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ITEMS FOR ACTION ARISING  
OUT OF PREVIOUS SESSIONS OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

DISPOSITION

Tabled	To Committee	Accepted as Read	Accepted as Amended	Deferred (to Session)	Rejected	Noted not Considered
27.8.66	17.XI.66	18.XI.66				

PART I - (January, 1966 - 32 Session)

1. That Sessional Paper No. 15, A Proposal to Inform Eastern Arctic Residents about the nature of Government, be accepted as read. That implementing this program the Administration take note of the various points made by Council and that if possible an outside agency be called upon to carry out implementation.

An information paper on this subject was prepared in English and Eskimo, and distributed to residents of these new constituencies prior to by-elections.

2. That Recommendation to Council No. 2, Encouragement of Settlement in the Northwest Territories, be accepted as read. In implementing the recommendations of this paper that the Administration to take note of the matter of game boundaries, availability of land, adjustments to tax exemptions and increases in wages.

Action being taken.

3. That Recommendation to Council No. 8, Extension of Ingraham Trail and Improvement of Other Tourist Facilities, be accepted as read and that the Administration implement the proposal set up therein, with the reservation that item 3 regarding the closure to commercial fishing by the Department of Fisheries of those lakes which do not support fishing, and other items concerning the opening of roads, establishing camps, cutting off access to certain facilities etc., be acted upon only after consultation with the Indian people, if they use these areas as part of the traditional hunting, fishing and trapping places.

Anticipated date of completion and extension of the Ingraham Trail is 1967.

4. That Recommendation to Council No. 11, Matters Related to Education for Consideration by Council, be accepted as read. Council agreed that items 1, Notification of School Boards of impending Council discussions on education and authority to assist Council in deliberations; 2, Copies of debates, Votes and Proceedings, to be made available to school districts before release to the public; and 3, Issuing of a directive concerning routing of by-laws and other ordinance business for the Commissioner's attention be rejected and that these matters continue to be dealt with in the present manner. Items 6, 7 and 9 will also receive negative answers because, in the case of items 6 and 7, of the undesirability for a number of reasons of conditional grants, and in the case of Item 9 because this is a matter actually outside the jurisdiction of the Territorial Council.

Noted.

5. That Sessional Paper No. 12, Proposed Amendments to the Motor Vehicles Ordinance, be noted and that individual members provide the Commissioner with suggested amendments or additions to the draft bill between now and June 1st, 1966.

See Sessional Paper No. 7, being presented at this session.

6. That Sessional Paper No. 6, Contracts - Greater Use of Local Materials, be accepted as amended. In discussing this paper Council evolved a number of suggestions for the Administration which would result in the greater use of local materials in government contracts in the Northwest Territories. these include: (a) that the specifications being used in construction programs in the N.W.T. where federal and territorial funds are used be examined with a view to amending or modifying to permit the greater use of local materials; (b) that the wording of tenders be altered so that instead of reading local materials "may be used" they will read "should be used" or some similar wording; (c) that consideration be given to the creation of a timber grading authority in the N.W.T.; (d) that perhaps consideration be given to the formation of government corporations in the N.W.T. for the merchandizing of lumber in particular and possible other materials so that these could be obtained quickly from stock piles.

The grading of local lumber being one method of increasing the use of local material, negotiations were started with the Canadian Lumbermen's Association and six local residents were recruited to take grading training at Swanson's Lumber Company in Wood Buffalo Park. No move was made to revise specifications for lumber for new construction but lumber for Departmental maintenance was purchased locally.

7. That the general question of the transfer of responsibilities from the federal government to the territorial government be dealt with under the paper concerning recommendations to the Carrothers Commission, but that the following matters be referred to the Administration for consideration; (a) that steps be taken to ensure that all residents of the N.W.T. receive equal treatment under such things as welfare programs, housing programs, etc., (b) that every encouragement be given to groups expressing an interest in specific development proposals and that in implementing development projects consideration be given to the views of the local residents; (c) that in the broad picture of Northern Development consideration must be given to mining, railroad building, transportation, aviation and so forth, (in this regard representatives from the Territorial Council should attend development conferences held in various centres across Canada).

