

**CITY OF IQALUIT
CITY COUNCIL MEETING #13
MAY 28, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

PRESENT FROM COUNCIL

Councillor Kyle Sheppard, Chair
Mayor Madeleine Redfern, via teleconference
Deputy Mayor Romeyn Stevenson, via teleconference
Councillor Kuthula Matshazi
Councillor Jason Rochon
Councillor Noah Papatsie

ABSENT:

Councillor Joanasie Akumalik
Councillor Simon Nattaq

PRESENT FROM ADMINISTRATION

Amy Elgersma, Chief Administrative Officer
Rod Mugford, City Clerk
Andrea Spitzer, Communications Manager
Amanda Wells, Lands Administrator
Jennifer Jarvis, City Planner
Jeanie Eeseemailee, Senior Interpreter/Translator
Brendan Canny, Municipal Enforcement Officer
Tammy Ernst-Doiron, Executive Assistant

PRAYER

Councillor Papatsie opened the meeting with a prayer at 6:07 p.m.

SWEARING IN

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #19-145

Moved by: Councillor Rochon
Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Adoption of Agenda as amended: Add one In Camera item (Lands) and 9() July 9 Council meeting.

Unanimously Carried

1. **MINUTES**

- a) City Council Meeting Minutes #11 – April 23, 2019

Motion #19-146

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

City Council Meeting Minutes #11 dated April 23, 2019.

Unanimously Carried

Councillor Rochon noted that on page 7 of 16 of the April 23, 2019 City Council meeting minutes, under Statements, to make sure that last names are spelled correctly.

- b) Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Minutes #04 – May 6, 2019

Motion #19-147

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Planning and Development Committee of the Whole Meeting #04 Minutes dated May 6, 2019.

Unanimously Carried

2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

None

3. **DELEGATIONS**

- a) Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Staff Sergeant Garfield Elliott

Staff Sergeant Elliott was in attendance to present the Police Report from March 1st, 2019 to April 30th, 2019.

Staff Sergeant Elliott indicated that the calls for service continue to remain steady. He noted that with the weather warming up, the RCMP are starting to see a gradual incline, which is normal, as more people are getting out and about.

He stated that Sundays and Mondays remain generally quieter, which also coincides with the beer and wine store being closed for those days.

Staff Sergeant Elliott stated that over this period, violence has remained a major factor in the calls for service. He indicated that there were three stabbings in three days and that these types of calls do take a toll on the members. He stated that what a lot of members see in their three years here surpasses what a lot of members would experience in a thirty year career. He noted that management are cognizant of this and they continue to do their checks with the members and ensure that they are getting enough rest in between their shifts.

Staff Sergeant Elliott acknowledged how proud he was of the members and the detachment assistants, as well as the support relief members that continue to provide a high level of service.

Staff Sergeant Elliott indicated that the RCMP will be hosting a barbeque to celebrate Indigenous Peoples Day on June 21st. He stated that this year, they are again partnering with the City of Iqaluit Recreation Department and the military DND contingent. He noted that the barbeque will be held out in front of the Elders Qammaq. He stated that it is a refreshing day to give back to our citizens.

Staff Sergeant Elliott also provided the following updates:

- ATV and snowmobile training has been completed this week, with a few more members being able to operate the equipment. This summer, the ATVs will be used as part of the planning.
- Two constables and two corporals should be in place by the middle of July.
- Between the end of July and into early August, there will be two cadets arriving to start some of the backfill of those members who continue to be off duty with illness.
- In July, as in June, there will be three relief members to help maintain a good level of service.

Staff Sergeant Elliott gave the following updates on the Crime Statistics:

- Being one third through this year, the statistics are comparable to the other years.
- There has been a peak in collisions, but that should settle somewhat now that roads are drier and less slippery.
- The RCMP continues to receive calls of impaired operation of motor vehicles. In May, the members participated in the National Impaired Driving Day. Three check stops were conducted in conjunction with By-law and over 100 vehicles were checked that day and not one impaired driver was identified. But members are not naïve and know that there are still vehicles that do operate while under the influence.
- The rest of the numbers remain fairly consistent with the other years.

- Up until the end of April, there was one reported arson, however, there was a structure fire at the Nanook School over last weekend. Staff Sergeant Elliott had a chance to see the Fire Marshal's report and noted that the fire was determined to be deliberately set and is arson. He stated that he will be issuing a press release tomorrow. He indicated the damage was quite extensive and is estimated to be at \$25,000.
- The RCMP are waiting for the response from the City with their prioritized list of what they would like to see the RCMP working on within the city, with respect to the plan moving forward for the next continued year.

Councillor Sheppard thanked Staff Sergeant Elliott for his report and opened the floor to Council for questions.

Councillor Papatsie also thanked Staff Sergeant Elliott for his report and for ensuring the safety of the citizens every day. He stated that it is always good to hear that crime is not as prevalent as usual. He noted that with more people out and about, he wanted to make sure that the police ensure the safety of the citizens who will be going out on the land. He indicated that the fire at the Nanook School was very unfortunate, but with everyone working together, something positive will come about.

