

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #04
FEBRUARY 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Mayor Solomon Awa
Deputy Mayor Kyle Sheppard
Councillor Swany Amarapala – via teleconference
Councillor Ookalik Curley
Councillor Kimberly Smith – via teleconference
Councillor Romeyn Stevenson

ABSENT

Councillor Simon Nattaq
Councillor Paul Quassa
Councillor Samuel Tilley

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

Rod Mugford, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Tammy Ernst-Doiron, City Clerk
Katrina Sarmiento, Executive Assistant
Livete Ataguyuk, Community Communications Liaison
Kent Driscoll, Communications and Customer Service Manager
Sumon Ghosh, Director of Engineering and Capital Planning
Simon Doiron, Director of Public Works

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Awa opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Add:

9. NEW BUSINESS
 - e) Water Treatment Plant Return to Service – Verbal Update

Change:

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - b) Planning and Development Committee of the Whole #02 February 21, 2023 Report – Presented by Councillor Smith, not Councillor Tilley

Motion #23-47

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Adoption of agenda as amended.

Unanimously Carried

1. MINUTES

a) City Council Meeting #03 Minutes dated February 14, 2023

Motion #23-48

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

City Council Meeting #03 Minutes dated February 14, 2023.

Unanimously Carried

b) Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting #02 Minutes dated February 21, 2023

Motion #23-49

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting #02 Minutes dated February 21, 2023.

Unanimously Carried

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None

3. DELEGATIONS

a) Iqaluit RCMP Detachment Monthly Report – December 2022

Staff Sergeant Shelby Miller, Detachment Commander, Iqaluit RCMP, presented the December 2022 Monthly Report.

Staff Sergeant Miller pointed out that the total calls for service was 600 less than the previous year. He noted that during the month of December, members participated in several community engagement activities while on duty and volunteering.

Councillor Smith was pleased that the young female In School Mentorship Program will now be extended to include young males.

b) Nunavut Black History Society (NBHS) – Support Letter

Stephanie Bernard, President, and Steven White, Managing Director, from Nunavut Black History Society, were in attendance to request a letter of support for an Emancipation Festival. Ms. Bernard explained that a funding application for the festival would be submitted to the Canadian Heritage Program – Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage.

Ms. Bernard noted that both African descent and Inuit artists would perform African drumming and music at the festival.

Deputy Mayor Sheppard commented that the festival is an inclusive event. He commented that if there were any in-kind contributions by the City, they should be presented to Council at a later date.

Councillor Stevenson asked the location of the festival. Ms. Bernard noted that hosting the two-night festival in one location would be ideal, but this may not be possible at the Cadet Hall.

Rod Mugford, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, explained that the application asked for the amount of money that the City would allocate to the festival and staff are unable to complete this portion of the application.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

The following Mayor's Statement relating to the current water challenges was read in Inuktitut by Mayor Awa and in English by Deputy Mayor Sheppard.

"In recent weeks, the City of Iqaluit has been handling challenges with our piped water system. First, I wanted to say thank you to all the residents of Iqaluit. We know this is inconvenient, and your patience is noticed and appreciated.

Our Public Works crews have been putting in 14-hour days, day after day, to make sure you have running water in your home. Thank you for your very hard work, and the way you get up the next day and do it all over again. Some residents have shown their appreciation by stopping by with coffee or pizza. The City appreciates our workers, just like the residents do.

If you find yourself without water in your home, it is important to reach out as soon as you know. You can reach our dispatch line at 979-5650 or call your landlord. Social media isn't enough, please reach out and make that call.

The City has been in discussions with Government of Nunavut officials since the beginning of the service disruptions. They continue to assist us in returning water service as well as assisting the City with advancing repairs to restore services and protecting our water source.

The weather is supposed to get much warmer this weekend, up to -2C on Sunday. A rapid shift in temperature can cause many problems with our piped water, like it can with any mechanical equipment. We encourage residents to conserve water, and to put some water aside to be safe. We know the weather change is coming, we can do things to get ready for it.

The City of Iqaluit has shown that our City and its people are up to any challenge. This is another challenge that we will all get through working together.”

6. DEFERRED BUSINESS AND TABLED ITEMS

None

7. BY-LAWS

a) First Reading of By-law(s)

None

b) Second Reading of By-law(s)

None

c) Third Reading of By-law(s)

- i.) By-law No. 954 Amendment to By-law No. 935, Non-Profit and Charitable Organizations Property Tax Relief By-law Schedule “A”

Motion #23-50

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Council approves Third and Final Reading of By-law No. 954 to amend By-law No. 935, Non-Profit and Charitable Organizations Property Tax Relief By-law Schedule “A”.

