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YELLOWKNIFE, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1984

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Angottitauruq, Mr. Appaqaq, Mr. Arlooktoo, Mr. Ballantyne, Hon. Tom Butters, Hon. Nellie Cournoyea, Hon. Tagak Curley, Mr. Erkloo, Mr. Gargan, Mrs. Lawrence, Mr. MacQuarrie, Mr. McCallum, Hon. Richard Nerysoo, Mr. Paniloo, Hon. Dennis Patterson, Mr. Pedersen, Mr. Pudluk, Hon. Nick Sibbeston, Mrs. Sorensen, Mr. T'Seleie, Mr. Wah-Shee

ITEM 1: PRAYER

---Prayer

DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr. Wah-Shee): Item 2, Members' replies.

Item 3, Ministers' statements.

Item 4, oral questions.

Item 5, written questions. Item 6, returns. Mr. Patterson.

ITEM 6: RETURNS

Further Return To Question 132-84(1): NWT Housing Corporation Hiring Policy

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a return to an oral Question 132-84(1) asked by Mr. McCallum yesterday regarding an expediter for the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation in Hay River. I feel that perhaps the Member for Slave River has been misinformed because the corporation has only employed one contract casual expediter this year and that individual maintains a residence at 52 Stewart Drive in Hay River. Prior to working in Hay River, this individual held managerial positions, in transportation, in Inuvik, Norman Wells and the Keewatin district.

In prior years, the corporation has employed casual summer students as expediters to monitor the flow of building materials. However, in order to overcome problems of late delivery identified earlier this session, the corporation has had to make changes in our program delivery schedule. The practice of employing casual inspectors and expediters was introduced by the present administration two years ago and has resulted in some very dramatic improvements to our supply operations: a) costs associated with "contractor down time" while awaiting delivery of goods have all but been eliminated as well as normal construction delays caused by material shortages. b) cargo claims have been documented and filed against both vendors and carriers and a large number of very substantial claims have been settled in the corporation's favour. c) information gathered as a direct result of this program will enable us to introduce changes to our delivery operations which will result in additional savings. I should mention, Mr. Speaker, I am making this reply on behalf of the Hon. Gordon Wray. Thank you.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Minister. Any further returns? Ms Cournoyea.

Return To Questions Asked In Committee Of The Whole

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Speaker, I have two returns to be made on behalf of Gordon Wray, Minister responsible for the NWT Housing Corporation. The first is a return to a question asked in

the committee of the whole by Mr. Arlooktoo on February 14 regarding user-pay implementation in south Baffin. District managers will be consulting with individual housing association authorities to set a rate schedule for user-pay in the community. They will also consult with the association regarding procedure and timing of the program implementation. Full details of the implementation and rate structures will be advertised in each community and made available to the Minister prior to implementation.

The second return to a question asked also in committee of the whole by Mr. Paniloo on February 14, a reply made on behalf of the Hon. Gordon Wray. Window exposure in public housing. Through our design reviews with housing association boards in many locations, the corporation has learned of several important requirements in the siting of houses. A southerly exposure for the major windows in a house is naturally desirable. However, ease of servicing, for example, for the sewage pumpout and water delivery is also very important. Furthermore the Inuit have a strong desire to be able to observe the sea. It is not always possible to arrive at a perfect solution. Sometimes compromises must be made as not every lot has an ideal orientation. Very close attention is being paid to this matter by our technicians in order to improve the siting of future housing projects.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Madam Minister. Any further returns?

Item 7, petitions.

Item 8, reports of standing and special committees.

Item 9, tabling of documents. Item 10, notices of motion. Mrs. Sorensen.

ITEM 10: NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice Of Motion 34-84(1): Prime Minister's Resignation

MRS. SORENSEN: I wish to serve notice of motion that on Friday, March 2, I will move the following motion, seconded by the honourable Member for Slave River: Now therefore, be it resolved that this House communicate through the Speaker its sincere regrets at the resignation of the Prime Minister of Canada.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Item 10, notices of motion.

Item 11, notices of motion for first reading of bills. Item 12, motions.

ITEM 12: MOTIONS

Motion 26-84(1), Additional Sitting Hours, Mr. Butters.

Motion 26-84(1): Additional Sitting Hours, Carried

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I wish to proceed with this motion today.

WHEREAS the first session of the 10th Legislative Assembly is coming to an end;

AND WHEREAS it may be required that the Speaker amend the rules relative to the times of sitting to expedite the business of this House;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Yellowknife North, Mr. Ballantyne, that this Assembly authorize the Speaker to set such additional sitting hours as he deems appropriate to assist us in concluding the business before the House.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Butters, your motion is in order. Do you wish to speak to the motion?

AN HON. MEMBER: Question.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: A question has been called. All those in favour? Thank you. Opposed, if any? Thank you. Abstentions? The motion is carried.

---Carried

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Motion 27-84(1), Standing Committee on Finance Terms of Reference, Mr. Ballantyne.

Motion 27-84(1): Standing Committee On Finance Terms Of Reference

MR. BALLANTYNE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am happy to announce after three days of intensive negotiations which probably match negotiations to end the Vietnam war, we have finally come up with some terms of reference:

WHEREAS the standing committee on finance and public accounts has been appointed by this House;

AND WHEREAS the standing committee is required to have its terms of reference approved by this Assembly;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Inuvik, Mr. Butters, that the appended terms of reference for the standing committee on finance and public accounts be adopted by this Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, I have been informed by the Clerk that I have to read all this. I will ask your indulgence as we go through all this to get it on the record. The standing committee on finance and public accounts terms of reference.

Terms Of Reference

The standing committee on finance may on its own authority:

- a) inquire into such matters as may be referred to it by the Legislative Assembly;
- b) review and recommend on the preparation of estimates, expenditures and appropriations required to defray the charges and expenses of the public service of the Territories in each fiscal year;
- c) review and recommend on capital projects and capital planning;
- d) in consultation with the chairman of the Financial Management Board examine and recommend the terms and conditions of any agreement relating to financial arrangements with the Government of Canada;
- e) in consultation with the chairman of the Financial Management Board, examine and recommend the terms and conditions for borrowing, lending and investing funds;
- f) review, evaluate and recommend on any revenue sources that may be available to the Territories;
- g) review financial implications of existing and proposed territorial programs and the financing thereof as well as any other programs which may in future become a charge against the territorial budget;
- h) investigate and inquire into those financial matters that, in the opinion of the committee require investigations;
- i) in accordance with Rule 92(1) the standing committee shall make a written report to the Legislative Assembly;
- j) from time to time the standing committee shall tender general advice and information to the Legislative Assembly on any financial matter that may come before the Assembly in session;

The standing committee on public accounts may on its own authority:

- a) inquire into such matters as may be referred to it by the Legislative Assembly;
- b) review and recommend on the territorial accounts submitted to the Legislative Assembly annually by the Commissioner and Minister of Finance;
- c) review and recommend on the Auditor General of Canada's annual report to the Legislative Assembly;
- d) investigate and inquire into those matters of a public accounts nature that, in the opinion of the committee require investigation.

Conduct Of Business

- 1) The standing committee shall conduct its business in a manner approved by the Legislative Assembly;

- 2) The standing committee shall appoint co-chairmen, one to chair the affairs of the finance committee and one to chair the affairs of the public accounts committee;
- 3) In accordance with Rule 93(1) the standing committee shall have the power to call for such persons, papers and records and to examine witnesses as, in its opinion, are necessary to the conduct of its business;
- 4) Five Members including the chairman of the standing committee shall form a quorum;
- 5) The Legislative Assembly shall provide the necessary funds to the standing committee required for it to carry out its responsibilities from the appropriation of the Legislative Assembly;
- 6) The standing committee, as a whole, or individual Members, may undertake such travel as is required to carry out the assigned responsibilities of the committee;
- 7) Territorial accounts and the Auditor General's annual report and management letter will be referred to the standing committee on public accounts for tabling in the Legislative Assembly. Notwithstanding this formal process, the Commissioner is authorized to provide these documents to the standing committee in advance of tabling to expedite the review by the committee;
- 8) Meetings of the standing committee of public accounts shall be open to the press and public except when in the opinion of the committee it is not in the best interest for the public to do so;
- 9) Meetings of the standing committee on public accounts for planning future work, briefings, reviewing progress, and drafting reports shall be closed to the public and press;
- 10) Verbatim transcripts of the standing committee on public accounts committee hearings shall be prepared and published promptly;
- 11) From time to time the standing committee on public accounts shall tender general advice and information to the Legislative Assembly on any public accounts matter;
- 12) The standing committee shall be empowered to retain the services of such professional staff as deemed advisable by the committee;
- 13) The standing committee shall have the power to sit during sessions, adjournments and prorogations of the House;
- 14) The necessary administrative support shall be provided by the Legislative Assembly office.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Ballantyne, your motion is in order. Would you wish to speak to the motion?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

Motion 27-84(1), Carried

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Question has been called. All those in favour? Thank you. All those opposed, if any? Abstentions? The motion is carried.

---Carried

Motion 30-84(1), Advisory Council on the Status of Women. Mr. Patterson.

Motion 30-84(1): Advisory Council On The Status Of Women

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS there is in place new legislation which established a Northwest Territories advisory council on the status of women;

AND WHEREAS Members of this Legislative Assembly have expressed an interest in the mandate and the justification for the advisory council on the status of women;

AND WHEREAS the advisory council on the status of women for the Northwest Territories have held their first meeting and set priorities and plans on which they wish to report to this Assembly;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Yellowknife South, Mrs. Sorensen, that this Assembly invite Mrs. Bertha Allen, president of the advisory council on the status of women, to appear, at our expense, before the committee of the whole to report on and

discuss activities of the advisory council on the status of women to date, priorities identified by the council for the coming fiscal year, and general plans for the next four years, at the May session of this Assembly.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Honourable Mr. Patterson, your motion is in order. Would you wish to speak to the motion?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Patterson.

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: Very briefly, Mr. Speaker, I would like to say the reason this motion has been brought forth by myself is not only because the advisory council themselves wish to report to and receive directions from this Legislative Assembly, but also because when the budget of the Department of Justice and Public Services was presented to this House on Monday, February 6th a number of Members, Mr. T'Seleie, Mr. Appaqaq, Mr. Erkloo and Mrs. Lawrence asked some very good questions about the direction that the advisory council was going; why it was necessary, how it was going to have input into the communities and affect the communities, and how its activities were going to be publicized in the Northwest Territories. So I felt that it would be very important for those Members and all the Members of the House that they have a chance first hand to get this information and to give directions or comments because we are breaking new ground here. We are starting a new advisory council and this Assembly should be in on that initiative. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Gargan.

Amendment To Motion 30-84(1), Ruled Out Of Order

MR. GARGAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to make an amendment to the motion. I would like to add to the end of the motion the following: "And further, that representatives of the Dene Nation, Metis Association and Inuit organizations also be invited, at our expense, to appear before the committee of the whole at the spring session of the Assembly to enable them to express their organizations' concerns and interests with regard to priorities and general plans for the next four years."

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Gargan, could we have a copy of the amendment, please?

MR. MacQUARRIE: Do not forget the B'nai B'rith.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Patterson.

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: Mr. Speaker, I have a point of order. I wonder if the amendment is in order, in that it requires other organizations to report on the activities of the advisory council on the status of women. Thank you.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Patterson, I just have a copy of the amendment and I have not decided whether it is in order or not until I have a chance to have a look at it. Mr. Gargan, in regard to your amendment I believe that your amendment is going beyond the original intent of the motion. The original intent of the motion was for the advisory council on the status of women to appear before this House and with your amendment it will change the original intent of the motion. Therefore, I will have to rule it out of order. Honourable Mr. Patterson.

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I wonder if I might have your permission to stand this motion down for one day.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Patterson, we have commenced debate on your motion. Therefore you cannot withdraw it at this time unless you get unanimous consent to withdraw it completely. To the motion.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

Motion 30-84(1), Carried

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Question has been called. All those in favour of the motion? Thank you. All those opposed? Thank you. The motion is carried.

---Carried

Motion 31-84(1), Beluga Whale Quota, Mr. Paniloo.

Motion 31-84(1): Beluga Whale Quota, Carried

MR. PANILOO: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

WHEREAS the Inuit, especially Pangnirtung people, have not signed an agreement with the government and have never given up any rights regarding wildlife;

AND WHEREAS the federal government and the native people are negotiating, through the constitution, the aboriginal rights;

AND WHEREAS the Department of Fisheries and Oceans has limited the rights on hunting beluga whales, by giving them a quota of 40 which is not enough for Pangnirtung;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for Hudson Bay, Mr. Appaqaq, that the Legislative Assembly requests the Executive Council to approach the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to increase the quota for beluga whales in Pangnirtung.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Mr. Paniloo, your motion is in order. Would you wish to speak to the motion?

MR. PANILOO: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I am asking the rest of the Members of the Legislative Assembly to support this motion because I want the beluga whale quota to be increased from 40. I am aware that the quota that is used for the beluga whale in Pangnirtung is not enough, 40 is not enough for the people of Pangnirtung. So I will be asking for support of my motion.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Appaqaq, would you wish to speak to the motion?

MR. APPAQAQ: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I have a short comment to make. I will be in support of the motion because I would like to be able to buy some of the whale meat from Pangnirtung. This is the reason I am going to be supporting the motion so we will be able to have more whale meat in Sanikiluaq. Thank you.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: To the motion. Do I hear question?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Question has been called. All those in favour? Thank you. All those opposed, if any? The motion is carried.

---Carried

Mr. McCallum.

MR. MCCALLUM: Mr. Speaker, I wonder if I may have unanimous consent to deal with Motion 33-84(1), Special Committee on Housing Terms of Reference.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Unanimous consent is requested. Are you agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

---Agreed

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are there any nays? Agreed. Proceed, Mr. McCallum.

Motion 33-84(1): Special Committee On Housing Terms Of Reference

MR. McCALLUM: Mr. Speaker:

WHEREAS this Assembly has established a special committee on housing;

AND WHEREAS Rule 93(2) requires the terms of reference to be approved by the Assembly;

NOW THEREFORE, I move, seconded by the honourable Member for High Arctic, Mr. Pudluk, that the terms of reference as appended be approved by this Assembly.