These matters are dealt with in part in Sessional Paper 14 being presented at this Session. The Administration has noted these requests.

8. That the Administration present a report at the next Session of Council outlining the progress made on dealing with the question of legal aid and advice to local residents. In this context Council recommended that the Administration refer the problem to the Canadian Welfare Council with a view to having the N.W.T., included in their current study, and also that the advice of the Canadian Bar association be sought.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

9. That the Administration prepare a paper for presentation at the next Session of Council regarding the special problems of maintaining high standards of education in schools in small communities and setting out ways that these problems may be surmounted without regard to costs. The paper should include reference to curriculum, matters of teaching, incentive to teachers, etc. A separate section of the paper, or a separate paper, should detail the small communities in which the maintenance of a high standard of education appears to be most difficult. Comments about the characteristics of the problems in each community must

be included in order to present a complete picture.

See Sessional Paper 16 being presented at this Session.

10. That a comparison be made between the various existing benefits available to teachers and the improvements to these benefits recommended in the 5 point brief presented at the June 1965 Session by the Yellowknife Teachers' Association.

These recommendations are being pursued by the Administration.

11. That attention be given to the provision of an adequate playground at Tuktoyaktuk. A town plan for this community is expected shortly and it is hoped that sufficient land will be available for this purpose.

An engineering survey preparatory to a town plan is being carried out.

12. That Mr. Trimble and Mr. Thorsteinsson meet to discuss possible amendments regarding existing hostel admission policies so that widows and widowers who, as a result of their employment, are unable to look after their own children may have these children admitted to school hostels in their community.

Done.

13. That sufficient consideration be given to the implementation of a large-scale and very comprehensive on-the-job training and in-training program directed particularly to adults. (The Director's advice to Council is that if the recommendations to the Lewis report be accepted by Government at all levels it would help to implement the type of program referred to.)

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

14. That the Commissioner take up with the Department of Northern Affairs the problem of damage to the countryside done by tracked vehicles employed in mineral, oil, and gas exploration and for other purposes. Mention was made of disturbed topsoil, pollution of streams, damming of streams and the effect that all of these things have on persons who earn their livelihood from the land. The Commissioner agreed to undertake this investigation privately.

Done.

15. That the Commissioner look into the points raised in the Brief printed by the Chief of the Indian Band at Fort Good Hope and investigate the possibility of the appointment of an Indian Agent for Fort Good Hope.

An Area Administrator of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development is now in Fort Good Hope.

16. That the Commissioner look into the possibility of giving greater publicity to surplus pieces of DEW line equipment being offered for sale through the Crown Assets Disposal Corporation so that the people of the Territories might have an opportunity to buy this equipment.

A letter of explanation was sent to Mr. Porritt, March 21, 1966.

17. That railroad crossings in the N.W.T., be equipped with proper signal lights. The Chief of the Engineering Division advised that the installation of lights would be done during the

summer of 1966 with costs being shared by the railway and the highway authorities.

This work is being completed this fall.

18. That the dredging operation carried out unsatisfactorily at Fort McPherson in 1965 be repeated in the summer of 1966 with adequate equipment to properly clear the main channel.

Done.

19. That notice be taken by the Administration of the desire of Members of Council to see a bridge constructed over the Mackenzie River to replace the present of ice breakers and ferry service.

Done.

20. The question of road improvements, better drainage and location of an airstrip at Fort MacPherson was discussed by Council. The Administration is requested to take note of the road and drainage improvements required, and the wish of the Advisory Council to be consulted before completion of a town plan.

An engineering survey is being carried out. Improvements and construction hinge on completion of a town plan. The Advisory Council will be consulted in preparation of town plan.

21. That Council members channel road priorities to the Commissioner and that the Commissioner be represented on the Inter-departmental Committee which considers the road program in the North.

Being done.

