

**Report on Subsistence,
Travel & Accommodations
of
Members
of the
Yukon Legislative Assembly
2016 - 2017**

April 2017

SUBSISTENCE, TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

REPORT FOR 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR

On February 2, 1999 the Members' Services Board of the Yukon Legislative Assembly adopted an order directing the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly to prepare an annual report outlining the expenditures made on MLA travel paid for from the Legislative Assembly budget.

Accordingly, the tables attached provide information on expenditures made from the Legislative Assembly budget on subsistence, travel and accommodations by Members of the Legislative Assembly during the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Explanations, including section references from the *Legislative Assembly Act*, for each category of travel and expense appears on these tables, as follows:

(1) **Rent**

Members who represent electoral districts outside Whitehorse and who reside outside Whitehorse, Members who represent electoral districts outside of Whitehorse and who reside in Whitehorse, and Ministers who represent electoral districts outside Whitehorse, may claim reimbursement for renting accommodation in Whitehorse. Costs include monthly rent and other living expenses such as utilities. The maximum that could be claimed during the 2016-2017 fiscal year was \$1,665.00 per month. [Section 46]

(2) **MLA Travel**

Each Member who represents an electoral district outside Whitehorse and who resides outside Whitehorse and who is not in Cabinet qualifies for payment of expenses when absent from the Member's normal place of residence to attend:

- (a) a meeting of a caucus of a party, or
- (b) a meeting or event, in the capacity of a Member, when the Legislative Assembly is not sitting.

Claims under this provision are restricted to a maximum of 48 return trips and \$14,600 in accommodation and living expenses per fiscal year. The maximum for accommodation and living expenses is reduced to \$7,300 per year if a Member is being reimbursed for expenditures incurred in renting or leasing accommodation. [Subsections 45(2) - (7)] A Member has the option of claiming for more than 48 trips. When that option is chosen, the cost of the excess trips is deducted from the maximum funding provided for accommodation and living expenses. [Section 48]

(3) **Ministers' MLA Travel**

Each Member who represents an electoral district outside Whitehorse and who is a Cabinet Minister qualifies for payment of expenses when visiting that electoral district in the capacity of a Member. Claims under this provision are restricted to a maximum of 24 return trips and \$7,300 in accommodation and living expenses per fiscal year. [Section 47] A Minister has the option of claiming for more than 24 trips. When that option is chosen, the cost of the excess trips is deducted from the maximum funding provided for accommodation and living expenses. [Section 48]

Note: The travel expenses of Ministers, when travelling in the capacity of a Minister, are not reimbursed from the Legislative Assembly appropriation and such amounts are not included in this report.

(4) **Sessional Travel**

Every Member qualifies for payment of expenses when absent from the Member's normal place of residence to attend a sitting of the Legislative Assembly. Members who reside in Whitehorse are not deemed to be absent from their normal place of residence when attending a function taking place within the City of Whitehorse. [Subsections 45(1), (6) and (7)]

(5) **Recognized Leader Travel**

Each recognized leader (i.e., Premier, Leader of the Official Opposition, Leader of a Third Party) qualifies for payment of expenses when travelling within Yukon in the performance of parliamentary duties. Claims under this provision are restricted to a maximum of 12 return trips and \$3,600 in accommodation and living expenses per fiscal year. [Section 51]

Note: The travel expenses of the Premier, when travelling in the capacity of a Minister, are not reimbursed from the Legislative Assembly appropriation and such amounts are not included in this report.

(6) **Other Travel**

This category includes travel costs incurred in attending events such as: (1) meetings, seminars and conferences of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, (2) orientation sessions for new MLAs, (3) meetings as a representative of a caucus, (4) meetings of committees of the Legislative Assembly and (5) legislative exchanges with the Alaska State Legislature. [Subsection 45(1)]

Floyd W. McCormick, Clerk
Yukon Legislative Assembly

April 28, 2017

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATION ON SUBSISTENCE, TRAVEL
AND ACCOMMODATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