Terms Of Reference

The special committee on housing shall:

- a) inquire into such matters as may be referred to it by the Legislative Assembly;
- b) inquire into current problems and public concerns about housing in the Northwest Territories;
- c) in accordance with Rule 92(1) make a written report to the Legislative Assembly.

The special committee on housing may on its own authority:

- a) examine all matters that are under the authority of the Northwest Territories Housing Corporation;
- b) consult with members of the public, local housing associations and housing authorities, community councils and interested groups through public hearings and other meetings, written and oral submissions and other appropriate means.

Conduct Of Business

- 1) The special committee shall conduct its business in a manner approved by the Legislative Assembly;
- 2) The special committee shall in accordance with Rule 89(2) appoint co-chairmen;
- 3) The special committee shall in accordance with Rule 93(1) have the power to call for such persons, papers and records and to examine witnesses, as in its opinion are necessary to the conduct of its business;
- 4) A quorum of the special committee shall consist of four Members including the chairman;
- 5) The Legislative Assembly shall provide from its appropriations the necessary funds to the special committee to carry out its responsibilities;
- 6) The special committee, as a whole, or individual Members, may undertake such travel as is required to carry out the assigned responsibilities of the committee;
- 7) The special committee shall be empowered to retain the services of such professional staff as deemed advisable by the committee;
- 8) The special committee shall have the power to sit during sessions, adjournments, recesses and prorogations of the House;
- 9) The necessary administrative support shall be provided by the Legislative Assembly offices.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. McCallum, your motion is in order. Do you wish to speak to the motion?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

Motion 33-84(1), Carried

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Question has been called. All those in favour? Thank you. Opposed, if any? The motion is carried.

---Carried

Item 13, first reading of bills.

Item 14, second reading of bills. Item 15, consideration in committee of the whole of bills and other matters. Bill 1-84(1), Appropriation Ordinance; Tabled Document 4-84(1) and Motion 24-84(1); Bills 2-84(1), 3-84(1), 4-84(1), 5-84(1), 6-84(1); Motion 25-84(1), with Mr. Gargan in the chair.

ITEM 15: CONSIDERATION IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF BILLS AND OTHER MATTERS

PROCEEDINGS IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO CONSIDER BILL 1-84(1), APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, 1984-85; TABLED DOCUMENT 4-84(1), 1984-85 MAIN ESTIMATES; MOTION 24-84(1), YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Department Of Renewable Resources

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): The committee will now come to order. We were on page 11.05, Renewable Resources. The Minister will take the witness table. Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, may I have the consent to have the deputy minister, Mr. Bourque, and the assistant deputy minister, Mr. Hugh Monaghan, join me at the witness table?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Is it agreed by the Members of the committee?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

---Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister. We are on page 11.05, directorate. General comments. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. When we finished the other day I had made remarks about the possibility of negotiating with the federal government an agreement whereby discretionary funds that are allocated to the Northwest Territories to offset the social and economic impact of major development of non-renewable resource projects, that in the negotiations, an aspect or a portion of the money could go to the provision of the things that every territorial government held and the people of the Territories held as priorities that were not related to the direct impact of the project. I was thinking there of certain areas like the teacher education program because there are in excess of 800 jobs that could be held by northern people, were they to be trained in this area. There are other jobs, as is well-known, in the mining industry, certainly in our own civil service. That led me to talking about the whole amount of dollars that had been identified for the Norman Wells pipeline impact as discretionary funding. We have learned that the three million dollars that came directly to the territorial government has been spent or is committed to be spent over the life of the pipeline. We have not learned how the remaining dollars have been spent. We, as a government, have an interest and, in fact, through the Department of Education have been working with the Dene Nation to spend the remaining dollars that were identified as impact in that area.

I am wondering if the Minister of Education would be prepared to give the committee an indication of whether the Dene Nation and the territorial government were able to come up with plans and ideas in order to be able to spend that money, what indeed it has been spent on and whether there are any of those dollars left over that still remain to be spent.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mrs. Sorensen. Mr. Patterson.

Report On Impact Funds For Training For Norman Wells Pipeline

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: Mr. Chairman, I can give the Member a report on the training impact funds for Norman Wells. As the House knows, the Hon. John Munro announced a nine million dollar training package for the Norman Wells pipeline, when the announcement was made concerning the construction of the pipeline in late July of 1982, I believe it was. What has happened to date is as follows.

First of all, the joint needs assessment committee, as it was called, made up of representatives from our government and the Dene Nation and the Metis Association, consulted quite extensively with communities who are in the impact area. After some considerable time they completed their report in May of 1983. That report cost \$750,000 and so we should take \$750,000 off the nine million dollars leaving \$8.25 million for training. Since the report, the Department of Education, the Dene Nation and the Metis Association have put together an action plan for training which calls for the expenditure of \$6.25 million for training over the next two years. These moneys would be banked, it is proposed by the Department of Education. Most of the training programs would be delivered directly by us although some of the programs within the \$6.25 million would be delivered through the Dene Nation and the Metis Association. They might, for example, hire adult educators

and offer adult upgrading courses. We foresee offering most of the training under this particular part. Some of these courses are directly related to pipeline skills such as welding and related occupations. The proposal also includes wider applications of training, even going to training of teachers and classroom assistants, community health workers and areas that are more indirectly related to the pipeline impact. There is considerable emphasis, as recommended in the joint needs assessment report, on the general academic upgrading at the community levels. A couple of particular projects recommended by the Metis are the training of economic development co-ordinators and training in suicide prevention. The Dene have designated community development as a priority for human resource development. There will be courses like small business management offered as well. We propose that a labour market information survey or a manpower information survey be also conducted or set in place using these funds. I should explain, Mr. Chairman, that actually today this proposal should be finalized by the three parties for presentation to the federal government. It has not quite been nailed down, but I am fairly confident that it has been a tri-part effort, and it will be submitted shortly.

Now, there is still two million dollars that I have not accounted for. We have agreed with the Dene and the Metis that two million dollars be reprofiled, if that is the word, or channelled directly to the Dene and Metis respectively for economic development funding, within their discretion. Now, I would just like to mention that it is quite important to the three parties that existing programs of the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission and existing allotments for the NWT, in our view, should not be affected by this special Norman Wells impact training. We feel strongly and in that territorial unemployed are people that are on unemployment insurance benefits, whereas many of the people impacted that we wish to aim at in the Mackenzie Valley have never been employed or are presently employed but need upgrading, we feel that it will be a different focus and therefore have been urging the federal government that it should not be mixed up with CEIC.

Just to conclude, Mr. Chairman, I spoke recently and personally with the Minister of Indian Affairs on the subject of this \$8.25 million, as have my officials with his officials and we have been assured that it remains unallocated and that it is still committed to our use once we come up with a proposal. As I mentioned, I think that should be finalized today by the same parties and expedited quickly directly to the Minister of Indian Affairs. In sum, I think there is quite a bit of flexibility. I have not been exhaustive in describing the projects, but it will be funds largely under our control and we can, I think, respond to community needs as determined by the joint needs assessment committee. Thank you.

Directorate, Total O And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, honourable Mr. Patterson. Back to Renewable Resources. General comments. Directorate, page 11.05, total O and M, \$706,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Wildlife Management Division, Total O And M

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Wildlife management division, total O and M, \$1,912,000. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MacQUARRIE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Recently I understand that regulations have come into effect along the Gordon Lake corridor with respect to the manner in which caribou can be conveyed out of the region after being shot, that vehicles are prohibited. Can I just ask precisely what is the nature of that policy and when does it come into effect in policy terms, not in terms of a specific date?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, the regulation was put in place on Thursday at 12:00 midnight and the corridor that is established to Gordon Lake is an established corridor whereby the Department of Renewable Resources, when it deems appropriate, may institute restrictions on movement of vehicles within that corridor by giving 24 hours notice that these restrictions will be in place.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MacQUARRIE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I had thought the Minister was going to add something to that. The policy when it is implemented is very cumbersome to people who are hunting in the area and so I would appreciate being told a little more about why it is necessary to implement it then. It is difficult for people who are hunting there to have to leave a truck in one area and go by skidoo to another and then bring the animals back to the truck and so on. So since it is so cumbersome there must be some good reason why the government decides to implement it and I would like to hear precisely what that reason is.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, the basic reason for that is to cut down a bit on the accessibility to the herd and the easy access to the herd. I would like Mr. Monaghan to give you in technical details the basic terms behind the corridor.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Monaghan.

Purpose Of Regulation On Gordon Lake Corridor

MR. MONAGHAN: Just to elaborate slightly on the comments of our Minister, the purpose of the corridor is to limit the kill on that herd from this particular area from possibly becoming excessive due to the easy access to the herd. What occurs when you have a winter road like the Gordon Lake road into the caribou herd when there are a lot of animals that move in, is that you have some people who would not normally otherwise be hunting that herd utilizing it, as well as commercial exploitation of the herd because of its ease of availability. The purpose of the corridor is to inject some inefficiency to permit those people who want to get out and get animals for their direct use to continue to have access to the herd, but to reduce the excessive kill.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MacQUARRIE: I think I understand that as a policy. Rather than cutting short the hunting season or something, it just makes it a little more difficult to gain accessibility. Then the question revolves around whether the kill has been excessive or whether it has merely appeared to be excessive because I understand there have been truckloads of animals taken out of there. Was it just a matter of appearance and, if that is so, why was that not addressed by limiting the numbers maybe that could be taken out at any one time or was there really excessive hunting on the herd? Has there been in very recent times?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Monaghan.

MR. MONAGHAN: Mr. Chairman, to determine exactly the scope of the kill on that herd you need accurate kill figures. We have not had accurate kill figures on the Bathurst herd in recent years. We make estimates on what the ongoing kill is in various parts of its range. The kill in this area usually is roughly about 4500 animals, but that is a very rough estimate and that excludes the kill from the Arctic coast on that herd and from elsewhere in its range. The reason for imposing controls on the kill in this area is to avoid the escalation of the kill in this particular area which is made easy due to access. I suppose the most flagrant example of what can happen without controls was the kill on the Beverly herd in northern Saskatchewan some years back where it approached 15,000 to 18,000 animals in a situation that was totally without any control imposed.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MacQUARRIE: In answer to a question that I asked the Minister last week I guess it was, I was told that it was felt that approximately 8000 animals could be taken per year from the Bathurst herd without danger to the herd, that the numbers would not diminish. I was also told that in this general area, up until now about 3500 had been taken and that there were animals always taken in the Coppermine area and Bay Chimo and so on. So if 8000 could be taken it seems to me that there is still leeway and not the necessity yet to begin implementing this very cumbersome measure. Could I hear a comment on that, please?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Monaghan.

MR. MONAGHAN: I think there are two key considerations in this. The first is that our kill statistics that are collected from that herd in other seasons and other areas are less than precise. Secondly, the kill continues and will continue. So what we are saying is that in excess

of 3500 animals has been taken out of that herd in a very short operating period, in the last couple of months while the road has been opened. However, although that is well under the 8000, we must remember that the kill on that herd goes on throughout the year. For instance, there are some very large-scale kills that occur northeast of Yellowknife here usually beginning in mid-August and carrying on right through until freeze-up and then immediately after freeze-up, by people travelling by skidoo and dogs and so on. So although there may seem to be quite a differential between the 8000 and the 3500 plus that have been taken recently there is still a considerable kill that has to be factored in in other areas and also in this area in other seasons. So that would tend to reduce the allowable harvest that continues to be available.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MACQUARRIE: So in fact considering other seasons and other areas, without accurate statistics a good estimate on your part would be that the kill could be approaching 8000 animals right now. Is that correct?

MR. MONAGHAN: That would be a very rough estimate and it is a guess that we have to take, based simply on our feeling of the way the hunting is occurring throughout the year. I would not want to suggest to the Member that our kill figures are accurate. They are not. They are our best estimates. The only area where we have precise estimates, or relatively precise, is on the road itself.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. We are on page 11.06. Mr. Angottitauruq.

Policy For Both Natives And Non-Natives On Caribou Kill

MR. ANGOTTITAUURUQ: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am just going to make a little comment here and it refers back to a few days ago when there were some comments about non-native and native. From my experience I would not want to think of native or non-native. I am thinking of the policy and regulations of wildlife; both sides sometimes break the policy and I have seen that with my own eyes.

So in that case I was wondering if there would be some people thinking of natives or non-natives, trying to combine them together to make some sort of a policy or regulations as to too much killing of caribou or regarding wildlife. Because to me, thinking of non-native and native and making a different policy for each -- that is the way I seem to see it a lot of times being done. One side not getting enough and the other side getting too much. While thinking of natives they say it is their natural food so they can kill as much as they want to. But then again thinking of the policies and regulations they have to be looked at very closely too, because even natives sometimes throw away meat while it is still fresh and I have seen that. It is putting the non-native a little too far down when they say you cannot do this, you cannot do that.

But then again thinking of both sides I always thought that there should be some sort of a reviewing policy for both of them killing too many animals. So I was thinking that a policy should be made applying to both if they kill too much. Because one time there was a hunter, a long-time hunter who killed over 20 caribou in the summertime and I was the one that reported him. This person was told that he is a poor man and they are going to let him go. That certainly broke my heart when they let him go -- they just gave him a few little warnings and let him go -- because there were a lot of hunters that were looking for caribou. They were having a hard time and this person just happens to find a large herd and all he was doing was just collecting young caribou skins. And that was not very good. If a non-native was looking at that, I am sure he would not be happy about it. So some sort of policy should be made, so that anyone who kills too much and is caught not following the regulation, that some fine or some sort of a set-up should be made so that they should be both equal. I do not mind about the present regulation too much but that is the main part -- when a person is caught breaking the law they think of how poor he is and how rich he is. Just take what they can from the person. I do not think that applies too well to a human being if one side is too high and the other side is too low. As long as the person breaks the law he has to receive some penalty for it. That is what I believe in. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Angottitauruq. Any response, Madam Minister?