22. That the Commissioner take up with the R.C.M. Police and other officials concerned the request of the Aklavik Advisory Council for land for a road or lane to service lots 15, 18, 19 and 22.

Being done.

23. That the weigh scales on the Mackenzie Highway be operated for a trial period of 6 months before any decision is made concerning possible relocation.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

24. That when plans are being prepared for any future tours by the Commissioner and Council, consideration be given to visiting Arctic Red River, Fort Good Hope and Colville Lake.

Noted.

25. That the Commissioner request the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources to devise a scheme and, if necessary, to introduce legislation whereby, (a), residents would be encouraged in the acquisition of Crown Land in regions and locations where settlement is desirable by reducing the price of land; (b) individual purchasers would be limited to reasonably-sized parcels, with due regard for the purpose for which the land is required, as for instance, (i) for farming (ii) for the keeping of livestock, (iii) for a home, or (iv) for a business; (c) the

cost of surveying would be kept within reasonable limits; and (d) the transfer of land would be simplified by (i), transferring the land titles office to a place in the N.W.T., and (ii), all other reasonable means.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

26. That everything possible be done to encourage the residents of Fort Smith in the development of responsibility for their own affairs (e.g. Mayor and Council for Fort Smith).

Fort Smith became a town on October 1st.

27. That a copy of the recommendations to the Town Planner regarding the settlement of Tuktoyaktuk be sent to the Advisory Council of that Community as soon as possible.

Done.

28. That the request of the Aklavik Advisory Council for all information, including copies of development reports and plans prepared by representatives of the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources, such as Messrs. Richard Bill and Frank Bailey, and Associated Engineering Services Limited, and 20 copies of a map of the entire settlement of Aklavik, without any of the proposed changes marked thereon, and up to date information regarding present ownership or leases of lots, etc., be complied with as soon as possible, with the provision that certain of these documents may not be intended for publication.

Done.

29. That the Administration provide, in the form of a letter to Mr. Trimble details of expenditures under the community development program.

Done.

30. That the Administration take note of Council's desire for improved press coverage, public relations and related matters. In this connection certain members also expressed an opinion that a need existed for the establishment of an Industrial Relations Branch of the Territorial Government which might include the public relations functions.

These matters have been dealt with in the Carrothers Report, and the former is actively pursued by the Commissioner's staff.

31. That the Administration present a report at the summer 1966 session outlining the effectiveness of the amendments to the Liquor Ordinance introduced at the July, 1965 session with particular reference to any effective reduction in the amount of bootlegging.

It is too early to obtain conclusive evidence of the effectiveness of anti-bootlegging measures. A number of convictions, however, have been made under the Legislation enacted last year.

32. That the Administration prepare a paper for presentation to Council at the July 1966 session exploring every aspect of the question of introducing local option in the N.W.T. This paper should explore the problem in greater depth than was done at the June, 1965 session. Particular attention should be paid to the dangers, advantages, disadvantages, etc.,

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

33. That the Administration be requested to carry out a study with the objective of setting up laundry facilities in small communities. It was agreed further that if the Administration were able prior to the next session of Council to find ways and means of putting this proposal into operation, they should do so.

Recommendation to Council 11 will be presented at this Session.

34. That the Administration be requested to devise ways and means of selecting a slogan for the N.W.T. and having done so put them into operation.

A competition is being arranged.

35. That the Commissioner approach the Air Transport Board with a view to its extending hearings to the whole of the N.W.T. instead of just the Mackenzie Delta.

In addition to hearings in the Delta, a representative of the Board visited the N.W.T. to obtain a further sampling of opinions.

36. That the Commissioner develop a policy to effect exchange visits between Northern communities when it seems to be in the interest of community development to do so.

Still under consideration - a paper will be presented at the 1st Session, 1967.

37. That in future the index to the Debates include reference to the Opening of Business on each sitting day, formal questions and motions.

Being done.

38. That a report be presented at the next Session of Council regarding the study of improved water and sewer services to northern housing, with particular reference to the studies now being made of completely circulating systems and low cost utilidors.