Unanimously Carried

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a) Request for Decision – Wastewater Treatment Operator Support

Simon Doiron, Director of Public Works, presented a Request for Decision for the wastewater treatment plant operators to receive training through day-to-day operational support. He explained that once the training has been completed, there are some remaining funds in the budget that can be used to obtain information via telephone.

Deputy Mayor Sheppard noted that there is a huge difference between the three quotes received and asked if the recommended bidder can provide the training that was outlined.

Mr. Doiron explained that he has confirmed that the trainer has the required certification as outlined in the tender document. He also noted that the trainer has additional biological experience, which exceeds the requirements in the tender.

Motion #23-51

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council awards Aquatech the contract to provide operational support to the wastewater treatment plant operators in the amount of \$83,729 plus GST.

Unanimously Carried

b) Request for Decision – Long-Term Water Project – Water Distribution Upgrades

Sumon Ghosh, Director of Engineering and Capital Planning, presented a Request for Decision to extend the water main on Federal Road. Mr. Ghosh explained that the water main extension was not included in the Capital Spending Plan. A request was made and approval was received that the water main extension would be funded under the Infrastructure Canada Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund.

Mr. Ghosh advised that extending the water main would allow the Operations Centre to be connected to piped service resulting in a cost saving, as water storage tanks would not be needed for the fire suppression system.

Deputy Mayor Sheppard expressed concern with taking monies from the long-term water supply funding that are not directly related to the provision for long-term water. He noted that the cost is not yet known to expand the water supply and to replace any

required infrastructure. Deputy Mayor Sheppard asked that staff be cognizant of the need to expand the water supply, which is the intended purpose of the Infrastructure Canada Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Funding.

Councillor Smith noted that at the last meeting, approval was given to purchase a water fire pump to ensure there was sufficient water pressure for the sprinkler system. She asked if the fire pump would still be required with the water main extension.

Mr. Ghosh reiterated from the last meeting that the water fire pump would provide security if the water pressure was not sufficient.

Motion #23-52

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approves to proceed with procurement activities for the Federal Road water main extension work under the long-term water project funded through the Infrastructure Canada Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund.

Unanimously Carried

c) Request for Decision - Fire Training Ground Relocation Work

Sumon Ghosh, Director of Engineering and Capital Planning, presented a Request for Decision for fire training ground relocation work. Mr. Ghosh explained that the Request for Decision was presented at the January 10, 2023 Council meeting and staff were directed to use internal resources to move the structure. At the last meeting, an update was provided explaining that the City does not have the required lifting equipment and welders.

Mr. Ghosh has requested that Council reconsider awarding the tender. He noted the following:

- The contractor for the waste transfer station will be mobilizing in March and the fire training ground structure will have to be moved by that time.
- The tender includes the construction of the piling and foundation.

Mr. Ghosh advised that the Capital Spending Plan includes monies to award the tender to relocate the training ground facility.

Motion #23-53

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council awards 5581 Nunavut Ltd. the contract for the fire training ground relocation work in the amount of \$252,000 plus GST.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Stevenson asked if this was an unbudgeted item.

Deputy Mayor Sheppard explained that the 2023 Capital Spending Plan included funds in the amount of \$350,000 and awarding the tender would fall within the approved Capital Spending Plan.

**d) Request for Decision – Vehicle and Equipment Procurements –
Recommendation of Award – Zamboni**

Sumon Ghosh, Director of Engineering and Capital Planning, presented a Request for Decision for procurement of a Zamboni. Mr. Ghosh explained that a bid was not received as the tender required a Zamboni brand and no equivalent.

Mr. Ghosh advised that a Zamboni distributor was contacted in Quebec and a bid was received with the following conditions:

- Payment of 75 percent of the contract value upon completion of the manufactured equipment.
- Instead of providing a surety bond for 50 percent of the contract, they will provide a bank draft of 10 percent of the contract value.
 - The bank draft has been received with the bid.

Mr. Ghosh advised that the bid amount falls within the Capital Spending Plan allocation.

Motion #23-54

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council awards Robert Boileau Inc. the contract to supply the Zamboni in the amount of \$151,259 plus GST.

Unanimously Carried

e) Water Treatment Plant Return to Service – Verbal Update

Sumon Ghosh, Director of Engineering and Capital Planning, provided the following update on the water treatment plant return to service. The following are the highlights:

- Filter media was replaced in December 2022
- Return to Service Plan was provided to the Government of Nunavut for review and approval
 - Approval was received two days ago
- Government of Nunavut requested three clarifications, which were provided

- Plan to start bringing the water treatment plant back to normal operations on March 3
 - Water sampling will be carried out and when the results are received indicating no problems, the water treatment plant will be back to normal operations

Motion #23-55

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council acknowledges that all work on the water treatment plant has been satisfactorily completed and work is underway to return the water treatment plant to normal service.