Councillor Rochon commented that with the nice weather, children are out a lot later and he worries that arsons potentially could go up. He noted that there are more bicycles on the streets and that he noticed almost no children seem to be wearing bicycle helmets. He asked Staff Sergeant Elliott if the RCMP have any plans to talk about child safety before school is out when it comes to bicycle safety and wearing a helmet, or perhaps do a press release or do school visits. He stated that he is afraid that kids will end up getting a concussion or brain trauma.

Staff Sergeant Elliott stated that he did not have that as an identified issue, but with it being brought to his awareness, he indicated that he does support it. He noted that they can certainly ensure that they capture all of the schools before school is out. He stated that the school liaisons do well within the schools and that would be a key to get into the school, and also touch base on a few other topics. He indicated that he will see that happens before school is out.

Mayor Redfern indicated that with the better weather, she is getting a lot of residents commenting on the amount of public drunkenness that is being seen from people who are leaving the beer and wine store and drinking their alcohol on the road or in public spaces. She noted that one area in particular is in the Lower Base and along the beach. She stated that it would be good to reinstate the regular patrols in these common areas.

Staff Sergeant Elliott indicated that it is an absolute plan that is going to be moving forward.

Councillor Sheppard thanked Staff Sergeant Elliott for appearing before Council, and for also appearing on a regular basis, and once again thanked him for his report.

4. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

None

5. STATEMENTS

Councillor Rochon indicated that a Go Fund Me page has been started to help raise funds for the Nanook School.

Councillor Papatsie stated that summer is here and the ice is thawing. He noted that people should be careful when heading out and that safety has to be taken seriously.

Mayor Redfern indicated that Councillor Sheppard would read the Mayor's Statement.

On behalf of Mayor Redfern, Councillor Sheppard stated that the City will once again work alongside community partners to help with the Community Clean-Up Event, which is scheduled for Friday, June 14th at the Visitors' Center starting at 8:30 a.m. A barbeque will be held after the clean-up and tickets will be given to volunteers to win some great prizes. Everyone is encouraged to come out and participate.

The City will also be working with community partners to do a one week blitz for the large item pick-up that will take place from Monday, June 17th to Friday, June 21st. Details can be found on the City's website, at the new domain Iqaluit.ca. On behalf of Mayor Redfern, Councillor Sheppard thanked everyone in advance for their participation. By working together, we can help keep our city clean and beautiful all year long.

On behalf of the City of Iqaluit, Councillor Sheppard extended condolences to the community of Rankin Inlet and to the family of Mayor Robert Janes, who passed away last week. Councillor Sheppard indicated that Mayor Robert Janes was a colleague of his on Hamlet Council and Rankin, and a neighbour for many years. He stated that it will be a big loss for that community. He noted that thoughts are with them at this time.

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 and Final Reading of By-Laws (s)

i) Al Woodhouse Road Closing By-law No. 876

Motion #19-148

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Third and Final Reading of Al Woodhouse Road Closing By-law No. 876.

Unanimously Carried

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) Request Change to City Council Meeting from July 9, 2019 to July 8, 2019

Councillor Sheppard indicated that Nunavut Day falls on July 9th, 2019, and the City has a Council Meeting scheduled for that day.

Councillor Rochon stated that he would like to see the meeting cancelled or moved to the day before.

Deputy Mayor Stevenson indicated that he felt the meeting should not be cancelled as there are usually a lot of things that need to get passed. He stated he would be glad to do it the day before.

Councillor Matshazi noted that he is okay with either the day before or the day after for rescheduling the meeting.

Motion #19-149

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council approves rescheduling of City Council Meeting #16 from July 9, 2019 to July 8, 2019.

Unanimously Carried

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Inuit Heritage Trust Inc. – Application – “South Baffin Explorer - Baffin Island & Greenland.” Robyn Woodard

Motion #19-150

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Papatsie

Inuit Heritage Trust Application “South Baffin Explorer - Baffin Island & Greenland” - Robin Woodard.

Unanimously Carried

12. IN CAMERA SESSION

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

- Lands Item

Motion #19-151

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council goes In Camera at 6:34 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #19-152

Moved by: Councillor Rochon

Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council returns to Regular Session at 6:58 p.m.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #19-153

Moved by: Councillor Rochon
Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council approves the surrender of Lot 891, Plan 2637 by Iridium Canada with all improvements on the lot, as generally outlined in Iridium's letter to the City dated April 12, 2019, subject to the City's conditions, including a satisfactory environmental site assessment.

Unanimously Carried

Motion #19-154

Moved by: Councillor Rochon
Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council approves that at the next Council Meeting First Reading of the Land Acquisition and Disposal By-laws for Lot 891, Plan 2637 and improvements can take place.

Unanimously Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

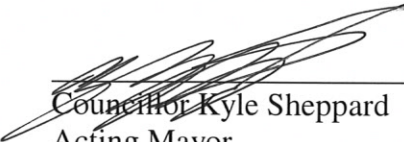
Motion #19-155

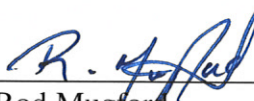
Moved by: Councillor Rochon
Seconded by: Councillor Matshazi

Council adjourns at 6:58 p.m.

Unanimously Carried




Councillor Kyle Sheppard
Acting Mayor


Rod Mugford
City Clerk

Approved by City Council on the 25 day of June, 2019.

