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Mr. Ovide Alakannuark, Mr. Olayuk Akesuk, Honourable Jack Anawak, Mr. Levi Barnabas, Mr. Donald Havioyak, Mr. David Iqaqrialu, Mr. Enoki Irqittuq, Honourable Peter Kilabuk, Honourable Peter Kattuk, Mr. Glenn McLean, Honourable Kelvin Ng, Mr. Jobie Nutarak, Honourable Paul Okalik, Honourable Ed Picco, Mr. Uriash Puqiqnak, Honourable Manitok Thompson, Mr. Hunter Tootoo.

#### **Item 1: Opening Prayer**

**Deputy Speaker** (Hon. Uriash Puqiqnak) (interpretation): I would like to have Mr. Iqaqrialu say the opening prayer.

>>Prayer

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Please be seated. Thank you Mr. Iqaqrialu. Orders of the day. Before going to the orders of the day, Mr. Tootoo has a point of order. Please proceed.

#### **Point of Order**

**Mr. Tootoo**: Mr. Speaker I rise to make a point of order. Yesterday Mr. Speaker, in this house the member from Cambridge Bay stated that I have been misrepresenting the cost of the Kiilinik High School project for my own political means. Mr. Speaker, I believe that rule 23 (i) and (j) are relevant in this case. Rule 23 states clearly that it is impermissible to impute false or hidden motives to another member.

Mr. Speaker, when the member across the floor indicated that I am misrepresenting something for my own political means then I would ask that he indicate to the members of this House whether he can substantiate that claim that I have a hidden agenda. I have been raising legitimate questions and concerns on a very important issue of where our priorities are for the government in allocating our very limited capital dollars.

On the basic issues of accountability, transparency and fairness. This is the only thing that I am trying to achieve. I have nothing to gain personally or politically in asking these questions aside from keeping my commitment to people who elected me to stand up for a transparent and accountable government. Mr. Speaker, rule 23 (j) states that it is impermissible to charge another member with a deliberate falsehood.

Mr. Speaker, by accusing me of misrepresenting the costs of the project I would again challenge the minister to provide proof of motivation. Mr. Speaker, I would ask that you would direct the minister to withdraw his comments and apologise. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Ng do you wish to respond to the point of order.

**Hon. Kelvin Ng**: Mr. Speaker, I would ask for time to review the Hansard and respond accordingly. I am not prepared at this time to withdraw my comments. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you. We will review the Hansard. Before we go to the orders of the day I wish to inform the members first we will review the Hansard on the member for Iqaluit Centre's Point of Order and I will make a ruling on this point of order. It won't be today but I will let you know what my decision is at the appropriate time. At this time before we get back to orders of the day, Mr. O'Brien, the Speaker will not be in the House as he has to travel to Arviat.

Also Commissioner Irniq is accompanying him to Arviat as there was an elder that passed away John Arnalukjuak so they have gone to Arviat for a memorial service. We will miss Mr. Arnalukjuak as he is one of those that paved the way to the making of Nunavut so that we will have a better future.

Back to the orders of the day. Item 2. Ministers' Statements. Mr. Premier.

#### **Item 2: Ministers' Statements**

#### Minister's Statement 118 - 1(3): Absence of Education Minister

**Hon. Paul Okalik** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Speaker. It is good to see you are here again today. I rise to tell you our Minister for Education, James Arvaluk, will not be in the house today. He is not feeling well. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Premier. Ministers' Statements. Mr. Picco.

#### Minister's Statement 119 - 1(3): Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit

**Hon. Ed Picco**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Good morning. Mr. Speaker, the Nunavut Government exists today because of an idea that was born twenty years ago. The leaders at that time had a vision of government that would be closer to the people and that would create programs and services that respect and reflect Inuit culture. Today I want to share with you and the members of this assembly some of the ways that our government department will build Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit into our philosophy, programs and services.

In our proposed budget we had allocated funds to ensure that our department seeks the advice of elders to build a strong foundation of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit. My department will work interdepartmentally to share our resources, including the elders we will be

consulting with. We will continue to develop linkages and to collaborate with the organizations such as Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated and the Nunavut Social Development Council.

Mr. Speaker, the Nunavut Government and the Department of Social Services had made steady progress in establishing Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit in its structures and its processes. It takes time and commitment and there are many steps to take. But, Mr. Speaker, the department of health and social services is determined to succeed to bring the dream of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit to life. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

#### >>Applause

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Picco. Ministers' Statements. Orders of the Day. Members' Statements. Mr. Alakannuark.

#### **Item 3: Members' Statements**

#### Member's Statement 339 - 1(3): Working Relationship in the House

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise today to talk today about how we are progressing at the Legislative Assembly. At this time I am pleased that the discussions are moving forward but I would like to urge the members to work together as regular members. We are feeling powerless and oppressed by the government. If we are going to proceed that way into the future it will be extremely hard to have a working relationship amongst all members.

We have been proceeding in the House with obstacles, which is expected at times. I have difficulty reading my own writing. We need to discuss issues without creating barriers and conflicts amongst ourselves. That way we will have a working relationship and we will be better in the long run for the government. I am not criticising anyone in my member's statement. Instead, I strongly encourage members to work closely together. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

#### >>Applause

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Alakannuark. Members' Statements. Member for Baker Lake. Mr. McLean.

#### Member's Statement 340 - 1(3): Made in Nunavut Ties

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Uqaqti. I rise today to recognize the Premier's beautiful tie. I myself wear one of these ties today. The beautiful ties were manufactured and designed in my home community of Qamanittuaq, by the Inuit of Qamanittuaq.

Mr. Speaker, there are many beautiful items designed and manufactured in Qamanittuaq and are for sale all through the world and it pleases me to see the distinguished leader of

Nunavut wear such a tie. Yes, Mr. Speaker, Jessie Oonark does mail order, their phone number is in the book, and they do mail order.

>>Applause

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Members' Statements. Mr. Iqaqrialu.

#### Member's Statement 341 - 1(3): Alcohol and Tobacco

**Mr. Iqaqrialu** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to make a statement about tobacco and alcohol. These things in Nunavut Mr. Speaker, we do not have agriculture, we do not grow tobacco products, and we do not distil alcohol. These things are not coming from the Nunavut area.

Mr. Speaker, I would like everyone to know we in Nunavut whenever we use those tobacco and alcohol products sometimes unpleasant things happen and it appears that we are the ones that brought these things to Nunavut. We do not make those products in Nunavut. They come from the southern provinces those things that make our bodies go bad, as it is not coming from the Nunavut people. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Iqaqrialu. Members' Statements. Mr. Tootoo.

#### Member's Statement 342 - 1(3): Response to Minister Ng's Member's Statement

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker my statement today is lengthy and I will be seeking unanimous consent to conclude my statement. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to respond to a statement made yesterday by the member for Cambridge Bay. Mr. Speaker, there are serious allegations against me in that statement. Allegations that I wish to address one by one.

Before I begin, I would like to point out that the statement that I made on Monday April 17, which the member quoted from, was made on behalf of all the regular members. To the extent the member insults me he insults all the regular members. On the point of manipulation of public opinion Mr. Speaker, the member quoted my earlier statement that members are particularly concerned students and others in Cambridge Bay are being manipulated into thinking and making statements to the effect that members do not care about their needs.

The member challenged me to identify the individual or individuals responsible for this manipulation. Mr. Speaker, I can only say that it is apparent that the people are being quoted in the media who may not have been given full factual information on the MLAs concerns about the project. About the MLAs concerns about the needs in other communities nor the fact that MLAs have indicated in the House that they supported the school in Cambridge Bay.

Members had legitimate questions about the extras especially in light of the need of other communities. But this is not how it has been portrayed by this member in the House. In addition, there have been all kinds of statements by government ministers about members concerns over the last few weeks. In particular about the drastic effect of the deferral of the education capital budget. It got people all worked up even though Public Works officials in Cambridge Bay stated only yesterday the fact that construction could go ahead after yesterday's supposed deadline.

Mr. Speaker, we want an open, transparent and accountable government. This is the best way to have . . .Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to conclude my statement.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): The member is seeking unanimous consent to conclude his statement. I would like to tell the member about the point of order this morning and I said we would look at the Hansard and get back to the members. I think you are making a member's statement about the same issue. So we will be looking at the Hansard and reporting back to the house. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Mr. Speaker, maybe just to clarify it. My point of order was in regards to basically one last line in the member's statement. I have a lot of other issues in that statement that I wish to address in my member's statement. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. We will go to the orders of the day members' statements. Members' Statements. Under item 4. Returns to Oral Questions. We will get back to Members' Statements. We have to know that the point of order was made and I can tell Mr. Tootoo, I would caution Mr. Tootoo not to talk about the Point of Order. Is that okay with the members if Mr. Tootoo continues. Mr. Tootoo you can continue with your member's statement.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, MLAs have talked about factual information on MLAs concerns about the project, about the MLAs concerns about the needs of other communities, nor the fact that MLAs have stated in the House that they support the school in Cambridge Bay. Members had legitimate concerns about the extras especially in light of the needs of other communities, but this has not been portrayed by this member in the House.

In addition, there have been all kinds of statements by the government ministers about members' concerns over the last few weeks in particular, about the drastic effect of the deferral of the education capital budget. This got people all worked up even though the Public Works official in Cambridge Bay stated only yesterday that the project would go ahead even after yesterday's supposed deadline.

Mr. Speaker, we want an open and transparent and accountable government. The best way to do this is to have an informed debate about issues. By not providing information in a clear, forthcoming manner people are left to draw their own conclusions on bits of quotes they have heard on the radio and perhaps comments from individuals with information they have obtained from discussions going on here in Iqaluit.

Mr. Speaker, on the cost of the school. Mr. Speaker, in my statement on Monday, I used figures that the government provided to regular members that the average school in Nunavut costs between 2800 and 3200 dollars a square meter. I then took the government advertisement for the building of the new school and took the number is using itself, the number of square metres the school will be.

I did simple arithmetic that any elementary student in Nunavut could do and multiplied these numbers together. If the Cambridge Bay school was an average school and using the governments own numbers it should cost between 10.7 and 11.5 million dollars. But the budget is 14.2 million. Again, Mr. Speaker using simple arithmetic the difference is roughly 3 million dollars.

But the member has his own form of arithmetic that he provided for the house yesterday, in an effort to, quote "correct the record. . .

**Hon. Kelvin Ng**: Point of Order.

#### **Point of Order**

**Deputy Speaker**: Mr. Ng.

**Hon. Kelvin Ng**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wasn't using my own form of arithmetic. The reference, I quite clearly referenced the tabled document on the Cambridge Bay budget for the Kiilinik High School that is tabled along with the main estimates and the business plans for the Department of Education that is before the house. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): I think we are hearing two points of order. We will review the Hansard and then report to the House.

I cannot let the member continue with his statement because we have to review the Hansard. Okay going back to Orders of the Day. Returns to Oral Questions. Returns to Oral Questions. Item 5. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery. Item 6. Oral Questions. Oral Questions. Orders of the Day.

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**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I missed. I seek unanimous consent to move back to Item 6 on the agenda. Oral Questions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): The Member is seeking unanimous consent to move back to Item 6. Does he have unanimous consent.

A Member: Nay.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): There is one nay so according to the rules there is no unanimous consent. Going back to the Orders. Under Item 13. Tabling of Documents. Tabling of Documents. Mr. Kilabuk.

#### **Item 13: Tabling of Documents**

Tabled Document 87 - 1(3): 2000-2001 Department of Sustainable Development Business Plan

**Hon. Peter Kilabuk** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wish to table a document, "2000-2001 Department of Sustainable Development Business Plan". Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you. According to Motion 14-1(3), the Sustainable Development Business Plan will be moved to Committee of the Whole for discussion. Item 13. Tabling of Documents. Item 14. I am sorry. Member for Kugluktuk Mr. Havioyak.

#### **Tabled Document 88 - 1(3): Letters from Northern Employees Union**

**Mr. Havioyak** (interpretation): I would like to table the four letters from members of the Northern Employees Union. Thank you.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Havioyak. Item 14. I am sorry Item 13. Tabling of Documents. Tabling of Documents. Item 14. Notices of Motions. Mr. Akesuk.

#### **Item 14: Notices of Motions**

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I give Notice that on Friday April 25, 2000 I will move the following motion:

Whereas section 38 of the Legislative Assembly and Executive Council Act provides that the Legislative Assembly establish Standing and Special Committees, and;

Whereas rule 89-2 of the rules of the Legislative Assembly support the Striking Committee to recommend Member to fill vacancies on Standing Committees and whereas the Legislative Assembly has chosen to make provision to the Membership of the Standing Committees;

Now therefore I move recommended by the Honourable Member for Iqaluit Centre that the following Members be appointed to the Standing Committee on Government

Operations and Services. Levi Barnabas, Member for Quttiktuq to replace Glenn McLean Member for Baker Lake.

And further more, the following Members be appointed alternates to the Standing Committee of the Government Operations and Services, Mr. McLean Member for Baker Lake, Donald Havioyak, Member for Kugluktuk, and;

Therefore that the following Member be appointed to the Standing Committee for Culture, Education and Health, Donald Havioyak, Member for Kugluktuk, Glenn McLean Member for Baker Lake and;

Furthermore that the following Member would be appointed as alternates to the Standing Committee on Culture, Education and Health, Levi Barnabas, Member for Quttiktuq, Glenn McLean for Baker Lake, and;

Furthermore that the following Members be appointed to the Standing Committee on Community Empowerment and Sustainable Development, Donald Havioyak, Member for Kugluktuk and;

Therefore that the following Members be appointed to alternate to the Standing Committee on Community Empowerment and Sustainable Development, Mr. Olayuk Akesuk, Member for South Baffin, and;

Furthermore that the following Member be appointed to the Standing Committee Ajauqtiit, Levi Barnabas, Member for Quttiktuq, and;

Furthermore that the following Member to as alternate to the Standing Committee on Ajauqtiit, Enoki Irqittuq, and;

Furthermore the following Member be appointed to the Striking Committee, Mr. McLean, Member for Baker Lake to replace Kevin O'Brien, Member for Arviat, and;

Furthermore that the Membership of the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures and Privileges be reconstituted with the following Members Honourable Kelvin Ng, Member for Cambridge Bay, Uriash Puqiqnak, Member for Nattilik, Hunter Tootoo, Member for Iqaluit Centre, David Iqaqrialu, Member for Uqqumiut, Levi Barnabas, Member for Quttiktuq, Ovide Alakannuark, Member for Akulliq, and;

Furthermore that the following Members be appointed as alternates to the Standing Committee on Rules and Procedures and Privileges, Mr. Enoki Irqittuq, Member for Amittuq, and Jobie Nutarak, Member for Tunnuniq. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Akesuk. Notices of Motions. Notices of Motions. Notices of Motions. Going back to the Orders. Item 15. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills. Item 16. Motions. Motions. Item 17. First Reading of Bills. Item 18. Second

Reading of Bills. Item 18. Second Reading of Bills. Item 19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and other matters. Bill 13. Tabled Documents 41-1(3), Tabled Documents 61-1(3), Tabled Document 61-1(3). Tabled Document 81-1(3), Tabled Document 85-1(3), and by the power that has been invested in me as Speaker Committee of the Whole will sit until they are ready to report progress with Mr. Iqaqrialu as Chairperson.