Sessional Paper 13 will be presented at this session.

39. That the Administration take steps to ensure that transportation will be provided for Delta residents to the coast for fishing and whaling during the summer season and that boats of an adequate size to transport groups of families will be made available for this purpose.

A study made shows that these movements have not been successful for the hunters involved who usually end up depending on welfare.

40. That the Minister of Transport be advised of the importance of extensions and improvements to the Hay River airport in view of the increased mineral exploration activity in the immediate vicinity of Hay River, the cessation of regular scheduled service to Pine Point and resultant use of Hay River, and the plans of Pacific Western Airlines to introduce in the spring of 1966 more modern aircraft on the main line service north from Edmonton. These developments will all tend to increase greatly the use of the Hay River airport, provided it is modernized.

The Department of Transport has let contracts to service and rebuild existing facilities. Work is in progress.



41. That the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation be asked to consider the installation of broadcasting facilities at Tungsten, N.W.T. to service Tungsten, Flat River and Fort Liard.

Done - C.B.C. reports this is not feasible at present.

42. That the Administration carry out a comparative study of the pay scale of game officers of the N.W.T. and game officers employed by other administrations. It is the opinion of Council that the NWT game staff are subject to a lower scale of pay when their responsibilities and duties are taken into consideration.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

43. That Recommendation to Council No. 5, Methods of Selecting Successful Bidders for N.W.T., be accepted as read and that the present system of awarding contracts as approved by the Commissioner be continued.

No further action required.

44. That Sessional Paper No. 5, Unequal Application of the Education Tax, be accepted as read.

No further action required.

45. That the Council of the N.W.T. recommend to the federal government that those aspects of Treaties 8 and 11 which are unresolved or otherwise require attention be dealt with, and appropriate action be taken satisfactory to all parties concerned as soon as possible. Council is of the opinion that the two Treaties are not well understood, and believes that an effective program of disseminating information is desirable, and this requires patient discussion in public forums in all Indian communities. There has been an impression among some Indians and others that the N.W.T. Regional Indian Advisory Council is being used to negotiate treaty questions and that this Advisory Council is not a good instrument for the purpose. The Council of the N.W.T., therefore, recommends that such meetings be held, and that decisions be arrived at in every Indian community with bands resident there, as when the treaties were originally signed.

The Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development is now considering this very complex matter on the basis of a report received from the Interdepartmental Committee on Indian Treaties and Game Laws.

46. That the Administration, using whatever agent might supply it with relevant information and advice, investigate the feasibility of television transmission in selected towns and settlements of the NWT and present a paper on the subject at the next session.

The C.B.C. research and engineering groups are working on equipment which will make this possible at a practicable cost.

47. That the Council of the N.W.T. express its desire to have the school at Arctic Red River reopened and request that the Department of Northern Affairs and Indian Affairs make every effort to staff this school during the 1966 school year; also that the Council of the N.W.T. express its desire to have a small cottage-type hostel constructed and operated in Arctic Red River to accommodate the children of this settlement who

require such accommodation, as soon as possible.

Facilities are available, but the lack of pupils prevents re-opening of school or construction of hostel. Sessional Paper 16 concerning the operation of one room schools will be presented at this session.

48. That the Commissioner devise ways and means of recognizing those wolf pelts which were caught during the period in which a bounty should legitimately be paid.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

49. That the Administration continue to administer the wolf bounty program as originally devised. No steps should be taken at this time to provide for payment of bounties for wolf pelts under three months of age.

Done.

50. That the Administration be requested to prepare a paper for presentation at the next Session of Council examining every aspect of the proposal that the restrictions in the Game Ordinance regarding the type of firearms which may be used to hunt big game be altered from a minimum of 25 calibre rifle firing a bullet of not less than 100 grains to a 23 calibre rifle capable of firing a bullet producing not less than 900 foot pounds of energy at 100 yards.

