

MINUTES

Meeting of the Parliamentary Committee of Public Works held in Room A17, Parliament House on Friday, 9 June 1989, at 8.30 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. A.C. McPhie (Chairman), Mr. H. Palaszczuk (Deputy Chairman), Messrs L.A. Ardill, D.E. Beanland, T.S. Hynd and D.J. Slack MM.L.A.

In attendance as Acting Secretary, the Clerk Assistant, Mr. I.W. Thompson.

APOLOGY: Mr. C.J. Berghofer, M.L.A.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the previous meeting having been previously distributed, were taken as read. On the motion of Mr. Hynd, seconded by Mr. Beanland the Minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the previous meeting. Carried

- BUSINESS ARISING:
1. The Committee noted the draft Code of Conduct and decided that further action be held pending any move to bring it before Parliament.
 2. The Chairman reported that work had not yet commenced on Level 3 to relocate the Deputy Clerk (Administration) as Works Department employees were fully occupied on Level 14.
Resolved - To be followed up with Mr Speaker and the Services Co-ordinator.
 3. The Acting Secretary read a letter from The Clerk of the Parliament in relation to staff for the Committee. A discussion followed.
 - (a) As a result of the letter the Committee reluctantly agreed to accept the arrangements regarding the Acting Secretary and support staff.

Resolved - That a letter be sent to The Clerk of the Parliament requesting that action for the

appointment of permanent staff should be made in the life of the present Parliament with Committee Members involved in such selection to ensure that permanent staff are available immediately the new Parliament commences. The letter to also request the provision of suitable photocopier, word processor, fax machine etc., in office when it is established.

- (b) Resolved - That the Chairman also write to the Clerk in relation to the appointment of expert research staff and the procedures that need to be followed to minimise delays in such appointments.
4. The Acting Secretary produced a proof of a suggested letterhead which was accepted by the Committee.

Resolved - That a small quantity be produced on the in house desk top publisher to carry over until the Committee has its own telephone and fax number which could then be included in the letterhead.

5. The Acting Secretary reported that a submission had been put to the Parliamentary Service Commission in relation to travel allowance for Members of the Committee for attendance at meetings and in relation to inspections or meetings outside Brisbane. All travel, accommodation and meals etc. costs be met by the Public Works Committee.
6. The Committee noted the review procedures adopted by the Parliamentary Committee of Public Accounts. To be held for future reference.
7. Mr. Beanland tabled a report in relation to the proposed monorail on the Gold Coast.

Resolved - That the Department of Transport be asked to provide more information in relation to this project.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Outward

1. Letter to The Clerk of the Parliament in relation to the delay in the appointment of a permanent Secretary and urging the Parliamentary Service Commission to take action as soon as possible.
2. Letter to Mr. Campbell in relation to the Kingaroy Airport and advising that the Committee has commenced preliminary investigations of the matter.
3. Letter to Mr. Keith Plunkett, M.P., Chairman, South Australian Public Works Committee, enclosing a copy of our legislation and advising of a possible visit to Adelaide for talks in the near future.

Inward

1. A letter from Mr. Beanland in relation to the Gold Coast monorail.
2. A letter from The Clerk of the Parliament in relation to permanent staff for the Committee.
3. Two letters from Mr. T.D. Fenwick, Commissioner for Water Resources in relation to Wolffdene Dam and arrangements to have certain files transferred to Parliament House and his officers briefing Members of the Committee.
4. A letter from Mr. J. Bartley in relation to the proposed new gaols at Wacol and urging the Committee to consider the project.

Moved by Mr. Slack and seconded by Mr. Beanland that the inward correspondence be received and the outward correspondence confirmed. Carried

KINGAROY AIRPORT:

The Chairman presented a paper in relation to the Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen Airport at Kingaroy.

Resolved -

- (a) That a letter be written to the Co-ordinator General to obtain a copy of a State Government review that was commissioned in relation to the airport.
- (b) That a letter be written to the Federal Transport and Communications Department requesting the parameters used for assistance under the Aerodrome Local Ownership Plan and requesting a reason why the Kingaroy Shire Council was refused assistance under the scheme.

WOLFFDENE DAM:

A discussion took place in relation to the Wolffdene Dam project and the report/files that had already been provided by the Water Resources Commission.

Resolved - That letters be written to obtain further information in relation to the project to -

1. The Brisbane City Council requesting reports in relation to projected water consumption and population projections.
2. The Queensland University in relation to investigations into projected water consumption and population.
3. The Water Resources Commission requesting
 - (a) the report on the Albert River Dam Site - Preliminary Geological Report
 - (b) the report on the Wolffdene Dam Site, Albert River AMTD 19.0 km, Design Flood Study
 - (c) the report on the Wolffdene Dam Project Investigations (includes flood routing)
 - (d) the report on the Review of Prospective Storages analysed in South East Queensland
 - (e) the report on the Mary River -

Basin 138, Kenilworth Dam Site AMTD
270.0 km

- (f) the report on the Mary River Dam Site 270 km, flood and yield analyses
 - (g) the report on the Review of Water Resources and Future Water Needs of South East Queensland
 - (h) the report on the Wolffdene Dam - Review of Buffer Zone
 - (i) the report on the Wolffdene Dam - Complaints
 - (j) the report on the Wolffdene Dam - General
4. To the Brisbane and Area Water Board requesting
- (a) the resolution of 22 January 1988 to construct Wolffdene Dam at AMTD 19.3 on the Albert River
 - (b) the report on the long term program for the construction of the Wolffdene Dam
 - (c) the reports by G. Cossins and Partners on
 - (i) Comparative Costs of Amplifying Urban Water Supplies in South-East Queensland and
 - (ii) Desalination as a Source of Water Supply.
 - (d) information on how resumptions are funded, what is the current budget and how much has been spent to date and on what properties and what is the anticipated budget for 1989-90.
5. To the Cabinet Secretary requesting copies of submissions and Cabinet decisions in relation to the proposed Wolffdene Dam, namely, Decision nos.

16425 of November 1971, 46780 of August 1985, 53056 of 23 November 1987, 42138 of 8 August 1985, 54631 of 4 July 1988 and 56418 of April 1989.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. A draft Budget for 1989-90 was provided which mainly detailed likely line items. A firm budget will not be available until 1990-91 after the Committee has been operational for a full year.
2. The Committee agreed that all public comment in relation to projects under investigation by the Committee should be made by the Chairman until final reports are released.
3. Acting Secretary to prepare a draft advertisement in relation to submissions to the Committee involving Wolffdene Dam and submit to next meeting.

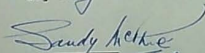
Resolved - That when the advertisement is to be placed a letter be sent to the Citizens Committee against Wolffdene Dam advising them of the action being taken. The Committee to visit the site of the dam on Monday 26 June.

4. It is proposed to visit Adelaide on Tuesday, 25 July for talks with the South Australian Committee. Members to confirm their availability at the next meeting.
5. A discussion took place in relation to the letter about the proposed new Wacol Prisons.

Resolved - To write to Mr. Bartley acknowledging his letter and advising the Committee has commenced preliminary investigations. Also to write to the relevant Minister requesting background information on the proposal.

Next meeting to be held at 8.30 a.m. on Friday, 23 June.

Confirmed this 23rd day of June 1989.


CHAIRMAN MCA