#### Item 19: Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters

**Chairperson** (Mr. Iqaqrialu) (interpretation): Welcome. We were dealing with Community Government & Transportation and we are also dealing with Bill 13, Tabled Document 41-1(3), Tabled Document 61-1(3), 84-1(3). The Minister of Community Government & Transportation had his opening remarks yesterday. Are there any comments from the members. Mr. Anawak did you have your hand up.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Mr. Chairperson I am sorry our staff is not in the House at this time.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. We will take a 15 minute break. The departmental officials are not here.

>> Committee recessed at 10:30 and resumed at 11:03 a.m.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): We can resume our session. We have opening remarks by the Chairperson of the committee Mr. Irqittuq.

#### 2000-2001 Main Estimates for Community Government & Transportation

Mr. Irqittuq (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Mr. Chairperson I am pleased to be able to make some opening remarks as we begin the debate of the 2000-2001 main estimates for Community Government & Transportation. Over the past year the Standing Committee has had an opportunity to meet with the Minister on a number of occasions. Mr. Chairperson this Department plays a leading role in the development of our communities. Its capital spending is the largest of any Government of Nunavut department. The major projects that the Department undertakes such as community halls have far reaching impacts on the daily lives of our constituents.

Mr. Chairperson I am certain that many Members of the House will want to make comments about specific projects in their communities that they support and want to see move forward. This year's capital plan for the Department includes projects that some Members have been waiting for a long time to see realised. For example Kimmirut's new arena.

However, Mr. Chairperson members remain concerned about the lack of a 5-year capital plan. Members are hearing from their communities that there is uncertainty about the status and future of projects that have been in the planning for sometime now. The

Members of the Standing Committee are aware that this department will play a leading role with the Department of Finance in developing a 5-year capital over the coming months.

This Standing Committee is looking forward to all stakeholders having real input to the development of the plan. Mr. Chairperson the Standing Committee has taken the Department's plan to undertake major reviews of Municipal Legislation and financing. Members of the Standing Committee have expressed to the Minister on several occasions the need for financing to local governments to adequately to meet the needs of residents and to take into account the high cost of delivering local services such as water and sewage.

Members of the Standing Committee are also concerned that the Government take steps to address the difficulties facing those communities that are in deficit situations. Mr. Chairperson the Standing Committee also encourages the Department to take a lead role in securing additional resources from the Federal Government as consultations begin on the Government of Canada's recently announced physical infrastructure plan for Canada.

Mr. Chairperson these are just some of general area of concern that we have had as a Standing Committee. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson of the Standing Committee. Mr. Anawak if you can avail yourself to the witness table with your officials. Please proceed. Thank you Mr. Minister of Community Government & Transportation, welcome and please introduce your witnesses. Mr. Minister Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. To my left is Mike Ferris, Community Government & Transportation Deputy Minister and also Ms. Rosemary Keenainak will be with us representing municipal and local governments.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): At this time general comments and questions to the Department. The floor is open for general comments or questions. Mr. Akesuk.

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Just a general comment, not a question concerning Mr. Irqittuq's statement regarding arenas and community halls for the communities. Some of the community halls are becoming too small; in fact in our community it is happening.

I think this is a similar problem everywhere. We are going to ask for a proper review in the future and I have discussed this previously. But I just want to reiterate that the communities who are in need should be reviewed, especially for the communities that need community halls.

I am sure they will be getting the facilities required but other communities have to be remembered especially for our youth and our children. Community halls are important

facilities for them; they can help to promote community well-being especially for the children. It can also help to alleviate mischief at the community level.

If you have more facilities where our children can go and expend their energies and the other thing is the Community and Municipal Governments require proper funding because of a lot of the time they are not receiving adequate funding. We request that this be reviewed properly whereby the funding formula is going to be reviewed by the Government so that the Municipal operations can run smoothly within the communities.

I know some communities run properly but you have to consider the growing population in the communities and it would very good to see that the funding formulas for the Municipal Governments be reviewed and I wish to talk about that. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Akesuk. Do you have any more general comments. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I have some concerns that I wish to express in this forum. I wish to express it to everyone because we have a definite problem further to Mr. Akesuk's general comments. During the opening remarks, I mentioned that community halls and arenas need to be expanded in many of the communities. For example in Igloolik the community hall that I saw and in fact the Minister saw that the community hall is far too small for the population. I would like to see something in the plans that it would included in the 20-year plan and considered as a priority project.

The residents and the Mayor in Igloolik have requested for a new community hall. At times it comes close to being shut down during community festivities. If they see the masses of numbers in the building because it is definitely overcrowded. I want this to be taken into consideration immediately.

Also concerning harbours and breakwaters, this is another community concern because a lot of the communities do not have adequate harbours. I have been informed that some of the communities in the lower sea level areas should have breakwaters. In addition, they should have wharves built. This would cost a lot of money but it would be very helpful to the communities and if you consider it in the long term it would be a cost saving measure. Because you need harbours or wharves in the higher level communities because these add to the costs. When you have to dock the ships at the beach and it takes a lot of machinery to deliver the supplies into the community. I am sure it costs a lot of money.

However, for those of us in Hall Beach we would not be able to get a harbour. But we would like a marina. But communities like Arctic Bay, Pond Inlet, Pangnirtung. Those who are in the high sea level areas definitely will require wharves because in a long run this would be a cost saving measure.

Those are my priorities. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Irqittuq. General comments from the floor. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. My comments are going to be very brief and short. I like to thank the Minister for the new fire truck that we have been requesting for the last 8-9 years in Baker Lake. The community really appreciated, it was long overdue for like 10-15 years and finally somebody listened to us.

This year in our capital plan we are going to get an extension of our snow fence and maybe even some money for a pick-up truck. That being said I sometime wonder if our requests from this Department are listened to from the community level.

We talk about docks. It is nice to drive around and see all the beautiful docks in other communities. But our dock consists of a lump of gravel in the side of the lake. There have also been a couple of deaths there in the last 10-15 years and we have numerous requests to have a safe docking facility in Baker Lake.

The water and sewer subsidy program has been. I have looked at the dollars that have been cut back. When we get into the detail. I will have more questions on it. But we do not have many utilidor services in a lot of the communities. We relay on the truck services. Like other communities the demands on the systems are increasing because we have a young population. We have crowded houses and we depend on truck services for a healthy lifestyle for our constituents. We do not have the luxury to turn our tap and have never ending supply of hot water and cold water. We have to deal with the reality on the weather and trucks breaking down and things like that. When we cut back on the sewer subsidies or start reviewing them.

The directly affects the little people in Nunavut that have to look after this type of stuff. Your Department is very important to the daily operations of Municipalities because their funding comes from your Department for water, sewage and garbage.

With community empowerment, our community has taken on as much as we can handle at this point. But on that topic it was pretty well known that we agree community empowerment is a good idea, that we are going to empower the people.

Since than and like this Government has been established for over a year and there has not been much follow up on how the community is doing or any additional training opportunities as well. You got your community empowerment. You are left at your own means. To me there seems to be all sorts of hesitancy there to do any more training at the local level. The Hamlet of Baker Lake has approximately with community empowerment approximately a hundred full-time and seasonal employees. I think we have one non-Inuit working at the Hamlet at this point. That is probably a record in Nunavut for local employees working in a community.

Community empowerment works and I agree with this Government that it should not be shoved down the throats in the communities. They should take it on their own. I do not really see anything out there by your Department saying going into talking to the communities and given them a little talking to and what the advantages are for community empowerment are. I could be wrong.

In the region that I live in I do not see anybody out there talking to Hamlet Councils about the advantages of community empowerment. And they should maybe thinking about doing it because in my experience in community empowerment it is probably one of the best things that has been done.

But there does not seem to be much talk about it anymore. I think many communities can take on this role. It is a good news story for this Government. It is one step further to the development of the community. That is just my brief comments today. Thank you. Taima.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Akesuk. Mr. Alakannuark.

Mr. Alakannuark (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. First, I would like to ask the Department of Community Government & Transportation a question. As communities we get our funding every year, and there is different amount of funding we get every year. Some years we get more, some years we get less and the communities are different in Nunavut. Some communities have more snow and some of them do not have much snow. I think some communities use more funding to operate than other years depending on the services that are needed in a community. Sometimes some communities spend more money in other years and sometimes they do not have as much to spend in other years. How would a community be assisted if they need more funding because they run short of money in certain years. That is my first question. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Alakannuark. Mr. Minister. The Member has a question. If you want to respond. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Regarding the comments that were made by the member and the question that were asked by other members. We are trying to deal with these concerns and comments.

Under my opening remarks yesterday I mentioned what we want to be doing for the future of the communities, to be able to start having them running their own affairs and it is very important that the young people are taken into account.

Like the Member from Baffin South and Amittuq said that there is not enough space in the community halls and it is not just for the young people. We have to consider the population in each community not having adequate space. We will consider the communities in those capital projects. We are doing a catch up job right now in regards to capital estimates.

Perhaps I could respond to the Member from Akulliq. Sometimes we do not know exactly how the community is going to run or whether it is going to have a short fall of funding. However, we have to realise that every community encounters problems that way and if they have a shortfall whether it would be the community is encountering a lot of snow in their community and they need more services. If we have to assist them we will be able to provide assistance if it is very necessary.

When we find that the community is having problems in regards to safety issues then we can find out and provide assistance to the community. In the next month we would like to meet with the Nunavut Association of Municipalities when they meet here. All the Mayors will be brought together with their SAO's and to meet about the funding that they receive and of course, the members will be invited to those meetings. They will be involved with the information sessions that they will be having. We will be talking about the funding that the communities provide.

We will provide the information to the Mayors and get comments from them about this. We will also be talking about other things such as search and rescue efforts that we presently provide. Those are some of the things we will be discussing in the Nunavut Association of Municipalities. I just want to assure members that we will do everything to make sure the communities are provided with adequate funding. In addition, communities are encountering a lack of space in their community halls because they do not just use it for recreational purposes but the also use it to hold meetings. Like some communities are state of having less space in their community halls because of the growth and populations. Say for instance in Cape Dorset and Pond Inlet and Gjoa Haven and Pelly Bay.

We all know that the funding is not going to grow anymore in the near future. But we are trying to find out whether it would be better to ask the mayors and the SAOs when we have a meeting with the Association of Municipalities.

They have asked us to receive block funding and we would like to see if that would work. If we start giving them block funding we would like to do it in the best interests of the communities.

In regards to transportation, there is some things that Nunavut's Member of Parliament, Nancy Karetak-Lindell was going to get information about on infrastructure projects that had to be brought up to the region, but she had to go to the funeral in Arviat.

We are expecting to hear from the federal department on transportation issues. If there are any more questions from the floor, it would be better if the members would ask us. Yes we will be looking at all the communities to see how they could operate more effectively by our department providing them with then needs that they require.

We will be looking at those needs. When we find out that it would be better off for the community this way then we will be able to provide them with that. If we find out that

the community does have a shortage of funding perhaps our department our as a government we will try to talk with the communities and find out best we can assist them. I will try to answer the questions from the members. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Minister Anawak. Mr. Alakannuark.

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I thank the minister for his response. My other question is related to Repulse Bay airport terminal. They do not have a gravel crusher in Repulse Bay and I think they requested that last year. They do not have an access road to get gravel.

They are trying to see how they can purchase a granular grinder at the cheapest price so they can service the community better. I think this is one of the priorities that the community stated. They needed crusher in the community. So what is the status of that. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Alakannuark. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Yes we are trying to help all the communities, we are trying to find ways how best we can finance them. The question the member is stating, in Repulse Bay they are trying to build an access road to where they get gravel.

An access road for gravel can be built in two ways. From Repulse Bay to Nirquma a gravel pit there was used years ago. In that area is John Ray's stone house which is an archaeological site, so we expect that there will be more tourists coming into the community as well. We are in support of providing them with an access road to the gravel pit so tourists can access that area because it is a very scenic area.

Having met with Repulse Bay officials they stated they would want this access road about six or seven miles away from town. I think they have a stretch of the access road but they wanted an extension of that road. Although it might not be under the capital plan I have met with the Repulse Bay mayor and council regarding the funding that we can provide the community.

Perhaps I will just elaborate a little bit more regarding archaeological sites. I know we have to improve those scenic areas because our tourism also brings in money to the communities. Having met with our federal counterparts we are trying to seek more funding from the federal government to assist us so that we can provide them funding. The federal department gives ninety-five percent of the funding and we will keep track of the ways we can find to finance the communities in Nunavut.

The Nunavut Government would only supply 5 percent of the financing to improve tourism sites in the communities. I think there are many examples that we can use regarding archaeological sites. Some communities have been directed to improve their tourism sites and the outsiders have been giving the communities ideas on how to

improve the archaeological sites. Going back to access roads and to tourism sites and to gravel pits.

If they have already been under way then we will find ways to fund them for future use. Thank you.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. The time is now 11:40 and I believe that our lunch will be provided shortly. So we will take lunch break and I also have a question that I want to direct to the minister. So if my co-Chairperson can take the seat at this moment. I would like to ask my colleagues to see if any one of you would be willing to take over my seat while I ask some questions to the department. Perhaps after lunch. Mr. Havioyak.

**Mr. Havioyak**: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In your business plan you talked about staffing and decentralization and I have been on this side for a few weeks now. I know you have some positions in Kugluktuk, correct me if I am wrong on that and they have been advertised locally. How soon can you fill the positions over there. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Havioyak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Right now a couple of positions in Kugluktuk and I would like to ask the deputy minister as to the plan of filling up more positions.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Minister. Mr. Deputy Minister, Mike Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. We are in the process of advertising for some of the positions in Kugluktuk. There are some that are filled now and we will have ads in the newspaper probably in the next few weeks for that community. We will be advertising in the decentralized community as quickly as office space becomes available. So we are proceeding with the plan in those growth communities. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you. If I could just mention to the member at this time we have five positions that have been filled in Kugluktuk as Deputy Minister Ferris said. We will be advertising more positions for the community and we will keep the member informed. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. At this time we will take a break a lunch break and we will return at 1 o'clock.