2016-2017		2015-2016		2014 - 2015	
RENT	\$89,153.24	RENT	\$93,398.00	RENT	\$81,478.00
MLA TRAVEL	\$37,997.20	MLA TRAVEL	\$62,038.22	MLA TRAVEL	\$59,107.37
MINISTER MLA TRAVEL	\$55,385.91	MINISTER'S TRAVEL	\$34,206.25	MINISTER'S TRAVEL	\$24,966.78
RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$10,576.09	RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$7,952.90	RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$7,877.24
SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$22,861.54	SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$47,398.60	SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$50,191.04
OTHER TRAVEL	\$32,976.25	OTHER TRAVEL	\$30,152.80	OTHER TRAVEL	\$50,572.73
TOTAL	<u>\$248,950.23</u>	TOTAL	<u>\$275,146.77</u>	TOTAL	<u>\$274,193.16</u>
2013 - 2014		2012 - 2013		2011 - 2012	
RENT	\$82,028.00	RENT	\$68,849.00	RENT	\$74,851.85
MLA TRAVEL	\$61,538.22	MLA TRAVEL	\$57,114.80	MLA TRAVEL	\$92,760.27
MINISTER'S TRAVEL	\$20,310.08	MINISTER'S TRAVEL	\$19,981.60	MINISTER'S TRAVEL	\$41,145.24
RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$6,465.54	RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$5,761.65	RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$5,759.67
SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$49,600.21	SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$45,099.62	SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$16,432.71
OTHER TRAVEL	\$69,250.05	OTHER TRAVEL	\$42,205.22	OTHER TRAVEL	\$27,945.72
TOTAL	<u>\$289,192.10</u>	TOTAL	<u>\$239,011.89</u>	TOTAL	<u>\$258,895.46</u>
2010 - 2011		2009 - 2010		2008-2009	
RENT	\$79,497.00	RENT	\$77,319.00	RENT	\$78,408.00
MLA TRAVEL	\$59,386.43	MLA TRAVEL	\$67,405.71	MLA TRAVEL	\$67,233.04
MINISTER'S TRAVEL	\$45,225.20	MINISTERS' TRAVEL	\$37,536.32	MINISTERS' TRAVEL	\$50,695.19
RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$4,056.56	RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$5,662.57	RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$7,645.04
SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$77,707.27	SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$43,171.31	SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$49,132.77
OTHER TRAVEL	\$50,847.33	OTHER TRAVEL	\$52,492.57	OTHER TRAVEL	\$39,954.43
TOTAL	<u>\$316,719.79</u>	TOTAL	<u>\$283,587.48</u>	TOTAL	<u>\$293,068.47</u>

TOTALS FOR 2016-2017
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATION ON SUBSISTENCE, TRAVEL
AND ACCOMMODATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE YUKON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

RENT	\$89,153.24
MLA TRAVEL	\$37,997.20
MINISTER MLA TRAVEL	\$55,385.91
RECOGNIZED LEADER TRAVEL	\$10,576.09
SESSIONAL TRAVEL	\$22,861.54
OTHER TRAVEL	\$32,976.25
TOTAL	\$248,950.23

OTHER TRAVEL CONSISTS OF:

COMMITTEE TRAVEL	\$1,953.83
CPA TRAVEL	\$3,533.95
CAUCUS REP. / CONFERENCE TRAVEL	\$17,386.80
SPEAKER TRAVEL	\$10,101.67
GRAND TOTAL	\$32,976.25

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET
April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			SPEAKER / OTHER TRAVEL			
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	
May								1	\$1,357.36	\$1,620.96	
June								Speaker Travel - Canadian Presiding Officers			
July											
August											
September											
October											
November											
December											
January											
February											
March											
April											
TOTAL RENT	-										
NILS CLARKE Electoral District: Riverdale North Place of Residence: Whitehorse											
TOTALS		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	1	\$1,357.36	\$1,620.96	