Co-operation On Regulations

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I believe that was just a statement but at the same time I would like to maybe clarify one thing in terms of the corridor to Gordon Lake. The rules and

regulations are for everybody including general hunting licence holders and resident hunting licence holders. So it is not restricted only to a certain group of holders of licences. It is there for everybody and everybody has to abide by the rules. As well, the deputy minister, Mr. Bourque, had a meeting with the chiefs from Rae and from here and had their co-operation when those regulations were put in. There is a general understanding within the primary user groups here that they do not have a desire to deplete the herd, so their co-operation was received almost immediately when it was felt that the level of harvest was closely approaching the limit. Adequate time was given to people to take down their camps and we had co-operation from everyone concerned.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Page 11.06. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: I wonder if the Minister or her officials could refresh my memory with respect to the residency requirements that revolve about who can hunt, under what conditions and when.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Monaghan.

MR. MONAGHAN: To qualify for the resident big game licence, the person has to be a resident of the Northwest Territories continuously for two years.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: But, I wonder if you could continue, to say whether that person under certain conditions can still hunt. Is that true, can the person who does not hold a big game licence still have a means by which they can hunt big game?

MR. MONAGHAN: Yes, non-residents or people who have been here less than two years can hunt small game and can also buy a non-resident licence for the hunting of big game although that obliges that person to hunt through the services of a guide and outfitter.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: I wonder if you could tell me how one gets to be a guide and outfitter. Are there plenty of guides and outfitters that people can go to in this area, for instance?

MR. MONAGHAN: In this particular area there are class B guide licences issued for the taking of non-resident hunters out on the caribou range east of Yellowknife.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: I wonder if I could have the rationale presented as to why two years was chosen as a residency clause to be able to get a big game licence. What is the rationale behind that?

MR. MONAGHAN: That was the decision of this Legislative Assembly on the review of the Wildlife Ordinance in 1979. Some Members suggested a period as short as six months or a year. Other Members suggested a period as long as 10 years. The compromise reached in the Assembly here was two years.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: Have you had representation to the department at all or through the Minister, although the Minister has only been in the position for a short time, to lower the residency clause to one that is more in keeping with what we know is in keeping across Canada, six months?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, there has been no request since I have been Minister of Renewable Resources. Certainly in the last year, in talking with the deputy minister, there has not been a request to lower it to less than two years.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Mr. Arlooktoo.

Capture Of Gyrfalcons In Baffin Region

MR. ARLOOKTOO: (Translation) Thank you. I just want some clarification on gyrfalcons. I know that you can get 22 in the Northwest Territories but in the Baffin Region that is not the case. We

have the white ones and the black ones. Will we be able to use our general hunting licence to be able to capture some gyrfalcons? Or will the settlements be informed as to whether they can now capture gyrfalcons or not? Or will they be given a permit allowing them to capture the gyrfalcons or is that just for the Kitikmeot Region? Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister. Mr. Bourque.

MR. BOURQUE: The quota for the Northwest Territories is 21 and that 21 quota is to be divided throughout the Northwest Territories. The way that you obtain permission to take a gyrfalcon is through an application to harvest falcon. That application should go to the regional office and in the case of Baffin it should go to the regional superintendent and it is forwarded to me. I issue the permit.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Bourque. Mr. Erkloo.

Regulations Directed To Areas

MR. ERKLOO: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I cannot talk very well because I just had a tooth pulled. The ordinance and the regulations are the same for all and they are all directed to the NWT. They direct them to all the settlements of the NWT and it is causing problems sometimes. Have you considered making an ordinance or regulations directed only to some areas of the settlements in the Northwest Territories? I wonder if the settlements could be given more authority or can they only be given more authority through the regulations? For example, in Pond Inlet they could get caribou in June or July, one or two. They could not get any caribou because they could only get caribou in those months when the fur was too thin. That was directed to Pond Inlet but I do not know whether it should really be directed right now or not. The settlements do not have enough authority and even if someone breaks the law they are not able to do anything. That causes a problem. I just wanted to get some clarification. Could the settlements, according to their lifestyle, be given different regulations under the law? Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I believe that we had a bit of discussion about that earlier. It is the intention of the Department of Renewable Resources to try to react to the question that was just put to the department. I believe the first thing that we will be doing is looking at the various caribou herds and allowing a decision to be made in certain areas that a particular caribou herd is mostly populating. Now, I realize that within the ordinance there has to be some overall or common rule. I understand as well sometimes that does not exactly fit in and is something you could not commonly apply all over because there are certainly different harvesting areas, different species of animals and sometimes the general law does not allow a region or a community enough flexibility. The basic overriding policy or the first concern of this department is the well-being of the animal life that a lot of people depend on now and probably will always depend on in the future. So, in terms of trying to make things more flexible for people at the regional level and the community level we would like to take, in the next few months, a closer look at how we could do that.

Hunters and trappers associations are basically telling us that they would like that responsibility but at the same time a lot of the responsibility that they get is generally the dirty jobs and small things and then they do not have anything to support their association. So I think we can move a lot more toward accommodating the Member's concern and probably better decisions will be made by people who are very knowledgeable about certain areas and certain populations of animals. Certainly it is my intention as Minister of Renewable Resources to move toward that but as well, in doing that I would like to see the Members of the respective associations that are going to be taking the responsibility maybe have a little more discussion on just how that can be done. It would be very simple just to dump something in your lap and most of the people end up on the land and the decision has to be made there, where there is no one to carry out the duties or the responsibilities. But certainly I understand the position that is put forward to us from the Member and certainly it makes a lot of common sense to have the decision-making where people know most about the wildlife in that particular area. I am committed to work toward that.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Page 11.06, Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MACQUARRIE: The taking of gyrfalcon was mentioned just a while ago and it was said that there was a quota of 21 for the Territories. I know that when the program was started a few years ago it

seemed that there was a fair amount of hope for some small measure of economic development, people being able to take these and sell them, but could I ask how it is working out? How many were actually taken in the Territories last year if there is a quota of 21?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Bourque.

MR. BOURQUE: Mr. Chairman, actually we had two projects in the Kitikmeot Region and I do not believe that any were harvested. They did not take any. The trapping of gyrfalcon is a very complex and involved job and the Kitikmeot Region still plans to go ahead, I believe, this coming season.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Bourque. Mr. MacQuarrie.

MR. MACQUARRIE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I had also heard the hint that it was partly our own cumbersome way of handling it that may have had something to do with that. Could I ask whether in handling the process it was found that maybe we could have improved the way we handled it in some way or other? Or is it entirely attributable to the fact that they are difficult to catch?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Bourque.

MR. BOURQUE: In reply to the honourable Member, Mr. Chairman, I suppose when a new project is embarked upon there are probably little rough edges on both sides. But I recently had a meeting with the Kitikmeot Hunters and Trappers Association that involved all the presidents of HTAs and we clearly came out with a division of labour to try and make the operation work as smoothly as possible. I believe that the project will work a lot better in the future. Whether or not more falcon are trapped remains to be seen.

Wildlife Management Division, Total 0 And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Bourque. Page 11.06, wildlife management division, total 0 and M, \$1,912,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Field Services Division, Total 0 And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Field services division, total 0 and M. Mrs. Lawrence.

MRS. LAWRENCE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. In that field services division it says, "Education and information programs are a high priority and are intended to make northern residents aware of departmental programs and priorities. Support is provided to organizations of resource users to allow them to become more involved in wildlife management." My question is this. There are various programs in the department such as funding, grants, contributions. Some people are not aware of how contributions are given. What kind of support are you providing to communities to explain some of these different programs that you have in place?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Bourque.

MR. BOURQUE: Mr. Chairman, in response to the honourable Member's question, shortly after I assumed the position of deputy minister, under the instructions of the previous Minister, we travelled extensively to the communities throughout the Baffin. My staff covered the Keewatin and we also covered the Fort Smith Region and some of the Delta, holding meetings with hunters and trappers associations and explaining our programs, explaining the present policy that governed delivery of these programs and asking for recommendations from respective HTAs on how we can revamp our programs to make these programs more meaningful to the hunters and trappers. We also asked for input and recommendations on policy governing delivery. The result of those discussions is the sealskin subsidy that we implemented. I might say that we got a fair degree of response from the Arctic communities but did not get any response at all, practically, from the Mackenzie Valley. I believe the last community that I visited and had a discussion with the HTA, was Fort Resolution. That was earlier in the summer. Our present Minister has indicated that she wants to pursue this type of process and we will continue to have discussions with HTAs to try to bring our programs together.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Bourque. We will continue with general comments after a 15 minute coffee break.

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The committee will now come to order. I believe we left off with Mrs. Lawrence.

MRS. LAWRENCE: This is a supplementary question, Mr. Chairman. I am glad to hear the deputy minister has been into Fort Resolution last summer and dropped some pamphlets. It might have confused the people because I was asked to request a trainee to help the renewable resources officer located in Pine Point because he is not spending enough time in the community. There is a lot of work to be done to implement some of these policies and have an input into the strategic plans that you have. I understand you have not heard from them after you spoke to them and that is probably one of the reasons why nobody had a chance to follow up on these plans you have put together. I will be meeting with them in another couple of weeks and I will bring it to their attention. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mrs. Lawrence. Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I believe the Member was making a comment. Certainly I most appreciate if she is able to bring some of the matters relating to the hunting and trapping community to their attention. Perhaps if there was some follow-up she would request after she has had her initial talks in Fort Resolution, we would like any suggestions she might make, even though we are not meeting in this Legislative Assembly.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Page 11.07, field services division, total 0 and M, \$6,288,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Pollution Control Division, Total 0 And M

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Pollution control division, total 0 and M, \$257,000. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I see in the summary of the activities of this division it is talking about management of hazardous wastes and an area where hazardous wastes can be put. I would like to ask the Minister, has an area or have areas been identified? If so, where are those areas and has there been consultation with the public on identifying areas where hazardous waste material can be stored?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, there has been some work completed on that problem area. Certainly I am sure the Member will understand in terms of storage of hazardous waste, it is very difficult from time to time to receive co-operation from any given community because basically no one wants it, but I believe this time we did have some response and some decisions have been made. So for those details I will ask the deputy minister to outline them.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Bourque.

Storage Of Hazardous Wastes

MR. BOURQUE: Mr. Chairman, during the past fiscal year we were able to identify some surplus capital funds and we are building a holding building, if you like, on the outskirts of the city of Yellowknife in the heavy industrial area. We have had discussions with the federal people responsible for environment protection. We also had discussions with the city. I might add that we have also had discussions with the province of Alberta. They are in the process of finding a place to build a disposal plant and once that is completed they have agreed to take our waste. So this is all in the planning stage. We are beginning to build a building this fiscal year and it should be completed by early summer.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Bourque. General comments. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: Another area that looks interesting to me is the whole concept of the use of pesticides. I wonder at what stage is the government policy concerning the use of pesticides, for instance mosquito suppression programs in municipalities? Is there a policy in place or are there regulations being envisaged?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister? Mr. Monaghan.

MR. MONAGHAN: Yes, there are regulations in place. Our pollution control people have worked with provincial authorities on which sorts of pollution control chemicals are most effective and which are most satisfactory from an environmental perspective. They work with our existing legislation and the national list to license the use of pesticides in the Northwest Territories. There is a request that the city of Yellowknife has under consideration and our people have had some preliminary discussions with the city authorities.

Pollution Control Division, Total 0 And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Monaghan. Page 11.08, pollution control division, total 0 and M, \$257,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Science Advisory Board Of The Northwest Territories, Total 0 And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Science Advisory Board of the Northwest Territories, total 0 and M, \$205,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Environmental Planning And Assessment Division, Total 0 And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Environmental planning and assessment division, total 0 and M, \$626,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Total Grants

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Detail of grants and contributions, grants, total, \$726,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I am sorry, Mr. Chairman, I am into the contributions I do not think we have done that, are we still on grants? I will agree to grants but not contributions.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. MacQuarrie.

Funds To Combat Anti-Trapping

MR. MACQUARRIE: Under the area of grants I know there was a discussion, I guess last year at this time about the concern that everyone had about the anti-trapping movement and the anti-fur-use movement. It was felt that this government should make a serious effort to try to counter those movements. Yet under the grants system here I see that the grant to the National Fur Institute is \$5000; humane trap development grant, \$5000. I recognize that there may be other ways in which we

are getting serious about the whole matter but certainly those figures do not seem to indicate it. So, could I hear a comment about, you know, if it is not reflected through these there may be very good reasons for that. In what ways then are we seriously addressing the problem that is facing us? I thought I would see those grants bigger this year than they had been in the past.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I am sure that everyone will agree that in trying to combat the anti-trapping and the problems we are having with the more sophisticated groups, it does not appear that there is a lot of money within the budget but within the department itself there is \$141,000 that was assigned internally and aligned to deal with that particular problem. The Department of Renewable Resources is inclined to stage the campaign on behalf of hunters and trappers and on behalf of the people who maintain a part or their whole livelihood in harvesting wildlife. It recognizes that the job is a rather large campaign that would cost a great deal of money. Therefore, we are trying to put our efforts within the department to support, for example, the Fur Institute and trying to co-operate with other agencies across Canada to set up a body that would co-ordinate the efforts and be in a position where they might be able to raise independent funds. So we will be feeding into that type of structure, as well trying to feed some funds into the regional trappers groups and encourage them to spend some of the funds that they receive to deal with the whole question of the anti-trapping groups.