>>Committee recessed at 11:49 a.m. and resumed at1:00 p.m.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, for coming back, we are all back in the House again. Under general comments and questions. We are still at general comments from the floor. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): I was going to sing but I decided not to. Hoping some of the tension in the building would go away. To the Minister of Transportation, the Minister indicted that he expects to hear from Nancy Karetak-Lindell concerning contributions from the Federal Government. What is the contribution that he was referring to which Department or project would that be allotted for. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister for Transportation and Community Government wish to respond. Go ahead.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I believe we are going into detail under that item as it was supposed to go to Arctic Airports. The contribution that would have been allotted by the Federal Government. It would have been aimed for the Arctic Airports, thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Would that be for all Arctic Airports that need renovations or that need maintenance. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Nutarak. Minister for Community Government & Transportation if you wish to respond. Please proceed.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Yes it would be toward airports and the maintenance requirements. It is not to actually make new airports. It is for maintenance for lights and other maintenance requirements whether it be the extensions or just general maintenance for present airports. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you. For communities that are getting decentralised, for example under the Department of Public Works, Telecommunication and Technical Services and Nunavut Housing Corporation. There is a legislation regarding Municipality last fall. In taking over these responsibilities. Are they producing Municipal legislation to give the authorization. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I apologize I did not quite understand the question. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Please rephrase your question Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I am going to wait for people to relax a little bit and I will come back with the question later. That will be it for now.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): I was asking about the Municipal legislation last fall. I understood there was a legislation that was created by the Government of NWT. But are they still doing Municipal legislation review. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. Yesterday during my opening remarks I mentioned the review of the Municipal legislation. Obviously, they were created by the Territorial Government before this Government. As we now have our own Government we have to review the legislation that affects the Municipalities. This has been one of the funding requirements. Once we go into consultations with the communities and with the Members of Legislature. We will go into detail once we reached that item. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Minister. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): As we speak the Hamlets have been requesting block funding and before April he indicated that he would be giving quarterly funding to the Municipalities as of April 1st. Now I am wondering which funding arrangements are in effect right now. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. We have never discussed in detail block funding. But the Mayor themselves have indicated that they would consider receiving block funding but I have never actually discussed this in detail with the Ministers. Although I will be bringing up at their during their Association of Municipalities AGM. We want to discuss formula funding.

Some of them are running properly in their funding arrangements. Although they can use their money on a monthly bases it becomes too difficult and if you receive funding on a monthly bases. So we thought it would be better if we funded the Municipalities quarterly. But if the Municipalities having difficulty managing it's finances and we would get their books in proper order and start funding them quarterly. But for those communities that have been running smoothly they began their quarterly funding as of April 1, rather than on a monthly basis. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): This is the end of my questions for the meantime. But I will ask more questions when we go through the budget. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Nutarak. Before we go on to another member, just before we broke for lunch I asked someone if someone could take my place as a Chairperson and Mr. Nutarak volunteered. So if you can come up. I can ask some questions. Mr. Akesuk.

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. First of all my question is in regards to the arena in Kimmirut. We could not find a lot to put it in but now we have the lot now. Perhaps if the lot was not adequate but we found another lot to put the arena in. I just wondered to see if he could provide more funding to the arena.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Akesuk. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): What we are doing right now is if we get the approval of our budget than we would order the supplies for that construction of it and we would build it this fiscal year.

Chairperson (interpretation): Mr. Akesuk.

Mr. Akesuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I have no more questions.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. Mr. Iqaqrialu.

**Mr. Iqaqrialu** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. I am going to be asking the Minister of Community Government & Transportation a question. First I would like to make a comment first and then I will ask questions when we are dealing with the budget.

First, I would like to say we have had concerns in one of my constituencies. The concerns or the problems that we have had we will talk about it right now. In one of my communities we have heard through the media that the population is increasing at a very fast rate as compared to other Nunavut communities. We have heard the community is experiencing shortage of housing. I will talk about the problems that we have had in one of the communities that I represent.

The people that provide public housing and when the people and the population is increasing we have many problems with the funding that goes to the communities or the Hamlets. There has been no review of funding provided to the communities thus far. We have had problems with our community because we were in a deficit situation.

The Government was providing us with inadequate funding for the communities operation although the community is growing every year and that is the problem that we have encountered with our community. Perhaps it is not the only community that is experiencing the problem but the minister stated that their funding would not increase that much and it seems that for the community the problem will still exist.

The other problem that we had was the water, sewage and garbage services because they cut the funding for those services. That is why we have been having deficit problems because we have not been receiving adequate funding for the operation of our Municipal Government although the population is growing.

The other problem that we have encountered is there should be a review done by the Government to find out how much the community or Municipal Government has to receive in funding for their operation. For such things as water and sewage delivery. It seems like the Government does not believe that Municipality should be receiving more funding. So we have had those problems recently.

The community Council should be listened to when they have problems with the inadequate funding and the Department should do their best to provide them with adequate assistance or adequate funding. Because the communities themselves know how much they need to run their Municipal Government and their operations in the community. They have been running their Municipal Government for quite some time and they should be able to get some assistance because the population is increasing and we have problems with inadequate funding.

In some communities know how to make some revenues to operate their Municipal Government but I think the ones that do not know how to make revenue. Those are the communities have to be given adequate funding. Because they do not know how to invest the money like other communities do.

Those are some of the things that we have had problems with and I wanted to make that comment to the Minister. As well I think the Community Government & Transportation should be able to provide the communities with more funding to run their housing and other things that they do in the communities. Like the money that is given to the communities is limited and if you do not have enough then you go into deficit. If there is a surplus that is good for the community. But if you give the community just a little bit of money then you have only a limited amount of money to run your community.

So that is why some of the communities are in deficit. When they do not have enough money to spend to operate their Municipal Government. The Hamlets in the communities are the Local Government of each community and they should be considered by the Department and the Department should believe the communities when they say they do not have enough money to operate their Municipal Government. I wanted to make those statements and make a comment at this time. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): That is why we want to work with the Local Governments in the communities. Last fall that there was a letter from one of the communities that someone said that Clyde River should no longer existed as a Nunavut community. I know as a department we did not believe that. When we heard it over the

media that it was not very pleasant. But my Department and officials work very hard to try to help the Hamlets. Our employees and our staff believe that they should try to help the communities run their government effectively. Because we provide funding for the communities we have to do a review at the funding that we provide for the communities.

Although the funding is not very large in amount, it has to be given to each project in the community. Because of how the community uses that money and for what purpose. We would like to work with the Members of the Legislature so the Municipal Government we would also like to talk to Municipal Council in the communities.

We believe when they tell us their problems. If there were any problems that they encounter we would like to tell them that the Hamlet administrator or people in the position to run the Municipal Government. I am not talking about Clyde River or Broughton Island. But in general all the communities like we have to tell the people that is running Municipal Government or that is running the Councils in the communities that.

I would like to be able to meet with the Mayors from time to time, or the SAOs to talk with them on how best. We can not tell them what to do. We can make suggestions to them just so that they do not encounter any problems. Only if they encounter problems can we go and assist them and tell them how best to use their Municipal funding and to tell them if they do your job this way your Municipal Government can run better. In addition, we have to go in a train some communities in order for them to run their Municipal Government. We can make suggestions as to how they can best use of the funding that they receive or how their staff can be best in the best position to administer the job that they suppose to do in the communities.

I would like everybody to believe that and know that we have department staff that really want to help. I am not trying to argue with any of the Members. You have to believe that staff try their best to help their communities. They do not just go to the communities to tell them what to do. Whenever there is a problem that is encountered by the Hamlet Council then we can go in and see if we can help the communities out to run effectively. We can not tell them how to run their own Municipal Government. We can not do that as a Department.

So this way we can with my staff help and with the help of the staff of the Hamlet Councils we can provide them with financial assistance or to do their accounting as well. To help them to make sure they are spending the funding properly in the communities and to assist them. Perhaps some get into deficits. What we have done is we have to. If they could perhaps think it about it in the future that just in case they get into a deficit they would have to borrow some extra money to run their Municipal Government. We will be looking as a department to help the Municipal Councils and Municipal Governments run effectively. These are the things that we could be looking at Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. Mr. Iqaqrialu.

**Mr. Iqaqrialu** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. His response was very good and if that is the case then I would urge him to go ahead with his plans. However, I would like to state that there are some communities that run properly and there are others the run deficits. I know that there are staff within the communities that do assist the Councils. However, due to lack of funding some employees of the Hamlet never get pay raises. Their pay rates stay the same although they have been working for a number of years for the same Hamlet Council.

This has been a problem raised by some employees of the Hamlet Councils and they have to pay for their rents. If they are home owners and they have utilities to pay. Sometimes they can not keep up with the payment because they do not make enough money. I would like the Department to consider this further so that they can run the Hamlets properly.

I would like to ask the Department to see if he could look into this situation. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. Yes it is up to the Union and the Hamlet Council to decide how their employees or their staff can have their pay raises. We as a Department do not have the authority to deal with that.

We also have to remember there are twenty-six communities in Nunavut that run differently from one another. I know it would be more appropriate for a community to get increased funding to run their operations. We do not have any rules in our department for how the hamlets run their personnel operations so we cannot say how much the supervisors, the SAO, or the director should be paid.

It is usually up to the council how much money they will be receiving. Although we might see a problem that arose in the community we cannot tell the council to increase their staff's pay. It usually depends on the councils to decide how much they will be paying their employees in conjunction with the union.

These are the kinds of issues that I would like to talk about when the Association of Municipalities has their AGM. I think it is during the week of May, the first week of May. The Nunavut Association of Municipalities will be meeting in May involved in that AGM. We will be discussing all types of issues regarding the hamlets. I know that we will not solve all the problems but by communicating with each other, I think we can be more accountable to the hamlets.

We will be reviewing all the municipal legislation at the time to so we will be talking with the mayors regarding their legislation and we might even be able to discuss their pay rates. I mean that is just a possibility but the funding that we give to the communities. The money we provide from the Nunavut Government for their water and sewer and garbage deliveries. The housing associations do contribute some funding to the hamlets so they can have their garbage pick-up and water delivered.

These are the kind of things that we will be dealing with, and to see how best the hamlets can run their affairs and provide better services to their people and the Nunavut government does provide housing associations and they hand it over to the hamlet for sewer delivery. We will be looking into this matter as well. To see how best we can provide better services for the communities.

These are the kind of things that we want to be able to deal with when we meet with the mayors of the communities or even their deputy mayors. Perhaps we can provide some solutions for the communities. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you. You have a short question Mr. Iqaqrialu.

**Mr. Iqaqrialu** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairperson. You were talking about working with the communities. Coming from the government there used to be someone going to communities to train the employees and the staff of hamlet councils. However, the hamlets had to pay for the government representative who went into the communities to train the SAOs and mayors.

Although a hamlet had a deficit situation they to pay for the instructors and they were costly. So I would like to see if the department would be going into communities again to train their staff. If the hamlets would still have to pay for their instructors. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): We want to be able to talk more openly with the newly elected councils. As to how best they can run their affairs and we would probably have an orientation session but I am not saying the hamlets do not handle or manage their funds well. However, if there needs to be an improvement as to how they can manage their finances we would be looking at their books. If they are going into a deficit situation then we would try to intervene as soon as we can before they run into huge deficits.

If one community has a major problem we can't say that we will supply them with employees who are well trained but we can send someone from our department to go into the communities and talk to hamlets on how best they can manage their funds within the community. It is our responsibility as a department to assist the hamlets if they start having problems and if we have to provide them with training then we are more then willing to do that.

I am sure that once we put orientation sessions into the communities we will need to use a lot of money but if it is going to be good for the community then I think it would be well worth the money. I think it would be worth training the communities so they can run their affairs better in the future. We are open to the hamlets and if they need help we would be more than willing to help the hamlet councils or their employees to see how we can best serve them.

There is no doubt that we would have to pay for orientation sessions. Thank you Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Any further questions Mr. Iqaqrialu.

**Mr. Iqaqrialu** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairperson. This is the kind of thing that I have been expecting to hear from the minister and I appreciate his response. I do not have any more comments but I urge the department to do the best to help the communities. I think that I can go back to my seat now.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): It is up to you now Mr. Iqaqrialu, I am just kidding you can come back to your seat. Are there any further questions from the floor. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I was reading through this but I have a question concerning access roads. Most of the access roads are made outside of the community boundaries for instance; well I am sure you understand what I mean. Do you have funding for that program. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Hon. Jack Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Access road funding was provided during the tenor of the territorial government, they put a stop to that and so what we are trying to do is find other sources because we know that access roads have different purposes. They are good for trailing and for hunting, and they are good for gravel. Perhaps to go to a gravel area. They are good for tourism accessing. So we are looking for different sources where we can put funding into access roads.

However, at this time once the territorial government put an end to the funding. It has not been restarted. But at this time we are looking for possible sources whereby we can provide access road funding because of its multipurpose uses for access roads. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairperson. If there is a proposal perhaps to just to maintain an access road already in existence, could we access that sort of funding. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Irqittuq. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Inside our funding arrangements, for example we could look for different sources. I am sure it is not possible to resource from everyone.

However, what we have felt from the communities themselves they can perhaps volunteer on a working basis by way of providing machinery or equipment. Although there is not actually any funding, we can try to find different arrangements for the community to work out an access road or to enable to give them their resources aside from financial ones. To carry out access road maintenance. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Further questions or comments. There are no further questions or comments so I think we can go back to our main estimates on capital project estimates. If we have no more general comments. What is the wish of the committee. Is that what you want to do.

Capital estimates, page number 7-5. Capital estimates, in your thinner binders. Do you all have the right page. Mr. Minister I think you are sitting with different people at your table. Perhaps you can reintroduce your witnesses. Please proceed.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Rosemary Keenainak, who is known by everyone and she works with the community governments, and she deals with many of the financial aspects that we are about to cover.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak at this time let us go to 7.4. Community Government and Transportation, detail of capital. Buildings and works, headquarters and region. Total headquarters region 50 thousand dollars. Agreed. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you. Recreational facilities, 50 thousand under this item. Can we have further clarification on what that entails for recreation facilities. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Jack Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairperson. It has become obvious to the communities and looking at the whole of Nunavut it has become evident that these recreation facilities within Nunavut are no longer keeping up with the population growth. What more can we do to accommodate the growing population. Can we help the communities set out the priorities for example the bigger centres like Kingait or Pangnirtung or Pond Inlet or Pelly Bay or Gjoa Haven.

Even though the population has grown a lot but their recreation facilities remain the same. So we wanted to do a review as to how we can make changes to better accommodate the recreation facilities requirements for the communities. But this is just a study. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak do you have any more. Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Before we get to capital estimates, I would like to inform you that if this was along time ago and I had no education I would have thought it was a

fifty dollar item. I have no accounting education and it looks like a 50 dollar item and it was a 50 thousand dollar item, just for your information.

The headquarters region, total headquarters region 50 thousand. Those in favour. Those against. Carried.