Unanimously Carried

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Taxi Advisory Committee Meeting #01 February 16, 2023 Report

Motion #23-56

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council provides Taxi By-law No. 590 passenger information, being Schedule "I" and Schedule "K", to the livery holders for each fare change.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #23-57

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approves additional requirements be added to the existing requirements of Taxi By-law No. 590 regarding Livery License Applications.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #23-58

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council directs staff to draft a new Vehicle for Hire By-law.

Unanimously Carried

**b) Planning and Development Committee of the Whole #02 February 21,
2023 Report**

Deputy Mayor Sheppard declared a conflict of interest pertaining to the recommendation regarding Survey Sketch SK 22-008 and Development Permit Application DP 23-003.

Motion #23-59

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approves extensions to construction deadlines for Leases for Lots 13, 15, 16, 21, 22, 24, 25, and 27 to 30, Block 242, Plan 4176 in Joamie Court subdivision to December 31, 2024.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #23-60

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Council gives First Reading to the Quarry Administration Agreement By-law in Attachment 2 to enter into a Quarry Administration Agreement with the Government of Nunavut for the Northwest Deposit areas as shown in Attachment 1.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #23-61

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Council approves:

1. Development Permit Application DP 23-004 for Lot 21, Block 242, Plan 4716 to permit the development of a duplex, subject to the City's standard conditions, the special conditions in Attachment 1, and in accordance with the plans in Attachment 3.
2. Variance to Section 8.5 of Zoning By-law No. 899 to reduce the minimum lot frontage for a duplex from 18 metres to 14.5 metres.

**For – Amarapala, Curley, Sheppard, Smith
Opposed – Stevenson
Carried**

Motion #23-62

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Council approves Development Permit DP 22-046 for Lot 1, Block 247, Plan 4860 to permit the development of a recovery centre, subject to the City's standard conditions, the attached special conditions, and in accordance with the plans in Attachment 3.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #23-63

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Council approves Development Permit Application DP 22-045 for Lot 26, Block 240, Plan 4637 to permit the development of an aircraft hangar facility, subject to the City's standard conditions, the special conditions in Attachment 1, and in accordance with the plans in Attachment 3.

Unanimously Carried

Deputy Mayor Sheppard declared a conflict of interest.

Motion #23-64

Moved by: Councillor Smith
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council approves:

1. Survey Sketch SK 22-008 to adjust the lot line between Lots 1 and 2, Block 62, Plan 2722 to accommodate a fuel tank, as shown in Attachment 3.
2. Development Permit Application DP 23-003 to permit a fuel tank on revised Lot 1, Block 62, Plan 2722, as shown as "Parcel A" on Survey Sketch SK 22-008, subject to the City's standard conditions and the special conditions of approval.
3. Variance to Section 4.1 (a) of Zoning By-law No. 899 to allow an accessory structure (fuel tank) in the exterior side yard in the B1 Zone.

Unanimously Carried

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. **Nunavut Research Institute – Application: "Treaty Future", Hayden King from Yellowhead Institute Toronto Metropolitan University**

Motion #23-65

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Nunavut Research Institute – Application: “Treaty Future”, Hayden King from Yellowhead Institute Toronto Metropolitan University.

Unanimously Carried

b. Nunavut Parks and Special Places – Department of Environment

Motion #23-66

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Department of Environment – Support: Nunavut Parks and Special Places Division (Government of Nunavut) and the Iqaluit Community Joint Planning and Management Committee (CJPMC)/Iqaluit Kuunga (Sylvia Grinnell) and Qaummaarviit Territorial Parks – Master Plan 2023.

Unanimously Carried

c. Nunavut Black History Society

Motion #23-67

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council provides a letter of support to the Nunavut Black History Society for their funding application to Canadian Heritage Program – Building Communities Through Arts and Heritage to deliver an Emancipation Festival.

Unanimously Carried

Deputy Mayor Sheppard asked if consideration of in-kind contributions could be included in the letter of support. He suggested that the curling rink could be used for the festival depending when the ice is put in. Deputy Mayor Sheppard asked staff to determine if there are areas of in-kind support that could be included in the letter of support.

d. The Ottawa Hospital Research Institute Department of Medicine, TB Testing

Motion #23-68

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard
Seconded by: Councillor Stevenson

Council provides a letter of support to The Ottawa Hospital Research Institute for their research funding application to Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) for a novel approach for tuberculosis (TB) testing.

Unanimously Carried

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

() as per Section 22 (2) (a) CTV Act and By-law 526 Section 67

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion #23-69

Moved by: Councillor Stevenson
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Sheppard

Council adjourns at 6:57 p.m.

Unanimously Carried



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Solomon Awa
Mayor

Handwritten signature of Tammy Ernst-Doiron in blue ink.

Tammy Ernst-Doiron
City Clerk

Approved by City Council on the 14th day of March 2023.