

The Corporation of the City of Iqaluit, Nunavut

Bylaw #670

WHEREAS the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*, S.Nu 2003, c.2., Section 101 provides for the passage of bylaws regarding the establishment and operation of an ambulance service and regarding the entering of agreements with the Government of Nunavut respecting ambulance services

WHEREAS the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act*, S.Nu 2003, c.2., Sections 109, 110, 182 and 183 and any amendments thereto provides for the regulation of businesses through classification and licensing and regarding the punishment for bylaw offences;

BEING A BYLAW of the City of Iqaluit, Nunavut to control and regulate ambulance services in the City of Iqaluit;

NOW THEREFORE PURSUANT to the provisions of the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* and amendments thereto, the Council of the City of Iqaluit, Nunavut in regular session duly assembled enacts as follows:

SECTION 1 - SHORT TITLE

This bylaw may be cited as the AMBULANCE SERVICES BYLAW;

SECTION 2 - SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this bylaw is declared invalid because of any word, phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this bylaw or any documents which form part of this bylaw or application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared invalid, the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby but shall remain in force.

SECTION 3 – DEFINITIONS

In this bylaw the following terms (unless the context specifically requires otherwise) shall have the following meanings:

- 3.1 “Emergency Response” means each time that an ambulance is requested to provide basic life support and/or transport for an actual or potential emergency victim/patient, or attend an incident described as such.
- 3.2 “Medevac Response” means each time an ambulance is requested to provide medical transport of a patient between Qikiqtani General Hospital, the airport and/or the patient’s home or similar facility.

3.3 "Response Charge Rate" means the cost for one (1) response involving one (1) patient/victim for a maximum time duration of one (1) hour calculated from the time the ambulance departs the Fire Hall as requested.

Note: Overtime charges apply to Medevacs only; emergency calls have no chargeable overtime

3.4 "False Alarms" shall mean the cost of one (1) response involving one (1) patient/victim that is cancelled after the initial ambulance response; if the patient/victim refuses transport or there is in fact, no patient/victim or the patient/victim refuses to provide health care information.

3.5 "Emergency Medical Response Assistance" (EMR) shall mean when the Qikiqtani General Hospital call for Emergency Medical Response assistance in a community and/or outpost camp.

3.6 "Ambulance" shall mean a vehicle properly equipped and used for the transport of the sick and injured.

3.7 "Ambulance Service" shall mean the provision and operation of an ambulance and related personnel on a continuing and/or regular basis.

3.8 "Ambulance Fee" shall mean the cost of the ambulance per call as provided in Schedule "A".

3.9 "Council" shall mean the council of the Corporation of the City of Iqaluit.

3.10 "Good Samaritan" shall mean one ready and generous in helping those in distress.

SECTION 4 – GENERAL PROVISIONS

4.1 The City of Iqaluit provides ambulance services on a user pay basis as provided in Schedule "A".

4.2 No other person, agency or company shall be permitted to operate on a part-time or full-time basis, an ambulance or ambulance service within the City of Iqaluit without the consent and permission of the Council.

4.3 The Council shall be under no obligation to grant permission to operate an ambulance or ambulance service to any individual, agency or corporation if it deems that it would not be in the best interests of the City of Iqaluit.

4.4 This bylaw shall not be read as to prohibit taxis from transporting persons to and from Qikiqtani General Hospital if said persons have voluntarily requested that mode of transportation, and/or, do not require pre-hospital medical assessment and/or care, or assistance in entering or exiting the vehicle.

4.5 This bylaw shall not be read as to prohibit the use of a private or other vehicle for the transportation of a victim to the Hospital during a specific emergency where the driver is acting as a "Good Samaritan".

SECTION 5 – OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

5.1 Except as herein provided, any person, agency or corporation who contravenes or disobeys, or refuses or neglects to obey any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars for an individual, or five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars for an agency or corporation, or in default of payment, imprisonment for a period not exceeding six (6) months, as per the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* and any amendments thereto

5.2 Nothing in this section shall:

- a) prevent any person concerned from exercising his/her right to defend any charge of committing a breach of this Bylaw,
- b) prevent any person entitled to do so from relaying any information or complaint against any person, agency or corporation for committing a breach of this Bylaw

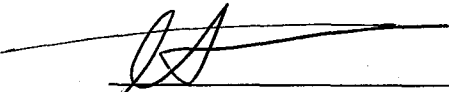
SECTION 6 – REPEAL

Bylaw #262, Bylaw #311 and Bylaw #594 are hereby repealed.

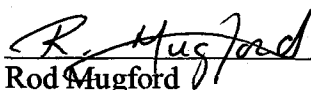
SECTION 7 – EFFECTIVE DATE

This bylaw shall come into force and effect upon Third and Final Reading.

THIS BYLAW READ A FIRST TIME this 25 day of March, 2008, A.D.

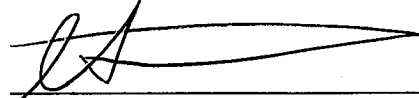


Elisapee Sheutiapik
Mayor

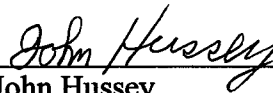


Rod Mugford
A/Chief Administrative Officer

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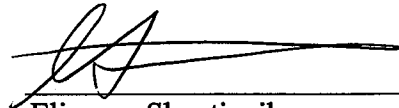


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Mayor



John Hussey
Chief Administrative Officer

THIS BYLAW READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME this 22 day of April, 2008, A.D.



Elisapee Sheutiapik
Mayor



John Hussey
Chief Administrative Officer



SCHEDULE "A"

AMBULANCE SERVICES

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Per Emergency Response	\$725.00	\$750.00	\$775.00	\$800.00
Per Medevac	\$725.00	\$750.00	\$775.00	\$800.00

1. Extended Call - \$100.00 per hour and \$50.00 per half hour