at all, this is where the problem is.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Wouldn't there be some other phrase you could use, other than a business office?

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McIntyre?

Mr. McIntyre: Yes, Mr. Chairman, this is the point I was getting at. If they're registered, they have a registered office. You don't need to call it a business office, you just call it the registered office, and that's the office they're registered under with the Registrar of Real Estate Agents.

I think that this thing should be followed throughout the whole Ordinance, and I would hesitate to try drafting all the places that I can see that this type of thing needs to be corrected in the Ordinance. I think you people need to have a look at it to make it clear, what you're getting at, that a business office is actually you mean a registered office of the agent, and then you don't need to use a general term such as a business office which could be any place.

A registered office would be the office that the real estate agent has given you when he registers, and it would be in your records.

Mr. Spray: Mr. Chairman, under the Companies Ordinance, a company that is registered in the Yukon Territory as an extra-territorial company, must maintain a registered office in the Yukon and this is more often than not, a solicitor's office.

We can conceivably have a company from Alberta that is registered in the Yukon extra-territorially as a company, and maintains a registered office, and they may also be conducting real estate transactions in the Yukon, in which case they would have a business office or some such other terminology, and we most certainly will look at it, to see if we can clarify it.

Mr. Chairman: 8(1):

(Reads Clause 8(1))

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Gillespie?

Mr. Gillespie: Just when — the work of reading through this, we would like to stand 8(2)(b), and 8(3), all of 8(3), if we may.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, 8(3) gives me some

problems too, and I'm sure this is one of the reasons you're talking with the real estate agents, but I wouldn't want to pass this Bill until we have some indication of what kind of qualifications you are going to be requiring of real estate agents and salesmen. Even though the regulations may not be completed, the whole meat of the legislation, or part of it, is in the qualifications of the people who can get these licences.

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, the qualifications have not been developed for the Yukon as yet. We would be using as a model, for starting purposes, the Alberta qualifications, but we don't have any that we could show to the House at this time.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson?

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I think it's most important that we know the qualifications that are being required, and I'm sure the real estate people are very interested in having those qualifications before the Bill is passed, because what we could be doing, we would be, you know, legislating people out of business, and I would hope that there would be some means of sort of grandfathering people in, where they don't have the qualifications, where you give them an opportunity to attain them over a period of time.

I think this is one of the key points.

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, this is something that we're working — or going to be working very closely with the real estate agents on, and they've asked us to do that. And not only I mentioned the Alberta qualifications, but with regard to the B.C. qualifications and means of obtaining additional training for those that lack the qualification now, to bring them up to whatever standards that are agreed to.

But we certainly will be working very closely with the Real Estate Association on these.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lengerke?

Mr. Lengerke: Yes, Mr. Chairman, just to echo the words of the Honourable Member from Kluane, I think this always seems to be the problem of regulations, and I would hope, as Mr. Gillespie has indicated, that they will make known to us the Alberta regulations, so that we have certainly the opportunity to look at those, and we will have some idea of what kinds of qualifications agents and salesmen will require.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Berger?

Mr. Berger: Yes, Mr. Chairman, this is part of my point I wanted to make. We are not so concerned only with the real estate agent, I mean, we are making legislation affecting the whole of the Yukon, consumers and real estate agents, and I think we should have all the information on hand before we even go through this Bill.

We are only on page 4 right now, and there's so much information missing. I would even go so far as to suggesting shelving that Bill for now, and let the witnesses go through that Bill and come back to us with the proper information, with a proper Bill which we can comprehend and discuss intelligently.

Mr. Chairman: We certainly do seem to be encountering a lot of difficulties. I'll declare a brief recess.

(Recess)

Mr. Chairman: I now call this Committee to order.
Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would like to comment briefly on the piece of legislation we've got before us. I just want to say that, you know, that I'm not opposed to this type of legislation. What I am opposed to is sloppy presentation with which the administration has presented us with this Ordinance.

We've only got to, what, four pages, I guess and I can see a considerable amount of difficulty a person would have with this type of legislation, the way it's set up right now. I am prepared to put forward a motion to let this die in Committee, but I would allow the Administration the opportunity to withdraw this Bill in this point in time, just as a courtesy, Mr. Chairman, and, hopefully, they'll bring it back in a little more decent manner than what has been presented.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Gillespie.

Mr. Gillespie: Mr. Chairman, we would appreciate that opportunity to take this out to go through the whole Bill again, and to take into account the comments that have been made to us by the Yukon Real Estate Association and come back with a cleaned up bill.

Mr. Chairman: And the comments from the Assembly, as well.

Mr. Gillespie: The comments from the Assembly, as well.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. Lang

Hon. Mr. Lang: Mr. Chairman, for clarification, this means that the Bill is still in Committee, but we're going to get the opportunity to go through it again. It's not completely withdrawn so that we can't discuss the Bill any longer during this Session. Is that no correct?

Mr. Chairman: That is correct.

Hon. Mr. Lang: Okay, it's still in Committee then.

Mr. Chairman: Mrs. Watson.