This is covered by the Game Ordinance amendment (Bill 21) being presented at this session. The Commissioner is also prepared to make a statement on this subject.

51. That the Commissioner investigate the following proposed amendments to the Game Ordinance and report back to Council at the next Session: 1. the inclusion in the Ordinance of a definition of "resident"; 2. the inclusion of the Ordinance of provisions to allow the shipping of game by orders of any game licence in an aircraft without the prior approval of the Commissioner as is now required; 3. provision for the opening of Zone 18 for the taking of otter; 4. alteration of the season for foxes in game management zone 24, so that it will conform with the fox season in other game management zones along the Arctic coast; 5. provision is to be made for lowering the minimum eligibility age for big game licenses from 16 to 14, to allow the issue of licences to persons in the foregoing age bracket without charge and to reduce the licence fee for all others from \$5.00 to \$2.00.

These matters are dealt with in legislation and papers before this session, and in statements to be made by the Commissioner.

52. That section 16, subsection 3, of the Game Ordinance be amended to read "persons eligible to hold a general hunting licence" instead of the present wording "the holder of a general hunting licence may buy, etc.,".

See Recommendation to Council 9 being presented at this session.

53. That attention be given to the proper indexing of Ordinances and Amendments so that it will not be necessary

for persons attempting to find out if existing Ordinances have been amended to search through the Sessional Booklets for each session of Council since and including the 2nd Session, 1956.

An office consolidation of N.W.T. Ordinances was produced April 1, 1966.

54. That everything possible be done by the Administration to obtain more placement officers for employment in the vocational educational program.

See Sessional Paper 18 being presented at this Session.

55. That Sessional Paper No. 11, Proposed Medicare Plan - N.W.T., be accepted as read.

No action required.

56. That Sessional Paper No. 14, - The Canada Assistance Plan, be accepted as read and that the Administration take steps as quickly as possible to develop arrangements for the administration of all welfare programs by the Territorial Government.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement as this session.

57. That Sessional Paper No. 2, Great Slave Lake Fishery-Cold Storage Plant, be accepted as read; that the fisheries research board be requested to provide information on catches at West Milrage Island in Great Slave Lake; that the fisheries research board investigate Colville Lake and other lakes in that vicinity concerning the advisability of commercial fishing in these lakes; and that appreciation be conveyed to the Department of Fisheries, to the Minister, Deputy Minister, their staff and to the fisheries research board for the work and research carried on in the N.W.T..

Studies are underway. A paper will be presented in March 1967. The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

58. That since the question of water and sewer systems throughout the Territories is being studied, decisions on the installation of further water and sewer systems should be deferred until these studies are completed.

See Recommendation to Council 10 is being presented at the session.

59. That Reference for Advice No. 1, Fort Simpson Water and Sewer System - User Rates, be accepted as Read.

See Recommendation to Council 10, for presentation at this session.

60. That Recommendation to Council No. 12, Survey of River Bank Erosion at Fort Simpson, N.W.T. be accepted as read and that the proposals contained in it be implemented by the Administration.

Done.

61. That Recommendation to Council No. 15, Planting of Feed for Muskrats, be accepted as read.

No further action required. Administrator of the Mackenzie so advised.

62. That part B of Recommendation to Council No. 14, Arctic Islands Game, be accepted as read. The hope was expressed that the complete study referred to in the Recommendation could be completed, with the results available for the next Session of Council.

See Recommendation to Council 8 being presented at this Session.

63. That the Commissioner take steps to have the Game Regulations amended to alter the season for taking of muskrat in Zones 21 and 22 so that it will run from March 1st to June 15.

Done.

64. That each member of Council be provided with detailed lists of the projects proposed for implementation under allotment 412 - Centennial Observances.

See Sessional Paper 19 being presented at this Session.

65. That Sessional Paper No. 4, A Progress Report on the Library, be accepted as read.

No further action required.

66. That Recommendation to Council No. 1 - Proposed Extension to Community Centres Grants Program be accepted as amended in the following manner:-

Recommendation No. 1 - to remain unchanged  
Recommendation No. 2 - to be amended to read, "in a three year period," instead of the former five-year period. That the Administration implement the changes in this program.