Baffin Region. Total Baffin Region 4 million dollars 205 thousand. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Under the list there is an item for 100 thousand dollars which mean arena retrofit planning design. Do designing cost up to 100 thousand, that is my question. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I am told that this would be enough to cover the designing aspects of the buildings. Yes 100 thousand dollars would cover the design aspects of the building. You have to decide how you would renovate the new skating rink. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Akesuk.

Mr. Akesuk (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Concerning the new arena design and construction for Kimmirut. It says that part of it will be construction. Do the arena all have different design. So do they all have different construction in the communities or is there a basic standard kind of arena provided to the communities. Thank you Mr. Chairman

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Well of course the communities are all different because their lands are all different. For example here in Iqaluit there are similarities but they are usually based on the differences of community requirements. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Akesuk, do you have anymore comments. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Under this list first, if I understand that the Nunavut Government was going to start doing planning stages for the Igloolik community hall. The hamlet has written a number of times to your department and in your response to their letters it states here that if these criteria are filled then it will be considered a priority. This is according to your response. If the Igloolik community hall is a danger to the public it is obviously a danger because it is overcrowded.

Should there be an accident people could be in great danger. The other criteria I led to understand is the priority under the minister's response is this: if its purposes are for the

purpose of decentralization because this is part of the decentralization process undertaken by the Nunavut Government. We expect some employees to be coming into our community. We expect some population growth. I just wonder if it could be designed at an earlier date. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Irqittuq. We are under page 7-5. We are under capital estimates. We are finished with general comments. We are now under capital estimates and we have to follow that process and nevertheless Mr. Anawak I will give you a chance to respond. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. There are so many community halls that are inadequate in size such as Pangnirtung, Gjoa Haven, Pond Inlet, and Igloolik although they already have inadequate sizes of community halls. Part of the problem is going to be compounded by decentralized employment and we were talking about the amount of 50 thousand dollars.

How else can we help these people to so a recreation facility study because we have to factor in the number of people that will be adding to the population which is already on a growing rate. We have taken these into consideration and I know for sure that while we are working under these we are going to keep you informed. We are going to seek your advise on what the best way would be to go about doing this study and doing these arrangements at this time. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Under the various Baffin Erosion Protection Study, you have 50 thousand dollars allocated. Is this for the land sites and can we get a further explanation on the erosion protection study. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Irqittuq. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): My staff informs me that the study is for mainly for Arctic Bay and Hall Beach, and it is the erosion protection study of sand and whatever.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. The reason I asked this question is because I now that in my community there is erosion that is occurring perhaps because of permafrost on the shoreline and I think there is a house and if that foundation erodes the house will probably collapse. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Irqittuq. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. What we have to do is we have to do some study of the erosion that is occurring and I now what the member is

talking about because I was there in Hall Beach. We had to walk a short distance to get into the boat. After we do a study we will find out which one has to be constructed first or which one is going to be a priority. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Akesuk.

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I am sorry I did not finish asking the question. I just wondered whether the arena in Kimmirut, have they found a lot for it. If there is a lot that is found that is adequate, would the planning and the construction start this year. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Akesuk. I do not think the communities have the same standard design. Perhaps if you could answer this question as well. Minister Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Like I mentioned the arenas are sort of standardized, perhaps somewhat different in some communities but most of them are standard designs. That is not too much of a problem whether the design is standard or not. As soon as the funding is approved then we will order the material and as soon as the material arrives in the community then the construction would start immediately.

I spoke with the Hamlet Council and asked them about the lot and they have since changed the place where they are going to build the arena. For this reason I think they have to clean up the garbage site at this time. Like we all know as soon as the budget is approved and there is some funding to do the clean up of the garbage site, we hope that as soon as the capital estimates are approved by the Legislative Assembly we would order the material for the construction and for the clean up of the garbage site.

When the material comes into the community the construction would start immediately. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Minister. Mr. Akesuk.

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. This will be a little bit different question that I will ask the minister. Some arenas in the communities have problems with the ice. Sometimes the ice conditions are not adequate and they can only start putting the ice into the arenas later. I just wondered whether they would be putting artificial ice into the arena in Kimmirut. I just wondered if they would be able to provide us with artificial ice for the arena in Kimmirut. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Akesuk. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. We feel that at this time, I have already spoken to someone in Rankin Inlet and we were talking about the subject in Rankin Inlet. I am just talking about Rankin Inlet at this time. The Hamlet of Rankin

Inlet has extra funds that they have collected themselves to provide artificial ice. At this time we don't have any arrangements with another private company to do the same thing for the arena in question in Kimmirut.

I also talked about this before, that I know that the communities have different weather patterns in each community. So I can't really say right now that we would provide artificial ice for that arena but perhaps maybe in the near future we would be able to provide artificial ice for the community arenas but at this time we can't say that we can do that. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Minister Anawak. Mr. Nutarak do you have any comments or questions.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): I have a question Mr. Chairman, about the 900 thousand dollars for Kimmirut. Is Kimmirut a new arena, is the design completed. I think it is about 9 times more than the Pond Inlet plans. Why is it so much more. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Minister Anawak.

Hon. Jack Anawak (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Ms. Keenainak.

**Ms. Keenainak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Regarding the 900 thousand dollars for the design of the Kimmirut arena, when the design is completed then they would order the material for the arena and the construction of the arena. They have to do the foundation of the arena as well. That is what the money is going to be used for. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Ms. Keenainak. I am sorry for pronouncing your name wrong. Are there any more questions. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Lastly Mr. Chairman, I just wondered why the plan and design for Pond Inlet is only 100 thousand and the Kimmirut design is way more, 900 thousand dollars.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Minister Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Because the arena is included, the material that has to be ordered for Kimmirut. In Pond Inlet it is just for the planning and the design of the new arena retrofit. After we do the planning and the design we would provide further funding thereafter. In Kimmirut it is the construction part of it but in Pond Inlet they do not include the construction. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): We are talking about the two arenas and I think I understand the one is more expensive than the other is. One is less than 50 thousand. I just wondered if it is the size that makes the difference in funding.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Yes, thank you Mr. Chairman. I forgot to mention that because the other one does not produce ice, I have used that arena before in Pond Inlet and for that reason we feel that the arena in Pond Inlet has to be retrofitted.

The arena in Kimmirut is the same standard size but I realize that some of them have been expanded, but perhaps to use Coral Harbour as an example. They got an arena and they did an expansion by using their own money. It is a standard size. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Minister Anawak. Perhaps if you are going to be responding Mr. Minister, you could just keep your comments limited. Mr. Havioyak.

**Mr. Havioyak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I would like to ask a question about artificial ice that could be put into any rink. I would like to know if there is going to be artificial ice in the arenas, how is this going to be done. I believe that this is going to happen in my community as well. I would like to know if there is going to be artificial ice for all of the rinks. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Havioyak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): At this time we have not put in any plans as to which community would receive artificial ice, but we have mentioned Sanikiluaq and Rankin Inlet and Cambridge Bay. Because we do not have enough money in the capital estimates, but the question that I have asked myself is exactly when we will be considering when we could help the arenas to get artificial ice. Perhaps to install something that freezes the ice faster.

As the Member for Rankin Inlet, we have a mining company, WMC working close to the community of Rankin Inlet. Perhaps the companies usually look for ways to not have to pay taxes, so perhaps they won't wait for us and try to help out by providing infrastructure or providing artificial ice for our community. I will use this as an example.

The WMC mining company, I have asked them myself to see if they could consider putting artificial ice into the community of Rankin Inlet or at least see if they could help getting artificial ice. So if some communities have companies close to their communities, instead of waiting for us or instead of just asking the government, they could perhaps do the same thing.

As a government we do not have that kind of funding as of yet and we just have a limited budget for all the communities and the whole region of Nunavut. So this is what they can do. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. We are under detail of capital, Baffin region. We will be getting into the Kivalliq and the Kitikmeot regions. I just want you to be aware of that. Mr. Havioyak.

**Mr. Havioyak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I know that all the communities are equal in Nunavut. You mentioned, I feel for example, five years have passed and the arena in Kugluktuk cannot be used until January. I am sure that you are aware of this and we cannot use the arenas until late winter.

I feel that we should know all about these. I apologize, I stated that it takes longer for the ice to form in Kugluktuk. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Havioyak. To me you are Mr. Savioyak. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): I was stating that a private business owner approached us to see if there would be a possibility of a P-3 project happening in Rankin Inlet. We said to him that we would look into this further, namely Rankin Inlet and Cambridge Bay, in each region. I was using these regional centres as an example. All the surrounding communities do go to these communities. They have regional sports happening. I did indicate to WMC that we would look into working together and he meant to take on this project I said that we might be able to provide some contribution into the project.

The project that I am talking about may not go ahead as planned, as we have not allocated any funding for that project. It is only in the planning stages at this point in time. We are trying to see how we could construct an arena at the cheapest cost so that they could run more efficiently in the communities. We all know that sports are very good for young people and for that reason we are looking into this matter further.

We have not said that we would go into this project immediately. Rankin Inlet and Cambridge Bay are two regional centres and for that reason we have discussed this item as well. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Havioyak. Anything further. Mr. Akesuk.

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. My question is to the Kitikmeot. I will raise another question. The Member for Natillik asked me to raise this question under the Kitikmeot region and I will raise my question then. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. One of the first arenas built in the Kivalliq was built by Arviat. They had a great SAO there by the name of Ralph King who through his fiscal austerity and good planning they had a surplus and they built their arena from the Hamlet surplus.

He is not with us any more today but I feel that he was a visionary and he worked to make the communities independent. It was probably one of the earliest forms of community empowerment, taking their surplus and building their own arena.

After that happened, the old GNWT saw that building arenas in communities was a great idea and they had lots of money at the time so they started building arenas all over Nunavut and we are where we are today. I think we can all agree that they provide an outlet in a community that really helps the community mentally, physically and every other way.

I cannot believe sometimes the debates that we get into about artificial ice and who gets it and who doesn't get it. Like, my colleague from Sanikiluaq, they spent I don't know how many millions of dollars putting in a facility there and when they build facilities in that part of the country there is obviously a need for artificial ice. That's how I guess this debate got started, because he could only use his arena for four to six weeks a year.

Now if we are going to build arenas that are not functional and turn out to be bingo parlours and dance halls, well then so be it. But in a place like Sanikiluaq I think that I can sit here, and I live in Baker Lake, but I think they need artificial ice. Because I know how important an arena is to the community in regards to utilizing it and I think if Sanikiluaq can utilize their arena for six or seven months of the year, I think it would probably help everybody.

Maybe some day we will have a few NHL players come out of this country, because I certainly think that if we give them the tools that they will be able to do it. Now the circumstances surrounding the Rankin artificial ice, a group of business people in that community have decided upon themselves that, hey we can extend the season here for another two or three months, run hockey schools and people from my community can go to the hockey schools and Arviat and things like that. Bring the expertise up north rather than try to send 20 or 30 kids south to hockey schools.

So artificial ice I think, for the cost involved of anywhere from 250 to 300 thousand dollars is a good idea in some communities. I know that Sanikiluaq probably can't raise that much money to contribute towards artificial ice. We went through this earlier in the week in regards to the Cambridge Bay School and they want a larger gym, and that is a regional centre and they can afford to contribute some of the costs of this project.

On the Rankin Inlet scene, I go through there and the guys say, Glenn you know artificial ice would be great in Rankin Inlet because we could run regional hockey schools, territorial trials and other functions. They could probably raise or somehow finance that

project. But then again there are probably other communities that can't afford to raise that kind of money as much as a Rankin Inlet or a Cambridge Bay or an Iqaluit or a place like that.

I think that the department has to form a policy on artificial ice, and if a community can fast track and raise more money than another community then I think it should be considered. When we built these buildings 15 or 20 years ago, we didn't think we would need artificial ice, but like we heard the minister say, global warming is a fact and if we are going to build these facilities then we should build them so that we can utilize them for what they are for.

I think looking at 250 thousand to put artificial ice into a community arena to utilize it for the children that we keep talking about in the future of our great territory, we should look at things like this. When the arenas are closed down they turn into bingo parlours and I don't think that's what we built them for. We built them for health reasons. I myself don't know where my community is on artificial ice, it hasn't been a topic yet, because we live farther inland and it is colder and we have ice by the end of October until the end of May. We seem to be content that 7 or 8 million dollars is enough ice for us.

But I hope the department would draft a policy, but when you are drafting that policy you people at the table have more northern experience than anybody. You know that the climate in Sanikiluaq is a little warmer than the climate in Resolute Bay or the climate in Kimmirut is a little warmer than in Grise Fiord.

I think it is something that we have to move forward to and I really don't know what all the debate is about. I think artificial ice is a reality of life now in the arctic. I know many people down south would probably laugh at us, a lot of the arenas down south have ice for 12 months of the year.

Like I say, some day if we can agree and a policy is in place that we can install artificial ice through corporate donations or community fund raising or through bingo's which are always being held in our community halls, that some day we may have some NHL players come out of Nunavut, which I would be very proud of.

So when you are forming a policy on artificial ice, leave it open, let's not say because so and so gets artificial ice, I should get it. That's where I am getting back to what I earlier said where the first arena in the Kivalliq was built by someone with vision and it was a great idea and they used their surplus where all the arena after that came from the government.

Sometimes we shouldn't always run to the government to do everything. Like the Bathurst Mandate says, self-sufficiency, let's stand up on our own two feet and if a community can raise 20 or 30% of the project, let's not jump on them, let's support them. Ma'na. Taima.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. We are under Baffin region. We enjoyed your words, Mr. McLean. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. In looking at an experiment like trying to see if artificial ice is affordable, if we had the ability as a department I wouldn't hesitate in an instant to look at an arena that we would be building if the capital budget was approved for Kimmirut.

I fully agree with the member that is probably another area that we should look at very soon, whether it is Kimmirut or Cape Dorset, because they are further down south than most of the communities. So, again, I fully agree with the member that just spoke, let's not get too hung up on a particular number in a community but let's look at common sense issues and come up with ideas that basically serve the needs of that community or serves the needs of Nunavummiut.

So I thank the member for his comments because it is something that we have to look at now. I was just driving down yesterday in the water, I mean this is the beginning of April and when I was growing up late May was usually the time that we started walking in water. So those kinds of things we have to think of and certainly I will be asking for the members' comments about when we are developing a policy in areas like artificial ice. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. We will go back to Baffin region. Total Baffin region. Are there any more questions regarding the Baffin region. If there are no more questions. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. Under Pangnirtung sewage lagoon, capital estimates 2000/2001. Eight hundred thousand and future years, 2 million, prior years 400 thousand for a total project cost of 3 million 200 thousand. We have regulatory bodies in place right now like the Nunavut Water Board, Nunavut Impact Review Board. I suspect that this project was recommended by them. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Minister Anawak. Ms. Keenainak.