Total Grants, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. We are under grants. Total grants, \$726,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Total Contributions

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Contributions. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I have a question concerning the outpost camp contribution. I feel and I assume other Members feel, that the outpost camp is a very meaningful and viable alternative for a lot of people. I see that that contribution is not going up this year. I wonder, does the Minister see in the future that there is a need to increase the resources to this contribution to allow our outpost camps and to allow an enlarged program in the whole area of outpost camps?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I believe I have stated before that the department was asked to make some cutbacks so that we may be able to live within a certain spending requirement. One of the things that we did not cut were the contributions and the grants that we have been maintaining over the years. In terms of the support for outpost camps, certainly this is one of the programs that does contribute to the well-being of many people. However, within the budget that we are allocated we can only do so much. In talking to the deputy minister, we are always only operating in some areas with one third of the money, perhaps, that would be required to support, the many applications that come in. The reason that the funding was left at that level was, that area we did not cut but we cut in other areas. So we would certainly feel that support to increase the grants and contributions would be a healthy move from this Legislative Assembly and certainly in terms of the people we have to turn down each year, they would certainly be enthusiastic. However, decisions are made at a regional and the top level and not able to respond to some of the very positive applications we get. We are asked to live within our budget and basically that is what we try to do.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: One thing I am really impressed with is the fact that a directive went out for everybody to cut their budgets. I think that your department, your deputy minister was probably the most responsible of anyone in actually doing that. But I think one thing to keep in mind for

next year is this Legislature is on record as saying the whole area of economic development is an area that should be a primary thrust of this Legislature and we have proposed specifically that the Department of Economic Development, that they should increase their budget. I think the same thing holds true in aspects of this budget, that next year we should look for ways of putting more money into it and generating more economic activity in the whole area of renewable resources as well as non-renewable resources.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Ballantyne. Any comment, Madam Minister?

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Thank you, Mr. Ballantyne.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Okay, Mr. Paniloo.

Funding For Food For Outpost Camps

MR. PANILOO: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I do not know if we already talked about this, but I am going to bring up this comment about outpost camps. I know they receive some grants or some funding for purchasing oil and gas. What I want to know is do they also get funding for food? I am aware that before they become outpost camps they are given a certain amount of money to start them off but some of the outpost camps in the Baffin area are not supplied with funding for food. I am asking if they would be supplied some funding that they would be using for food?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, the Member is quite right in his explanation of how the program is conducted. At first application for any outpost camp, there is a provision for the supply of some food. However, if the camp continues, then basically the funding is supposed to be directed toward fuel, gas and transportation to get back out to the camp. The policy and guidelines in terms of food is only for the first time that the outpost camp is set up. Thereafter, it is transportation and fuel.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Contributions. Mr. Paniloo.

MR. PANILOO: (Translation) This year and last year the outpost camps are not having too many sealskins and fur to depend on. I was wondering if you can think about the outpost camps not getting very much from where they are, that they do not get too much fur and sealskin to get income from.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, certainly it is our intention to see how this department can respond to those ongoing concerns and to address the issues that have been raised over the last number of years. Each year we are dealing with pretty well the same types of problems being brought up and being brought to the attention of the Government of the Northwest Territories in support of the hunters and trappers and the people who basically do not really have any other means to make a living. I realize there is a basic problem with the price of furs, particularly seals, and the deputy minister has made every attempt to try to find ways and means to get some kind of subsidy. The first subsidy cheques were mailed out a few weeks ago. Then the latest breakdown of information that was required by the federal Department of Fisheries has just been sent in so there will be another \$220,000 or \$230,000 that will be sent directly to each person who has tallied up -- or the government has tallied up -- the number of seals. I realize that is not adequate at this stage in time. All I can do is make a commitment to the people who rely on making their living from the land, that we will try to do something within the next while in addressing those concerns that continually come up.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Honourable Mr. Nerysoo.

Funding Available To Hunters And Trappers

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: I just want to correct a couple of comments that have been made to date. Firstly the \$535,000 under contributions is not really indicative of the amount of money that is spent and has been spent over the past few years with regard to outpost camps. From my own past

experience I know that the department has made application to Special ARDA to help people go out on the land, to utilize the general development agreement in the area that was specified for helping hunters and trappers go back out on the land. So \$535,000 was our contribution. It increased in fact from \$350,000 to \$535,000.

In the case of the development of the renewable resource sector, we just signed a four year economic development agreement of \$21 million of which our contribution was \$2.1 million and in fact a major section of that funding was the development of the renewable resource sector. So there is a lot more money that is in other agreements that is available to the hunters and trappers to use. I guess the question would be, how do we get that information out to the people, the hunters and trappers so that they know that particular money is available? I do know from past experience that we have used those agreements to help hunters and trappers.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Pudluk.

MR. PUDLUK: (Translation) Mr. Chairman, I wanted to talk about something on page 11.11. Can we return to page 11.11?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Go ahead, Mr. Pudluk.

MR. PUDLUK: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The Minister just said the money that is being used for transportation for organized caribou hunts, she stated that you could only get the funds by submitting an application and the amount is \$46,000 that is allocated for that purpose. How many settlements have requested some funding out of that \$46,000? The reason I ask is that Grise Fiord does not have caribou close to the settlement. I wonder can you tell me if the residents of Grise Fiord have ever made an application for an organized hunt? Do you inform the people that there are such things as those funds available for hunts like that? Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I believe that the problem concerning information on access to any government contribution or any government fund for the hunters and trappers associations has been a very difficult situation for most hunters and trappers. I believe that the issue of Grise Fiord -- there has been no application from Grise Fiord to the superintendent, to my knowledge or in the records that we have presently, requesting assistance for an organized caribou hunt. The records show that the funding for organized caribou hunts is primarily used in the West, basically in the southern Mackenzie. I realize as well that it is a difficult communication program to get across to the hunters and trappers what is available, even the little that we do have, as well as the bigger programs like Special ARDA, for people to understand how they can have access to it. So basically money can sit there, programs can sit there but people do not know about them. That does exist and the department is aware of that particular problem. Generally, for organized hunts, the request is through the regional superintendent. This years breakdown on the expenditures on organized caribou hunts: In the Inuvik Region there was \$7000; in the Fort Smith Region, \$30,000; in the Keewatin Region, \$1500. That is a breakdown for this years expenditures on organized caribou hunts.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. Grants and contributions, Mrs. Lawrence.

MRS. LAWRENCE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The outpost camp contribution is \$535,000. Is that for all Northwest Territories? If so, how do you distribute the funds to the regions?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, there are some details as to that question. I have answered in an overall way. I will ask the deputy minister to comment on that with the figures that accompany the answer to that question.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Bourque.

MR. BOURQUE: Mr. Chairman, first I will give you a breakdown of figures as they are distributed in different regions. Outpost camps in the Inuvik Region, \$55,000; Fort Smith, \$171,500; Baffin, \$162,000; Kitikmeot, \$49,000; Keewatin, \$50,000 and Yellowknife, \$11,000. How it is usually handled is that applications go from either an HTA or individual or group to the local wildlife

officer. From there they go to the regional office where they are prioritized based on the area in which the activity is going to take place, the reputation to some degree of the hunter and trapper or group involved and then are forwarded on to headquarters. You must realize that on a yearly basis we receive requests in the neighbourhood of one million dollars, applications, and we have to go through a pretty vigorous priority exercise.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Bourque. Mrs. Lawrence.

MRS. LAWRENCE: In some communities where there is no hunters and trappers association do they deal directly with the renewable resources officer then? How do they go about applying for funds?

MR. BOURQUE: Mr. Chairman, in areas where we do not have a wildlife officer, we usually deal with the band council in the West. In the East we deal with the hunters and trappers associations.

Total Contributions, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): We are still on contributions. Total contributions is \$735,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Total Grants And Contributions, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Total grants and contributions is \$1,461,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Field Services

Buildings And Works, Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Detail of capital, field services, total buildings and works is \$257,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Acquisition Of Equipment, Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Total acquisition of equipment, \$446,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Field Services, Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Total field services, \$703,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Pollution Control, Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Total pollution control is \$5000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Pages 11.15 through 11.19 are information items. Are there any questions on that? No questions. Mr. Paniloo.

MR. PANILOO: (Translation) Mr. Chairman, I have a short question. In Clyde River they bought a Peterhead boat. When that Peterhead boat arrives to our settlement would the hunters and trappers be able to use it or is it just for the purposes of the wildlife officer?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Paniloo. Madam Minister.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, that is a very specific question. If the boat is owned by the Department of Renewable Resources in that area, if it is in fact the property of the department, certainly in areas where there is any assistance that can be provided to the hunters and trappers association and the boat is available and in the area, certainly one of the jobs of the department is to lend assistance with the ability we have in that given area to lend assistance. I am not really aware of that specific boat. However, if it is our property and it can be of some use and support certainly that would be the general direction. I would think that this department would want to co-operate with the hunters and trappers.

Total O And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Madam Minister. We are back on page 11.04, total O and M for Department of Renewable Resources is \$9,994,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Total capital, \$708,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): I would like to thank the honourable Minister and Mr. Bourque and Mr. Monaghan.

---Applause

Back on Executive, Ms Cournoyea.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: May I have permission to release the deputy minister and the assistant deputy minister?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Yes, I think we did.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Mr. Chairman, I believe all Members of the committee are aware that Mr. McLaughlin was not able to return to Yellowknife yesterday having been weathered in in Montreal. So in view of the fact that there still remains some discussion related to the Executive budget, I believe that is the secretariat under Mr. Curley's responsibility, Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, Mr. Curley and his assistant, his officials are ready to proceed with that item at this time, sir.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Is it agreed by the committee that Mr. Curley...

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Department Of The Executive

Energy, Mines And Resources Secretariat

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): We will proceed with Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, at page 2.06. Mr. Curley, would you like to make some opening remarks?

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, before I get down to my introductory remarks may I have permission to have the secretary of Energy, Mines and Resources with me at the witness table?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): It is agreed by the committee, yes. For the record would the Minister introduce his witness?

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, I would like to introduce the secretary to the Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, Mr. Al Zariwny. Before we get on to the questions and answers, I am sure Members of the committee have some interest in many of the projects that are going on in the North in which we have some involvement. I would like to read the opening remarks, Mr. Chairman, so I will proceed.

Mr. Chairman, the Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat as an arm of the Executive provides advice and policy direction to myself and to the Executive Council. There are several areas where the secretariat is currently at work. One area is NOGAP, the northern oil and gas activities program. NOGAP is a DIAND co-ordinated federally funded joint program designed to prepare this government and the federal government for hydrocarbon development in the Beaufort. It does this by funding research and planning projects to provide government with the bases for making decisions on Beaufort development. Over the program period \$13.6 million has been requested by this government. In the coming year we are expecting two million dollars in funding. I am sure the Members will also appreciate that the Minister of Indian Affairs has made some statements about this area.

Energy Policy

Another area is energy policy. Energy policy development will allow the GNWT to focus its attention on the efficient management and use of energy, NWT energy supplies. Through the implementation of such policy the GNWT will be able to use regulations to direct the supply and use of energy to ensure secure, stable and reasonably priced energy products. In connection with energy devolvement this government in co-operation with Energy, Mines and Resources Canada is undertaking a study into the utilization of propane and natural gas in the NWT communities on the Slave Lake and Mackenzie Delta road systems. The result of this study should provide a clear indication of whether or not propane and natural gas have a future as replacements for oil and diesel fuel in those areas under investigation. Also in the field of energy the secretariat is in the process of developing a 10 year growth plan for the NWT Public Utilities Board, on recommendation by the previous Executive Council. This will be done in conjunction with GNWT recommendations to the National Energy Board concerning the operation of NCPC.

Activities Regarding Mining

Moving from energy into minerals the secretariat is working in three major areas covering mineral policy; a border agreement, the Mines Ministers' Conference. The development of NWT mineral policy is being considered. This policy would likely fit within the context of the resource development policy. Naturally work will proceed in close consultation with the mining industry and with the NWT Chamber of Mines. An NWT-Yukon border agreement is near conclusion. This agreement will assist in clarifying the Yukon government and GNWT role in the region as well as provide clear direction for industry. Lastly, work is continuing on the arrangements necessary to host the 1984 Mines Ministers' Conference in Yellowknife.

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This conference is scheduled for August 6th through 10th and ministers with responsibility for mining from all 10 provinces and the Yukon will be in attendance. This is only the second conference at which GNWT observer status has been recognized. This also represents the first time

the GNWT has had an opportunity to host a Mines Ministers' Conference. I would like to at this time acknowledge the hard work of my colleague, Mr. Richard Nerysoo, during his term as the Minister responsible.

Government Regulatory Processes

I would now like to move to the subject of regulation. You are all familiar with the resource development policy released in March, 1983. This policy, as with all new policies, has been through a trial period. There are some aspects of this policy which need adjustment. This will be done over the next year. Before moving on to the next subject I would like to say that over the past year GNWT response capabilities to resource development proposals have increased significantly. Mr. Chairman, the Horte report was recently released by Energy, Mines and Resources Canada. This report studies the reasons behind rapidly increasing pipeline construction costs. It also examined methods available to reduce the rate of cost escalations. The report found government regulatory processes at all levels to be in part responsible for existing cost structures. The recommendations made suggested changes to government regulatory processes. The secretariat is developing a response to these recommendations for the Executive Council consideration.

Document On Resource Revenue Sharing

As a last note I wish to mention resource revenue sharing. I am sure Members will have a continuing interest in this area. Mr. John Munro stated that this is not an appropriate topic for the moment but many of us would agree that this government is ready to accept the authority and responsibility that comes with both resource management and revenue sharing. The secretariat is currently putting the final touches on a revenue sharing document for Executive Council consideration which I expect our federal colleagues will not find so unreasonable.

I have only briefly touched on several major topics, Mr. Chairman. I feel the best time to make a full report to this House, in my view, should be in the spring session. This logic I would say, will likely allow me to report back to the honourable Members. So, Mr. Chairman, with these remarks I would like to invite Members to see if they have any comments on what the secretariat is doing. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. General comments on Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I was pleased to hear that the Minister's secretariat is preparing a document asserting resource revenue sharing because I think it should be a major priority of this government. I wonder, will that document, do you think, Mr. Minister, be available at the spring session for the Legislative Assembly to look at?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, I certainly hope so. I have instructed our officials that all the major projects that they are carrying on right now should be prepared for the spring session because the secretariat, before I joined them, through the Minister responsible, Richard Nerysoo, did send in a discussion document on resource revenue sharing with the federal government. At this moment we have not received comments from the federal people but we would like to tighten it up as I indicated in my speech. I surely will be presenting it for Members' consideration in May. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: Mr. Minister, I would like to ask a question with respect to COGLA and our relationship as a government with COGLA. We have talked about this topic I believe at question period on a couple of occasions. Am I right when I say that our relationship to COGLA is, at this point, through the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs in the Northwest Territories? If that is so are we taking any measures to try to establish more of a government-to-government relationship or a government-to-COGLA relationship without having to go through members in the Department of Northern Affairs on northern benefits that would accrue to the people of the North as a result of oil and gas development?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, for some clarification I will refer the question to Mr. Zariwny. I would like to indicate to the Member, I think the practice has been, yes, that our route in dealing with COGLA was through the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs. I would like to indicate to the Member that the Executive Council has considered our role in all of this exercise and very recently they approved and gave a mandate to the secretariat and myself that we should try and negotiate a little more clout and a mandate to deal directly with COGLA, through -- we had a number of options that we considered. The proposal the Indian Affairs Minister indicated to us the other day was that we would be best served through the northern benefits committee which is the DIAND committee composed of all the various appropriate federal departments as well as our people. They offered a co-chairmanship to our group, for that group from our department, but recently the Executive Council gave the mandate -- as a matter of fact stating if we are going to join the NBC we should change the terms of reference to reflect a better position and stronger position and the fact that we would want to have more input through COGLA when dealing with exploration agreements. We have not at this time, I believe, presented that position to the government yet, but we are working on it. I am going to refer some of the details to Al Zariwny because he has been working on it since then. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Zariwny.