Done.

67. That the Administration provide some financial assistance to exhibits from the North planned for inclusion in southern exhibitions, such as was done for the Hay River participation in the Edmonton Klondike Days. This assistance to be given in response to reasonable requests.

Done.

68. That Sessional Paper No. 16, Proposed Amendments to the Territorial Mortgage Program be accepted as read.

See Recommendations to Council 12 and 13, being presented at this session.

69. That the Commissioner develop a plan by which financial assistance may be provided to the Delta Trappers' Association to give it substantial assistance in its proposal to erect a dam on a creek draining a chain of small lakes. The purpose of this proposal is to raise the water level and to prevent the whole area from becoming a non-productive trapping area. The funds for this purpose will be provided by Supplementary Appropriations.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement on this subject.

70. That the Commissioner and Council of the Northwest Territories request the federal Minister of Health and Welfare to give urgent

consideration to the need for increased remuneration to aid the recruitment and retention of suitably qualified medical and dental personnel for service in the Northwest Territories. The incidence of disease and death in the Territories, even though they have been reduced considerably within the past five years, are still among the highest in the underdeveloped countries of the world, and, as stressed in the report of the Royal Commission on Health Services, there is an urgent need for an expanded program of health and treatment services. Such an expansion requires an increase in the number of medical and dental personnel, but the remuneration now being offered is such that extreme difficulty is being experienced in recruiting sufficient staff to keep the existing program in operation. Urgent action is required if we are to avoid a serious breakdown in medical and health services in the Territories within the next six months.

Done. Methods of providing increased remuneration under study.

71. That to improve the current situation, relating to sessions of Council, the following rules and guidelines apply to members at Territorial expense. Before sessions open in Ottawa:

1. Members be given the opportunity of spending up to one working week in Ottawa in advance of the opening;
2. That adequate office accommodation for each Member and stenographic staff be provided during this period;
3. That members of the Commissioner's staff and those of Northern Affairs and National Resources concerned with the affairs of the Northwest Territories Government and the Council, be advised of the Members' intended presence, thereby giving them the opportunity to be of assistance.

After Sessions close:

Three to four working days after session closes with facilities as above.

Will be done.

72. That Recommendation to Council No. 10, Radio Communication Anderson River and Peel River, be accepted as read, and that an experimental project be carried out.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

73. That Recommendation to Council No. 7, Shooting of Beaver and Increasing Beaver Quota, be accepted as read and the necessary legislation introduced at the next Session of Council.

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at <sup>the next</sup> ~~this~~ session.

74. That Recommendation to Council No. 3, Fur Buying in the N.W.T., be accepted as read, with the provision that in communities where there is a need for more competition it should be made known to the people in those communities that the requirements for obtaining a fur buying licence are not as stringent as some may think.

Done.

75. That legislation be introduced at the next session of Council to abolish the Arctic Islands Game Preserve, and

that consultation with the Eskimo people resident in this area and with the Canadian Wildlife Service be arranged before the opening of that Session.

See Recommendation to Council 8 being presented at this session.

76. Whereas the open season for shooting migratory game birds in Arctic latitudes is a season the opening date of which is after the annual migration of such birds, therefore I move that the Commissioner make representations to the federal government to the end that the Migratory Birds Convention Act between Canada and the United States of America be renegotiated so that the date of the opening of the open season for hunting migratory game birds in Arctic latitudes may be advanced by federal legislation, and by the Regulations to a date which will precede the annual migration of such birds, thus permitting the people of the Arctic successful hunting thereof.

Negotiations between the federal government and the U.S. government are underway.

77. That the Administration look into the matter of a Council Member's Pension Plan, with a view to having one introduced along the lines of provincial plans.

Under consideration.