Mrs. Watson: Mr. Chairman, I would further — I'm very anxious to see some of the regulations and I would hope that at least you could bring forward some of the regulations or what you plan on putting in the regulations when you bring the Bill back again.

Mr. Gillespie: We are endeavouring to do that, Mr. Chairman, we will do so. We will also bring examples of other regulations where we haven't any of our own, in a state of preparation.

Mr. Chairman: Yes, thank you, Mr. Gillespie.

Mrs. Watson: Thank you.

Mr. Chairman: Mr. McCall?

Mr. McCall: Yes, Mr. Chairman, I would like to move that Mr. Speaker now resume the Chair.

Mr. Fleming: I second that Motion.

Mr. Chairman: It has been moved by Mr. McCall, seconded by Mr. Fleming, that Mr. Speaker do now resume the Chair.

Are you ready for the question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Chairman: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Chairman: The Motion is carried, and the witnesses are excused.

(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. Hibberd: Mr. Speaker, the Committee of the Whole has considered Bill Number 11, "An Ordinance to Amend the Liquor Tax Ordinance", and directed me to report the same without amendment.

The Committee have also considered Bills Number 1 and 9 and directed me to report progress on same and ask leave to sit again.

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

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: Leave is so granted. When shall Bill Number 11 be read for the third time?

Bill Number 11 — Third Reading

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Now, Mr. Speaker. I would move that Bill Number 11 be given third reading.

Mr. Speaker: Is there a seconder?

Hon. Mr. Lang: I will second that, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse West, seconded by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse Porter Creek, that Bill Number 11 be now read a third time.

Are you prepared for the question?

Some Members: Question.

Mr. Speaker: Are you agreed?

Some Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: I shall declare the Motion carried.

(Motion carried)

Mr. Speaker: Is it your intention to adopt the title to the Bill?

Hon. Mrs. Whyard: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would move that the title of Bill Number 11, "An Ordinance to Amend the Liquor Tax Ordinance", be now adopted.

Mr. Speaker: Is there a seconder?

Hon. Mr. Lang: I will second that, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: I will just put the Motion straight. It's been moved by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse West, seconded by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse Porter Creek, that Bill Number 11 do now pass and that the title be as on the Order Paper. 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, and Bill Number 11 has passed this House.

(Motion carried)

Mr. Speaker: May I have your further pleasure at this time?

The Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale?

Mr. Lengerke: Mr. Speaker, I move that we do now call it 5:00 o'clock.

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

Mr. Speaker: It has been moved by the Honourable Member from Whitehorse Riverdale, seconded by the Honourable Member from Ogilvie, that we do now call it 5:00 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
(1977 First Session)

Mr. Speaker,
Members of the Assembly

On March 2nd 19 77, Mr. Hibberd asked the following question:

1. How many building lots developed by Y.T.G. are now available in Whitehorse area?
2. What lots will be available for the upcoming building season - how many - where situated - approximately when will these lots be available?
3. What in conjunction with the City of Whitehorse are the long range plans for the development of residential and commercial properties in the Whitehorse area?

THE ANSWER TO THE ABOVE QUESTION IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. There are 3 lots now available in the Whitehorse area, for industrial/commercial purposes; 6 lots for housing; and 2 lots for trailers.
2. -Five industrial/commercial lots will be available in mid-April in Hillcrest near the Airport Chalet ranging from .75 to 1.23 acres.
-Five industrial/commercial lots will be available in mid-April in Marwell area ranging from .29 to .34 acres.
-Three industrial lots presently available in the McRae Industrial Subdivision ranging from 1.12 to 1.32 acres.
-The 305 serviced residential lots will be sold on a first come first serve basis. 59 residential lots in Riverdale will be on sale July 1; 133 single family and duplex lots in Porter Creek will be on sale by August 1; and 113 additional lots in Riverdale by Sept. 15. The Department has been notified by G & S Holdings Ltd. the contractor for sewer and water service installation in Riverdale, that they will begin work on March 15 if the mild weather continues.
-The 53 small holding lots are in the MacPherson subdivision near kilometer 1, on the Mayo Road and are expected to go on sale June 1. They range from 1.0 to 5.2 acres. These lots will be sold before June 1 if they are ready.
3. Long range community development plans for Whitehorse will follow the 1976 Community Planning Study prepared by Stanley Associates in consultation with the City Planning Board on the basis of City Council approval. The present Riverdale Development will complete available land use in that subdivision. Future serviced residential lands will be planned and developed in the Porter Creek subdivision and planning of a future 1000 acre subdivision adjacent to Hillcrest will be started this year.
"Dry" industrial - (unserved with water and sewer) will be developed in Porter Creek this year. A Mobile Home subdivision (about 120 lots) has been authorized by City Council between Crestview and the McKenzie Trailer Court. An additional small holding subdivision is being planned in an area adjacent to Wolf Creek, known as Sowden Road.
The principal demand for commercial lands are in central Whitehorse where the lands are privately owned and will likely be privately developed.

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