**Ms. Keenainak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The regulatory bodies have been consulted on this particular project. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Ms. Keenainak. Mr. McLean.

**Mr.** McLean: Ma'na Itsivauta. The Nunavut Water Board recommended the construction of this new sewage lagoon or was this initiated on behalf of your own departments.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. In Pangnirtung we have been dumping raw sewage into a little holding pond. There is no holding pond and it has been running down into Pangnirtung Fiord. So we have been under environmental instructions for some time to put a proper facility in place and that's why it is a priority item in the planning cycle.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I hope the Nunavut Water Board has been involved in this and they approve of what's being constructed here, because if they don't then we are going to be in a situation where we are here in Iqaluit. Is that correct. Thank you.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, as Rosemary pointed out the regulatory authorities have reviewed the project and it does fit within the parameters that they have given us. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Is there a plan for Nunavut or all the sewage lagoons that we have. Is there a master plan for what communities are involved this type of projects because with the regulatory bodies in place now and they are being very good at what they are doing lately according to the newspapers. Is there a plan for all of Nunavut to make sure that no rules or laws are broken and no lakes or rivers are polluted at this time. Or is your department working on one. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. I have to listen closely to what you say and I have to keep this thing pressed, although it is a tiring job. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: The Department is starting to look very seriously at a long-term program for sewage and how it is treated. We are looking at other options because our belief is before long dumping sewage in holding ponds is not going to acceptable.

I was involved in briefing this week with the Federal Treasury Board on the Municipal infrastructure dollars and they have what is called the Municipal Green Plan and there will be dollars. We do not know amounts but there will be dollars in there to do environmental work in the area of sewage. In the area of providing safe waters in the communities and in the area of sanitation and we will follow up on it very closely. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Do you wish to add to that Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Looking at the figures here for Pangnirtung, that might not be necessarily be that much. If any of you have been in Pangnirtung you know the terrain. It might be even better for us to ask Peter Kilabuk, the MLA for Pangnirtung

how that came to be where the sewage lagoon might be, and why it might be. If that is ok for the Member for Pangnirtung. I believe he has the best information to give us information on. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Anawak. Before he responds I would like Mr. McLean to speak.

Mr. McLean: Ma'na Itsivauta. On dumps sites after sewage lagoons. Taima.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Kilabuk, Member for Pangnirtung. Please give us that information.

Hon. Peter Kilabuk (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Thank you to our fellow member for raising this question and asking for my input. What happened in Pangnirtung was we were looking for a location for our sewage lagoon, which was right above the dump. So we located a certain part of the land that would be a sewage lagoon but at the time I happened to be the Chairman for the Fisheries and Oceans Committee and there are extreme high winds that occur in Pangnirtung and it is very close. But we noticed anyway that during the summer time because due to the high winds we get sand storms and we saw that this water reservoir soon be ruined if it stayed in that location.

Then the Fisheries and Oceans people that I had worked with said that they have to close down that water reservoir because of the pollutants that were coming out from the tailings from the fish plant. But if you look at Pangnirtung it is very mountainous and if you look at it by the shore. There is an adequate looking spot over there that is not to close to the community itself. So I hope this explains a little bit on what history was behind the sewage lagoon and the water reservoir and what the factors were in relocating that sewage lagoon. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Member for Pangnirtung. I think he can understand the situation by now. Total Headquarters region. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. Old dumps like plans and closure plans for instance. Flying into Rankin Inlet you happen to fly right over the dump there and it is one of the ugliest sites in Nunavut. When we are flying over you can see bags of garbage and barrels and smoke drifting over the community. Then I get on a plane and fly this way. I was at one of Ed Picco's neighbour's house the other night visiting and he had his window open and I had the nice beautiful evening with the smell of burning rubber and garbage whiffing in to the kitchen. You can really appreciate it. Such a beautiful view outside his neighbour's window spoiled by the burning garbage.

I know that the burning garbage has been a big issue in this community and I know it is probably going to be a big issue in Rankin Inlet. Again is there any kind of plan in place for dumpsites in Nunavut to locate them probably less desirable areas at the end of airstrips or in neighbourhoods and stuff like that. Is your Department working on a policy again on fixing some of dumpsites that are less appealing to people. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. You were given ample time to do to your general comments. At this time we are under capital estimates. We are in detail on capital estimates. I think you should stick to the subjects to the detail of capital because you were given ample opportunity for general comments and general questions. Please keep that in mind. Detail of capital. Capital estimates. Total Baffin region. 4 million and 205 thousand. Do we have any more comments. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. My memory is not as good as it use to be years ago. When I make opening comments I can not put everything there because it might take me three hours. So I wish you would be patient with me when I am going through the detail and asking question because when I see old dump sites and stuff like that than my mind comes alive again. Then I would like to ask more questions. The questions that I ask are very important to me because I am not trying to do anything out of the ordinary. Thank you. Taima.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Good of you to inform me because I too have procedures to abide by as your Chairperson. It is my responsibility to follow procedures. Mr. Anawak do you have further responses.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. At this time it used to be that we just use to go ahead and burn our garbage. I do not think we are aware of what we dump nowadays, be it pop cans or just everything brought to the dump. It is burnt and probably some of it is affecting the atmosphere. I think we have to be ecologically aware.

Although we have not discussed this in our Department it is an on-going concern. With the Federal Government we have to be more environmentally aware and correct. Perhaps the Minister of Health and Social Services can help us come up with ideas that we can do to fund raise to be more ecologically correct and to be more healthy toward our environment.

We need to see if we can use other options aside from just burning our garbage because this is quite a health hazard although our landmass is a huge amount. All this pollution has to be a concern and because it should affect everyone's future. Because of these reasons one would think using common sense and by listening to Mr. McLean that burning garbage adjacent to communities is not so good unless perhaps they relocate farther away. But no matter where the location is ultimately smoke rises and it still created pollutants and we have to start considering things in that light.

I am taking about whether we can get an incinerators which is a more healthful way of dealing with garbage especially when you have to burn garbage for things like paper and pop cans. Especially when they are so numerous. You have to be environmentally aware of these things. I just want to repeat that to the Member. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Minister Anawak. Back to total Baffin region. 4 million 205 thousand. Do we have any more comments. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Where do you get your numbers. They are different from mine. I have 4 million 478 thousand.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Anawak under capital estimates. Page 7-5. It is probably the same in English. Community Government. Did you find it yet. Let me find out if he can find his. Mr. Anawak.

Hon. Jack Anawak (interpretation): I am sorry. I was looking at another binder. OK.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Total Baffin region. 4 million 205 thousand. All those in favour. All those against. Carried.

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Kitikmeot region. Total Kitikmeot region. 280 thousand. Mr. Akesuk.

Mr. Akesuk (interpretation): I am sorry Mr. Chairperson. I just want to ask on behalf of Nattilik MLA. I am not really use to reading in Inuktitut. This is coming from the Member. The question that I want to ask is on behalf of my community. It is in regards to the community hall in Gjoa Haven. Right now the community hall is too small for the community. In 1999 when we met at the Parish Hall I made a Member's Statement in regards to the size of the community hall it is too small for the community. I got a response from the Minister. He stated he would inform me in regards to the community hall in Gjoa Haven.

On March 14 I also met with the minister when he visited my community and he met with the Hamlet Council and the Mayor of Gjoa Haven and the Senior Administrative Officer. As well on April 10, 2000, there was a petition from the community of Gjoa Haven that I tabled in this House. Mr. Chairperson the small size of the community hall in Gjoa Haven was petitioned by various people in the community.

We asked in a Written Question and Mr. Chairperson in year 2000-2001 main estimates. I was expecting that there would be funding for that community hall in Gioa Haven.

It was in 1999 it was put under A and then it was put under B in the year 2000-2001. I thought it would be again in year 2000-2001 capital estimates that the community hall would be included in capital estimates. I just wondered my question is to the Minister what they are going to do about the community hall in Gjoa Haven.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Akesuk. Just before the Minister responds to the question. We will take a 15 minute break.

>> Committee recessed at 2:51 and resumed at 3:24 p.m.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): The committee will come back to order. Thank you. For the question that was read into the House as we are doing the Kitikmeot region. Mr. Anawak would you like to respond to that question.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. We will not be doing any expansion this summer but as we mentioned at the beginning we would be reviewing the community halls. I could say that I know that the community of Gjoa Haven has a small community hall. Just as small as Cape Dorset and Pond Inlet and other communities as well have small community halls.

Because we have a small budget this year if we are going to do a review of the communities and the expansion to be done, we will be doing a review on those things such as the community halls and the arenas. I know that it is recreation for the communities and also for various other organized activities. We will keep them under consideration and that is all I can say at this time. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Under item, Kugluktuk, Kitikmeot region, I just wondered if there was a mistake there. It has Uqsuqtuq there instead of Kugluktuk. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): No, it does have Kugluktuk in my capital estimates here. Is that the replacing of the water supply line. There were parts frozen in the water line in Kugluktuk, we have to replace the line, and we have been working on this for quite some time. With Gjoa Haven we have nothing for Gjoa Haven at this time to replace the water supply line. We will be asking to see how much it would cost for Gjoa Haven to replace their water tank.

We are using the same water line at the same time but we put a screen in the pipe. At the present time we have this screen in place in the water tank in Gjoa Haven and we will have to do a study as to how much it would cost to replace the pipe. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): I was asked by the Nattilik MLA to ask this question. Perhaps to expand on the question. He was in his chair and he was showing us the water with the bloodworms that are in their water tank. Perhaps I wonder if the minister or his department is aware of this problem in Gjoa Haven. The blood worms in the water tanks.

I have that question for the minister.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Yes, the reason why they got those blood worms is because the screen broke and now we have replaced that screen and we will put it into the water tank. Not just that, we have other problems besides that in Gjoa Haven, but now that is what we are doing is putting the screen into the water tank. We will do a review as to how much it would cost to replace the water tank or replace the water reservoir.

The screen is in place right now and it should eliminate the number of bloodworms going into the water tanks.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Questions or comments under the Kitikmeot region. We are on the Kitikmeot region. Total Kitikmeot region, 280 thousand dollars. For. Against. Carried.

Total buildings and works, 5 million 47 thousand. Against. Carried.

Turn the page. Under 7 - 7. Community Government. Detail of Capital. Equipment acquisition, Baffin region. Total equipment acquisition, 200 thousand. Anyone against. Carried.

Total equipment acquisition, 200 thousand. Anyone against. Carried.

Contributions, Baffin region. Total Baffin region, 4 million. I am sorry contributions. Total Baffin region, 4 million 838 thousand. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Under Iqaluit. I am sorry I think I made a mistake. Under Iqaluit there are a lot of, I am thinking about something else. Never mind Mr. Chairman. I do not have any questions after all under Iqaluit. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Irqittuq. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I will have a few questions under Iqaluit. My first question is upgrade water treatment plant, 200 thousand. Then 3 million, I suppose that is for next year for a total project of 3 million 328 thousand. The first part of the question is, that's a two year project I take it. How much has the Municipality of Iqaluit contributed. Thank you.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Minister or Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The Iqaluit water treatment plant upgrade, the first part of the project is safety, regulatory issues that have to be addressed and that's what is being covered in the 200 thousand dollars for this year.

There is a longer-term requirement for water storage, water filtration and capacity here in Iqaluit. It is presently being looked at as a two year program. 2001/2002 and then

2002/2003, funding permitting. We have reflected what the costs, the estimates would be on the project but it will be subject at the funding being available in the future years.

All we are doing right now is including the safety and regulatory issues that have come up about the potential chlorine and leaks and so on.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. There is obviously some kind of plan in place to the stage of predicting or projecting that it is going to be 3 million 328 thousand. Like I say what is going to be the total cost of this project, from start to completion and how much is the Municipality kicking in. Thank you.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I can't give the member what the contribution would be from the Town right now. We can get that answer for him shortly.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I would appreciate that. I would also like to see the total cost of the project. There must be architectural plans involved. I know that this town is under tremendous pressure for growth and 3 million dollars is a lot of money. A lot of us don't have utilidor service in remote communities. If there is going to be a cost sharing agreement, in utilidor services, is it going to be for everybody in Nunavut. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I am sorry, I thought you were asking on the 3 million 300. Just one minute.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you. We are talking about. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I understood that Mr. McLean asked a question on the upgrade of the water treatment plant and that's the answer that I provided. That upgrade of the water treatment plant does not include any utilidor work.

That is simply expanding the building on top of the hill up behind the power corporation. It is where the water is treated for distribution within the Municipality. Whether that is trucked service or utilidor service. At the present time the capacity of that current facility is far exceeded by what it can do in terms of purification of water.

So this project is undertaken in response to health and safety concerns and I would have to get the full scope of the project. We have been looking at it but I don't have the document with me here.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. On that water treatment plant. Like I said earlier there is a tremendous forced growth in this community and I don't know if there is a long term plan in this community, because this community could grow up to 10 thousand people in the next 10 or 15 years.

That means you are probably going to need twice as much water as you are doing now. So I take it that when you are doing this study and upgrade of this treatment plant that you are taking a long term plan. I would hope that you are working with the Municipality, the new city, to make sure that the money that we are spending now is not going to be wasted down the road where a few years from now the population increase again and you have to rebuild the facility.

So is all that being taken into consideration on this treatment facility. Because it's very important.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Either Mr. Ferris or the Minister.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The current population projections and the future projections are being considered in looking at the scope of this project. There has been some preliminary work done in terms of the capacity of the watershed and just how much water the water lake can hold. The dam was raised about two or three years ago to build up some water.

But there is a study that's underway and this is contribution dollars that would go to the town. They are the ones that are driving the project and there will be Town funds involved but I just can't give you the exact dollar amount.

Mr. Chairman, the formula that is used on this, has just been given to me by my engineer. Thirty percent of the first 100 thousand, 20% of the next 900 thousand, and 10% of the rest, the balance of the project is what the Municipality's share would be on this particular capital project.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Perhaps if you could say thank you Mr. Chairman at the end of your sentence, then we could get your microphone turned off. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. On the sewage treatment facility of 3 million 320 thousand this year for a total project cost of 5 million 345 thousand, and I suspect that's over a two year period. Again, my questions are is this going to meet the needs of this community in the future, and again, is this community, that is the only tax based community in Nunavut, contributing anything to this project. Ma'na Itsivauta.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. I wonder Mr. Ferris if you could say thank you Mr. Chairman after your sentence, then you could have your microphone lit. Thank you Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The project is nearing completion. The 5 million 345 thousand total is the total out of a 7 million plus project. So the balance of the dollars between what you see in this main estimate and what the actual contract with the company that built that is, would be municipal contribution amounts.