MR. ZARIWNY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Just supplementary to the Minister's remarks, our relationship with COGLA, if we joined the northern benefits committee, would be at the call of the northern affairs program within DIAND. We would appear at the negotiating table with COGLA only when the Department of Indian Affairs felt that was necessary and we have been instructed by the Minister to try to achieve more direct access to COGLA by having a government presence at the negotiating table. I think that is all I have to say on that statement.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Mrs. Sorensen.

Monitoring Of Developers

MRS. SORENSEN: Just by way of comment I would certainly encourage the Minister to be very aggressive about appearing at the table as an independent body when the negotiation of socio-economic benefits that would accrue to the people of the NWT are being discussed. I have another question with respect to the resource development policy and section C which deals with monitoring, on page 25. This was a document that the Minister has referred to, Mr. Chairman, quite often and in fact he tabled the document so it is in Members' file folders underneath their desks. The criteria and guidelines that have been outlined under the monitoring are fairly comprehensive. It occurs to me that the Norman Wells pipeline project would be a good project to institute the monitoring aspect of the resource development policy and I am wondering if the Minister feels the same way or, in fact, if we are in the process of setting up a monitoring of that pipeline to evaluate the developer's achievements against the original commitments as it says here. Many of us here in this House have followed the development of that project right from the beginning and in fact attended the EARP hearings when the socio-economic benefits were discussed in some of the communities and indeed here in Yellowknife -- and some of the promises that were made. It would be very interesting to follow through now to see whether those promises and those negotiated socio-economic benefits have indeed been realized to this point. I realize there are still several months left of that project. I am wondering if there is a plan in place to do a comprehensive monitoring and evaluation of that project.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, I am going to refer the question to Mr. Zariwny, but before I do I would like to state one fact here and that is that although the secretariat has had some role in this exercise the amount of monitoring of the major projects is really the responsibility of the regional operations and as a result I have not really been on top of that. But I believe Mr. Zariwny has had a role there in this area so I am going to refer it to him. I agree with the Member though that there have been a lot of questions with respect to the promises being made by the developers and terms and conditions that they went into the project with. I would like Mr. Zariwny to explain a little bit about it and respond to Mrs. Sorensen's concern. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Zariwny.

MR. ZARIWNY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. At present there is a joint federal-territorial government industry and community oriented monitoring committee set up. It is chaired by a Mr. Marr who is the federally appointed co-ordinator for Norman Wells and he shares this chair with our

government co-ordinator whose name is Darryl Bohnet. It is my understanding that this committee is using a Dr. Bowen from the University of Saskatchewan who was hired by Indian Affairs to develop a monitoring system for the Norman Wells project. I think they just met this morning and the next step will be for all the participants in this committee to provide Dr. Bowen with information to see how well industry has compared to their objectives that were set out earlier in the action plans and once that is done both co-ordinators will make the report public.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Ms Cournoyea.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a general comment and perhaps ask a question in regard to this whole exercise with our involvement with the federal government and the Department of Indian Affairs and the matter that the Minister's department is trying to resolve. As you all know, in terms of the Beaufort Sea communities and particularly in terms of Tuktoyaktuk, which is a major impact community, we have tried to resolve and make decisions on just how much industry could support and how much could be negotiated between the federal and territorial governments and the community to look after any impact that happens to the community. In saying impact, I realize that is a word that is commonly used and may be becoming very convoluted and used for everything else. The impact that we talk about, in the community that has experienced a problem with the biggest impact from major industry, is that when there are jobs available in a community and when a community begins to have a lot of workers and subsidiary companies coming into the community, all of a sudden there is more need for homes. There is more need for road repair. The roads that were there before were adequate because there was not a lot of traffic over them. As well you see right next to the community a very large sophisticated establishment going up and all the money in the world for the oil and gas companies to put in very, very big buildings for their staff, good recreational facilities for their staff. The comparison between what industry is able to support generally is with government money as well, but there is always this real inability for a community that does not have the resources to try to get their foot in the door. It appears to me that if we took and broke down all the effort that the community and the people of that community as well as probably Mr. Zariwny -- I believe Mr. Zariwny was the regional director when we first began approaching this problem about impacts to communities and how a community could be supported. I believe that what happened and which I criticized at that time that immediately Mr. Zariwny was moved to Yellowknife and all the work that we had accomplished together or tried to accomplish and the manpower that was trained to try to help us deal with the situation were moved to Yellowknife.

Commitment To Tuk Has Been Ad Hoc

At this point in time there are certain things that have gone on in that community that have tried to be addressed by this government and to a certain extent by the federal government but it is very much in an ad hoc way. We keep trying to grab at straws and put something together to meet a commitment that we really should take seriously from that community level. Certainly if we took all the meetings we had to go to, all the travel for people who had to come to that community, all the time expended, all the committees set up and everything that we had to go through we probably could have built a road or something like that. I am not complaining that efforts have not been made in terms of trying to settle some of the problems in that impact community. However, the way it has been done is not really necessarily through addressing the problem when the oil and gas industry wanted to go in the community, because by the time they went in it probably was much later than the involvement of the territorial government and being a partner to those negotiations with the federal government, on what should really take place. But at the same time if you take a look at Norman Wells as well and look at the kind of money and the negotiations with the federal government in trying to put something in place it does not seem to be that impressive either. Right now after all these years the community of Tuktoyaktuk really has not been able through all the arenas that are made available to them, regional meetings, meetings with the Minister, meetings with myself, meetings with everyone and between themselves and companies, to pull anything through that you could even say resembled a kind of plan or addressing the issue. Most recently we have now a regional impact group and we have to again try to educate this person so he can help us get what we feel the community requires.

One of the things that the community requires is the recognition that it has to expand. There is industry moving in and the people would like to continue to spread out to have better living conditions. The situation of an airport has to be addressed, but at this point in time right now today if we want to undertake any projects in that community it would require the back-up of a considerable amount of gravel to support any of these businesses or any of the ventures. Now

whether it is gravel for lots or gravel for roads, now, at this time there is no funding that is made available. We have had all these exercises and I am sure that people have tried. I am not saying that people did not try but we had all these exercises. Really, what has happened? Right now it is February, the last day of February. In that community we will not undertake any projects in 1984. We have exactly one month to haul any amount of gravel so that we can build anything or we could put a road in.

Up to this point in time the funding is not there to do even the slightest amount of work that is required. A road around Tuk harbour is \$3.5 million. That will open up a major area of that community not only to accommodate the people themselves but to make it more accessible for the industry to have more room to move, not necessarily crowding the town. It will make that more accessible for a proper airport to be built instead of an airport landing planes practically in the middle of town. This is large aircraft such as the PWA type of aircraft and it is not small ones we are talking about.

All of those things are part of a problem area that has been there now for almost nine or 10 years in dealing with companies. But yet, we have three major companies who have built large establishments where there are very nice living quarters, very nice recreation quarters. That comparison between the town, the community, and the company, sometimes you wonder just where do people stand in the Northwest Territories? Is it our inability to negotiate? You know, we do not have that many major impact areas. I remember working with Mrs. Sorensen at the finance committee level quite a long time ago, but in terms of addressing the problem in that community, which is a major impact community, we are still doing it in an ad hoc manner. The community is still trying to struggle to put forth their concerns. We have got all this mechanism in place and I realize that the territorial government -- and we are part of it, I am part of it -- probably does not have all the handles on the federal coffers. We go on and on trying to put these things together. It is a major concern. I am sure that for a lot of people, the spin-off in trying to address problems in the community kills leadership because they get frustrated because they have to keep going to different people. The problem has not been resolved.

Certainly within the Northwest Territories budget we have to respect other communities that require funding. The whole idea of beginning with the finance committee a number of years ago was, let us not steal from other communities so an impact community can address its problem. Let us not take away and try to draw out of the other small communities that have, really, basically no position to put forward. But, when you are talking about a multimillion dollar industry sitting right in your back yard and you have to cry for a couple of million dollars it sounds big, a couple of million dollars sounds big, but you have to spend probably three million to try and get one million. It becomes ridiculous and the situation really has not improved and I would like to say that I give credit to some of the people in this department and the past Executive Council who really tried to address these problems.

I believe that with all that has taken place, that community right now is stalemated. It cannot move and we have got one more month to decide whether it is going to move or not. That is the situation and that is the area that I come from and the problems that exist. Basically the primary job of the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, is to try to pull all those things together and move it. But then we had another department before that and then we had another department before that and maybe we will have another department after this to try and resolve the problem. It is very frustrating and it is very difficult to keep people going in the community, to keep looking toward settling their problems.

I am sorry I took this time from you, but I just feel that it would be remiss if I did not bring it to your attention. Whether it is a responsibility of the federal government or this government, those problems have not been addressed in that community despite the fact that we have gone over and over and over with them. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Ms Cournoyea. We will take a 15 minute coffee break.

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The committee will come back to order now. We are on page 2.06. General comments. Mr. Erkloo.

Development Review Committees

MR. ERKLOO: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My question is regarding the development review committees. This is what I am talking about. These committees are going into the

communities, are being formed in the communities now and they usually work regarding Petro and Dome research that goes on in the NWT. When these committees try to meet and negotiate with the communities they are usually refusing to do anything that the communities might want to do. I believe they have some money available to run these meetings and reviews, but... (No translation). I am trying to ask if the Energy, Mines and Resources people would, if they could try to find out about this and probably this is the way they would be able to be approved. If they are told by oil companies or federal government or NWT government they do not seem, they just feel that they are -- I do not think they will listen so I was wondering if funding could be provided for this?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: I will be talking in Inuktitut for a little while. (Translation) If we were to give these communities some funding for purposes of reviewing the communities, in the four communities you were talking about, they are not only going to be the only ones that will have to be reviewed because -- the government is not trying to say that settlements should try to do it by themselves, but since they are the community council and they have organizations they do not try to keep their concerns. They take it in turn but it would be a lot easier if they got together and appointed somebody to review the things that they are concerned about, and how it would be improved. If there is something going on such as exploration or other development, we cannot say how it could be improved. For this reason, we could get these together and I know there is an organization in Baffin. I think it would be best if they could get a committee for this to review that concern. If we try to work on this, I know there are going to be more problems. If the communities would like to work on this by themselves it is going to be a lot harder, so maybe it would be better if they set up a committee since there is not enough funding available maybe. If you say something else I would get a clearer idea.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Erkloo.

MR. ERKLOO: (Translation) I agree with what you are saying about the community voicing their concerns and I am not saying that organizations are bad, but it is hard to understand what is going on when you are in Pond Inlet. We do not hear about these things. For example, I asked about a committee and they really did not want to set up a committee. If something arises, if Baffin Regional Council brings up something, some of the people are concerned about things that are brought up and I am just repeating what I have found out. Maybe the development review committee could be given some funding from Baffin regional office. The people of Pond Inlet were saying that we will have to agree sometime. In the meantime we have to prepare for agreement. This is what we have been concerned about. For instance, the BRC approved of the oil companies and they are able to get some money from the federal government and the people wonder where the Northwest Territories government is and why it cannot support the people.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. You probably are aware of the meeting that was going on regarding the Government of the Northwest Territories. I think we have to realize too that we do not have a policy for oil and gas exploration and whatnot and we do not have any funding for this. If the GNWT would want some funding for this -- this is what is stated in the policy -- resource development policy states that if they were to get a development in the impact community they would have to be given certain funding and it has to say where this money will be used and what for. The funding has to have a purpose and there have to be terms of reference. When you are talking about the development review committee I think that is just a committee. It is not a registered committee. What would happen is that the Baffin Regional Council could apply for some funding. They could apply through the Baffin Regional Council and the oil and gas exploration people would have to pay some of the money that would be used. The oil and gas exploration people have to support the work that would be done regarding reviews of work up north. I am just waiting for the smaller communities to come to us and ask themselves. I am not going to tell them what to do. As a government we are not going to go to them and say, "This is what you are going to do." It is better we hear from them first before we do anything. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Ballantyne.

Joint Monitoring Committee

MR. BALLANTYNE: Mr. Minister, if I could, I would like to get back to the aspect of monitoring again. I think Mrs. Sorensen and Ms Cournoyea outlined some of their concerns. First of all I would like to ask a question. This joint monitoring committee of federal, industry and Government

of the Northwest Territories, is that intended to be the monitoring body as outlined in the resource development policy and, if it is not, when will this body actually become operative and when will we be able to get the reports that are mentioned within the policy?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, I would like Mr. Zariwny to answer that one.