PART II - ITEMS FOR ACTION ARISING OUT  
OF THE 28TH, 29th & 30TH SESSIONS OF  
THE COUNCIL OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

- 1: That Council expects to have, from the Administration, at the January session, sufficient facts and information in the form of a paper to formulate a Council policy for the subsidization of electric power in the Northwest Territories. (31st Session - October, 1965).

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

- 2: That a survey be conducted using any suitable means to develop an over-all Northwest Territories Co-operative Development Program including such matters as production, promotion, marketing and so on. This program to be brought forward at the next session of Council. (30th Session June, 1965).

The Co-operative Development Conference at Povungnituk discussed this topic. A preliminary report on the development of Arctic Co-operatives was sent to members with a recent Tuesday Letter.

- 3: That the Administration request the Department of Fisheries to carry out a study regarding the reduction of the numbers of predatory fish in Great Slave Lake and the surrounding area. Attention to be paid, first, to Great Slave Lake and second, to the surrounding lakes. Officers of the Department of Fisheries will appear before the Council in January, 1966, to discuss this and other related subjects. (30th Session, June, 1965).

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

- 4: That a study be carried out regarding the possible construction by the government of a cold storage plant for the benefit of the fishing industry at Hay River (30th Session - June, 1965)

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

- 5: That Council express its dissatisfaction with the present policy of not paying to casual employees the Northern Allowance until after they have been employed for 90 days, and that the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development be requested to change this policy so that every employee be eligible for Northern Allowance starting from the first day of his employment and continuing for the full length of such employment regardless of length (30th Session - June, 1965)

Done. This matter is being considered by federal officials.

- 6: That the selection of Rae as the most suitable site for the construction of a school and hostel be confirmed and that this project be undertaken including town planning and taking into consideration that the Russell Lake site be understood to be part of the general Rae location. (30th Session - June, 1965).

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this session.

- 7: That the recommendations contained in Recommendations to Council No.9, "Observance of Canada's Centennial in the Northwest Territories" be implemented and that in so doing, at least one of the four to six projects to be carried out under the Centennial Grants Program be implemented in the Eastern Arctic. (30th Session - June, 1965).

See Sessional Paper No.19 being presented at this Session.

- 8: That there is a definite need for roads at Fort Norman and that heavy equipment belonging to the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development could be landed at Fort Norman and operated under the guidance of a suitably qualified employee to carry out this work (30th Session - June, 1965).

Work carried out Summer 1966 - 70% complete permafrost prevented completion - completed next year.

- 9: That as a substitute for the water treatment plant, originally planned for installation at Fort Norman in 1965, a water tank be installed on a platform high above the bank of the Bear River using a plastic pipe laid in a trench and about four stand-pipes to serve as the supply system (30th Session - June, 1965).

Water tanks and water point building erected - trucks to be delivered in summer.

- 10: That the Administration be requested to accelerate and emphasize the Vocational Training Program with regard to trades that provide more local employment, such as cooking, kitchen help, painting, carpentry, etc., and that more attention be paid to follow-up in job placement and workers' efficiency. (30th Session - June, 1965)

See Sessional Paper No.18 being presented at this Session.

- 11: That the Commissioner continue negotiations with postal authorities with a view to obtaining a general reduction of postal rates in the Northwest Territories. (29th Session - February, 1965).

The Commissioner is prepared to make a statement at this Session.

- 12: That Recommendation to Council No.5 - School for Retarded Children, Yellowknife, be accepted as read, that consideration be given to the need for specialized facilities for retarded children throughout the Territories and that a Recommendation to Council on this subject be presented to a later session of Council. (29th Session - February, 1965).

The Yellowknife School for Retarded Children is in operation - subject still under study.

- 13: That the Department study the possibility of introducing a cattle industry to the Slave River Meadows and that this study be made in co-operation with the Commissioner. (29th Session - February, 1965)

Interdepartmental study being carried out - due for completion by late 1966.

- 14: That the Commissioner discuss with the appropriate federal authorities the possible need for revision of timber regulations and that copies of any correspondence be sent to Mr. Porritt. (29th Session - February 1965).

Under Study