There was also because this is built to meet the projected growth, there was money as well from the federal infrastructure dollars in this project. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. Before I ask my next question, I hope the Nunavut Government is as kind to the municipalities out there if they want to advance their dreams and wishes of having utilidors and items like that on the capital plan.

I am sure there is a policy in place that would help us if we want to put these types of services into less fortunate communities. The second question is that it is nice to see solid waste management finally addressed in this community, like I said earlier it's an eyesore and it's also very smelly. Is the 175 thousand dollar study that the Government of Nunavut is paying for, for the municipality for a total project cost of 3 million 400 thousand.

Is this going to address the situation that you have in this community for the foreseeable future and how much is the municipality contributing to this project. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Which one of you wishes to respond. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. The solid waste management study will look at options to open pit burning which no longer is environmentally acceptable in Iqaluit by the regulatory agencies. The municipality would pay on the same formula as the figures that I gave you before. That is a set formula for tax based municipalities for sharing in capital projects. The final figure of 3.4 million may be less, may be more, it will be dependent on what comes out of the study in terms of the type of facility or plant that needs to be built and the location related to any potential road work that may have to be done. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I don't see any one else's hand going up here over Iqaluit so I will keep asking the questions. In regards to paving roads, cost shared. One million

dollars. What kind of cost sharing agreement does the municipality or city have with the Nunavut Government. What is it, 50 - 50, 70 - 30. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. In answer to the question on the road paving, it is 50 - 50. So our 20 thousand this year would be matched by the town putting up 200 thousand dollars. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. The rented vehicle that I have will really appreciate that.

>>Applause, Laughter

Also on the 50 - 50 contribution. If a community wanted to pave a street, would the department start to develop a policy. Or are you thinking about developing a policy, where if we wanted to pave the road from the airport in Baker Lake to the town on a 50 - 50 cost share, would the department look at doing something like that. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. If a community came to us and said this is what we are prepared to do based on that percentage, yes we would have to look at a proposal like that. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. There is no other person on my list. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I will try to make this my last question. I don't like to hog the microphone. On the Nunavut incremental and seeing the dollars that are involved here, there is 4 million in capital this year going to Iqaluit and total capital projections are around 13 million dollars. It seems to me that this community or this city missed the boat on the Nunavut incremental in regards to a few projects.

I know these projects are very important because I can tell by looking at the treatment plant, the sewage treatment facility and the solid waste management, that there is a bunch of regulatory issues there. Probably when the Federal Government was in here doing their assessment of the town, they really missed out on a lot of this stuff. It's unfortunate because I know that we can't go back to them now and say that we were short-changed on a lot of these things in regards to sewage treatment facilities and solid waste management and the dumps and paving of the roads.

This is our capital and I think it should be aesthetically pleasing to the people coming in. In the future I will have a hard time agreeing with such an expenditure of capital dollars

in one community for basic facilities, or basic needs that should have been filled by the Federal Government in the Nunavut incremental funding. Because they did do a tour and they did an evaluation of communities in seeing what they needed for decentralization.

Like I say it is quite a large capital dollar outlay for a tax-based community in my opinion. Before I finish my question here, I would like to have those figures that you quoted to me, 20 percent, and 30 percent because I would like to study them and have a look at them. That's all the questions that I have today Mr. Chairman, thank you for your patience. Taima.

>>Applause

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Which one of you will respond. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. In terms of the Nunavut incremental infrastructure project, both the Government of the Northwest Territories prior to division and the Government of Nunavut never accepted the Federal position that 28 million dollars was sufficient for infrastructure in Nunavut. That's still the position every time we meet with them, they still owe us money for incremental infrastructure.

There was no funding for PPD projects, there was no funding for nursing stations and so on. However of the money that was allocated, the Municipality of Iqaluit got over 14 million of those dollars recognizing the major impact of growth on this community. The middle school was totally funded from that infrastructure project, with some money coming from Education for some of the additional features that went in the basic program that was agreed to.

So in terms of the dollars that we did get the Municipality here got 50% of those and the balance was spent in the other growth, decentralization communities. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I have a question pertaining to Iqaluit sewage treatment facility. Last year, I think this was recently constructed. Did they have a major problem that they have to spend this amount of money on this treatment facility.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Who is going to respond. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. These dollars were put in the capital plan. The Town has already expended these dollars on finishing the project and this will reimburse them our share in this fiscal year. The dollars to do the full project could not be accommodated in last year's capital plan. So work has been completed. The plant is still

not operational and we are working with the Town and the engineering firm to look at getting it on line. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. During the construction of the sewage treatment facility, I think it was the Minister of Health, I am sure that he is aware of this. From what I heard outside the House, is that it was too close to the community. So is this also in the planning stages, to relocate to another site. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Irqittuq. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. The sewage treatment facility in question, I think we had to deal with this issue. I am sure the Minister of Health has a better idea about this. We are not thinking of relocating this facility but the only area of relocation we are dealing with is the dumpsite being relocated to another site we don't have any plans to relocate any other facility.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Alakannuark.

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I am concerned about the issue of paving roads in Iqaluit. The capital is in the Baffin and we have central offices in the Kitikmeot and the Keewatin, being Rankin Inlet and Cambridge Bay. They do not have the same provisions for Rankin Inlet because their airports in Iqaluit and Rankin Inlet are paved airstrips. I am wondering if there are going to be any paving projects for the Kitikmeot Region or is that the end of the planned paving. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Alakannuark. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. At this time we don't have any plans for paving of roads or if we are going to do any paving of roads then we are going to have to receive some funding from the Federal Government. This is a cost shared project. Way before Iqaluit was the base for American Armed Forces and when they had DEW line site closures they decided the FOL would keep the airbase here in Iqaluit as well as in Churchill Manitoba.

For those reasons, FOL decided to keep the buildings here. The roads were paved and it was mainly for American Armed Forces, and then it was handed over to the Canadian Armed Forces. So if the Federal Government does not give us any money we will not have any plans to do any paving for our roads or our airstrips.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): If you are going to call please try and mute the mike in front of you because we have to consider our interpreter's ears. So be aware of that. Thank you. Mr. Alakannuark, do you have further questions.

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. This is just a comment and not a question. We have to treat all communities equally and that is why we raised this question because some of the communities do not have any pavement on their roads or airstrips. I just wanted to raise that. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Alakannuark. At this time do you have any more general comments concerning the contributions for the Baffin Region. General comments. Contributions, total Baffin Region 4 million 838 thousand dollars. Those against. Carried.

The next page, 7-8. Community Government and Transportation. Branch summary, detail of capital, Kivalliq Region. Total Kivalliq Region 2 million 42 thousand dollars. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Under this item of 700 thousand, under Nuvuuk residential sub-division. What is that project for. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. As Rankin Inlet continues to grow, this if for the Nuvuuk residential sub division. It is almost like a community within a community, and although it has been developed for the past year, the utilidor system is controlled by the hamlet. At the same time the Nunavut Government has to pay for the supplies and the material ordered last year.

I am sorry it was not ordered last year but this is to finish off payment for the materials for the project. This is to upgrade the utilidor system under the area 6, which it is called in Rankin Inlet. It is to complete the utilidor system and the materials to pay for it. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman on that same item I know it was a question that I asked about last year showing about 1.6 million dollars put in there last year. Is that the total cost for the whole project. The government put in more than that, 2.3 million dollars was the total cost of the project. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Ms. Keenainak.

**Ms. Keenainak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. That project was started when the government was still in land development when the government put money towards that, when the project started in the early 90s and then land development was transferred to the hamlet. The vast majority was paid by the municipality. Right now the hamlet has paid 6.1 million dollars on that particular project. They paid, since 1998, sixty-nine percent of the whole project itself.

The total project is about 13 million dollars. There is 2 million dollars that are grantable projects themselves. That is infrastructure that the government would have paid for themselves like forced mains and supply mains, but the hamlet has paid for 6.1 million dollars when the project is complete. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Ms. Keenainak. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Thank you, on that item and I stand to be corrected I thought that was the last. I thought the explanation was last year that it was a project that had been initiated and a commitment that was honoured by the previous government to pay off and I didn't realize this and I should have asked if there was any more money going into the project. Any more money after this year going into the project or is that it for that project. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Ms. Keenainak.

**Ms. Keenainak**: For that particular project, no that's it. Seven hundred thousand for this year. There is nothing projected for future years. Qujannamiik.

**Chairperson**: (interpretation): Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Just going back to the total project. In the last 2 years since the 2.3 million dollars that we've provided towards it, has it cost the Hamlet of Rankin Inlet more than that or are those costs that were incurred prior to these contributions. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson**: Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Ms. Keenainak.

**Ms. Keenainak**: I don't have the exact figures for 99/00 to 00/01 but the figures that I got from our office in Rankin was that the hamlet portion was 6.1 from 98/99, 01/02. GNWT/Nunavut Government was 2.8. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Ms. Keenainak. Currently we are under the Kivalliq Region. Comments. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I was in Arviat last winter and they are building and constructing a new recreation hall, I believe it is a new recreation hall. I believe it is a new recreation or a community hall, Mr. Iqaqrialu if I make a mistake would you let me know. I am wondering if this is for finishing off the community hall expansion. The item under 550 thousand. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Yes Mr. Irqittuq you are correct. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Last year the Hamlet of Arviat came to us and said that they would like to work on this project. That was last year but the money that is in these books is scheduled for this year. So the hamlet came back and asked for some

funds so that they could start the project and they are going to have the grand opening May 15. Anyway, they said that they could go ahead and come up with the dollars and go ahead and begin the construction.

Provided they can reclaim the money from the Nunavut Government. At the time we said yes you can work on it if you come up with the dollars for the facility then we can reimburse you for your expenses. So that is what happened and this is just money reimbursed to the hamlet for construction of that facility.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Minister. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairperson. I would just ask the minister about this project and if it is going to be completed with their grand opening in May. The expansion of the hall is something that I pushed for when I worked there and I know that it is desperately needed.

I'm glad to see that it is finally happened. Mr. Chairperson the minister indicated that the community said that they were going to do it and the department said go ahead we will reimburse you next year on it. I'm just wondering as far as the whole capital planning process, is that the way that this is going to develop. Any community that wants to go ahead and do something will force the government to provide the capital to reimburse them for those projects. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Minister Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: As was described earlier about the capabilities of the people of Arviat. They had a surplus. They came to us. This was in the plans with the Nunavut Government, and it was in the plans of the old government of the territories. When community people operate their affairs properly they can sometimes have a surplus. Sometimes, especially if a community council is properly running the affairs of the community and if there is willingness on behalf of the people, we can make some forms of agreement and we can pay back some of their expenses.

This promotes community self-reliance. When they want to take on their own projects. We are not going to tell them but we are going to do the same with everyone else. You look at the capabilities of the individual communities and then you can make your decisions from there.

This item under 550 thousand dollars is an allotment that we plan to return to the Hamlet of Arviat, which was monies used for the community hall expansion and it is only fifty-five percent of it already cost-shared by the hamlet themselves. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr Chairman. I just want to make sure I heard the right thing from the minister. The department would be willing to sit down with communities that do

take the initiative to fundraise a portion of the project in their communities. Give them the okay as long as they have shown the initiative to do some of the fundraising themselves. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. To some extent where the communities have shown the initiative to come forward and say, as was just shown in this community of Iqaluit to whom we are giving back 3 million 320 thousand dollars because they already have done the work, but they showed that they wanted to do the work this year and we would reimburse them. We are not saying necessarily that this is just what we are going to do every time.

But if the community is willing to put up part of their own money then we would judge the proposal on its own merits. Not just either never or all of them. If we get proposals of this type then we will take a look at them then we will see what we can do. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Does the department have any criteria that it would use in evaluating these types of proposals so that communities that are interested in doing so, they need to know what types of things and conditions and criteria they have to meet in order to be considered. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Any proposal like that should be in the capital plan because it makes sense, common sense. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): At this time we on the Kivalliq Region. Total Kivalliq Region. General comments or questions, 2 million 42 thousand dollars. Agreed. Those against. Item carried.

Kitikmeot. Total Kitikmeot Region, 387 thousand and questions or comments. Any questions or comments. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Total contributions 1 million 267 thousand dollars. Agreed. Those against. Item carried. Total capital expenditures, 12 million 14 thousand. Questions or comments. Agreed. Against. Item carried.

Page 7-10. Community Government and Transportation, branch summary. Detail of capital buildings and works. Baffin region. Total Baffin region, 2 million 152 thousand dollars. Comments or questions. In favour. Against. Carried.

Total Kivalliq Region, 40 thousand. Agreed. Carried.

Kitikmeot Region. Total Kitikmeot Region. Total Kitikmeot Region 360 thousand dollars. Agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Carried. Total buildings and works, 2 million 552 thousand dollars. Agreed. Against. Carried.

Turn to page 7-11. Community Government and Transportation. Branch summary, detail of capital. Equipment acquisition, Baffin region. Total Baffin region, 380 thousand dollars. Agreed. Against. Carried.

Kivalliq Region. Total Kivalliq Region, 40 thousand. Agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Kitikmeot Region. Total Kitikmeot Region, 60 thousand dollars. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Total equipment acquisition, 480 thousand dollars. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Total Capital Expenditures, 3 million 32 thousand dollars. Agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Under 7-12, Community Government and Transportation, Capital estimates, distribution of budget. Capital estimates are done. Agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Going back to the main estimates. Under Community Government and Transportation. Main estimates. If you have the page ready. 7-5, we will start at 7-5. Community Government and Transportation, branch summary. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Chairperson. I just wanted to tell you that Mike Rafter will be with us for this section of O&M. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Page directorate, 7-5. Do you all have it. Comments or questions. If you have any questions on 7-5. Directorate. Agreed. Against. Carried.

Going backwards. 7-4, Community Government and Transportation, branch summary, Operation and Maintenance. Total Operations and Maintenance, 12 million 250 thousand. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Total expenditures, 12 million 250 thousand dollars. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Page 7-7, Community Government and Transportation, branch summary, and the other page 7-8, Community Government & Transportation, community government, branch summary. This is the total for, we are now on the main estimates. Do you all have the page. Main Estimates of Community Government & Transportation. 7-8, Community Government & Transportation, Main Estimates, community government, branch summary. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, in this area is the Municipal Operating Assistance Program. Is this the funding that the hamlets get to operate. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Minister.

Hon. Jack Anawak: Yes.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Questions or comments. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, I know that during the pre-budget consultations, in the communities that I visited municipal funding was one of the biggest issues that was raised. I guess that it was probably raised in many other communities as well.

There is a very slight increase there, I was just wondering if that is something that is going up, we know that the communities are growing and the services that they need to provide the demand on them is growing as well. So are they funded to meet those growing demands on them as well. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Right now there has not been any extra funding for any of the communities, or for the decentralized communities for forced

growth. Other communities we have not much more money going to them although they are growing.