MR. ZARIWNY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The committee that I referred to earlier in my remarks is not a committee set up according to the resource development policy. The Norman Wells project as such is, as I understand it, a federal project run under the authority of Mr. Munro. So the joint committee as such is one that was established by Mr. Marr and involved our co-ordinator, so to answer the question it is not a committee which in any respect reports to this government. Our involvement on the monitoring side for the Norman Wells project would be through the Great Bear development impact zone committee. This committee would advise Mr. Bohnet who in turn would carry the comments and views of the committee to this joint committee.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I thought that was the case, but it seems to me that if we are ever to adequately evaluate both the negative and the positive aspects of the Norman Wells pipeline we would have to set up a monitoring type body such as outlined in the resource development policy. I think one of the inherent problems of a joint committee including industry and the federal government is I do not think either one of them would be inclined to criticize themselves very much. I think it has got to be an organization set up by this government that can evaluate all aspects of the Norman Wells project. One of the problems that I have found as we have gone through the budget is, for instance, in this government itself there are many departments involved in different aspects of the project. There is a training and education portion of it, there are the infrastructure costs in municipalities, there are potentially increased social problems in impacted communities. It seems to me that we need an organization to look at what all the commitments were of industry, what the commitments were of the federal government, how the territorial government can better improve their own internal co-ordination so that at the end of the process of evaluating all this we can really say "Was it overall a positive thing to have had this Norman Wells project? Are we further ahead when it is over than when it started?" I think out of this monitoring process should come a series of recommendations as to how we can better handle future large projects. I just wonder what the Minister's views are on these concepts.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My understanding is that there has been a society formed for the Norman Wells area at this moment and I believe that they will be meeting very soon, but I think there are some points that I have not been involved with before. So I am going to get Mr. Zariwny to mention some of those because the Norman Wells issue has been drawn on.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Zariwny.

MR. ZARIWNY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Under the authority of the resource development policy the Minister can make a request directly of the development impact society, in this case the Great Bear one which was incorporated a couple of weeks ago, and whose present interim chairman is Mr. John T'Seleie, to submit the monitoring report directly to him based on their observations and that report then could compare the objectives set as opposed to the actual performance of industry in the area. In addition to that both regional directors of Fort Smith and Inuvik submit monitoring reports to the Minister and these arrive on a regular basis and they are monitoring not only the ideal pipeline construction, but also Esso's expansion of its plant at Norman Wells.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I think that that process is a good one, but I do not think that an impact zone probably would have the resources to be able to do the sort of in-depth review that I am talking about because I think what we are dealing with is what sort of agreements have been made between this government, the federal government and industry. Is this government in a better position to interface with regulatory bodies? The NEB has set down certain criteria that the oil companies have to live up to. So I think it would be very difficult for an impacted zone or a regional director on their own to come up with the sort of comprehensive overall review process I am talking about.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: I will ask Mr. Zariwny to answer.

MR. ZARIWNY: Mr. Chairman, the regional directors do not have adequate resources to do comprehensive monitoring of the work in the Norman Wells area. However, the development impact society in the Great Bear area can, through the resource development policy, make a request of the Minister for money to hire professional people to do in fact their monitoring reports.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I will phrase it a different way. Has such a report been asked for and, if it has, will we be able to get a copy of such a report?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

Companies Co-operate On Voluntary Basis Only

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, we certainly can look at that. I know there have been some reports from those field operators and I will study what contents of these reports can be made available and from there I would think the Member will be able to assess whether these are effective or not. I would like to indicate to the House that all this involvement of the government presently through the Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat is really sort of a voluntary role as far as I am concerned. I think the Member knows that we just do not have any teeth to our policy, so we ask the companies and so on to come forth with voluntary reports to the government. We do not have such legislation enacted to compel those people to make an effective report to the government as well as to compel them to do what they are actually supposed to do in terms of the action plans. We can develop possibly a very good action plan as the proponent comes forward, but again it is voluntary. We do not have any legislation in our government that commits the developer to meet those terms and conditions that we want them to meet. So, therefore, not only are we facing the operational stage, production stage, but we also have a very real problem at the very early stage of the proponents of developments coming to the area.

I think this House is going to have to help us in guiding us as to whether or not the time has arrived to put forth legislation that would commit the developer at least to effectively carry out the actions plans that we have proposed. Legislation is good. We legislate for every aspect of society in the North but we are not legislating for any of the development. So, therefore, the action plans that we have possibly entered into and the third party -- really we have not been able to back them up. So therefore we have experiences like Tuktoyaktuk which this government has direct jurisdictional responsibilities for in terms of municipal and town facilities. We have been run all over the place because we just cannot back our case with them. We say we can issue, in consultation with them, a development certificate but again it is voluntary. It is not legislative. We make a gentlemen's agreement which either one of us can break any time. One can refuse to co-operate with us and I think that has been the case. I would say the time is probably getting very close, our trial period is enough that we may want to put forth legislation even just for development certificates so that the federal government and ourselves can commit ourselves to meet the possible expansion of the infrastructure of the community and also put in conditions and so on that the developer and ourselves can enter into. These are the kind of things that we are going to have to think about very closely and in the very near future we may have to talk about such possible legislation. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: You might well be right, it might be time. I am not sure of our constitutional authority to do that right now but we might be approaching the time when it will be necessary to legislate it. In the interim though I think one thing we can do is where the proponents of the pipeline are bound by the terms and conditions of National Energy Board approval. I understand that National Energy Board itself is monitoring whether or not these terms and conditions are being met. It is also difficult for them to really do that. I wonder, do we have a group that is monitoring the NEB terms and conditions where we can bring it directly to the attention of the National Energy Board that we do not think certain conditions are being met?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, I do not believe we have such a monitoring committee in the department. Many of these projects are case-by-case types of project that we are dealing with each day. I use the words "each day" because we do not have -- again it is an issue, a jurisdictional problem with the federal government. Maybe Mr. Zariwny can probably help me out on this one.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Zariwny.

MR. ZARIWNY: The Minister is correct, Mr. Chairman, we do not have any ongoing committees in the government monitoring the socio-economic aspects of say, the pipeline. I do think though that there is an agency within the Department of Renewable Resources that monitors the environmental aspects of it that this government is responsible for. But to my knowledge it does not report its findings to the National Energy Board.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I understand that the Department of Renewable Resources does in fact monitor some aspects of the pipeline but it still seems to me that by using some mechanism or other, having some sort of a body in this government that can look at the overall project we would be better prepared for the next large project. Because there are so many different aspects to this, so many different groups involved that nobody is looking at the totality of it. By the time that we have got it figured out we are going to be right in the middle of a new project and not be prepared.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

No Mechanism To Review Total Project

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you. I would agree totally with the Member that we just do not have in our government an agency or department that is looking at the development or the total picture of the North in terms of major development. We just do not have that agency in the government. I can tell you that I think, I know that the secretariat is overloaded with keeping track of all the developments that are taking place. But really, in terms of the real mandate, again that is not there. Economic Development has a certain role in developing action plans with the mineral developments and so on. As well, regional operations in the government are carrying out some role in terms of projects like Norman Wells. We have a regional co-ordinator that reports through the regional operations. So, I do not know how soon we can develop that but that is one I think we cannot afford to overlook any more. I am concerned about it. I have been taking a low profile at this time in this because I have just been overwhelmed with the kind of assignments that the secretariat is given but again the Executive Committee at this time has not looked at the major developments totally. So, as a result, we are forced to deal with it on a case-by-case and project-by-project basis. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Nerysoo.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: Mr. Chairman, I just want to also help the Minister here in one element and that is that while there are conditions that have been laid with regard to the Norman Wells pipeline project there are also agreements between the pipeline company and the unions which have a major effect on the kinds of employment opportunities that are available to residents of the NWT. In fact some of the concerns that people have expressed to date with regard to wanting jobs, wanting to work on a pipeline are in fact affected by that particular agreement. While we can monitor the kinds of concerns and the conditions that were suggested by the National Energy Board there are also other agreements that are outside those particular arrangements, outside the opportunities that are available to people in the North.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Nerysoo. Page 2.06, Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I end off with the last question and say I hope the Minister looks at that. I think Mr. Nerysoo's point is very complex. All the more reason why we need some sort of a body to look at the totality of it.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Ballantyne. Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I welcome these points being raised in the House because we are aware that we are faced with complex issues and some of them that we did not inherit in the first place but were passed on to us by the federal people and the developments that are taking place up here.

I would like to indicate to the House, I as Minister have given the secretariat a small mandate which I will be keeping track of within the next month to review within their department the kinds of things you are talking about. I have given them a small project to bring forward to me for consideration, whether or not the secretariat is really equipped to do the kinds of things that they are supposed to do. Because I am not that satisfied that we are. In terms of dealing with the resource development our resources in the government are spread around. Therefore, the secretariat as a small group, not being a department, is not able to take a leading role. So what I have given them to do is look at all the things within the six month period and put them in detail, in writing and bring them to me so that I might be able to bring forward to the Executive Council how we could better organize ourselves and equip ourselves and ask for certain guidance from them once I have reviewed that. I have also asked them to hold a workshop on the monitoring, a workshop of all the projects. So that will be taking place before too long. After that exercise I am sure they will be able to report back to us again the weaknesses and strengths and where we can improve, possibly with your suggestion I think that we will be able to integrate these as well. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Ballantyne.

Role Of Secretariat In Regulatory Process Review

MR. BALLANTYNE: Another aspect of the whole concept of resource development in the North is the whole area of the regulatory process. I know that as it is presently structured, industry is finding some difficulties with the very complex regulatory processes we find in the North. In my own opinion, that regulatory process is not doing the things it is supposed to do as far as protecting the interests of northerners, natives, the environment. It is making it very difficult for industry to function in the North. I understand that the federal government right now is reviewing the regulatory process in the NWT. What sort of input is the secretariat having in that review and what ideas? Does the Minister have any ideas of how we can better streamline the process to make it do the job it is supposed to do?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Mr. Chairman, I made reference to that, Mr. Chairman, the work that is stated to be conducted by people in the secretariat. I would like Al Zariwny to outline some of these regulatory processes that they are studying. I am sure they will be coming back to me with some recommendations. At this time I personally cannot add to that but I would like Mr. Zariwny to explain a little bit further.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Zariwny.

MR. ZARIWNY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. At this stage a regulatory review initiated by Mr. Munro is this: Terms of reference have been drafted and we as well as the Yukon government are looking at those terms of reference. The terms of reference call for an intergovernmental search through its own regulations, in this case the legislation and regulations of this government as well as the federal government and the Yukon government to determine how best legislation of these three governments can be streamlined and how the myriad of legislation can be brought down to something a little more simple. At this stage we are reviewing those terms of reference and they include reference to DIAND acts and our ordinances. Once that review of the terms of reference is done we will forward our remarks to the Minister and then a committee will be struck which would include the Yukon government, our government and spearheaded by a DIAND official.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, Mr. Ballantyne.

Scope Of Activities Of DIZ Organizations

MR. BALLANTYNE: In question period a couple of days ago I asked a couple of questions about the development impact zones, the terms of reference of the zones and asked the Minister for some explanation of exactly how the zones directly deal with other agencies besides the territorial

government. For instance do they deal directly with industry, do they deal directly with the federal government or do they have to come through the territorial government and the territorial government deals with these other organizations?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. We could get into probably more detail a little later, but as a society the DIZ organizations are free to seek information and invite people from the proponents, from industry for any information that will help them to formulate their recommendations to the government and to the appropriate organization, but they do not have the authority to negotiate action plans or whatnot. That lies with the Executive Council of the government. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: Again as the concept of the development impact zones is going to evolve over the years it seems to me now there is a potential, again as I brought up, for some confusion. For instance, if within the zone's either formal or informal dealings with the federal government, with industry, they put forward certain ideas they like -- even though they cannot negotiate them -- and they have the idea they want this and it is contrary to what the policies of the government are, it can create firstly some confusion and secondly some unrealistic expectations within the zone of what they actually can do. Do you see this as a potential problem?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. As far as I am concerned the potential problems are always there. We in the government, either as ordinary Members or Ministers, must try and minimize any potential problems involving terms of overlap and confusion that can happen any time, but regarding the forum, this society I think at least is giving members in the region an opportunity to discuss within their community, to take back the information received because we as a government, because of lack of resources, just cannot. As I indicated to the Member for Foxe Basin, we just do not have the kind of resources to provide all that kind of money for each community or each organization from each community for them to do separate and parallel research into impacts of the development. The best at this time that we can do is to establish a forum whereby they can deal with the issues that are priorities in the region. Anyone is free to take part in these meetings. I am sure the ordinary Members can be invited and ask and write and communicate with them to help them and guide them as well. I am glad to take part in these because they can forward to me some of the areas I should be as a Minister of the government focussing our attention on. They are a forum there. For lack of resources and jurisdiction over resource development we may not be able to give them as much as we would like to, but we certainly will pay very close attention to them and to their concerns. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: I agree that the DIZ groups play an important role. I wonder though what is the formal reporting relationship of an impact zone to this government? Are there regular reports that come in from each one of these DIZ groups to the government on a regular basis? Do they actually report directly to the Minister? What is that reporting relationship?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The policy, the guidelines for a DIZ society establish that they report directly to me but our Secretariat of Energy, Mines and Resources is their main contact point from the regions. I also believe that they do submit appropriate reports in the case of the Beaufort area directly to the Minister of Indian Affairs on matters that relate to federal jurisdiction. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Ballantyne, have you got any more questions?

MR. BALLANTYNE: Not now.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Page 2.06, Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, \$1,042,000. Mr. McCallum.

MR. McCALLUM: Mr. Chairman, just a brief question of the Minister. The DIZ groups that have been formed, their responsibilities are laid down pretty definitely in terms of what their tasks are, but in dealing with DIZ groups in the past there has been some kind of discontent expressed by them, that they want to do more than just look at the mitigative measures to analyse the projects. In point of fact they have expressed a concern that they would want to be one of the groups or one of the main groups who will give a yes or a no to any kind of development. I recognize that is not what is in the plan or the policy at the present time. I just wonder, other than for example the DIZ group on the Slave River, have other groups expressed that kind of concern to the secretariat or to the Minister that they would want more power? If they have, what has been the position of the secretariat and hence now the government in relation to those requests?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. My information is that no one has come forth with that kind of request.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat, Mr. McCallum.

Slave River DIZ Group And Community Of The Slave

MR. McCALLUM: Mr. Chairman, I wonder if the Minister or Mr. Zariwny would be able to indicate to me what the relationship now is between the DIZ group on the Slave River and the Community of the Slave which of course is a group fostered by the Government of Alberta who are involved with a number of people in various communities that would be affected with it? I know it has been indicated to Alberta in the past that we would prefer one group. Does he know or does Mr. Zariwny know if that Community of the Slave group is still in existence and what is the relationship between the two now?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Zariwny.

