

Questions

	Fees	Disbursements	Total	Service
	\$	\$	\$	
Accountants				
McDonald and Currie, Toronto.....	180.00	.....	180.00	Fine papers prosecution
Milne, Honeywell and Burpee, Ottawa....	350.00	.....	350.00	Cigarette inquiry
Consultant				
D. J. Barrett, London, Ont.....	187.70	.....	187.70	Fertilizer inquiry
Reporters				
Canadian Reporting Company.....	17,142.65	2,068.30	19,210.95	Reporting evidence and argument
Fidelity Reporting Company (C. L. Empringham).....	20,371.05	4,570.30	24,941.35	Reporting evidence and argument
H. O. Taylor.....	16,306.70	.....	16,306.70	Reporting evidence and argument
Official court Reporters—Vancouver.....	9,968.22	.....	9,968.22	Reporting evidence and argument
W. W. Buskard.....	8,529.33	1,204.16	9,733.49	Reporting evidence and argument
Grayden Hagan.....	1,186.45	228.16	1,414.61	Reporting evidence and argument
L. W. Hiscoke.....	638.70	61.40	700.10	Reporting evidence and argument
J. W. Aikens.....	348.00	84.90	432.90	Reporting evidence and argument
N. L. Price.....	87.15	50.65	137.80	Reporting evidence and argument
J. L. Donovan.....	267.15	196.40	463.55	Reporting evidence and argument
F. C. K. Crockett.....	231.40	294.75	526.15	Reporting evidence and argument
F. W. S. Galbraith.....	656.25	281.75	938.00	Reporting evidence and argument
Maurice Guay.....	132.45	.....	132.45	Reporting evidence and argument
George Mitchell.....	356.85	322.30	679.15	Reporting evidence and argument
Miss Evelyn Pratt.....	758.84	.....	758.84	Reporting evidence and argument

The foregoing is exclusive of salaries of permanent and temporary staff.

ESKASONI, N.S., SCHOOL

Question No. 241—Mr. McWilliam:

1. Was a contract awarded for the construction of the Eskasoni, Nova Scotia, school? If so, to what firm?
2. What was the amount of the tender?
3. What was the total amount paid to the contractor for this project?
4. Were previous tenders called and cancelled? If so, what were the names of those who tendered and respective amounts of tenders?

Answer by: Hon. Ellen L. Fairclough (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration):

1. Yes—M. R. Chappell, Sydney, N.S., on March 11, 1958.
2. \$56,225.00.
3. \$59,916.00.
4. Yes, in December, 1957.
 - (a) Stephens Construction Ltd., 199 Townsend Street, Sydney, N.S., \$57,500.00.
 - (b) M. C. Campbell & D. G. Grant, P.O. Box 251, Antigonish, N.S., \$59,330.00.
 - (c) M. R. Chappell, Sydney, N.S., \$60,719.00.
 - (d) Maritime Builders Ltd., Sydney, N.S., \$67,785.00.

FEDERAL GRANTS IN LIEU OF TAXATION, HALIFAX

Question No. 255—Mr. Morris:

1. Does the federal government pay grants to the city of Halifax in lieu of taxation on federal government properties?
2. If so, what is the formula used in the payment of such grants and is the formula related to the so-called business tax rate or residential tax rate applied by the city of Halifax to taxpayers?

3. What was the total grant paid by the federal government to the city of Halifax in lieu of taxation on federal government properties in (a) 1956; (b) 1957; (c) 1958?
4. What are the individual assessed valuations of federal government properties in the city of Halifax?

Answer by: Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance):

1. Yes.
2. Starting in 1957, the grant formula uses the rate of tax which would be applicable to federal property if that property were taxable; that is, federal property is divided into two groups. To one the business tax rate is applied and to the other the residential tax rate is applied. Before 1957, under the former Municipal Grants Act formula, a weighted average of the residential and business rates was used in the grant calculation. Also the grant was not paid on all federal property but only on federal property in excess of 2 per cent of combined taxable and federal property.
3. (a) 1956, \$806,187; (b) 1957, \$1,408,422; (c) 1958, \$1,400,000 (interim payment).

4. The total accepted value of federal property on which the 1957 grant was based

Subject to residential rate ..	\$12,618,500
Subject to commercial rate ..	21,620,675
Total	\$34,239,175