So what I said earlier I will repeat and that is that we are planning to have a meeting with the Mayors and the Deputies when they are meeting at the Annual General Meeting of the Nunavut Association of Municipalities. We would like to take a day or two to discuss financing, the formula for financing the communities. To discuss, what we want to do is look at the whole financing procedures that we have and see whether we should change that.

We want to allow the communities to have more input into how the money is spent and all the priorities that the communities would like to discuss with us. So that even if the money doesn't necessarily grow as much as we would like it to, it would at least enable us to have a discussion to determine how we can make the system better to suit the community needs better. Again, no the money is not enough but we would like to have a discussion on how we can make the system better suited to the communities. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, just I know there is a slight increase of about 104 thousand. Maybe I can get an explanation as to why it increased in that amount. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Minister. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. When we were looking at working on the Main Estimates for 2000/2001, there was a small contingency in the MOAP area, in the previous budget and we simply rounded it to what was handed out. The figure of 18 million 763 represents the allocation that was in the Main Estimates but didn't pick up a small amount for any communities that were having difficulty. We have now reflected it in the allocation and we will distribute it on that basis.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Just another thing that I noted when we were reviewing the Housing budget. There was an allocation to the local housing organizations of I believe of just over 600 thousand dollars to deal with the increased costs of fuel that we'll face as a result of the price increase that was announced in January.

Is there any allocation of that type for the municipalities. I am sure that between the LHOs, the hamlets, and the municipalities they are the two largest users of fuel in the communities. I am just wondering if there will be support for the hamlets and municipalities to deal with that unforeseen cost. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I went to the Financial Management Board earlier and was able to get an agreement for the department to get 200 thousand dollars for overall, it's a limited amount 200 thousand but that will be distributed to the Hamlet operations to offset the fuel price increase. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Minister. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to ask if there is a way that we determine the amount or the financial impact of that increase on the municipalities if that was calculated. You know, was it 200 thousand or what is the actual impact to the municipalities. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. We used the formula that is applied at the present time. We used three year averaging and for each community we looked at the impact on that community related to the increase in the fuel costs both for their diesel fuel and for their housing or their offices. They have far fewer buildings than a local housing authority has. As well as the fuel that they burn in their vehicles.

Yes, at the present time with that amount of dollars we can meet that forecasted need. The other thing is that we when we do undertake the formula financing review this fiscal year we will be looking at changing this utilities formula given input from the communities so that it reflects a quicker change. Right now it takes about three years for a change in the rates to catch up. However, with this amount of money we can provide each municipality with additional dollars that will help offset the costs that we forecasted based on their three year averaging. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Alakannuark.

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Under the water and sewer subsidy program. I just wondered why in 1999 there was 5 million 239 thousand. In Main Estimates of 2000/2001 there is only 4 million 785 thousand. I wonder why there is a difference for this fiscal year over last year under the revised estimates. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Alakannuark. Mr. Minister. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. When we were going through the first budget load for the new government in 1999/2000, with the assistance of the Department of Finance who did a lot of that work for us because we didn't have finance staff at the time. There were a few areas where we found that there was a budget load that wasn't in the right area and we have been taking steps to change that through the process.

One of the areas that needed sorting out, was the transfer of dollars from our budget to the new Housing Corporation. When all those figures were adjusted, you will see in some of the other figures that it may go down a bit, but it is because we gave out dollars to Housing or the budget load wasn't in the right category. We are anticipating, again with the support of the Finance Department and having staff now, that once the budget is approved the figures will be in the right line items on the expense side of the budget. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Alakannuark.

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Maybe the municipal governments are requesting lower funding now but looking at the whole of Nunavut, it is a big geography and I am just wondering if perhaps the hamlets have requested lower funding from previous years. Is that the case. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Alakannuark. Mr. Anawak.

Hon. Jack Anawak (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. While we were preparing our financial budgets last year the Housing Corporation was still under our department. It was under the Department of Community Government & Transportation. For that reason we had to make some changes in the figures now that Housing Corporation is a standalone department. The amount of money that we provide the hamlets has not decreased substantially although the funding is still under the Department of Community Government, we had to make some transfers to another department.

Although the amount that we supply to communities has not changed much.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Under Community Government & Transportation, community government, branch summary. Any further comments. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Are we under 7 - 7.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): We are under 7 - 8. Page 7 - 7 was already approved so we are on the next page, 7 - 8.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): I was going to ask a question under 7-7 but that is okay. I will ask another question under 7-8. The amount of money under water and sewage services subsidy program has decreased from last year's estimates. Why is that. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. The minister already explained the reasons why but if he wants to explain again, he may do so but he already explained the reasons.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Yes, last year when we did our budgeting although the Main Estimates for 2001 has decreased, the reason why it has decreased is because we had Housing under our department, but the amount of money we provide to the communities hasn't changed. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. We are still under community government. If there are no further comments on this do you agree. Do you agree.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Okay go back to the next page. Community Government & Transportation, community government, branch summary. Bottom of page 7 – 6. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. My apologies, there is a slight difference it says 27 thousand 774. It should have been 23 million 774 thousand. I am sorry, we did not state 27 thousand 774. This was already agreed to however it should have been 27 thousand 774. I was just thinking that you stated the total grants and contributions. Were you just going to mention that Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. I think this is a slightly different figure and he just wanted to clarify the details. If you can move to 7 - 6 then we can give the figures. Thank you.

Page 7 – 6, under Community Government & Transportation, community government, branch summary. Operations and maintenance, total operations and maintenance, 37 million 135 thousand. Mr. Tootoo.

**Mr. Tootoo**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, something just hit me looking at the compensation and benefits and I don't know if the minister explained, I know that the Housing function was in the department last year, and it is no longer within that department. I noticed that area has increased, and I am just wondering if last year the department didn't budget to be fully staffed. I am just wondering why, I know they have lost the Housing function that was in there.

It doesn't show up in all the rest, I am just wondering why it has increased. I am just wondering if it was because of needing the budget to be fully staffed last year and they are going to have more staff this year. Is there an increase in staff. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Tootoo. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. If the member looks at page 7 - 9 you will see that last year transportation was 3.449 million and it's down. That's because we have reallocated dollars that showed up in transportation that were community government salary dollars. The Housing dollars that were agreed to through the process between the

two departments and the Financial Management Board those have been transferred. Again that is simply having better staff levels now in finance and being able to work through and saying this is where those dollars should have been charged. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Total operations and maintenance, 37 million 135 thousand. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Total Expenditures, 49 million 649 thousand. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Go on to page 7 - 9. Page 7 - 9. Community Government & Transportation, transportation, branch summary. Operations and maintenance. Total operations and maintenance, 13 million 638 thousand. Agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

Chairperson (interpretation): Total expenditures, 16 million 670 thousand. Agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): On to page 7 - 11. Community Government & Transportation, distribution of budget. Agreed. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Why have the community aerodrome radio stations not changed from last year's revised estimates.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): I am sorry I did not get his question.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Presently this is recovered work, dollars that we recovered from NAV Canada and we are presently negotiating with NAV Canada increases for the CARS radio stations and we have had considerable input from community councils over increases that they are looking for. Once those would be done and an agreement is entered into we would be reporting that through the Financial Management Board and looking for approval to adjust this.

This is totally recovered from NAV Canada, but we are presently engaged in negotiations with them to increase dollars values for community airport radios. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Just below that item I just mentioned. Minor works. Why is there a decrease in this amount. Have they almost completed this project. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. These dollars are recovered from the Canadian Coast Guard and they have reduced their contribution to Nunavut. Again, there will be, once we get a list of the projects that we are looking at, a letter going out to each of the Regional Superintendents asking them to consult with communities. We will meet again with the Canadian Coast Guard with a list and we are looking at increasing this amount at least back up to the half million we had last year and signing a new vote 4-5 for a new recovery type agreement with them. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Ferris. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Just below minor works, under item small boating safety awareness program. Why don't they increase these amounts within Nunavut.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. Mr. Minister.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. Looking at this program, this has been received from the Federal Government, through negotiations and agreements. If somebody requests funding from our department for that reason things have not changed over previous years and I think this amount will stay the same.

Although we are trying to find a way of increasing this budget, and I expect that we will get larger amounts in the near future. We ourselves as the Government of Nunavut cannot increase this when we are getting a recovery from the Federal Government.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Anawak. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I still take it we are under page 7 – 11. Is that correct.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Yes we were going to 7 - 11 but we missed 7 - 10 and somebody raised a question under 7 - 10 so that is why we are under 7 - 10. Do you have further comments Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. When we are on 7 – 11. Ma'na. Taima.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. McLean. Any further comments on 7 - 10. If there are none, then turn the page. Apparently in English the copies are correctly numbered, just the Inuktitut pages are out of order. You are looking for page 7 - 11 in your books and those with Inuktitut will have to go back to the page before page 11.

I will not be quoting the numbers here either. Are we agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. I would like to ask a couple of questions. Under distribution of budget. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Do you wish to respond. Maybe I misunderstood. Please proceed Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. We will both get it right here soon. Under distribution of budget of operations & maintenance is there a figure in there for the Iqaluit capital airport of 2 million 517 thousand 617 dollars. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. This is the roll up and distribution of the cost to maintain and operate the Iqaluit airport we will be in that figure in that distribution. Just let me check with the finance people because it may be under Directorate now. The 22 million does not include the Iqaluit airport. The dollars for the Iqaluit airport are included in the 17 million under total operations because that is now operating as a capital airport under Directorate. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. This 2 million 715 thousand is that what is cost to run the airport. Is that the actual cost to run the airport in Iqaluit a year. Is that a tendered contract or is that handed over to the capital. Thank you.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Ferris: There are two components in the airport operation. There are Department staff that have salary and wages. Some travel cost and there is a contract in place for the maintenance of the airport. The maintenance contract includes the maintenance of all the heavy snow removal equipment that the Government owns. So it is an operating contract and it is a maintenance contract to keep it maintained and to keep the airstrip ploughed and do maintenance on the buildings. But there are also staff, an airport manager plus staff that are working there full-time. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. So this airport in Iqaluit is operated differently from the other 25 airports in Nunavut. Is it a different type of operation like I think the

Municipalities run most of them. So this is a different type of operation here at the airport in Iqaluit. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. The airport operation in Iqaluit is a Government operation. There was at maybe four years ago when Transport Canada was still involved. Some discussion with the Town. But because of the liability and the need to ensure the Town lost interest very quickly in operating this airport. It is a major airport not part of the National airport system. There is a very high level of security on it and that other operations that discourage the Municipal Corporation from getting involved being the airport authority. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. This 2 million 500 odd thousand dollars is that totally funded by the Nunavut Government. Or is there a Federal contribution involved in that Mr. Chairperson. Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Mr. Chairperson that 2.5 million would be funded by the Government of Nunavut. There are some projects of a capital nature that are regulatory where we would get money from the Federal government. But we also do get a sizeable amount of revenue that goes into the general fund. There are landing fees that are charged. A fee comes to the airport off the fuel taxes. I am just looking at the figure to give it to you. It is probably around 1 million dollars that we take in. During this fiscal year we will be reviewing our weeks at the airport to look at whether we are getting adequate revenue.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. What does the Town of Iqaluit receive. Do they receive any taxes at that airport. Are there any revenues from that airport. Is it just they do not receive any compensation from that airport other than landing an airplane. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. Two things happen. This Government funds through the grants in lieu. Those are taxes this Government pays and the Municipality of Iqaluit is the only tax base Municipality so they are receiving the grants in lieu of taxes on our property at the airport. The Town has approached our Minister and the Minister has agreed.

We are looking at transferring all the commercial land that is out there and the leases go over to Town control. So it fits under the Town by-laws and the revenue that we would

be generating off those leases would be than generated by the Town. We must maintain certain land at that airport but because of zoning requirements for aircraft clearance. But other land out there the Town was concerned there was not enough controls in it. It was growing topsy tervy. So we are pursuing with them whether it is feasible to make a land transfer. Then that would give them the revenue that is associated with it. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. Any future developments at that airport. Like airport terminal buildings. One way extensions. Apron upgrades and things like that. Do have an agreement with the Federal Government to provide any kind of funding for these upgrades. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

**Mr. Ferris**: Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. In terms of some of the capital projects. We will be in the able to get .95 cent dollars from the Federal Government. They have already and met with us. We have an idea of those projects that would be applicable to under what is called Airport Capital Assistance Program. They do make those dollars available for any regulatory safety nature.

So when we are looking at a 10 million job to pay the runways or open up taxiway alpha. 95 cents on every dollar would come from the Federal Government. When it comes to the potential of a new terminal building. That would be something that this Government would have to look at. There may or may not be a smaller amount of funding. We have been negotiating with them on the bases they put that terminal building on location.

Now it is causing zoning problems. However, it does not fit clearly under ACAP. We are talking about a different formula on the terminal building if the Federal Government was to agree to place it and that would be somewhere in the neighbourhood of 50-50. But that one we have not finalise as much as we have the ACAP arrangements. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: Ma'na Itsivauta. That is good news that we receive 95 cents on every dollar. I am sure I asked the Minister earlier in the session that there be an evaluation of all airstrips in Nunavut. I hope that my runway needs to be resurfaced so the Municipality would have the opportunity to receive 95 percent of the funding. I am sure we could scrap up 5 percent for a new resurfacing. On that topic. How much do you expect to receive from ACAP this year and where is it going. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Ferris.

Mr. Ferris: Mr. Chairperson it is not that the Minister and I would like the announce what we know what is going to be announced by the Federal Government. But the Minister of Transport gets to announce it first. I can say this much. The first six projects we have filed have been approved. The Minister had asked the MP to come and make that announcement this week. Because of the untimely death in Arviat, that has been delayed until she is available to come back. There will be continued announcements as the applications process is completed and the Minister of Transport grants the approvals. But those projects Mr. Chairperson I have mentioned when we report a committee by spread across Nunavut. In fact, two of them are going to the MLA's region once the announcement is made.

Chairperson (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Ferris. Mr. McLean.

**Mr. McLean**: I will not ask you any more detail on the two communities in the Kivalliq because my colleagues are giving me the evil eye at both sides. My final question to you. You brought up a point about commercialising land around airports and I know in my community there is talk of us to try to build a hanger for a private interest trying to build a hanger in our community for storage and storage of aircraft. Are you people working on a policy to make it easier to obtain land in a community close to airports within the reason and safety for people to develop. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. McLean. Mr. Anawak.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Yes. Now that we have a little bit more freedom to control our lands and to what zoning areas we can assign to them. It will be easier and we are looking for other ways to make it easier for lands around airports to be assessable to the private or commercial sector. Yes we are looking at the possible different ways.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Anawak. Are there any questions to 7-11. I am sorry we had the switch to Inuktitut. Do we have any more comments. If not. All those agreed. Are you agreed.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): If we can go back to 7-3 Community Government & Transportation program summery. Operations & maintenance. Total operations & maintenance 63 million 23 thousand. Are you agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Also total capital 15 million 540 thousand. Are you agreed. I apologise. Total expenditures. 78 million 569 thousand. Are we agreed.