MR. ZARIWNY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The Community of the Slave still does exist and the relationship between that committee, which is a group established by the Alberta government some years ago and one which this government does not recognize as the public consultative group, and the Fort Smith DIZ society is one of keeping each other informed and that is the relationship as I know it. There is nothing more in the way of interaction between those two groups. I do know that at the last meeting we attended the DIZ group has asked that the Minister inform the Alberta government that there really is only one consultative group that this government recognizes and that is the DIZ group.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Zariwny. Mr. Erkloo.

MR. ERKLOO: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am going back to the development review committee. As you stated, they are just called a development committee. When they are incorporated they would be able to be allocated some money if they are requesting it. However this is a dangerous area; as I said, the council in Pond Inlet are informing each other and they have been informing each other about getting some smaller committees. I think the reason I am saying that is in Pond Inlet there was one called Pay TV. It was a television society and the policy was under a society policy and it was not run by the hamlet council. They started going down and they were full of debts. The hamlet council could not even get involved in there and the hamlet kept receiving letters that they are the municipality and the blame was put on the hamlet council and they were not able to do anything about it. That caused a problem when we were trying to develop some things like that, but I know for sure that Pond Inlet hamlet says if you get incorporated you will be allocated some money but they already know they would say they do not want to come out with another small committee. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Minister.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. You asked me that question about that. If you want to use the BRC about this you would be able to use the Baffin Regional Council. If you clarify what stages you want to be, please consult us about this. If you inform us and they met today in Arctic Bay, when we know exactly where they stand there might be some people going down to Frobisher. We will not be able to do anything if we are not clear about this and if they do not clarify this. When they have too many committees in Baffin Island that tends to cause some problems but already they have Baffin Regional Council. You can go through the Baffin Regional Council. This is up to you. Thank you.

Energy, Mines And Resources Secretariat, Total O And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Energy, Mines and Resources Secretariat. Total O and M is \$1,042,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Page 2.02, Department of the Executive, total O and M, \$10,771,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Capital, \$275,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): I would like to thank the Minister and Mr. Zariwny for their attendance. Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I believe the Deputy Speaker is ready to appear before the committee with the budget of the Legislative Assembly and I believe at this time Mrs. Sorensen's motion on the student apprentices would be discussed as well.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Is that agreed by the committee?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Okay, Mr. Wah-Shee will be here in a short while. In the meanwhile the items are on page 1.01 of your blue books. Are you prepared to deal with the main estimates of the Legislative Assembly, Mr. Wah-Shee?

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MR. WAH-SHEE: Yes, Mr. Chairman. I would like to have the Clerk and myself sit in the witness chair.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Is it agreed by committee?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Wah-Shee.

MR. WAH-SHEE: Mr. Chairman, I have a brief opening remark that I would like to make in regard to the Legislative Assembly budget.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Proceed, Mr. Wah-Shee.

MR. WAH-SHEE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. The Legislative Assembly budget provides for all activities of the Legislative Assembly including indemnities, allowances, salaries, and retiring allowances for the 24 Members of the Assembly, the costs of holding sessions of the Assembly,

meetings of standing and special committees, and for the provision of required administrative and support services. The total budget increase over 1983-84 is \$865,000 or 29 per cent and is the result of returning to a normal years operation. When compared to the 1982-83 budget, and using government wage and price guidelines we have only increased our budget overall by 6.3 per cent. Of course, this includes the costs involved for the two additional Members of the Legislature, and as well, a housing allowance under the same authority as government employees. With those brief remarks Mr. Chairman, the Clerk and myself will be prepared to answer any questions Members may have with regard to the Legislative Assembly budget.

Legislative Assembly, Total O And M, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Wah-Shee. General comments. Page 1.04, Legislative Assembly, total O and M, \$3,818,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Details of capital. Total furniture and equipment is \$124,000. Ms Cournoyea.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: I just want to question. Regarding the funds that we received for the Western Constitutional Forum and the Nunavut Constitutional Forum it appeared to me that constitutional development funds were sort of a separate nature. I was just wondering where it is reflected in here, or is it not? Is it reflected in the Aboriginal Rights Secretariat? I realize that if it was reflected here, we probably would have had a revenue in and balanced it off, but yet the Legislative Assembly budget does mention the constitutional development in the western portion of the Territories so I would like a clarification on if that money came in or was it channelled in another way? Where is it accounted for?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Deputy Speaker.

MR. WAH-SHEE: Mr. Chairman, the funding that is available to the Western Constitutional Forum and the Nunavut Constitutional Forum is not reflected in this budget because it is funding that comes directly from the federal government and is given directly to the two forums and it does not go through the Legislative Assembly. In regard to the constitutional development in the western portion of the Territories, it is in reference to the special committee that Nick Sibbeston was chairman of in the last Assembly. However, Mr. Chairman, we do not have any funds allocated for that in this particular budget.

Furniture And Equipment, Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. Detail of capital. Total furniture and equipment, \$124,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. Back to page 1.03. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think you will remember, sir, that there was a motion that was discussed in formal session and referred to committee of the whole to be discussed under the main estimates of the Legislative Assembly. That was the motion concerning the establishment of a legislative apprenticeship for youth. I would like now to re-submit that motion to be discussed, as agreed, under these main estimates.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Is it agreed by the committee that we deal with this motion at this time? Motion 24-84(1).

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Motion 24-84(1), Youth Leadership Program

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mrs. Sorensen, to the motion.

MRS. SORENSEN: Mr. Chairman, the motion is in Members' books, Motion 24-84(1). I will wait a minute until they find it. Mr. Chairman, the motion is as follows: Whereas it is important that individuals holding leadership positions assist and encourage those who will eventually take over these responsibilities; And whereas this House is interested in encouraging NWT young people in learning more about their Legislature; And whereas this House is also interested in having young people understand how government at both the headquarters and regional level operates; And whereas it is difficult for young people to see their government at the headquarters and regional levels and the Legislature and its committees in operation because of the distances and cost associated with travel; And whereas young people who have demonstrated an interest in social studies, civics and debating and citizenship and who show promise in school, should be recognized; Now therefore, I move, seconded by the Member for Kitikmeot West, Red Pedersen, that this House recommend to the Speaker that a program be designed for young people whereby each constituency over the next four years sends a student representative to spend one week with his or her MLA to observe and assist with the MLA duties and one week with the MLA to observe and help the MLA with a sitting of the Legislature; And further, that this House recommends that the expenses and an appropriate honorarium for each student be paid for by the Legislative Assembly; And further, that at the end of the four year term that all 24 students be invited to meet together and attend the last session of the 10th Assembly.

In speaking to the motion, Mr. Chairman, I commented in my remarks in formal session that I felt it was appropriate that at the same time that we were discussing the Young Offenders Act and the prosecution of the youth who have broken our laws in the Northwest Territories, that it was appropriate to also talk about some measure of reward and recognition for those youth who had excelled, who had demonstrated leadership in areas that we could be proud of.

In school, in the community perhaps, as young adults who are at some point going to be taking on more and more responsibility and perhaps more and more leadership roles in their community, in their community councils, with the local education authorities and perhaps some day at this level, the territorial level in the Legislative Assembly and indeed at the federal level as well. I further explained that it would be appropriate for this House to establish some type of a legislative internship for youth. We are one of the only jurisdictions in Canada that does not have something in the Legislature that recognizes youth and helps youth to understand government and the political process. It is the intention of this motion to ask the Speaker to come back to us with a program that he would design on our behalf whereby once in four years one of our constituents who was a youth would have the opportunity to spend some time with us and to learn more about the operations of the Legislature. I would stress that I refer here to a program that would be designed and would come back to us to look at. Also I do not mean 24 students each year, but, rather, one student from each constituency every four years so that in fact we would only have 24 students who would go through this program at the end of four years.

One of the Members questioned who would take the responsibility for the selection of these students or these young people and again I would emphasize that that would be part of the program design. When I spoke in my opening remarks I said that obviously there are several ways that we could select these students. I emphasized that I felt personally the MLAs should have a major role in the selection because obviously the MLA is the one who will be working with that student for the two week period and that MLAs may choose to do it differently in each constituency. One might choose to be the only person involved in the selection and others may choose to go to the schools or may choose to go to the community councils to get advice on who should be the one student who goes in the four year period or who comes to a sitting of the Legislature in the four year period. I would again emphasize that we are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars in this Legislature on special programs for adults and while it is true that recreation facilities in some ways are designed for children I would say that we are not spending anywhere near the dollars on positive programs for our youth. Nearly all Members, both on the finance committee and in the House, have

mentioned the problems that we have in the NWT with alcohol and drug abuse and with youth offenders. The concern I have is while this program will certainly not address in any large way the alcohol and drug abuse it is a symbol of the importance that this House places on the encouragement of those youths who are not into drug and alcohol abuse and who are not committing acts of vandalism in their communities but who rather are spending their time in acts of good work in their communities. It is what I would term positive reinforcement as opposed to the opposite which is punish those who do not do what they are supposed to do through the Young Offenders Act, but do little to recognize and reward those who are doing the things that we would like to see more young people doing in the communities.

There is a lot to be said for young people being exposed to what happens in the Legislature. A spin-off of that, of course, would be what happens in another community. They would be coming probably for the most part to Yellowknife for part of the budget session each year or part of the fall session, although that would be yet to be determined. I think there is a lot to be said for exposing young people to their government, to the ways of the Legislature, to how the process of governing is handled and what work the MLA does do because in learning that they then become ambassadors when they are back in their own communities. They then are able to talk to not only other students and other young people in the community, but also to the adults about what they learned and in so doing they become part of a network of people who are educating those who cannot come to Yellowknife to watch and to observe the Legislature and the government in action.

Mr. Hamilton has indicated I think that the cost would be somewhere between \$20,000 and \$30,000 a year which would include the travel expenses if we were to handle it along the lines of six students or six young people coming into the program each year so that six constituencies would be represented each year for a total of 24 over four years. When I did my own calculations I calculated \$10,000 to \$20,000. I had the research officer give me an accounting of the dollars for travel, for accommodation and added an honorarium to that and I came up with \$10,000 to \$20,000, but I had forgotten that there was the suggestion in there that the student may be required to also go to a regional office to spend one week in the regional headquarters and that is why the dollar amount has been raised from \$20,000 to \$30,000. I certainly do not think that is too much to spend on positive reinforcement for the older youths...

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Mrs. Sorensen, you have used up your 10 minutes. Does the committee wish for her to continue?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Nay.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Yes.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Continue.

MRS. SORENSEN: I do not feel it is too much to ask this Legislature to find. I realize it is not in the budget at this time, but neither is the money for the Young Offenders Act to be implemented. Neither is the money to send six MLAs across the North and I understand that some of them want to go to every community in the NWT which in my estimation will cost us close to half a million dollars if that were to happen. It is pretty exhausting as well. I would remind Members that that funding is not in the budget and yet we have approved the establishment of a special committee on housing. So there has been a commitment to find those funds.

Finally, a constituent of mine who happened to be in the House the other day when this issue was raised has given me a report out of British Columbia that describes -- it is some years old but it describes part of the youth parliament that they have established there. In the body of the report it indicates that church groups and service groups have been involved in helping to finance and sponsor young people to be a part of the Youth Parliament in British Columbia. I am also aware that here in Yellowknife that the United Church sponsors a student from Yellowknife to go to the parliamentary youth program in Alberta and that there is a possibility that if we were to set up a youth parliamentary program here, a youth legislative internship as I have called it, that the church groups already recognizing the value in sending one student from here to Alberta may be prepared to assist with the sponsoring of students in the NWT. I know that there are other groups like Rotary, the Elks club, groups like that that are always looking for programs that they can be a part of and sponsor that are worthwhile. I think most people today recognize that positive reinforcement of our youth has an awful lot of merit and is something that many people would like

to be a part of. So I would encourage Members to support this, recognizing that we are asking for the Speaker and his people obviously to design a program and that that program would come to each of us to be looked at and to be discussed and to be accepted or rejected or amended. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Thank you. Mr. Pedersen, as seconder to this motion do you wish to speak to the motion?

MR. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think all the positive things that could be said have been said and I will turn it over to the floor. Thank you.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): To the motion. Question is being called. Honourable Mr. Patterson.

Model And Youth Parliaments

HON. DENNIS PATTERSON: Mr. Chairman, I certainly can support the motion and I am sure the Speaker will address the source of funds. That is always a matter of concern for all of us. I would just like to mention that I support the motion because of something that happened with one of my constituents. He somehow, and I never did quite find out how, was sponsored to attend a model parliament in Ottawa which brought together young people from all across Canada. This boy who lives in Apex, came back very enthused about the experience he had had and about parliament and a career in politics and approached me about helping organizing some kind of a territorial parliamentary association for youth. I am pleased that the motion comes then because I think this may be a way in which we can respond to the interest of my particular constituent.

I would like to recommend, Mr. Chairman, that in reviewing this proposal the Speaker and the staff at the Legislative Assembly look at model parliaments in Canada and find out whether or not this initiative might possibly connect with programs that are in existence in other provinces, neighboring provinces or through programs perhaps sponsored by the federal government which I suspect was how Jack Peter, my constituent got to Ottawa. I would suggest we should ask that a connection with model parliaments and youth parliaments be included in the report. I will just leave it as a suggestion. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Thank you. Ms Cournoyea, to the motion.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Mr. Chairman, I would assume that if anybody did not support this motion they would really look like a schmuck, as the kids would say. Really, I guess some of the things that I would think about when we are going to invite these young people to this Legislative Assembly so they can become enthused, is whether we are going to do something to be more enthusiastic, to put on a good performance, you know, while they are here.

