

8:31 a.m.

[Mr. Langevin in the chair]

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: What I'd like to do is call the meeting to order. It's past 8:30. I'd like you to look at your minutes that were circulated with your binder. If there are no errors or omissions, I'd ask for a motion to approve the minutes as circulated.

MR. STRANG: I'll so move, Mr. Chairman.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Okay. Moved by Ivan that we accept the minutes as circulated. All those in favour of that motion? Opposed? The motion is carried.

I apologize; I jumped over item 2. Also, I would like approval of the agenda as circulated. Are there any changes or proposals for change in the agenda? If not, I'd like to have a motion to approve the agenda.

MR. THURBER: So moved.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Moved by Tom that we approve the agenda as circulated. All those in favour of the agenda?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Now if you go to item 4, Pr. 2, you have in your binder a letter from Shaw Communications asking us to defer their private member's bill until the fall session. I don't know if you all had a chance to look at that, but if you'd like to look at your binder, you'll see the letter that was circulated. So if you had a chance to look at their letter – also, Alberta Treasury was supposed to make a presentation this morning, and Alberta Treasury also agreed to defer representation on the same issue until the fall session. So we have agreement between the two there that we should do that. I'd like to have some comments from the committee on that. Yes, Tom.

MR. THURBER: Thanks, Mr. Chairman. I would move that further consideration of Bill Pr. 2, Shaw Communications Inc. Amendment Act, 1999, be deferred to the 1999 fall sitting as per the request of the people involved in that.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Thank you for the motion.

MR. BONNER: I'll second that.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much.

Is there any discussion on the motion? If we have no discussion, I'll call for the vote on the motion. All those in favour of the motion?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Opposed? The motion is carried unanimously. Thank you very much.

Now item number 5, other business. I have no other business to bring. Any other business by members? Yes, Linda.

MRS. SLOAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Out of interest, what is the quorum of this committee?

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: The quorum is seven members.

MRS. SLOAN: All right. Thank you.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Yeah, we have well over the quorum this morning. We have several members absent, but we're still over the quorum.

MRS. SLOAN: One over.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Just one over the quorum. We have nine members, so we're two members over the quorum.

If there is no further business, I would like to have a motion to adjourn the meeting. It's moved by Barry that we adjourn the meeting. All those in favour?

HON. MEMBERS: Agreed.

THE ACTING CHAIRMAN: Opposed? The motion is carried.

Thank you very much for coming for a short meeting.

[The committee adjourned at 8:35 a.m.]