**Some Members**: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Are we agreed that we have concluded with the Department of Community Government & Transportation main estimates.

Some Members: Agreed.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Mr. Anawak we thank you for being at the witness table. I think the Committee plans at this time. We have been sitting for a long time. I have a backache from sitting for so long. I thank you Mr. Anawak. Do you have any closing remarks.

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you very much to the Members and yourself Mr. Chairperson. In particular I want to thank my witnesses. Mike Ferris and Rosemary Keenainak and Mike Rafter and my assistant David Akeeagok. It will be evident that even the people are not actually here there are staff members that have worked hard to completing this assignment within our Department of Community Government & Transportation. I extend my gratitude to them and Thank you.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Anawak. Mr. Alakannuark.

>>Applause

**Mr. Alakannuark** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Chairperson. We have to meet at six again. So I wish to report progress. Thank you, Mr. Chairperson.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you. There is a motion on the floor to report progress. Mr. Nutarak.

**Mr. Nutarak** (interpretation): Thank you. I move that we report progress.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Nutarak. There is a motion on the floor. It is not debatable. We have to vote on the motion to report progress. All in favour of reporting progress. Opposed. Abstentions. Thank you for voting. All in favour were 5 and against were 6 people. So we will not report at this time. We will rest for about 10 minutes and come back. Five minutes. I need a break at this time. Thank you. We already counted the votes. So we can not count them again. There were people in favour of reporting progress. There were five for and six against. We have voted already so we will break for 15 minutes and we will get back to the House.

>> Committee recessed at 5:09 and resumed at 5:31 p.m.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): The committee will come to order. Justice is the next item on the agenda. Opening remarks and Mr. Picco will be dealing with the Department of Justice, Opening Remarks. Mr. Picco.

## **Department of Justice: Minister's Opening Remarks**

**Hon. Ed Picco**: Thank you Mr. Chairman. On behalf of the Honourable Jack Anawak, Minister for Justice I am very pleased to be here this afternoon with you and with the committee to do the opening comments for the presentation to the Committee of the Whole on the Department of Justice for budget year 2000/2001.

Mr. Chairman and Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly. I am pleased to present to you the 2000-2001 Main Estimates for the Department of Justice, and to respond to any questions you might have, if Mr Anawak is not here.

Before I begin to talk about the Main Estimates, I want to tell you of our commitment to Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit. We try to ensure that everything we do as a Department is based on Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit. To that end, we have an active IQ Committee that is made up of young people as well as more senior members of the Department. This commitment is necessary because it assists us in providing services to Nunavummiut and to the Government.

Mr. Chairman, the Main Estimates lay out the tasks we have set for ourselves in the coming year. As well, they identify how we will allocate Departmental resources in order to accomplish our objectives. I will not explain in detail everything that we are doing in Justice; rather I will give you some examples of the Department's work.

Nunavut Justice faces a number of critical issues. While we have not dealt with all of these issues by any means, I am pleased to say that we are making progress in many areas. I will address these as I discuss the Business Plan and the Main Estimates.

The Department of Justice is committed to implementing innovative ways to address justice issues. In large part, because of the leadership of the minister. This means developing a justice system that is community based. It also means working towards a system that is accessible, accessible Mr. Chairman, to all Nunavummiut. We are therefore making sure that we consult the people in the communities as we design new ways to do business. We are also producing legal materials from the Department in Inuktitut.

Nunavut Justice is fortunate to have good working relationships with federal Departments in Ottawa. We have received funding assistance in a number of areas this year and have been told of commitments for further financial support from Ottawa in 2000-2001.

Mr. Chairman, with that I would like just to finish off a couple of more sentences and then hand over to my honourable colleague, that wonderful, well-known man, the honourable Jack Anawak. I would just like to introduce the topic of community corrections and supervision.

The Financial Management Board has approved 450 thousand dollars in 2000-2001 to operate the Community Supervision Plan. The amount approved will allow us to make a

good start on implementing the plan. For now, Community Corrections Supervisors will be placed in four...and now I would turn it over to Minister Anawak. Community Corrections Supervisors will be placed in four...and now Mr. Anawak.

## >>Laughter

**Hon. Jack Anawak** (interpretation): Thank you. Community Corrections Supervisors will be placed in four communities with one program co-ordinator. The funds will be used to cover staff salaries, O&M costs, the costs of setting up offices in the regions, training and travel.

This is an important start in an area where there is a serious need for more action. Also, the initiative is consistent with the recommendations contained in the report of the Nunavut Corrections Planning Committee. I also want to note that we are discussing possible funding for the Community Supervision Plan with our counterparts in Ottawa.

The long-term plan is to have Community Corrections workers in several communities. These workers will supervise youth and adult offenders concerning probation, parole and conditional sentences. It is proposed that over time the probation/parole service currently delivered by Community Social Service Workers and administered by Health and Social Services will be integrated into our Community Supervision Plan. Officials from my Department will be working with officials from the Department of Health and Social Services to ensure that the shift in responsibility for community supervision is smooth. We expect that the transition will take at least eighteen months.

The Department has recently held a workshop for operators of on-the-land camps and alternative homes. These facilities are an important part of our move towards community-based justice. The operators need training and need the chance to share their ideas with each other.

(interpretation ends) The Nunavut Corrections Planning Committee released its final report last fall. I gave each member of the Legislative Assembly a copy of the report and invited input. The Department of Justice has taken the report very seriously and has been working on plans to implement as many of the Committee's recommendations as possible.

Consistent with the Committee's recommendations, the programs at the Baffin Correctional Centre are being reviewed. The Department intends to continue providing programs that promote healing and growth among inmates.

Community-based justice is very important in our efforts to serve Nunavummiut more effectively. The Department of Justice is working to ensure that Community Justice Committees in all regions have a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities. The Department has held workshops in Baker Lake and Cape Dorset for Community Justice Co-ordinators from the regions. As well, a consultation with the chairs of Community Justice Committees in North Baffin and Kivalliq was held in Iqaluit.

The Department has set up a committee to address the issue of developing a new diversion protocol. A diversion protocol will make it clear when youth and adult cases can be referred by the police to Community Justice Committees. The Department of Justice is now consulting with communities on options for diversion protocols.

Our funding support for Community Justice Committees will continue through contribution agreements. The total amount of the contribution agreements for 2000-2001 is 510 thousand dollars and is outlined on page 5-13 of your copy of the Main Estimates.

(interpretation) When I reported to this Committee last year, I noted our intention to improve the capabilities of our Justice of the Peace program. I am pleased to tell you that the Department held intensive training sessions for JPs in November and December. Individual training is ongoing and more sessions are planned for next fiscal year. As well, our Justice of the Peace Co-ordinator has been actively engaged in recruiting new JPs in the communities. Presently we have 53 active JPs in 24 communities.

As well, my Department arranged for Arctic College to hold a training program for Legal Interpreters last fall. This training will also continue in 2000-2001 as required.

The Department of Justice is having all Bills translated into Inuktitut and Innuinaqtun, as well as other core Justice materials. The Financial Management Board approved the expenditure in 2000-2001 of 150 thousand dollars. This is to cover the cost of hiring two Inuktitut translators. One translator has been hired and the hiring process for the second is underway now. The Department does not have the capacity to translate into Innuinaqtun but relies on the assistance of the Department of Culture, Language, Elders and Youth to do this.

Summaries of the over two hundred statutes in force in Nunavut have been prepared in Inuktitut and English. This is the first time such a project has been undertaken in Canada, and perhaps the world. These initiatives are important as we change our laws to better suit Nunavummiut.

(interpretation ends) The Nunavut Legal Services Board is in the final stages of becoming operational. The headquarters will be located in Gjoa Haven. An Executive Director has been hired and is now in Gjoa Haven. He has now hired three staff from the community of Gjoa Haven.

Our start date of April 1 for the Legal Services Board has been adjusted so that we can be sure the Gjoa Haven office is ready and that staff members are in place. We have therefore extended our agreement with the GNWT by three months until the end of June. The functions of the Nunavut Legal Services Board will be run by the NWT Legal Services Board until June 30, when the Nunavut Legal Services Board will take over management of the provision of legal aid services to Nunavummiut.

The Nunavut Legal Registries Office is operating in Yellowknife and will be relocated to Iqaluit as soon as office space is available this fall. The Financial Management Board has approved funds to develop an electronic filing and data maintenance system called the Personal Property Security Registry. We are planning that this system will be in place when the new Personal Property Security Act is brought into force. We are also proposing changes to modernise the Land Titles system in Nunavut. Both these developments will help to make the registry system more user-friendly to Nunavummiut by reducing delays and costs.

You will see in your materials that the budget for the Department of Justice is broken down into two main categories: first, Operations and Maintenance and then the Capital Plan.

In your review of the Main Estimates, you will see on page 5-3 that our Operations and Maintenance budget totals 36 million 537 thousand. This is broken down as follows:

Compensation and Benefits \$10,855,000 Grants and Contributions \$1,343,000 Other Expenses \$24,339,000

Operations and Maintenance funds are allocated to the various functions within the Department -- Directorate, Law Enforcement, Legal Services Board, Lawyer Support Services, Registries and Court Services, and Community Justice and Corrections. The single largest item in the budget is the Nunavut policing contract with the RCMP at 13 million 964 thousand dollars.

(interpretation) As you will also see on page 5-3, the Department of Justice has a small capital budget, totalling 600 thousand dollars. Of this amount, 310 thousand dollars is for improvements at the Baffin Correctional Centre, and 100 thousand dollars is for outpost camps.

Additional capital funding will be required in the future if we are going to follow the recommendations of the Corrections Planning Committee and repatriate our offenders to Nunavut from other institutions.

The Department does not anticipate a budget surplus in 2000-2001. In the coming year we will be working hard to stay within the allocated budget. We are setting priorities and making every effort to ensure that we operate as effectively as possible on those priorities.

The Department of Justice performs essential functions. We are working hard to develop new ways to deal with justice issues – ways that will meet the needs and aspirations of Nunavummiut. Whatever we do, we try very hard to base our actions on the principles of Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit. I ask you to support our efforts in the coming year.

This concludes the formal part of my presentation. I am interested in ideas you may have about how we can build a stronger justice system. We are now available to answer questions you have about the Main Estimates for the Department of Justice. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Minister of Justice, Mr. Anawak. If we can get the committee Chairperson's opening remarks. Mr. Irqittuq.

**Mr. Irqittuq** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman. I still have a hoarse voice so don't mind my voice.

Mr. Chairman, I am pleased to be able to make some opening remarks as we begin the debate on the 2000/2001 Main Estimates for the Department of Justice.

Over the past year, the Standing Committee has had an opportunity to meet with the Minister on a number of occasions. Mr. Chairman, over the past year the Standing Committee has emphasised the need for a community and healing based approach to justice issues. We are pleased that the department's business plan expresses this commitment to building a justice system that is reflective of the needs of Nunavummiut in this regard. We have taken note of the 450 thousand dollars in new funding that the department has allocated to its new Community Supervision Plan. Members are hopeful that this plan will benefit as many communities as possible.

However, we have noted that the total 2000/2001 O&M spending for the community corrections and justice branch of the department has actually decreased slightly from 1999/2000.

Over the coming year the Standing Committee will take a special interest in reviewing the way in which the department will put into action the recommendations contained in the report of the Corrections Planning Committee. It will monitor with interest departmental progress in negotiating a new diversion protocol with the RCMP, CJCs and the Federal Department of Justice. We look forward to the Minister updating us on these initiatives throughout the coming year. We will also be paying attention to the progress of the decentralization of the Legal Services Board to Gjoa Haven.

Finally, Mr. Chairman, the Standing Committee has taken note of some new capital initiatives of the department. These include 100 thousand dollars in funding for Correction Camps. On the land camps have been something that we have been supportive of throughout the past year. Fifty thousand dollars has been allocated for planning for a new adult correctional facility. We will be taking a great interest in which community this facility is placed.

Finally, we have noted 50 thousand dollars for planning for a new courthouse. Some members on the Standing Committee had the opportunity to tour the existing facility with the minister here in Iqaluit.

Mr. Chairman, these are some of the general areas of concern that we have had as a standing committee. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Chairman for the Standing Committee. Do you agree that the opening remarks are concluded. Mr. Akesuk.

**Mr. Akesuk** (interpretation): I wish to report progress.

**Chairperson** (interpretation): Do you agree. I will now rise and report progress. The Speaker can come back to the House.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Going back to the orders of the day. Item 20. Report of the Committee of the Whole. Mr. Iqaqrialu.

## **Item 20: Report of the Committee of the Whole**

**Mr. Iqaqrialu** (interpretation): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, your committee has been considering Bill 13 and tabled document 41 - 1(3), 61 - 1(3), 84 - 1(3) and 85 - 1(3) and would like to report that tabled document 84 - 1(3) is concluded. And, Mr. Speaker, I move that the report of the committee of the whole be concurred with. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Iqaqrialu. The motion is in order. Seconder to the motion. Mr. Kilabuk. All those in favour. Item 21. Third Reading of Bills. Third Reading of Bills. Item 22. Orders of the Day. Mr. Clerk.

## **Item 22: Orders of the Day**

**Clerk** (Mr. Quirke): Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Meeting of the Standing Committee on Culture, Education and Health this evening at half past six.

Orders of the Day for Thursday April 20<sup>th</sup>

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Ministers' Statements
- 3. Members' Statements
- 4. Returns to Oral Questions
- 5. Recognition of Visitors in the Gallery
- 6. Oral Questions
- 7. Written Questions
- 8. Returns to Written Questions
- 9. Replies to Opening Address
- 10. Petitions
- 11. Reports of Standing and Special Committees
- 12. Reports of Committees on the Review of Bills
- 13. Tabling of Documents

- 14. Notices of Motions
- 15. Notices of Motions for First Reading of Bills
- 16. Motions
- 17. First Reading of Bills
- 18. Second Reading of Bills
- 19. Consideration in Committee of the Whole of Bills and Other Matters
  - Bill 13
  - Tabled Document 41 1(3)
  - Tabled Document 61 1(3)
  - Tabled Document 85 1(3)
  - Tabled Document 87 1(3)
- 20. Report of the Committee of the Whole
- 21. Third Reading of Bills
- 22. Orders of the Day.

Thank you.

**Deputy Speaker** (interpretation): Thank you Mr. Clerk. According to the authority vested in me by motion 3 - 1(3) this House stands adjourned until April 20, at 10.00 a.m., year 2000.

Sergeant-At-Arms

>>House adjourned at 5.58 p.m.