MRS. SORENSEN: It means Ministers have to stay in their chairs.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: I have had a number of people come into the Legislative Assembly and say, "Is that what you do? Is that real life? I never want to be a councillor because you know, how can you?" and so we sit down and we talk about it. I think that no matter what we propose to do, and I suppose it is good to support this motion, but I take a look at a lot of the people at the community level and all the help they need. Presently I am trying to raise money, \$500, for a young boy who shows a lot of promise so that he can go out to hockey school. Then there is another little girl who has special deficiencies in her health. I cannot seem to get her out of the Territories so that she can have special help. There are a few people that have really bad ear problems that we are trying to get out so that they can overcome some learning deficiencies. So although I feel this is admirable and I just wonder if maybe it is really the way that we are going to reach the most people. We do have a lot of shortfalls in the areas where people are really suffering. I certainly support Mrs. Sorensen's motion that oftentimes we look to the handicapped or the people who have more problems and do not support the people who are positively moving ahead. I have difficulty sometimes in reconciling whether this particular exercise is going to be meaningful in a positive sense compared to what we might do for other shortfalls in young peoples ability to get to a point of being, demonstrating skills in social studies, civics, debating and citizenship and show promise in school. It is sometimes very sad when you know a lot of young people who never get past grade seven because they have so many different problems. Although I

support the motion I just wanted to remind people that there are many, many students sitting at the community level having learning deficiencies, having handicaps, that we have not addressed. The people who are good in school I believe really get a lot of support from the teachers because the teachers are kind of happy to have them there. The other ones that have problems themselves and problems at home do not really get that support and that boost that Mrs. Sorensen appeared to say existed. So I will support the motion but I just want to caution that we do have a lot of other problems and issues that we should deal with.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Can Members speak to the motion and make it short? We are running out of time. Mr. Gargan.

Motivation Not From Community Level

MR. GARGAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I myself too I have kind of a difficulty in supporting this motion. Basically one of the reasons is that in the House right now we do have bellhops that take care of the messages and that here. Out of all these, I believe there is one Dene that is on stand-by. The rest are all non-Dene. So that is one of my concerns. And the other thing too is that I believe Mrs. Sorensen mentioned something about the housing committee, getting additional moneys. The thing about housing is that we are consulting with the communities to find out how best we could deal with the housing situation. On this motion as it stands, we have not consulted the communities. We have not motivated the communities to create that interest. Not only that but it is geared toward the best students. Bearing that in mind, I would say, even within my own constituency, I would in the lifetime of my work as an MLA, probably not see a Dene being represented or brought to this Assembly to learn about the roles of the MLAs and this government. I guess the only other thing I could say to the motion is that I think Thomas Berger said to get positive results you have to consult with communities. I see this motion as this government handing down again a silver platter to the communities to the best people they could find.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Mr. Nerysoo, we only have five minutes time.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: No doubt, Mr. Chairman, people have heard me voice my particular concern. I continue to voice that concern and I am going to vote against the suggestion. Firstly, this House is looking for approximately \$324,000 for a housing allowance to Members in this House. Members have asked in this House as well an increase in their constituencies. They have also requested for a special committee approximately \$500,000. The reality is that one of the suggestions made by the honourable Member, the mover of the motion, suggested a youth employment program, an initiative of that particular type. I think that that type of initiative is far more reaching to people than this particular type of a program.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Point of order, Mr. Chairman.

HON. RICHARD NERYSOO: I am therefore going to vote against the motion.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Honourable Mr. Curley. A point of order.

Motion To Extend Sitting Hours, Carried

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: I would like to move that we extend the sitting hours until this motion is dealt with so that we can have a peaceful night tonight.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): All those in favour of the motion? Opposed? Motion is carried.

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Continue, Mr. Nerysoo.

MR. BALLANTYNE: Point of privilege, Mr. Chairman.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: The housing allowance would cost \$86,400 not \$300,000.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Erkloo): Mr. Curley.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I regret that we have to put a price tag on some of the very, very important initiatives, that we have to tie in with the other problems to try and take a positive step to bring some of the young people who probably have some interest in the way in which their government is operating, who do not have an opportunity to take part and help in developing the future of the North. I continue to be aggravated every day by the fact that we do not have enough younger people, young people that are eventually going to take your place and my place in developing the North. I regret that we have to take the negative aspect of one possible positive step that we could play a role in and mix it up with the other political things and the fact that we have to get political with the initiative taken by the Member. I would think though it would probably have a chance if we just said that only the native people should come here. That probably would have got through but that would not be good enough either because we in the Territories must be concerned with all of our constituents here. With this proposal we have an opportunity to bring our own constituent. You know, it could be made in a situation that maybe you do not want to, some of them probably do not want to but I know there are people in my constituency that would want to learn a bit, possibly helping them, guiding them to the kind of field they eventually might get into. I think that was that. Sure, there are a lot of priorities we are faced with but we do not have a comprehensive plan to alleviate all the problems that are raised. In view of that we are dealing with them step by step and I think that motion is just that, to alleviate one area in which we have not been able to be successful through the educational system. So, reluctantly I am going to support the motion although it has very little chance of being implemented I would think without unanimous support. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): To the motion, Mr. McCallum.

MR. McCALLUM: I simply would want to say, Mr. Chairman, that I agree with the motion to have this House recommend to the Speaker that a program be designed. If the program is not of a design that meets with the approval of everybody then obviously we will not have a program, but just to have something started in this particular way -- I do not see how anybody can go against the motion. I am in favour of beginning to initiate something. That is what the motion says.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. MacQuarrie, to the motion.

Internship Or Reward

MR. MacQUARRIE: I am certainly very much in favour of this Assembly doing something specific and concrete to recognize ability in young people and interest and that sort of thing and I commend Mrs. Sorensen for bringing the motion forward. The one area of concern that I have is I think it is not clear in my own mind yet and maybe in the minds of other Members as to what is the main purpose of it? Is it to recognize and reward the type of people that were referred to? If that is the case, would what is suggested be the best way of doing it? Could it be done as effectively but at less cost? On the other hand is the intention of the mover and more Members to actually establish a parliamentary intern system rather than just the idea of rewarding deserving students, in which case this may not be the most effective way to do it? So it might not in a way do justice to either thing. Some students might feel better rewarded in some other way rather than spending two weeks with us. I just hope that those comments would be considered. I hope the motion passes and, if it does, I hope that kind of thing would be considered by the Speaker and his staff when they are designing a possible program.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. MacQuarrie. Mrs. Lawrence.

MRS. LAWRENCE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I have said before I strongly support youth programs, but I do not feel bringing youth into the House for two weeks will help our youth. Number one, it might turn them off, sitting here for two weeks at a time. It is even hard for adults to sit for a few days. Therefore we have a lot of empty seats and my concern is that it might turn them off completely from that sort of thing, although we do have good intentions.

My other concern is that I guess my support would be more toward some kind of recreation for our youth in the communities. When you look at the Arctic Winter Games, the list of names there, I see one person coming from my constituency. That is due to lack of facilities and training. That really concerns me much more than having to bring a youth into this place for two weeks. Although we do have one constituency, we have several communities that we have to choose from and I just

hope it does not turn out to be a fight about who is going to come in and who is not. I am sure there is a different way of supporting our youth and I am just hoping that sitting here for two weeks at a time will not turn off our young people.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mrs. Lawrence. Mr. Ballantyne.

MR. BALLANTYNE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I think we have to recognize the intent of this motion is not to attempt to solve all the problems of youth in the Territories. We are talking about an expenditure of \$20,000 to \$30,000 a year. That is all. It is one small, very positive step in the whole area of youth and it should not be conceived as an alternative to handling the very serious problems of youth. So I am fully in support of the motion and I would suggest that if the motion passes all of us should let the Speaker know our particular feelings on how we see this program should be developed so the Speaker has a good idea from all the Members before he actually comes back with recommendations to us.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): To the motion. Mr. Angottitauruq.

MR. ANGOTTITAUURUQ: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am also in favour of this motion. I have heard a lot of things since we got here, things I have never heard of before and I thought it might be a very valuable thing to bring some young people over here to at least find out about how the Assembly runs. It is a very hard situation to deal with if people do not know what is carried on in this Assembly, in your constituency. I believe that a good student comes here and opens a few little doors about how the Assembly is run. We have a budget of \$550 million or somewhere around there. A lot of people want some money grabbed out of that, but they do not know how it is divided, but for the future I think if we brought a student over here that student or those students could in some way open the doors for people who have questions about the way the Assembly is being run. I do not think I could say anything further about supporting this motion, but I seem to see it as a good education to the people and also good to our constituencies because as MLAs I do not think we could fully explain how everything is run. Once we visit our constituency we could talk to students, but we do not have all that much opportunity to talk to students and these students are the ones that are going to be looking after our future. I do not think we can fully as MLAs explain exactly everything to everybody in our constituency but to bring a student I think would be rather helpful to explain to the other students and to the public in some way. We could contact the public in our constituencies. I think that is about all I have to say. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Angottitauruq. To the motion.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Question.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Appaqaq.

MR. APPAQAQ: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I am not too sure as to whether I am going to support this or not. I am just wondering exactly how they would be learning in the House here and I know myself that while I am sitting here I tell my constituents, without talking about anybody else. I do not think that I would really want myself as a student to look at the debates and I would not want him or her to sit behind me but I feel that maybe if he or she sits right in the House with us inside the ropes they could really learn. The people who are in the audience have not been able to tell us exactly how the Legislative Assembly runs. I do not know exactly how they are going to do this motion but I am going to be in support of it.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Question has been called. Mrs. Sorensen, would you like to -- Mr. Curley, on a point of privilege.

HON. TAGAK CURLEY: (Translation) Somebody mentioned that they are going to be taught in the House as to how the Legislative Assembly is run. It is not going to be exactly like that. I would like to say there are a lot of young people we have to teach for the future. We are not trying to teach them to become MLAs in the future. The student is going to help you in whatever you want him to do while he is here. We could do it as a pilot thing. That is what it is about. I just want everybody to understand we are not trying to teach him or her exactly how the Legislative Assembly is run. One week he will stay here and the other week he will go back to the settlement.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): To the motion. Question was called. Mrs. Sorensen.

MRS. SORENSEN: No, thank you.

Motion 24-84(1), Youth Leadership Program, Carried

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): All those in favour signify by raising your hands. All those opposed. This motion is carried.

---Carried

Total O And M, Agreed

Thank you. We are back on page 1.03, Legislative Assembly, total O and M, \$3,818,000. Ms Cournoyea.

HON. NELLIE COURNOYEA: Just as information I realize we are going to be moving into new offices or a new Legislative Assembly and I am wondering just where it is within the budget. It does not seem to be identified unless it is in O and M. I would not mind having some information on what that is going to cost us. Where does it signify the funds in the budget?

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Mr. Deputy Speaker.

MR. WAH-SHEE: Mr. Chairman, the arrangement with the Yellowknife Inn is on a lease basis and also the funds to lease the space that will be required are reflected in the DPW budget.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you, Mr. Deputy Speaker. Total O and M, \$3,818,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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Total Capital, Agreed

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Total capital, \$124,000. Agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): I would like to thank the Deputy Speaker and the Clerk. Mr. Butters.

HON. TOM BUTTERS: May I suggest to the committee that possibly tomorrow as the first order of business we might move to the legislation, the financial Bills 2-84(1), 3-84(1) and 4-84(1) which will pick up our supplementary estimates and then our expectation is that Mr. McLaughlin will be back in the House and can carry on with the Health and Social Services budget.

CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Is it agreed by the committee?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

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CHAIRMAN (Mr. Gargan): Thank you. We will now report progress.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Gargan.

ITEM 16: REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF BILL 1-84(1), APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, 1984-85; TABLED DOCUMENT 4-84(1), 1984-85 MAIN ESTIMATES; MOTION 24-84(1), YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

MR. GARGAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Your committee has been considering the main estimates of the Department of Renewable Resources, the Department of the Executive and the Legislative Assembly and wish to report progress with Motion 24-84(1) being carried.

Motion To Accept Report Of Committee Of The Whole, Carried

Mr. Speaker, I move that the report of committee of the whole be concurred with.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Members have heard the report of the chairman of committee of the whole, are you agreed?

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

---Carried

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you. Are there any announcements from the floor? Mr. Appaqaq.

MR. APPAQAQ: (Translation) Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will be going back home to Sanikiluaq tomorrow. I just want to inform you. I have been here for quite a while now. I know that we will be dealing with financial budget estimates and I am glad that it is nearly over now. The Ministers have heard my concerns. Please do not forget about my concerns. If I am all right in May I will see you again. And also, I will be not too happy to be coming back here because it will be a spring session. Thank you.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Appaqaq. Mrs. Lawrence.

MRS. LAWRENCE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I regret to inform the House of the death of a respected elder of my constituency of Tu Nedhe. Johnny Tassie of Snowdrift who hunted and trapped most of his life and was also very active in the local band council died on Monday. He was 88 years old.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Mrs. Lawrence. Any further announcements? Mr. Gargan.

MR. GARGAN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to ask for unanimous consent from this House to return to Item 10, notices of motion.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Unanimous consent is being requested to return to Item 10. Are you agreed?

AN HON. MEMBER: Nay.

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: There is a nay. Unanimous consent has been denied. Are there any further announcements from the floor? That concludes the announcements from the floor. Mr. Clerk, announcements and orders of the day.

CLERK OF THE HOUSE (Mr. Hamilton): Announcements, Mr. Speaker. There will be a meeting of the standing committee on finance and public accounts at 11:30 tomorrow morning.

ITEM 18: ORDERS OF THE DAY

Orders of the day for Thursday, March 1st at 1:00 p.m.

1. Prayer
2. Members' Replies
3. Ministers' Statements
4. Oral Questions
5. Written Questions
6. Returns
7. Petitions
8. Reports of Standing and Special Committees
9. Tabling of Documents

10. Notices of Motion
11. Notices of Motion for First Reading of Bills
12. Motions
13. First Reading of Bills
14. Second Reading of Bills
15. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters: Bill 1-84(1); Tabled Document 4-84(1); Bills 2-84(1), 3-84(1), 4-84(1), 5-84(1), 6-84(1); Motion 25-84(1)
16. Report of Committee of the Whole
17. Third Reading of Bills
18. Assent to Bills
19. Orders of the Day

MR. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. This House stands adjourned until March 1st, Thursday, at 1:00 p.m.

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