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other \$2,978.32

GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) - \$ 2,978.32

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET
April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MINISTER MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			OTHER TRAVEL		
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other
May		1	\$697.44							
June										
July										
August										
September										
October										
November										
December										
January										
February										
March										
April										
TOTAL RENT	-									
PAULINE FROST Electoral District: Vuntut Gwitchin Place of Residence: Whitehorse										
TOTALS		1	\$697.44	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
		Total of Transp. & Other	<u><u>\$697.44</u></u>		Total of Transp. & Other	<u><u>-</u></u>		Total of Transp. & Other	<u><u>-</u></u>	
GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) -			<u><u>\$ 697.44</u></u>							

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET
April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MINISTER MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			OTHER TRAVEL			
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	
May	\$1,665.00	15.5	\$2,809.53	\$5,783.25				1	\$1,205.12	\$1,373.95	
June	\$1,665.00	7	\$1,268.82	\$796.25				PDAC As Caucus Rep			
July	\$1,665.00	1	\$181.26					1		\$478.34	
August	\$1,665.00	7	\$1,230.06	\$1,106.95				Roundup as Caucus Rep			
September	\$1,665.00										
October	\$1,665.00										
November	\$1,665.00										
December	\$1,665.00										
January	\$1,665.00										
February	\$1,665.00										
March	\$1,665.00										
April	\$1,783.00										
TOTAL RENT	\$20,098.00										
WADE ISTCHENKO Electoral District: Kluane Place of Residence: Haines Junction											
TOTALS		30.5	\$5,489.67	\$7,686.45	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	2	\$1,205.12	\$1,852.29	
		Total of Transp. & Other	<u><u>\$13,176.12</u></u>		Total of Transp. & Other	<u><u>-</u></u>		Total of Transp. & Other	<u><u>\$3,057.41</u></u>		

GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) - \$ 36,331.53

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET
April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MINISTER MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			OTHER TRAVEL		
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other
May								1		\$263.54
June								Roundup as Caucus Rep		
July								1	\$1,248.12	\$1,211.93
August								PDAC 2017 as Caucus Rep		
September										
October										
November										
December										
January										
February										
March										
April										
TOTAL RENT	-									
SCOTT KENT										
Electoral District: Copperbelt South										
Place of Residence: Marsh Lake										
TOTALS		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	2	\$1,248.12	\$1,475.47

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other \$2,723.59

GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) - \$ 2,723.59

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET
April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			OTHER TRAVEL			
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	
May								1	\$181.26		
June								Caucus Rep for Community BBQ in Haines Junction			
July								1	\$653.42	\$279.90	
August								Attend Vuntut Gwitchin Meeting as Caucus Rep			
September											
October											
November											
December											
January											
February											
March											
April											
TOTAL RENT	-										
JAN STICK Electoral District: Riverdale South Place of Residence: Whitehorse											
TOTALS		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	2	\$834.68	\$279.90	

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other \$1,114.58

GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) - \$ 1,114.58

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET
April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MINISTER MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			OTHER TRAVEL			
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	
May								1	\$2,145.82	\$1,388.13	
June								CPA Regional Conf. in St. John's, NL July /16			
July											
August											
September											
October											
November											
December											
January											
February											
March											
April											
TOTAL RENT	-										
ELAINE TAYLOR Electoral District: Whitehorse West Place of Residence: Whitehorse											
		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	1	\$2,145.82	\$1,388.13	

TOTALS	Total of Transp. & Other	<u>-</u>	Total of Transp. & Other	<u>-</u>	Total of Transp. & Other	<u>\$3,533.95</u>
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GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) - \$ 3,533.95

MLA TRAVEL PAID FROM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET

April 1, 2016 - March 31, 2017

RENT		MLA TRAVEL			SESSIONAL TRAVEL			OTHER TRAVEL			
		# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	# of Trips	Transportation	Other	
May								1	\$442.76	\$745.60	
June								Community Tour as Caucus Rep (Old Crow)			
July											
August											
September											
October											
November											
December											
January											
February											
March											
April											
TOTAL RENT	-										
KATE WHITE Electoral District: Takhini-Kopper King Place of Residence: Whitehorse											
TOTALS		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	1	\$442.76	\$745.60	

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other -

Total of Transp. & Other \$1,188.36

GRAND TOTAL (Rent and all Travel from above) - \$ 1,188.36